

# EFMLS NEWS

Information for members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies



## JOIN US IN WEST PALM BEACH

from Barbara Ringhiser, Convention Chair



The Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches, located in beautiful, world famous Palm Beach County Florida, is pleased to host the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and Meeting of the Eastern Federation Mineralogy and Lapidary Societies (Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>). This is especially true since this is the occasion of our 40<sup>th</sup> annual show (Saturday & Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>). The Society, located in West Palm Beach Florida, was founded in the mid-1960's.

The EFMLS Convention will be headquartered at the Airport Holiday Inn in West Palm Beach. All EFMLS events will be located there—the Friday afternoon annual meeting, the Friday night Cracker Barrel, the Saturday night Banquet and the Sunday morning Editor's Breakfast.

Our show will be located about 5 miles from the hotel at the South Florida Fairgrounds. Show hours will be 9 am- 6 pm on Saturday and 10 am - 5 pm on Sunday. At the show, there will be 65 dealers, many educational exhibits, competitive exhibit judging, the EFMLS auction, a mini-mine, a mini-fossil dig, several speakers, gem identification, a Chinese auction, hourly door prizes, and a demo area

with glass bead making, faceting, cabbing, and bead stringing in addition to others.

There will be food for sale at the show and there are also many other restaurants located near the show. Watch our website ([www.gemandmineral.cc](http://www.gemandmineral.cc)) for updates on area attractions, camping facilities, other nearby hotels, other dining locations, maps, convention schedule, prices and Holiday Inn reservation information. You'll be able to make reservations at the Holiday Inn starting May 1<sup>st</sup>.

We've also scheduled a Sunday field trip to Ruck's Pit in Okeechobee, Florida. The pit is a source of fossil shell. Watch the website for information.



We're looking forward to seeing you in November!!

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HAVE YOU PURCHASED YOUR  
AFMS ENDOWMENT RAFFLE TICKETS YET?

SEE THE AFMS WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

TICKETS ARE \$5 EACH OR 6 FOR \$20 AND CAN BE PURCHASED FROM  
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## THE MERRY MONTH OF MAY

by Wayne Sukow, EFMLS President

When I look outside today, March 7<sup>th</sup> it's a beautiful day with nothing but blue sky, warmish at 45 F, and no wind; it's a harbinger of May when the mineral and lapidary hobbyists will come out to play. New activities beckon: collecting field trips for that special crystal specimen will begin, EFMLS Wildacres workshops will be in full swing (I hope you registered early since I heard that in February they already had 70 signed up.), Plans for club shows are in full swing including the EFMLS -West Palm Beach show (November 17-19) coupled with hosting the EFMLS annual meeting, and I know some are even looking ahead to Tucson '07.



Now it's March 30<sup>th</sup>, my how the days fly by. The good news is that in the past three weeks the last EFMLS Committee Chairs have been filled. A special thank you to Jerry Lorengo (Eastern Endowment Fund), Inga Wells (Conservation & Legislation), and Janie Hand (EFMLS Ways & Means), which were the last three. Also, a special thank you to all of my colleagues that have helped achieve this. Now the EFMLS president is sleeping better nights. Watch the EFMLS newsletter as Eastern committee chairs write about opportunities their program offers, give deadlines for applications, and help they need to make the committees meet their responsibilities.

If you haven't received you EFMLS 2006 Directory please let our editor, Carolyn Weinberger know. She does a great job as editor and is a great source of information. Help her by writing articles for publication in the newsletter. The first of the month is the deadline for articles in the next month's newsletter. The articles also will help committee chairs, regional VPs, and EFMLS officers prepare their annual report.

We need a quorum at the EFMLS Annual Meeting in West Palm Beach (November 17-19.) It would be a shame if we did not have one and consequently could not conduct Federation business. Eastern has a good record, let's keep it intact by planning now to attend and then stay to enjoy the West Palm Beach show too. To paraphrase a popular saying, will you be as merry in November as you were in May?

## AFMS CONVENTION NEWS

from Lewis Elrod, Convention Chair

Complete information, including schedule, registration and exhibitor forms will be printed in the May AFMS Newsletter. The show, scheduled for August 18 - 20 in Nashville, TN is being billed as "Rockin in Music City".

AFMS meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, August 15 (URC) and 16 (AFMS annual meeting). Field trips and other activities are also being

planned. Watch your mailbox for the AFMS Newsletter for all the details.



## EFMLS 2006 AFMS SCHOLARSHIP HONOREE

by Wayne Sukow, EFMLS President

Hear ye, hear ye...the Eastern Federation has the pleasure of announcing its selection for the **2006 AFMS SCHOLARSHIP** award. If this brief article whets your appetite for more information about the honoree you'll be happy to know he has a web site. Oops, now you know his gender; his web site address is <<http://www.geo.umass.edu/faculty/yuretich>>. Now you know a lot about him: "geo" means he's a geologist, "umass.edu/faculty" means he is a professor at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, and Yuretich is short for Richard Yuretich. The 2006 Eastern honoree is Dr. Richard Yuretich.

Dr. Yuretich has an undergraduate major in German and a PH.D. in Geology from Princeton University. If you see him at the 2006 Eastern Federation convention in November ask him how and why a German major

makes a transition into geology. His geology interests include lake sediments, clay minerals, environmental geochemistry, sedimentology, and education. You can read more details on his web site.

His geology credentials are outstanding as you can see and I know some of you are asking, What are his interests in the mineral and lapidary hobby? Did you miss the "edu" in the first paragraph? That means he's not only very interested in teaching geology students at the university but he's involved in educational research for teaching of undergraduate courses and improving the science preparation of prospective kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (K-12) teachers. As we in the mineral and lapidary hobby eagerly like to share our enthusiasm and collections with those new to the hobby we are unconsciously depend-

ing on Dr. Yuretich's work in educating and motivating a new generation of earth science teachers who will in turn share their knowledge, enthusiasm, and collections with their students doing it with such passion that many will want to continue learning about our hobby and build their own collections.

Now he has the task of selecting two of graduate students to receive the scholarships. Perhaps one will be a K-12 teacher! We thank him for his work to sustain our hobby, recognizing and honoring him as our 2006 AFMS Scholarship honoree.



## AFMS CLUB ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

from Cathy Gaber



Every rockhound club needs salt-of-the-earth type individuals who are the backbone of its membership. *Jack Busch*, our candidate for AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year, is such a guy. He has supported lapidary clubs in the DC area for more than four decades and the Mineralogical Society of the District of Columbia for the past twenty years. In the early days of the 1960's, Jack worked on the combined clubs' annual show and for these last six years has served as MSDC treasurer. As an octogenarian and in need of back surgery, Jack recently was diagnosed by

his cardiologist as very young of heart and came through the operation with flying colors. He is walking now as well as ever. We thank Jack for his years of participation in the lapidary arts and for serving as an officer of MSDC, a task he has now turned over to our new treasurer *Don Greaves*. We look forward to Jack's continued participation for many years to come.

*submitted by Andy Thompson  
President MSDC*

The 2006 AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year from Central Pennsylvania Rock and Mineral Club is *Scott Snavelly*. Scott is our club Fieldtrip Coordina-

tor. Scott was no doubt instrumental in making our slate of annual fieldtrips the largest ever scheduled. Scott, assisted by Fieldtrip leaders Tom Smith, R.J. Harris, Kerry Matt and Terri Nesbit arranged over twenty mineral and fossil collecting site visits between mid-April and early November. Fieldtrip Coordinator cannot be an easy job. It involves a lot of dead end leads and telephone calls to get proper permission from quarry and land owners to allow club members access to collecting areas. We heartily nominate and thank Scott for taking on a huge job. He got results!

*submitted by Betsy Oberheim  
President*



## SAFETY FIRST - FIRE SAFETY

by Bill Klose, EFMLS Safety Chair

With the approach of the summer camping and field trip season we need to review the use of fire in the timber and range lands.

Always build fires in prescribed areas if present. If there are no prescribed areas clear an area of leaves, grass, and branches, and make a rock ring around the fire pit area. Prior to starting any



fire, check the local papers, radio stations, police, firehouses, or ranger stations, to see if an outside burning ban is in effect. In very dry conditions, even the roots under the burning pit may allow a campfire to spread. Do not start a campfire in an old coal mine where a coal vein may lie just below the surface or where the mine has been used as a land fill and may be filled with combustible materials. Never leave a fire burning unattended. Put it out with water if possible, then cover with earth. Never throw away a match until it is completely out and cold. If you smoke, be sure the "butt" is completely out, break down the paper and tobacco and grind it into the earth. For filter tips, break the tip off and take it with you in your trash bag.



Keep a clean camp. Eliminate litter by taking it with you in your trash bag. Glass containers containing clear liquids and cans in the open can act as a magnifying glass or mirror if in the sun and can cause fires by focusing the sun's rays on combustible materials.

Be careful where you drive. Cata-

lytic converters on automobile and truck exhausts emit gasses at about 750 degrees Fahrenheit and can cause grass fires, especially if you stop over dry grass and leave the engine running.



If you should cause a fire or find one spreading, call for help, spread the word to others in the area and then attempt to prevent the fire's spreading. If it has spread over too wide of an area or can not be safely contained, evacuate the area and let the professional fire fighters handle the fire. Do not become cut off and isolated where the fire and/or smoke can overcome you.

## WELCOME!

from Ellery Borow, 2nd Vice President

It is with great pleasure that I welcome a new club to our Eastern Federation family. They are the Long Island mineral & Geology Society and their information is printed on page 65 of the new Directory.

The club has 55 members and is based in Mattituck, Long Island, New York. Meetings are held the 3rd Saturday of each month, beginning at 7:15 P.M. at the George Young Community Center in Jamesport.

We wish them a long and happy association with the Eastern Federation.

## REGISTER TO VOTE

by Mary Bateman EFMLS Secretary

### REGISTER TO VOTE

Deadline—October 15, 2006

The EFMLS Convention is in November this year, and it is time for a reminder to every club to send in their delegate registration forms.



While it may seem a little early to be talking about the convention, it really is not. With many clubs not meeting during July and August, we want to make sure that each club has the opportunity to register to vote at the convention, November 17-19 in West Palm Beach, Florida. Voter registration forms are due no later than October 17.

According to our Bylaws, each EFMLS club is entitled to two votes at the Annual Meeting. Your club president is automatically a Director of EFMLS and you can also send a Delegate who also has a vote at the meeting. You can choose an alternate for both Director and Delegate in case something happens the original Director and/or Delegate can't make it, however, the alternates must also be preregistered.

Although everyone is welcome to attend the Annual Meeting, only those Directors and Delegates, or their alternates, who are officially registered by October 17 will be able to vote on the issues presented. We've included a form in this newsletter for your convenience.

Become a part of YOUR Federation! It is important to take part in the Annual Meeting and let your voice and opinion be heard on the issues presented.

## EDITORS CORNER

by Mary Bateman, BEAC Chair

It's deadline time and you need to write some material to fill your newsletter, however, your mind is a complete blank. You have no idea what to write or even say. This is known as writer's block. It happens to even the best and most prolific writers. It can be very frustrating because the harder you try to come up with something, the more elusive are the words and ideas.

Writer's block happened to me in writing the Editors Corner this month, so I thought I would do some research and share my findings with you.

The number one solution that almost all sources cited was to do something else completely unrelated. Of course, this is not an option when you are up against a deadline and you have a newsletter to fill. Other suggestions ran from taking a walk to taking a bath to yoga. The underlining theme being to relax and forget about your writer's block. Hello, how can you do those things if you don't have the luxury of time and your anxiety is just increasing.

I came up with a couple solutions that can help you. You can still have your writer's block, but you do not have to write a thing. While mentioned before in previous articles, these resources are well worth repeating, again:

EFMLS Newsletter - a wealth of material just ready to be copied and cited.

AFMS Newsletter - ditto

Exchange newsletters - ditto

S.C.R.I.B.E. - a goldmine for articles, cartoons, general hints, pictures, etc. Are you a member? If not, you should be. Check out their website.

Newspapers and magazines - can have articles on various happenings in the hobby. Write a report from one



or more  
of the  
articles.

Just remember NOT to quote the material in the article without permission of the publication. DO remember to cite the source.

Sometimes just reading an article or looking at a picture or cartoon can spark a terrific idea and can help break the writer's block.

Maybe my writer's block will be gone by the June edition.

## NEAT ILLUSION

forwarded by Cathy Gaber



### LEO L. HOFFMAN

1912 - 2005

We've just learned that Rabbi Leo Hoffman passed away on December 28, 2005. What a loss to mankind!

Born in the Ukraine, Leo came to the US in 1919 and settled in Chicago, Illinois where he attended both Theological College and Law School earning both his LLB and JD degrees. He served local synagogues in Chicago and worked for the State of Illinois Department of Labor as a legal advisor. He was also very involved in interfaith activities and later directed lecture forums featuring such speakers as Eleanor Roosevelt, Ogden Nash, Harry Golden, Sidney Harris and Ann Landers. He was a true humanitarian.

Upon 'retirement' in 1974, he and his wife Estelle moved to Charlotte, NC where he met I.D., Herman and Anita Blumenthal and was soon persuaded to come to the Wildacres Retreat to assist Phillip in running Wildacres.

It was at Wildacres that many of us met Leo and Estelle. He set up the library, directed the Wildacres Interfaith Institute for over 20 years, and learned how to make jewelry. How many of us own a silver drop casting made by Leo on the patio during free time? Leo too had a seemingly inexhaustible supply of stories that he loved to regale each of us with. His interest in each participant was genuine.

He leaves a son, and daughter, two brothers and a sister and of course his long time companion, Jane Archer.

Contributions in Leo's memory may be made to either the AFMS Scholarship Foundation or Eastern Foundation Fund. See page \_\_\_ for mailing info.

Carolyn Weinberger

## COME ON IN...THE WATER'S FINE

by Steve Weinberger, Wildacres Functioning Committee Chair



How many of you remember standing on the shore by the old swimming hole, stream, ocean or pool and debating about getting in the water? Do you also remember someone in your group exhorting you to join them with the phrase "Come on in...the water's fine?" Of course you do.

I'd like to encourage you to take the plunge and join the crowd at the upcoming September EFMLS Wildacres Workshop. I'm sure that once you "come on in", you'll be delighted that you did.

Wildacres is a gorgeous facility, especially in the fall when some of the leaves begin to turn. The view from the patio and porches is always interesting and the stars shine brightly at night. You'll not hear the rumble of cars and trucks, the loud blare of radio or TV...but you will enjoy the sounds and clean smell of the mountains.

By the time you read this article, the May Wildacres session will be almost upon us. Our session (May 22 - 28) has one or two openings and should you still wish to come you'll need to contact Registrar Debbie Bard immediately. Her contact information is on the Registration form found on page 9.

September (11 - 17) still has a number of spaces available as well and it promises to be an excellent week of learning, sharing, and fun. Guest speaker is Tom Tucker, retired geologist and president of the Micromineralogists of the National Capital Area. Don't let Tom's credentials scare you off - he's not one of those "head in the ivory tower" types whose talks will be way above all of our heads. He'll share with us several

talks about minerals, but not at a level that even the non-informed can enjoy and understand. He's also a terrific guy and you'll enjoy his company.

We have a wide variety of classes for the fall session and it's not too late for you to register. You'll have a chance to explore the beautiful North Carolina mountains during the middle of the week on "free day", learn new skills or refresh old ones in your classes, meet lots of new folks and get away from the hustle, bustle and dirty air of everyday life.

Tuition for the week is \$320 which includes room and board. Some classes will also have a small fee to cover materials, such as metals you use. Bedrooms are motel type rooms with private bath. Meals are served family style in the lovely Dining Hall and the food is always good and plentiful.

So come and find out for yourself what others have been raving about for the past 32 years. Being able to attend an EFMLS Wildacres Workshop is one of the best things your club membership in the Federation can offer. Take advantage of it.

I look forward to meeting you at Wildacres this year.



## FALL CLASSES

from Al DeMilo, Director

Here is a listing of the classes we're offering at the September 11 - 17 session. Descriptions for each can be found in previous EFMLS Newsletters or on the website <[www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm](http://www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm)>.

### 4-day classes:

Faceting -  
Steve Weinberger

Exhibiting & Judging -  
Jay Bowman

### 2-day classes:

Cabochons -  
Derek Levin

Opal Cutting -  
Derek Levin

Silversmithing - Basic  
Richard Meszler

Silversmithing - Intermediate  
Richard Meszler  
(you must have basic silversmithing skills for this class)

Silversmithing/Forging/  
Fold Forming  
Richard Zollweg

Micromounting  
Carolyn Weinberger

Intro. to Precious Metal Clay  
Cathy Gaber

Beaded Bezels  
Cathy Gaber

Wirecrafting - Basic  
Lisa Roberts

Wire Sculpture  
Lisa Roberts

Soapstone Carving  
Inga Wells

## DIRECTORY UPDATES / CORRECTIONS

from Carolyn Weinberger

The following clubs sent in their 2006 renewals after the printing of the new Directory. Please update your copy to reflect the new information.

Page 42:

Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society. - Information correct as printed.

Page 47:

Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches,  
Add Vice President - Lee Krenz 561-744-5196. Others are correct.

Page 52:

Penobscot Mineral & Lapidary Club - Information correct as printed

Page 54:

Maryland Geological Society  
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BULLETIN: *The Rostrum*

MEETINGS: 3rd Sunday every other month. January, March, May, July,  
Sept., Nov.. S. Bowie Community Center, 1717 Pittsfield Ln; Bowie, MD

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Meetings: same as printed.

Corrections:

Page 60:

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<crystalcutz@yahoo.com> No telephone number available.

Page 61:

Mineralogists' Guild  
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Treasurer: Johan Maertens  
Phone number should be 908-369-6545

## DR. FREDERICK H. POUGH

Dr. Frederick H. Pough, distinguished mineralogist and author has died at the age of 99 while attending the Rochester Mineral Symposium on April 7. Dr. Pough would have been 100 in June. He was excited about attending the Symposium where he was to be regaled on his upcoming century mark. Shortly after arriving and chatting with a few participants, he suffered a heart attack and died shortly thereafter at the hospital. Medical professionals at the Symposium administered CPR until the EMT's arrived.

Although it's probably a good guess to say that most in the hobby never met Fred Pough, it's also probably a good guess to say that most have a copy of his "Field Guide to Rocks & Minerals" first published in 1953 and now in it's 5th revision. During his long and illustrious career, Fred served as curator at the American Museum of Natural History in New York, and wrote numerous papers and articles on a wide variety of minerals. He was a micromounter and mineral collector as well as lecturer. After retiring from the American Museum, he moved west, last living in Reno, Nevada before moving to Rochester, NY to be near his children.

Fred never was involved directly in the EFMLS, but he surely had a major influence on us all through his writings. He was a generous and terrific fellow with a keen mind and lovely sense of humor and we'll all surely miss him. He is survived by his son and daughter, a brother and several grandchildren.

Contributions in Fred's memory can be made to the AFMS Scholarship Foundation, % Bob Livingston (Be sure to indicate the name of your club so proper credit can be given.)

**DIRECTOR, DELEGATE & ALTERNATE INFORMATION**  
**56<sup>TH</sup> Annual EFMLS Board of Directors' Meeting**

Airport Holiday Inn  
West Palm Beach, Florida  
November 17, 2006

*Please print clearly all information requested*

NAME OF SOCIETY: \_\_\_\_\_

DIRECTOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
(The president of each society is a Director of EFMLS. Please list the president's name only if the president plans to attend this meeting.)

DIRECTOR'S ALTERNATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(To represent the society if the president cannot attend the meeting)

DELEGATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Elected by society members)

ALTERNATE DELEGATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(To represent the society if Delegate cannot attend meeting)

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF SOCIETY OFFICER

**From the EFMLS Constitution**

(Article V, Sec. 3):

*It shall be the responsibility of each Member Society to notify the Secretary in writing of the names of its Director, Delegate and Alternate who expect to attend the Annual Meeting at least thirty (30) days prior to the convening date.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**RETURN by October 17, 2006 to:**

Mary Bateman  
2700 South 9<sup>th</sup> Street, #203  
Arlington, Virginia 22204-2328

# 2006 EFMLS Wildacres Registration

PLEASE, ONLY one person per form per session

CHECK ONE: May 22 - 28 \_\_\_\_\_ September 11 - 17 \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out a separate registration form for each person attending and return to DEBBIE BARD, Registrar at 8085 Old 126, Warfordsburg, PA 17267. No registration will be accepted prior to January 1, 2006. (To make it easier for the registrar and others, please do not change or revise this form. You may photocopy it as needed.)

Name (as you wish it to appear on your name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number with area code: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Society Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee for each session is \$320.00 per person. Deposit is \$160 per person, payable with registration. Make checks payable to "EFMLS". Balance of \$160 is due 30 days prior to start of session.

Cancellation policy: If unable to attend, fees paid will be refunded if notification is given prior to one month before the session begins. No refund will be made after that date.

Circle appropriate responses:

Have you been to Wildacres before? Yes No Is your Club sponsoring you? Yes No

Name of roommate: \_\_\_\_\_ (If none, one will be assigned).  
Are you: Male Female (No single rooms are available). Are you a smoker? Yes No

Do you have any physical handicaps and / or special dietary needs? Yes No  
If YES, please explain on reverse side.

Do you have material for exhibiting that you would be willing to display at Wildacres? Yes No  
If YES, please contact Steve Weinberger <cscrystals2@verizon.net> . Lined display cases are available.

Do you have a skill to demonstrate or a program to share (up to 40 minutes)? Yes No  
If YES, please contact Cathy Gaber at <bg@his.com>, or 301-654-7479.

Class Pre-registration.

See EFMLS Newsletter or Website for class offerings. <www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm>

Which of the classes being offered would you like to take? We will be preregistering you for classes you indicate. When a class is full NO others will be assigned to that class, and you will be assigned your next class choice(s). No class placement is guaranteed.

1st \_\_\_\_\_

3rd \_\_\_\_\_

2nd \_\_\_\_\_

4th \_\_\_\_\_

(No registrations accepted prior to January 1, 2006)

Mail to: Debbie Bard, Wildacres Registrar  
8085 Old 126  
Warfordsburg, PA 17267

If you have any questions, please contact either Debbie Bard, Registrar at <debbard@frontiernet.net> or 717-294-3667 or Al DeMilo, Director at <abdemilo@aol.com> or 301-262-6014.

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## VISIT A SHOW

from William Lema

### May:

6 - 7: Annual Show & Sale sponsored by the Fulton County Mineral Club. Johnstown Moose Lodge, Rte 30A; Johnstown, NY.

6 - 7: 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual New England Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the North Shore Rock & Mineral Club. Topsfield Fairgrounds, Route 1 North, Topsfield, MA.

13-14: 1st Annual Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Mineral Club. Three County Fairgrounds,, Northampton, MA

20: Micromounters of New England Annual Reunion Meeting sponsored by the Micromounters of New England. Elk's Lodge, 91 Park St., Hudson MA

20-21: 38th Annual World of Gems & Minerals sponsored by the Berks Mineralogical Society. Leesport Farmers Market Banquet Hall, Rte 61, Leesport, PA (6 miles north of Reading, PA).

20-21: Annual Mineral, Gem, Fossil Swap & Sell sponsored by the Orange Co. Mineral Society. Museum Village Green, Monroe, NY

27: Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Show at Goucher sponsored by the Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Society. Goucher College, Kraushaar Pavilion, Dulaney Valley Rd., just south of I-695, Towson, MD.

### June:

3: Spring Mineralfest hosted by the Pennsylvania Earth Sciences Assoc. Macungie Memorial Park, 8 miles southwest of Allentown, PA.

3-4: 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tannehill Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society. Tannehill Historical State Park, Birmingham, AL

10: 4th Annual Rock Swap and Sale sponsored by the Connecticut Antique Machinery Association & the Danbury Mineralogical Society. Connecticut Antique Machinery Association, Rt 7, Kent, CT. Sale to benefit the Conn. Museum of Mining & Mineral Science. (Rain date June 11)

24: 42nd Annual Gilsum Rock Swap: Gilsum Elementary School, Gilsum, NH.

### July:

8-9: 40th Annual Jewelry, Mineral, Fossil Show and Sale sponsored by the Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse. Verizon Center of Progress Bldg., State Fairgrounds, Exit 7 off I-690, Syracuse, NY.

15-16: 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Gem City Rock & Mineral Club. Perry Hi-way Hose Co., 8270 Peach St; Erie, PA.

29-30: 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Champlain Valley Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Burlington Gem and Mineral Club., Tuttle Middle School, 500 Dorset St., South Burlington, VT.

### August:

5-6: 57th Annual Gem Show sponsored by The Gem, Lapidary and Mineral Society of Washington, D.C. NEW LOCATION: Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart, 9101 Rockville Pike (corner of Rockville Pike and Cedar Lane) Bethesda, MD.

5-6: 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-State Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Water-Oak Gem & Mineral Society. Mout Merici School, 152 Western Av; Waterville, ME

26-27: Annual Show sponsored by the St. Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club. Canton Sportsman's Club, Nickerson Rd.; Canton, NY

### September:

9 - 10: 56th annual show, Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Danbury Mineralogical Society. New Milford High School, Danbury Road, New Milford, Connecticut.

9 & 10: Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Northern Berkshire Mineral Club. VFW Hall, Rt. 2 (at the base of the Mohawk Trail, North Adams, MA.

16-17: 41st Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Central Pennsylvania Rock & Mineral Club. NEW LOCATION: Central Dauphin Middle School, Locust Ln, Harrisburg, PA.

23-24: 42nd Annual Atlantic Coast Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show hosted by the Gem Cutters Guild of Baltimore. Howard Co. Fairgrounds, Md Rt. 32 at I-70, West Friendship, MD.

23-24: 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Hiddenite Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Western Piedmont Mineral & Gem Society. Hiddenite Educational Complex, Sulpher Springs Road; Hiddenite, NC

30 - October 1: Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Wayne County Gem & Mineral Club. St. Michael's School, 320 S Main St; (Rt. 88), Newark, NY

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