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## 2007 Rocky Mountain Federation Directory

by Nancy Hicks

The directories were mailed on March 1. If anyone has not received one, please let me know and I will get another one to you. Also, please check your information and club info for accuracy. Any mistakes need to be sent to **Kay Atkinson**, Directory editor, and **Sandy Riekeman**, Newsletter editor to put in the RMFMS Newsletter. Several clubs were late paying their dues and have been left out of the Directory. So that info needs to be put in the Newsletter also.

The new Program Library listing and subject index have been put in the same envelope with the Directory. Be sure the Program Chairs have been given those new editions.

There are 3 new DVDs: 407. Build a wood lapidary. 408. Lapidary drilling. 607. Tips for Gold Smithing (PowerPoint) and a book Tips in the Tool Shop. (PDF)

The new programs from AFMS have been delayed due to several unforeseen circumstances. Hopefully they will arrive before long.

First change to the new Directory - **Richard Goodnough's** (pages 23, 72 & 84) new email address is [rockhound3@cox.net](mailto:rockhound3@cox.net)



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## DEADLINE

Deadline for submissions to the bulletin are due the first day of the month prior to the publication date, i.e., the deadline for May is April 1.

## President's Message

*By Richard Jaeger*

There are several items of importance which I need to mention.

**Jim McGarvey**, our RMFMS Webmaster, would like to have another person on the Webmaster Committee, preferably one who is familiar with maintaining a website and willing to volunteer their time to maintain ours. Our RMF Website has had well over 15,000 hits; it is important to our Federation as a means of communication and sharing information. I find that **Jim** has been paying upwards of \$300/year out of his own pocket to have the website maintained and postings made; we cannot expect him to continue doing so. **Jim** knows what kind of information needs to go on the website — and what information needs to be left off the website. I know that a number of our member clubs have a website and webmaster; if any of you would be willing to help **Jim** please let me know. **Jim's** contact information is under Wyoming State Director at the end of the newsletter if you have questions of him. If you are the person in your club who receives this newsletter let your club webmaster know of our need.

**DeLane Cox**, our RMFMS Secretary, will soon be sending out information on the upcoming AFMS/RMFMS Convention and Show to be held in Roswell, New Mexico in June. All officers and committee chairs need to get their reports into **DeLane** as the deadline is about upon us as we receive this newsletter. You will also be receiving your Delegates Form to the convention. Please appoint your delegates and send the information to **Carol Syska**, our Credentials chair. It is important that we have a quorum for the Delegates Meeting. If no one in your club is planning on being in Roswell then please contact your State Director and ask him or her to serve as a proxy for your club — or contact a nearby club to see if they have someone who can serve as your proxy.

Our Nominating Committee is also hard at work. **Judy Beck** is serving as chair of this committee and is being assisted by **Walt Wells** and Roger Pittman. They are working hard to assure that we have an outstanding slate of officers to present to the House of Delegates at Roswell. I want to thank them for their efforts and please seriously consider taking a position if asked.

I am looking forward to visiting with as many of you as I can in Roswell; it should be a great show in all respects.

## AFMS/RMFMS 2007 Show

*Howie Whiting, Convention Adviser*

The Show is only approximately sixty days away. I hope everyone has their Motel reservations and advance registrations in the mail by now. As most of you know we have to tell the motel the number of people to prepare for at the banquet and editors breakfast by the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. Also if you have not made your reservation at the motel by the 10<sup>th</sup> of May, the rate will go up and the reserved rooms are released. Be forewarned!

We will have prepared packets ready for you upon arrival with all of your tickets, etc. in them. We expect to have a table at the Host motel on Tuesday and Wednesday morning and a table at the Convention center on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday with the packets. So please send your material early so we don't have a last minute rush for the ten of us that are putting on this show.

*Hope to see you at the show.*



## QUICK TIPS for EDITORS

By Linda Jaeger  
RMFMS Club Publications Chair

If you have a question (or suggestion) about editing or writing or the bulletin contest or something related, send it to me by email: **LjgrAlg@aol.com** or at home address: 3515 E. 88<sup>th</sup> St., Tulsa OK 74137. If I cannot find an answer to your question, we'll publish the question and ask the readers for their answers.

As I was working on contest materials I came across the following article that I had compiled for the RMFMS Editor's Symposium in Wichita, 2004. Because it is fairly long, I will share it here in three parts.

### RMFMS Bulletin Editor's Symposium, April 25, 2004 – Hints & Tips, Part II

Compiled by Linda Jaeger, RMFMS Club Publications Chair

#### Tips on Stimulating Creativity and Eliminating Writer's Block:

1. List frequently asked questions about the subject. Keep the questions simple and write brief answers. The question and answer format is a reader favorite.
2. If you can't think of a strong lead, start with the last paragraph or sentence.
3. Borrow an idea. You can't lift complete articles, paragraphs, or sentences without permission, but ideas can't be copyrighted.
4. Write one good reason your readers should read this story. If you can't come up with one, don't use the story.
5. Read something. A book of quotations or excerpts can prompt ideas.
6. Talk it over. Get some perspective from a friend or brainstorm with colleagues. Getting someone to play devil's advocate to your idea is a good way to make sure you've covered all the angles.
7. Just the facts, please. List everything you know and want to include in your article. Use one of the facts as your lead.
8. Think of an analogy or metaphor. Faceted stones are like . . . List a few until you hit upon a good idea.
9. Jot down random thoughts. Abandon order and practicality. Plug in the transitions later to make a story.
10. Think of what you're writing about as a letter to a friend. Write it, put it aside overnight, and edit it into a story the following day. This approach can help you capture a friendly and informal tone.

(From *Newsletter Publishing* by Linda Gail Christie in notes provided for a non-credit class at Tulsa Junior College, Spring 1995)

#### Ideas for Articles:

1. Retirees or past officers – where are they now?
2. Meet your new officers – where are they from, what is their favorite aspect of the hobby, what do they do in real life?
3. History of your club – what was going on 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 years ago?
4. How to keep and increase membership – what do members have to say about it?
5. What will rock collecting be like 25 or 50 years from now?
6. Have some members share their New Year's Resolutions close to January 1, then print another article 6 months later to see how they've done.
7. How does someone become an expert in rocks, minerals, fossils, lapidary, etc.? Focus on one or several individuals.
8. Explain how your club is accomplishing its mission or goals as a club.
9. What trends affect rock collecting? Public opinion, politics, environmentalism, etc. are possibilities.
10. Welcome new members, visitors, and children.
11. Ask an expert about a particular subject or have an average person research it.

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## Attention ALL Rocky Mountain Federation Club Newsletter Editors!

By Dan Lingelbach



To comply with the US Patent and Trademark Office requirements an OP has been developed and will be presented to the Delegates at the June Annual Meeting for approval. This OP states that the RMFMS Trademark is **NOT** to be used without its registration symbol, the circle with the R inside. So please check your newsletters and any other media (including websites) to be sure your RMFMS logo includes this registration symbol. If you need an updated logo you can e-mail Sandy Riekeman @ [wgms2001@yahoo.com](mailto:wgms2001@yahoo.com) and she will email you the logo in gif format.

## The Junior Cash Award at the 2007 AFMS/RMFMS Show

There is still time for juniors to get out into the field and collect a specimen for entry into the Junior Cash Award. This program is so easy that almost every youngster can participate. The rules are simple:

1. The specimens must be collected by the junior.
2. He/she must prepare it for exhibit.
3. He/she must make a label with the name of the material and where it was found.
4. The junior must get the specimen to the show. THE JUNIOR DOES NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT AT THE SHOW. Any club member can bring the entry.
5. The junior must fill out the registration form and send it in to the Junior Chairman prior to the show.

All entries will be judged by a panel of judges who will decide the winners. One will be for the ages of juniors up to the age of twelve and the other for juniors thirteen through seventeen. Both winners will receive a check for \$ 25.00 from the Federation. In addition, all who enter will receive a certificate along with some other goodies.

Please encourage all of your juniors to participate!

### **Diane Weir**

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## AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year (ACROY)

Any member of any club can submit a nomination of any member for this award. The club does not have to vote on it, the Club President does not have to endorse it, the other club members do not even have to know about it. Just sit down and write up a member that you know has worked for the club and deserves a thank you and send it in. We will take it from there.

Why not surprise everybody in your club and have it published both in the Regional Federation but in the National Newsletter too. Just think what a surprise you can cause. Please do it.

Send the nominations to me at the address below and watch the results.

### **Howell T Whiting**

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## AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year

When **Margueritte Hunt** started collecting fossils and minerals on field trips in 1974, her husband **Jim** carried her buckets for her. Then he got wise and made her carry her own buckets. "I got a lot more selective after that," she chuckled. In 32 years as a member of the Tulsa, OK Rock and Mineral Society, **Margueritte** has served two years as Secretary, currently is serving her fourth year as Club Treasurer (two terms) and last fall served as the TRMS Show Treasurer. She has been "Mrs. Grab Bag" for the club for many years, instructing new members on how to sew the cloth bags. The **Hunts** host a summer picnic for club members - not only for food and fellowship, but also to fill hundreds of grab bags for club shows. **Margueritte** is always willing to teach beading and how to make Gem Trees and crafts. She has acted as the Rocky Mountain Federation Credentials Chairman for shows in Tulsa and Enid, OK, and in Phoenix, AZ. She has also served as RMFMS Secretary. She always is ready to travel with fellow rockhounds on field trips near and far. **Margueritte** is a gracious and energetic woman - 86 years old - a sparkplug in any job she accepts.

Submitted by: **Kay Atkinson**, Tulsa Rock and Mineral Society, Federation Representative

## It's Amazing What a Little Visit Can Do

*Howie Chairman, PLAC New Mexico*

The Chaparral Rockhounds have four mineral claims. Two of them are in the National Forest, one in the Smokey Bear District and the other in the Guadalupe District.

While investigating the Travel Management Rule I discovered that the roads to both of the claims were scheduled to be closed. So we had a problem.

Two of us visited the Guadalupe District Headquarters and talked to the Ranger about our problem. First, he did not know there was a mineral claim at that location. BLM is the agency of record for mineral claims and they had not notified the Forest Service about this one. Second the road had originally been used for a well that was no longer in production so only half of it was still in use. The other half to our claim appeared to be unused. After looking at the paper work and the map, the Ranger made a decision on the spot and reopened the road. No Problem.

The second claim was in the Smokey Bear District and that called for a second visit. This one was a little different. The mineral claim was along an old state

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road which had been moved some distance east of the original route. The State of New Mexico had written in their contract with the road contractor that they were to restore the old road as near as possible to its natural state. This they had done and closed the road. However the claim was in the National Forest and we needed access. The Ranger informed us that a "Letter of Forest Service Permit" would be written and gives us legal access to our claim. These we are in the process of acquiring. Again problem solved.

I urge all clubs to touch base with the Forest Service nearest you about your problems. They are currently going to great lengths to get the public involved and will welcome your input. You just might solve some of your problems.



## RMFMS Library

By Marie Wester

If your club is using the many programs in the RMFMS program library, then you know me; and I have tried to help you out with the program your club is interested in having. Many good slide programs, and of course, instructional videos are on the shelves; then last year **Nancy Hicks** added some DVDs and power point programs. I am wondering now what she has to add to the RMFMS program library this year? Many of the programs were contest winners of the RMFMS or the American Federation program contest; these programs were made by people sharing their expertise in our hobby.

Not too late for you OR your club to share in this years program contest. "Life revealed in the Rocks" to "Beading", to "Lost wax casting", to a video winner on "Wire wrapping" and many more titles. Programs are just \$4.00. Should you like to order a program, I would ask to have you request 2-3 weeks before needed; I, also have a reservation program waiting list. Program information is easy to find: it is in your clubs Rocky Mountain Federation 2007 Directory, soon to be in the mail to each rock club, or go to the internet <[www.rmfmts.org](http://www.rmfmts.org)> and find the link to program library and find your next program. emailing your request to me, please put: RMFMS program request in the subject line. I will need program #, an alternate #, date needed, and your club name, your name, address, city and your phone and e-mail address. I, also, like to talk and find out just what subject it is that you are looking for. **Marie Wester**, 1045 C.R. 204, Durango, Co. 81301, 970-247-9648, [jmwester@fone.net](mailto:jmwester@fone.net)

## We Need a Little Dynamite

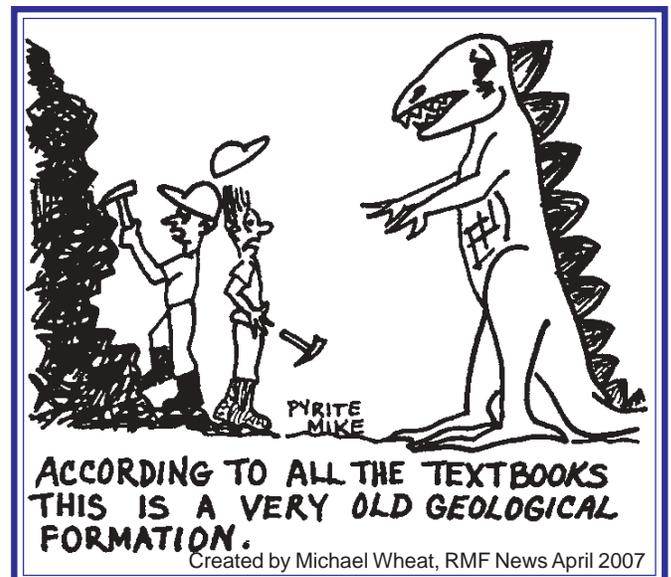
### Central Maine Jr. Geologist Club: A New Rock Club with a Twist Seeks Your Help

To our fellow members of the AFMS and other clubs participating in the FRA (Future Rockhounds of America) program: We are in need of some donations or funding assistance for our new mining expedition. We are in search of a rare mineral, "Generationite" (A.K.A., Future Rockhounds of America). So far, we have hit a few gem pockets in the form of 29 "Childrenites," "Parentites," and "Volunteerites." We are now hoping to hit the pocket of knowledge with "Bookanites," "Videolites," and information clusters on matrix—rocks, minerals, earth science, conservation, and astronomy. We will also need some heavy equipment to help us reach what we are looking for, such as lapidary equipment, microscopes, u/v lights, GPS's, telescopes, and other learning tools for our hands-on labs and workshops.

In 2006, we started work on our museum (it is slow work, but we are gaining specimens). If you have specimens from your area of the country you would be willing to donate, please feel free to send it and we will display it in our museum and on-line. If you have any of the above items you no longer use, need, or want, we will be glad to put them to good use. We accept donations on-line at <[www.jr-rockhoppers.org](http://www.jr-rockhoppers.org)> Or, you can send them to the Central Maine Jr. Geologist Club, 18 Littlefield Lane, Farmingdale, ME 04344. Watch your contributions and donations working to help us, and to help others at our Helping Hands page on our website. Thank you for your support!

**Nicole**, Jr. President

**Ted Zagwyn**, Sr. President



## Future Rockhounds of America Merit Badge Program

by Jim Brace-Thompson, AFMS Juniors Activities Chair

Here are answers to 4 common questions I've received about the AFMS/FRA merit badge program:

### **How Does the Merit Badge Program Work?**

The program consists of an FRA membership badge, 9 merit badges (Rocks & Minerals, Earth Resources, Fossils, Lapidary Arts, Collecting, Showmanship, Communication, Field Trips, and Leadership), and a "Rockhound Badge" for kids who earn 6 of the 9 merit badges. A 100-page guidebook describes and outlines requirements for each of the 9 merit badges. There are 52 activities to choose from, or about a half dozen activities per badge, with kids required to complete only 3 activities to earn any particular badge. Checklists in the guidebook make it easy for youth leaders to sign off on activities as junior members complete them. In addition, brief back-up pages and suggestions help leaders guide their kids through each activity. The guidebook is available both in hardcopy format (photocopied) and on the AFMS web site <<http://www.amfed.org/fra/meritbadge.htm>>. To save on costs to the program, which is being provided entirely free, I encourage you to download a copy of the guidebook and its checklist sheets from the web. If this is not possible, contact me for a copy.

### **How Do I Sign up the Kids in My Local Club?**

The program is for clubs with youth members enrolled in the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America (FRA). To enroll your kids, contact me (call [805-659-3577](tel:805-659-3577) or email [jbraceth@adelphia.net](mailto:jbraceth@adelphia.net)). All you need is a group of kids (up to age 18), a sponsor, a name, and an application to FRA. (An application form is included with this report.) Your club must be affiliated with the AFMS. The number of youth is not important: you can have as few as 1 or 2 and as many as you can handle.

### **How Do I Order the Merit Badges?**

Because this is a new program and we don't have a history as to what potential supply-and-demand will be, I'm keeping distribution of badges centralized, at least for the first year or so. For budgetary reasons, we were only able to order a limited quantity of badges as a start. Thus, rather than send bulk quantities of badges to local youth leaders and exhaust our supply

right away, I'm asking that local leaders at individual clubs send me requests for badges as they are earned.

How to go about this? You should make multiple copies of the activity checklists that are included in the merit badge guidebook. For each child, check off activities as they are completed. When at least 3 activities are checked off for any one badge, both the child and youth leader sign the checklist, write in the mailing address of the youth leader, and send it to me: **Jim Brace-Thompson, AFMS Juniors Activities Chair, 7319 Eisenhower Street, Ventura, CA 93003.** I'll record the info and send the badge. To speed the whole process, I'm also willing to do fulfillment via the phone or email (see my contact info, above) rather than through the mail so long as the youth leader indicates: 1) the badge being requested, 2) which activities a child has completed to earn that badge, 3) the child's name and name of his/her club, and 4) name and mailing address of the youth leader to send the badge to.

I know this is a bit cumbersome and will mean a lag time in getting badges to kids. But in discussing this with others in the AFMS, I decided it's best to use this centralized approach at least in the beginning in order to monitor how much the program is getting utilized. It's also necessary in order to keep tabs on which activities are proving most popular and how many badges actually end up getting awarded. This way, we'll have an accurate record for the future in estimating budgets for how many badges, and which ones, will need to be manufactured on a regular basis. In order to keep the program free, we need to monitor all costs as we start out and keep a lid on those costs by only distributing what's actually being used.

### **How Can We Make the Merit Badge Program Better?**

Finally, I welcome feedback, suggestions for improvements to the existing activities, and ideas of new activities and badges to add to the program. Let's all pitch in to provide an educational program by which kids learn, earn rewards, and—as always—have fun!



# Join Future Rockhounds of America

## **HISTORY OF FUTURE ROCKHOUNDS OF AMERICA**

Rockhound clubs throughout the regional Federations have supported youth groups for many years. Most clubs have always had young members but often didn't know what sorts of activities to provide for them. Consequently many youth fell through the cracks. We're sure no one would argue the fact that we need to ensure the future of our hobby by encouraging our youth. Knowing this, under the direction of AFMS President Bill Cox in 1984, a committee was added to the AFMS called "Junior Clubs." Bill coined the name "Future Rockhounds of America" and designed a certificate to be given to junior clubs becoming members of FRA. It gives pebble pups and juniors the distinction of belonging to something worthwhile. The only requirement for obtaining FRA membership is to be organized and sponsored by a regional Federation club (although exceptions can be made). There are no dues to pay to the AFMS for being a member. Starting in Fall 2004, Juniors Activities Chair Jim Brace-Thompson developed a free "merit badge" program of guided activities to provide youth leaders with over 50 individual activities in 9 areas: rocks and minerals, earth resources, fossils, lapidary arts, collecting, showmanship, communication, field trips, and leadership. Kids can earn badges in each area. Those earning a minimum of 6 of the 9 badges earn a "Rockhound" badge as a mark of accomplishment and distinction. Details of the program may be found on the "Kids Corner" section of the AFMS web site: <[www.amfed.org](http://www.amfed.org)>

## **HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE AFMS YOUTH PROGRAM, FUTURE ROCKHOUNDS OF AMERICA?**

All you need is a group of kids, a sponsor, a name, and an application to FRA!

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Your group must be a member of your regional Federation, either through a sponsoring club or through an independent application into your local Federation.
2. The number of youth is not important: you can have as few as 2 and as many as you can handle.
3. Age: Any kids up to the age of 18.

Just fill out the application below, or contact your local Federation Juniors Chair or check out the "Kids Corner" of the AFMS web site <[www.amfed.org](http://www.amfed.org)>

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## **FUTURE ROCKHOUNDS OF AMERICA**

NAME OF YOUTH GROUP: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORING ADULT CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERATION: CFMS \_\_\_ Eastern \_\_\_ Midwest \_\_\_ South Central \_\_\_ SE \_\_\_ Rocky Mountain \_\_\_ NW \_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR ORGANIZED: \_\_\_\_\_ CURRENT NUMBER OF YOUTH MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

On the back, please provide a brief description of the activities you do with your youth members, i.e., participation at general meetings, club shows, field trips, and other activities. After completing this questionnaire, please forward it to the AFMS Juniors Activities Chair: Jim Brace-Thompson, 7319 Eisenhower Street, Ventura, California 93003; (805) 659-3577; [jbraceth@adelphia.net](mailto:jbraceth@adelphia.net).

# SHOWS & MORE

## REGIONAL FEDERATION SHOWS & CONVENTIONS

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### Rocky Mountain Federation Annual Convention & Show

Hosts: Chaparral Rockhounds  
Roswell New Mexico  
June 7 - 10, 2007

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### California Federation Annual Convention & Show

Hosts: Palmdale Gem & Mineral Society  
Lancaster California  
June 15 - 17, 2007

### Northwest Federation Annual Convention & Show

Hosts: Butte Mineral & Gem Club  
Butte Montana  
August 3 - 5, 2007

### Midwest Federation Annual Convention & Show

Hosts: Copper County Club  
Houghton Michigan  
August 11 - 12, 2007

### South Central Federation Convention & Show

Hosts:  
Arlington Texas  
September 1 - 2, 2007

### Eastern Federation Convention & Show

Hosts: Wayne County Gem & Mineral Society  
Newark New York  
October 6 - 7, 2007

### Southeast Federation Convention & Show

Hosts: Three Gulf Coast Clubs  
Ocean Springs Mississippi  
November 9 - 11, 2007

## CLUB & SOCIETY SHOWS/SWAPS

### April 20 – 22, 2007, Wichita, KS

Meteorites & Dazzling Treasures, 54<sup>th</sup> annual show, Wichita Gem and Mineral Society, Dealers and Demonstrations. Contact info: Show Chairman Gene Maggard, 316-742-3746 [gandpmaggard@wildblue.net](mailto:gandpmaggard@wildblue.net) or [www.geocities.com/wgms2001](http://www.geocities.com/wgms2001) [wgms2001@yahoo.com](mailto:wgms2001@yahoo.com)

### April 27 – 29, 2007, Hinton, OK

The Oklahoma State Council Swap is hosted every year by the Oklahoma Mineral & Gem Society at Red Rock Canyon State Park, about 45 minutes west of Oklahoma City on Interstate 40. This is a beautiful park with some full hookups, several electric and water, and tent camping. There is no admission charge for those who want to spend the day. We will have a short State Council Meeting Saturday afternoon at 2:00 with an auction of donated items following. All proceeds from the auction goes into the State Council Scholarship fund. We will have fluorescent displays Friday and Saturday night, with a potluck dinner Saturday evening. All are invited to join in all activities and we know you will have a good time visiting and meeting with old and new friends.

### May 4 – 6, 2007, McPherson, KS

Rock Hounds 15<sup>th</sup> Annual McPherson Gem & Mineral Club Rock Sale & Swap. Located at the 4H Fairgrounds, Woodside and Hickory. Contact: Marvin Lundquist, 620-241-7003 [swederocker@mpks.net](mailto:swederocker@mpks.net) or Jim Nutter 620-241-2433.

### May 5, 2007, Lakewood, CO

Colorado Mineral Society Auction, Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling St. From 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with dealer set up at 10:00 a.m. Halfway thru the auction we will have a verbal with unique specimens. For more information: Bruce Geller is the Auction contact @ 303-237-294, Leslie Osgood is the person who takes care of Buyer/Seller numbers/letters 303-986-4488. [www.coloradomineralsociety.org](http://www.coloradomineralsociety.org)

### May 5 – 7, 2007, Kingman, AZ

Mohave County Gemstoner's Annual Show, "Gems of Arizona" at Kingman Academy of Learning, 3410 Harrison St. Saturday 9 – 5 & Sunday 9 – 4. For more information contact Dave at 928-692-3797 or [tpatt2ts@uneedspeed.net](mailto:tpatt2ts@uneedspeed.net)

### May 12 – 13, 2007, Grand Junction, CO

60<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Junction Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show, Two Rivers Convention Center, 159 Main St. Meet T-Rex in person! (Ok, it's a replica of his skeleton but it's super-cool anyway!) Silent Auction and Dealers. Contact Joe Montano 970-241-7774.

### May 18 – 19, 2007, Ellinwood, KS

34<sup>th</sup> Annual Rock Swap, City Park (Northwest corner of Ellinwood). Presented by the Ellinwood Chamber of Commerce, 620-564-3300

### June 23 - 24, 2007 - Colorado Springs, CO

Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society 43rd annual Gem, Mineral, Jewelry and Fossil Show. Phil Long Expo Center 1515 Auto Mall Loop Show Chairman: Kaye Thompson, 719-636-2978 or Roger Pittman 719-683-2603. e-mail: [rpittman@netzero.net](mailto:rpittman@netzero.net), web [csms.us](http://csms.us) [info@csms.us](mailto:info@csms.us)

### August 17 - 19, 2007, Lake George, CO

### October 13 - 14, 2007, Sierra Vista, AZ

### November 3 – 4, 2007, Oklahoma City, OK

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