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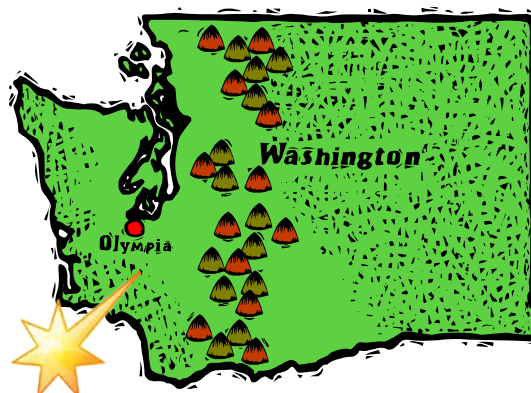


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The NFMS Annual Meeting Chehalis, WA July 29-31, 2011



Southwest Washington Fairgrounds
2555 N National Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532

Annual Meeting is FRIDAY, July 29th
The pre-registration starts at 5pm with the annual meeting at 6pm
Location of the meeting is in the 4-H Hall

Editors Breakfast: Saturday the 30th, 8am.
Awards Banquet: Saturday the 30th, 6pm
Past Presidents Luncheon: Sunday the 31st, noon

Also look for the Junior Club Seminar and Rock Auction (WE NEED MATERIAL)

For more details see the May Northwest Newsletter

Note that Display, Pre-registration and Credentials forms
are on pages 6 and 7 in this issue



Fritz Mack President

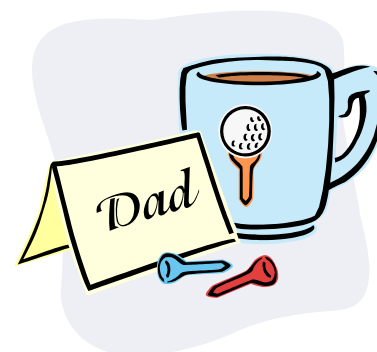
I would like to thank all the committee people weather they work for their club or their Federation or both. It takes all of you to make the hobby go and grow. It takes hands to make the job easier. And big THANK YOU to the Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club for Hosting the Mid-Year Meeting.

Just a reminder to all club members who are planning a field trip this summer on behalf of your hobby be sure you know the rules and guidelines no matter what State you are in.

Please read or re-read the Field Trip Update by Doug True, Inter Regional Field Trip Chairman. Doug has done a lot of research on this matter and knows what he talking about. I sure don't want to see or hear that you had to pay a big fine or go jail. If you play by rules this won't happen and you can still enjoy and have fun.

For those clubs that think that you can't sponsor a Federation show, please talk to Chuck Sonner. He is in charge of this year's Federation show and he started with nothing except a little ambition. Thank you, Chuck.

Hope to see you all at the Annual Meeting in Chehalis Washington, July, 29-31-2011.



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**AUGUST NEWSLETTER
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AUGUST 3rd (AFTER THE
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SHOW COORDINATION. Your Federation provides a free service for NFMS members by listing your show in this Newsletter, on the NFMS website, two magazines ("Rocks and Minerals" and "Rock and Gem") and the on-line Calendar from "Lapidary Journal". Please provide the date and time for the show, the club name and show title (if applicable), the location of the show, and most important a contact person with address, e-mail address and/or phone (e-mail is preferred). Please send your show information four to six months in advance to the **Show Coordination** Chairperson. If you see an error once your show is listed, or if your show is not listed, contact the **Newsletter Editor**.

SAVE STAMPS PROGRAM. NFMS members are encouraged to use and save commemorative stamps. The money generated from the sale of these used (cancelled) stamps is then donated to Cancer Research. The collected stamps can be sent to the **Stamps Chairman**, brought to the NFMS Annual Show or given to your Federation Director in your club.

ATTENTION CLUB TREASURERS**Where to send your money**

To NFMS Treasurer for:

1. Dues and supplies
2. Donations for the general fund
3. Donations to Junior Achievement
4. Advertisement in this Newsletter

Send to: Lyle Vogelpohl, see Treasurer this page.

To NFMS Endowment Fund Treasurer for:

1. Donations to Endowment Fund
2. Memorial contributions

Make check payable to NFMS Endowment Fund, send to Endowment Fund Treasurer.

To NFMS Scholarship Chairperson for:

1. Donations to AFMS Scholarship Fund
2. Memorial contributions to AFMS Scholarship

Make check payable to AFMS Scholarship Fund. Send to: Rose Alene Mc Arthur (see Scholarship this page).

To AFMS Endowment Fund for:

1. Donations to AFMS Endowment
2. Memorials

Send to: See AFMS Newsletter

To ALAA Treasurer for:

1. Memberships, new and renewals
2. Donations

Make check payable to ALAA
 Send to Joyce Hanschu, ALAA Treasurer, 6607 Sturbridge Ln; Canton, MI 48187-2638

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Members, Non-members, clubs, etc. can advertise in the Northwest Newsletter. This service is provided to help defray the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter and is encouraged by the Federation. The only criteria for the ad is that it be hobby related (e.g. rocks, equipment, grit, shows, etc.).

Ads for the Northwest Newsletter are \$1.50 per square inch.

Example: 3" x 4" ad = 12 inches

12 inches x \$1.50 = \$18 per issue of the Newsletter
 For an additional 50% of the cost of the Newsletter ad, you can have the same ad placed on the NFMS website for the same length of time. The Newsletter ad must be purchased to receive this additional advertisement.

Do not send ads on colored paper because the back-ground will look gray in the ad. The Editor will send a billing statement to the customer which will include instructions to make payment to the NFMS Treasurer. For more information or questions, call, e-mail or write the **Newsletter Editor**

To see this newsletter in living color and to see it by the first of the month go to <http://www.amfed.org/nfms/newslet2.htm> and click on the month you want to see.

NEWS OF INTEREST



Kathy Moedl 2nd VP

At the time of this writing my husband has been missing for almost 11 weeks. Not a clue where to find him. It is by far the hardest thing I have had to go through (lucky for me that I haven't gone through anything harder yet). My mind has not been able to concentrate on any detail for any length of time before it shuts down. I am listing to one side most of the time.

The last time I wrote in the NFMS newsletter I wrote about "My Strange Addiction" of rock hounding and how glad I was to have a "support group" for this addiction (NFMS and local IFG&MS). I keep thinking about that with a smile. The field trips are in full swing and I enjoy the great "therapy" of getting out rock hounding. I enjoy how therapeutic it is to polish the rocks, to work a cabochon on the grinder. It gives my mind a chance to do something that soothes. My strange addiction isn't so strange...but it is a wonderful addiction and I'm glad to have it.

My daughter and I have decided to move forward and continue our plans to go to the AFMS show in Syracuse, New York in July where she will compete in the Educational division in the Master category. Our current situation has put a stop to the original plan of driving to New York. Now we hope to fly, however we would be unable to take the showcase, glass front, risers and box of rocks on the plane. Is anyone planning to drive to the AFMS and would have room for these items?



NFMS Library Update By Tim and Sharon DeGrie

Please note that the address in the NFMS Directory is incorrect. Here is the correct one.

Tim and Sharon DeGrie
P.O. Box 458
Goldendale, Wa. 98620
Phone number is;
509-772-2533
e- mail for the library is;
RockNLibrary@yahoo.com

All questions can be sent to the e mail or call on the phone.. We check the e mail and phone numerous times a day, so will get your orders or questions each day.

We also have new things to add to the library list. We received these after the new catalog came out.
We now have all "Those Fabulous Thundereggs all are in DVD form
14-A is part 1
14-B is part 2
14-C is part 3

Jewelry Workshop

A - is the Beginning Level Silversmithing
B - is the Intermediate Level Silversmithing

DVD - # 30 Iris Agate 2011 AFMS Winner
Wayne Sukow's culmination of Pete Rodewald's work on the "Iris" phenomenon
from expected as well as unexpected sources.

We also had a Slide show returned that had been missing for a few years. I want to thank Randy Vandehey and South Douglas Gem & Mineral Club for finding and sending back the slide show.

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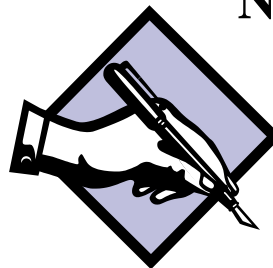
How Indians Made Stone Tools

Has Script & Tape

They also put it onto a Power point for the Library and we want to thank them for doing that for us.

Notice to Bulletin Editors:

By Peggy Blickfeldt



Well, the show will soon be upon us and we will get to meet and visit with each other. Also we will get to see the winners of the Bulletin Aid Contest. There were some very good entries.

The awards will be given at the editor's breakfast. The Breakfast will be held at the Senior Center on Saturday 30th at 8 am. The cost is \$6.00. If you are going, you need to fill out the pre-registration form which can be found on the website. Chuck needs this so he will be able to plan accurately for the meal.

After the breakfast and the awards there will be a short presentation on how to enter the editor's contest. Also there will be time to ask questions to any of the other editor's and maybe get ideas on how to improve or just change your bulletin or newsletter. I really would like all editors to send me their email addresses and phone numbers to pblick@ymail.com . I need these so I can keep in touch with you.

Looking forward to seeing and meeting all of you and getting to know you better. Thanks for your support.

Peggy Blickfeldt



NEWS OF INTEREST



Public Review of Rockhound State Park Management Plan

by MaryKay Brady

[Excerpted from Friends of Rockhound SP newsletter]

It was standing room only at Rockhound State Park on Tuesday, March 29th. Folks started arriving at 5:00 for the meeting scheduled to start at 6:00. The purpose of the meeting was to allow the public to review and discuss the recent Rockhound State Park management plan, drafted by the NM State Park managers. It included a proposal to ban rockhounding within the State Park.

The following representatives attended from Santa Fe: John H Bemis, Cabinet Secretary (designate) for Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources; Tommy Mutz, State Park Director; Dave Gatterman, Park Projects; Christy Tafoya, Archeologist; Cynthia Lovely, Park Planner. Other State Park managers: Rolf Hechler, Region 3 superintendent; Robert V. Apodaca, Rockhound/Spring Canyon Park Superintendent. Special guests in attendance were: Representative Dona Irwin, Deming City Council; Linda Enis and David Sanchez; John Sutherland, Luna County Manager along with Mary Galbraith, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce; Linda Smrkosky, Economic Development; and Virginia Pool and Pat Guthrie, representatives of the Deming Luna County Museum.

Many members from the Deming community spoke about how much rockhounding has meant to them as well as the reason they settled in this area. Several out of state people in attendance commented that they spent \$2,000 and more per visit to this area.

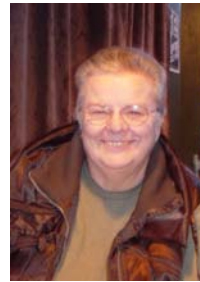
Comments included limiting the area where rocks can be gathered; lowering the amount of rocks (currently 15 pounds) and setting limits like how much per person per day for those guests camping the 21 day limit.

Mr. Bemis & Mr. Mutz were very pleased with the turnout and quite impressed to see that folks did respond—they now understand that we DO read the management plans. It was my impression and other Friends members that the park will remain as always—no ban on rockhounding but perhaps some more clear delineations of where and how much.

Mary Galbraith from the Chamber of Commerce had numbers of RV's and folks who came into the visitor center during Rockhound Roundup—the numbers were significant.

Thank you so much to all of you Friends who attended, e-mailed, faxed and wrote letters. We could not meet our mission of preserving, promoting and protecting without all of you!

One example of the outpouring of support was told to me by Linda Enis, City Councilwoman, who said she received 70 e-mails from all over the US in favor of Rockhound State.



From the Editor's Rockpile By Beth Heesacker

Summer is finally here. Rockhounds are sticking their heads out of their winter hibernation holes (their lapidary shops). It is like watching the prairie dogs peeping out of their little holes. It feels so good to have a little bit of sunshine again. We all crawl out blinking and stretching with a wary eye for predators. Predators??? Yes, predators.

In every part of the country there are those who would like to take away access to our rockhounding sites so we must be vigilant. But there are other predators too. We are sometimes our own worst enemy.

Protect the land by not leaving big holes for yourselves and others to fall into. Take care of your tools so they will be faithful helpers and not fly apart as you use them. Watch out for overhangs and other dangerous situations as you search for that precious rock.

Keep an eye on your fellow rockhounds and warn them if they seem to be getting themselves into trouble. There are so many things that could put a rapid end to our fun this summer.

I hope to see many of you as I exit my hibernation, stretch and enjoy the summer. A very Happy Father's Day to all the Dad's Granddads and Step-Dads and a safe and joyous 4th of July.



The August edition of the Northwest Newsletter will come out a bit later in August and include any follow-up on the NFMS Annual Meeting. The deadline for articles will be August 3rd. Please plan your articles and announcements accordingly.

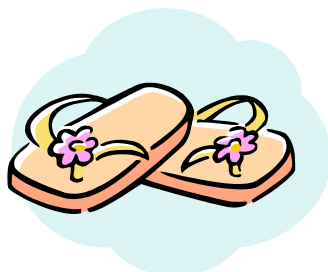


Mark Your Calendars:

AFMS Annual Meeting
July 7–10, Syracuse, NY

NFMS Annual Meetings
2011 – July 29-31, Southwest Washington Fairgrounds, Chehalis, WA
2012 – May 18-20, Benton County Fairgrounds, Kennewick, WA

NW Rockhound Retreat
Hancock Field Station, Antelope, OR - Labor Day weekend,
September 5-11, 2011



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Field Trip, Public Lands and the Annual Show

By Doug True, Field Trip Chairman

I would guess that by the time you have read this, the Hampton Butte fieldtrip will be history. It has been fun working with the USFS and the BLM setting this up. I think that working with instead of against will help keep our collecting sites open in the future.

As of 15 May we have over 250 collectors that have indicated they were going to attend this trip. With 6 trip leaders this should go smoothly and I would like to thank all of those who have stepped up to help with this event. I will give a full report on the trip in the next issue.

The article I wrote on the Public Lands and the permitting requirements has caused a number of different reactions, some saying that this was not true and I was just trying to stirrup or cause problems. Others called the BLM and received a number of different answers. My main source of the information came from the information distributed by the BLM, Billings, Montana office and the fact that every time I have gone to the BLM and talked about a Non-Profit fieldtrip, the first thing out of there mouths was, you will have to apply for a recreation permit, in Wyoming I was told that 20 or 100, I still needed a permit. Others have called their local offices and have been told that a permit was not needed. SO there are a number of interpretations throughout the west. I guess the best way to deal with this is simple, just call your local district and ask!!!

Our NFMS Show will soon be here and it's time to get involved, show the rest of the federation what you have to offer. There will be a live auction during this event and I would like to see everyone check out that shed or garage and donate some of that extra material you have been buying or collecting over the past years. You and I know that you will never cut or use it all! Donate it and ask that some of the monies be set aside to support our multi federation fieldtrips. The trip at Hampton Butte will have cost over \$500 when all is said and done. So step up and help us.

I hope everyone has a great summer



"HELP WANTED"

Our NFMS webmaster is looking for a new, beautiful, talented, tech savvy webmaster to take over the web site and take

our clubs to new heights. I am ready to retire again. E-mail Jack Eads if interested.

jacke@wavecable.com

Circulation Chairman's Report

By Tom Buchard



I have completed updating the mailing list from the rosters each club sent in with their federation dues.

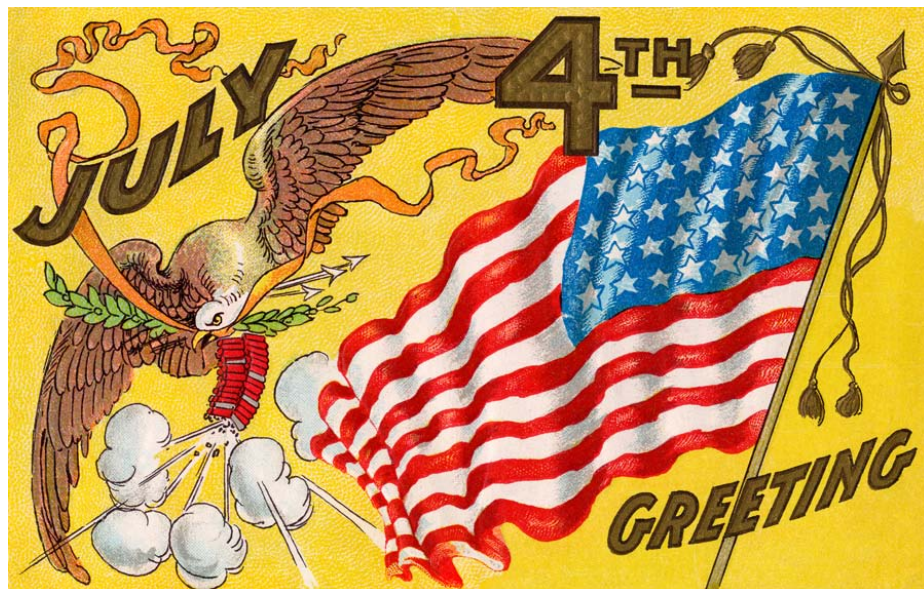
From the rosters the following changes were made: 966 additions; 813 deletions; 135 changes of address. In addition to those numbers I should include the changes made from the information I received directly from your clubs: additions 162, deletions 84; changes of address 16. In all, the federation grew this year! Congratulations!

Now, all who should shall receive a newsletter, and we will not spend money on sending newsletters to those people who no longer belong to the federation. The newsletter is our federation's biggest single budget item.

Jack Eads, our Web Master, has kindly offered to send an "Early Edition" notification to those people who wish to download the newsletter, instead of taking one of the valuable print editions. The Golden Spike club has ten members that now take the electronic version of the newsletter. We will soon have more signed up to do so. One reason is that they won't have to go to the web site and download it. I will do that for them and send it to them as attachments to their e-mail. I will only do this for my club.

If you think keeping track of physical addresses is complicated, try keeping track of more than FOUR THOUSAND e-mail addresses. But, perhaps someone in your club might be able to offer this incentive to your club members.

I am amazed, and proud, that the NFMS sends a newsletter to each and every member of the federation. But we should strive to keep this 'increasing' cost, as minimal as we can. As of right now there are only 13 members of this federation who have let me know that they no longer want a print newsletter sent to their homes.



ANNUAL MEETING

Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies 2011 Annual Show Pre-Registration Form

[one form per individual]

Show hours are Friday the 29th of July 10am to 6pm, Saturday the 30th of July 10am to 6pm & Sunday the 31st of July 10am to 5pm.

Admission for Adults (17 and under free):

Daily \$2 _____
Three day pass \$ 5 _____

Meals:

Editor's Breakfast (Saturday 30th - 8am) \$6.00 _____

Banquet (Saturday 30th -6pm) Adult \$17.50 _____
Junior (17 and under) \$12.50 _____

Meal choice (Please check) Beef _____ Turkey _____

Past Presidents Luncheon (Sunday 31st 12pm) \$8.00 _____

Misc:

Show Pins (Show price \$3.00) \$2.50 ea _____

_____ Total _____

Please check all of the following if they apply: NFMS Executive Board* _____

Dealer * _____ Exhibitor* _____

AFMS or Regional Federation Executive Board* _____

*If you check any of the above, admission to the show is free.

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Phone: _____

The Show Committee needs help in the following areas: Silent Auction, Junior Activities and Security. If you are able, please let us know which and what days :

Make payment out to the **Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies** at return form and payment to: **EDNA NELSON P.O. BOX 1599, ST. HELENS, OR 97051**

NORTHWEST FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES 2011 Annual Show APPLICATION FOR DISPLAY SPACE

Displayer's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PLEASE CHECK THE FOLLOWING:

I have my own case [] I need a loner case []

Case size: 4' [] 6' [] 8' []

Display Description: _____

Note:

We have 4' cases to loan which includes liners but no risers.

We do not have any 6' or 8' loaners.

Liability:

It is mutually agreed that the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies shall not be liable to any Exhibitor in whole or in part. This includes the destruction or loss of any properties of said Exhibitor.

Security:

Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies will provide will provide security during setup, take down and the duration of the show.

Show Hours:

Friday, July 29th and Saturday, July 30th 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.
Sunday, July 31st 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

SETUP THURSDAY July 28th 3 P.M. to 8 P.M. &

FRIDAY July 29th 8 A.M. to 10 A.M.

Show location:

Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Blue Pavilion
2555 North National Ave, Chehalis, Washington 98532

Return to exhibits chair:

Tanya Sonner
165 Tingle Road, Winlock, Washington 98596
Phone; 360 785-3909 e-mail: csonner2011@gmail.com

Exhibitors Signature : _____

ANNUAL MEETING, CONTINUED

A REMINDER AND REQUEST FROM THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The NFMS Credentials Committee Chairpersons, Clara & Del Walker, must receive the names (only) of Club Directors and Delegates as soon as possible (ASAP) for planning purposes of the meeting. The annual meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on July 29, 2011. Registration is open one hour prior to the meeting at the SW Washington

Fairgrounds, Chehalis, WA. The Credential forms below must be completed by the designated director/delegate, signed by the Club President and Secretary, and **BROUGHT BY THE DIRECTOR AND DELEGATE** to the annual meeting. Or, this should be done by the alternate delegate(s), if necessary. Send the name(s) (not the credentials forms) at least two days prior to the meeting to:

Clara & Del Walker
12377 SE Davis Loop
Prineville, OR 97754

Phone: 541-447-7826 (cell: 503-812-6540) or email to dcwalker@embarqmail.com

**NFMS
Show/Annual Meeting
Schedule**

Thursday July 28th

Case set-up 3pm – 8pm

Friday July 29th

Case set-up 7am – 10am
Show open 10am
Pre-reg Annual meeting 5pm
Show close 6pm
Annual Meeting 6pm

Saturday July 30th

Editors Breakfast 8am
Show open 10am
Junior Club Meeting noon
Show close 6pm
Banquet 6pm

Sunday July 31st

Show open 10am
Past President's Luncheon noon
Voice Auction 2pm
Show close 5pm

NFMS DIRECTOR'S CREDENTIALS

Name of Director _____
Name of Club _____
City, State _____
Club President Signature _____
Club Secretary Signature _____
Date _____

Must be **completed** and **signed** to be seated with voting rights at the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies Annual Meeting

NFMS DELEGATE'S CREDENTIALS

Name of Delegate _____
Name of Club _____
City, State _____
Club President Signature _____
Club Secretary Signature _____
Date _____

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The show committee hopes to develop a club in Lewis County, Washington. We still need help from Federation members. Donations are needed for both the voice & silent auctions. Some of the items that will be at the auctions are Montana Agate, Biggs Jasper, Wascoite and Sheep's Creek Agate to name a few.

We also know of a 36" saw blade and 8" trim/slab saw that will be up for auction. We need more than that to make our show a success. Make sure you bring a bucket with you. Remember, if you have something special, we have a long term silent auction table that works on a 60/40 split.

There are still a few openings for demonstrators. Let Patty Amos know (packrats2@q.com) if you can help. The auctions will show the type of material that is available. Our demonstrators and show cases will be the best advertisement for starting a club and the NFMS.



**Please note the corrected address for
submitting the Annual Meeting
Pre-Registration Forms:
Edna Nelson P.O. BOX 1599,
ST. HELENS, OR 97051**

NFMS Member Clubs - Gem and Mineral Show Calendar

June 3 - 5 Fri 12 - 5, Sat - 10 - 5 Sun 11 - 4	Puyallup Valley Gem and Mineral Club	Fruitland Grange 11102 86th Avenue East Puyallup WA 98373	Nancy LeMay 253 952 6212 bees2knees@att.net or puyallupgemclub.org
June 11 - 12 Sat 10 - 6, Sun - 10 - 6	Butte Mineral & Gem Club	Butte Civic Center Annex 1340 Harrison Avenue (ext 127 North) Butte, MT	Pete Knudsen, 406-496-4395 PO Box 4492, Butte, MT 59702
June 18 - 19 Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 4:30	Oregon Coast Agate Club, Rock'n The Coast - 48th Annual Rock and Mineral Show	Yaquina View Elementary School Multipurpose Room, 351 SE Harney St. (just off Hwy 20, south at the light), Newport, OR	K. Meyer 541 265 2514 (Mon-Sat 10-5 PST), PO Box 293 Newport OR 97365
July 7-10	AFMS AND EFMLS ANNUAL MEETING	New York State Fairgrounds, Syracuse , NY	http://www.amfed.org/show2011.htm for more information
July 15 - 17 Fri 10 - 6, Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society	Reedsport Community Building 415 Winchester Avenue, Reedsport, OR 97467	Bill Hendrickson 541 271 6816 100 River Bend Road, Spc 17 Reedsport, OR 97467
July 23 - 24 Sat 9 - 6, Sun 9 - 5	Washington Agate and Mineral Society	Parkside Elementary School, on Stage Street South (take I-5 exit 88), Tenino, WA	Daniel De Boer keylock1@live.com 5107 Brenner Rd NW Olympia, WA 98502
July 23 - 24 Sat. 10 - 6, Sun. 10 - 4	Northwest Montana Rock Chucks - 4th Annual Gem and Mineral Show	Flathead County Fairgrounds - 265 N. Meridian Rd., Kalispell, MT	Milah Gano 406-844-3560 mallard_g@centurytel.net Jim or Vi Hoover 406-862-1316
July 29 - 31 Fri 10 6, Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5	NFMS ANNUAL MEETING AND SHOW	Southwest Washington Fairgrounds, Chehalis, WA	Chuck Sonner csonner2011@gmail.com
August 5 - 7 Fri 10 - 5, Sat 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Far West Lapidary & Gem Society	North Bend Community Center 2222 Broadway, North Bend, OR	Don Innes 541 396 5722 donin11@hughes.net PO Box 251 Coos Bay OR 97420
September 10 - 11 Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 4	Umpqua Gem and Mineral Club "OREGON REALLY ROCKS"	Douglas County Fairgrounds, 1-5 Exit 123, Roseburg, OR	Eileen Paul (541)672-5229 beadpatch@cmspan.net
September 10 - 11 Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 - 5	Marcus Whitman Gem & Mineral Society	Walla Walla County Fairgrounds Community Ctr, 9th Street and Orchard, Walla Walla, WA	Warren Rood 509 522 2330 warrenrood@yahoo.com
September 17 - 18 Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 4	Southern Washington Mineralogical Society	Castle Rock Fairgrounds, A Street and Cowlitz River, Castle Rock, WA 98611	Jackie Furuli 360 431 0059 jfuruli@yahoo.com or Dave Furuli 360 430 4092
September 24 - 25 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Hellgate Mineral Society	Ruby's Inn and Convention Center 4825 North Reserve Street Missoula MT	Bob Riggs 406 543 3667 14 Holiday Lane Missoula MT 59801
October 7 - 9 Fri 10 - 5, Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 2:30	Clallam County Gem & Mineral Association (CCGMA)	Boys & Girls Club, 400 West Fir Street Sequim, WA	Terry Stockman, terlin@wavecable.com PO Box 98 Sequim, WA 98382 or Foster Thompson fostert@olypen.com
October 8 - 9 Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Marysville Rock and Gem Club	Totem Middle School Cafeteria, 7th Street & State Avenue, Marysville, WA	Bill Moser 425-238-8222 bill- jj@comcast.net or George Haage 425-339-2272 haag@frontier.com
October 8 - 9 Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 - 4	Billings Gem & Mineral Club	Billings Hotel & Convention Center, 1123 Mullaney Lane, Billings MT	Lynn Edwards 406-855-3675 bentlyn77@yahoo.com
October 15 Sat - 9 - 4	Eureka Rock and Gem Club	Senior Citizen Center, 1000 North 3rd East Mountain Home, ID	Margaret Stallknecht 208 740 0937 mestallknecht@yahoo.com
October 15 - 16 Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5	Hells Canyon Gem Club	Nez Perce County Fairgrounds 1229 Burrell Avenue, Lewiston, ID 83501	Rick Westerholm 208-746-2101 PO Box 365 Lewiston ID 83501
October 22 - 23 Sat 9 - 6, Sun 10 - 5	Clackamette Mineral & Gem "Rock & Gem Heaven in 2011"	Clackamas County Fairgrounds 694 NE 4th Avenue, Canby OR 97013	Rick Mauer 503-691-6395 tallerricardo@juno.com or Bea Settle 503-631-3128 rockhound@clackamettegem.org
October 22 - 23 Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 - 5	Bellevue Rock Club	Vasa Park, 3560 West Lake Sammamish Blvd SE, Bellevue, WA. Take Exit 13 off I-90, 1 mile north	Bruce Himko, PO Box 1851 Bellevue, WA 98009-1851 Bellevuerockclub@comcast.net www.bellevuerockclub.org
November 11-13 Fri 10 - 5, Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4	NW Opal Association and The Cascade Mineralogical Society	Expo Hall, Puyallup Fairgrounds Meridian St. S and 9 th Ave SW Puyallup, WA	206-283-4205 253-630-8413 425-483-0557
November 19 - 20 Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 - 5	Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society	Kitsap County Fairgrounds, President's Hall 1200 NW Fairgrounds Road Bremerton WA 98311	Jim McClure pogy2@centurytel.net 253-265-3011, www.kmgs.org

Happy 4th of July

