2022-2023 Endowment Fund

I guess it is about time that I reach out to all of you about the Endowment Fund for this year!

I am happy to report that we have several beautiful items that have been donated. This year we are having a live auction for a beautiful quilt and for an exquisite necklace and handmade pouch for the necklace.

Endowment fund tickets are sold by your regional federation representative, listed below. To win one of the prizes you need to donate either $5.00 for one ticket or $20.00 for five tickets – the bargain price. Please consider spending the $20.00 for a good cause.

What is the good cause? Donating to the Endowment Fund helps tremendously with this important fundraiser for the Federation. The interest from the monies generated is used for AFMS special projects, such as junior badges, judges training, digitizing of slide programs, new programs- just to name a few.

One of the committees which reap the rewards of your donations is the Juniors Program. Badges do not cost any of the clubs with Junior programs any money. AFMS provides this to the clubs, and it is a substantial number – free- because of the Endowment Fund.

Please reach out to your federation representative listed below.

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The quilt and the necklace with hand pouch will be a live auction, but you still can be in it prior to the auction on Saturday night – August 5th – by contacting either your regional representative or me with your highest bid amount. Both items are handmade by AFMS historian, Jennifer Haley, (also NFMS 1st VP). The minimum donation bid for either item is $100.00. I know I want to win them!

If you are interested, you can also donate an item. The specifications are as follows:

Minimum value is $75.00

Maximum weight is 5 pounds (This is to keep the cost of postage to a minimum amount, if it becomes necessary to ship)

Please consider donating an item or two – hobby related!

Please check the website for updates!

**Live Auction Items**

**Item A 19” Aquamarine & Morganite Necklace**
(15mm 3 6mm beads)
Sterling Silver Adjustable Clasp
Rhodochrosite Fabric Padded Pouch Purse
Donated by Jennifer Haley, AFMS Historian, CFMS
Minimum Bid $100.00

**Item B Rockhound Lap Quilt**
37” x 53”
100% Cotton
Wash and Dry
Donated by Jennifer Haley, AFMS Historian, CFMS
Minimum Bid $100.00
#1 Bear Canyon Agate, Bear Canyon, MT
Donated by Doug True, Billings Gem & Mineral Club
2018-2019 AFMS President
Estimated Value $95.00

#2 Amethyst (Front and Back)
Donated by Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas (POGMC)
Estimated Value $75.00

#3 Cherry Blossom Tree
Donated by Jeri Heer, SFMS Federation Secretary
Estimated Value $175.00

#4 Moss Agate Pendant on a Handmade Argentium Silver Foxtail Chain
Donated by Doris Keane – Keane Creations MWF
Estimated Value $100.00
#5 Hematite, La Paz Col, AZ
Donated by Larry Huffman, Southern Gems, Minerals & Fossils, EFMLS
Estimated Value $100.00

#6 Pietersite, Namibia
Donated by Linda & Richard Jaeger, RMFMS
Estimated Value $200.00

#7 Eudialyte, Kola Peninsula, Russia
Donated by Linda & Richard Jaeger, RMFMS
Estimated Value $120.00

#8 Wire-Wrapped Fordite with Magic Ball Gold-Plated Sterling Silver Chain
Donated by Harry Polly – Polly Rocks! EFMLS
Estimated Value $200.00
#9 Silver Sand Dollar
Donated by Jim Brace-Thompson, AFMS Public Relations, CFMS
Estimated Value $90.00

#10 Mookite, Golden Dog-Tooth Calcite, and Geode
Donated by Jim Frederick of Gem Crafters and Explorers Club (Las Cruz, NM), RMFMS
Estimated Value $75.00

#11 Agate Material from Cady Mtns, Barstow Ca
Donated by Colleen McGann (CFMS)
Estimated Value $75.00

#12 Peruvian Pink Opal Sphere
Donated by Jean & Matt Charsky, AFMS Past President (EFMLS)
Estimated Value $100.00
#13 Windchime
Donated by Liz & Ben Thomas, RMFMS

Estimated Value $150.00