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Future Rockhounds of America Youth Poster Contest 2007

By *Jim Brace-Thompson, AFMS Junior Activities Chair*

David Rich contacted me recently with a very neat idea! His club, the Summit Lapidary Club from the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical & Geological Societies, is sponsoring a poster contest, which they're opening up to any and all kids who belong to the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America program nationwide, regardless of which regional federation they're in. In addition, they welcome entries from any school teachers who would like to do this as a class project. So if you're utilizing the FRA program within your club, I encourage you to work with your kids to design posters and send them to **David**. Here are the details:

THEME: "Gemstones of the World." Prepare a poster illustrating one or more gemstones or minerals that interest you, from anywhere in the world.

ELIGIBILITY: 1st through 12th grade. Each grade will have a winner. Ribbons awarded for 1st through 4th place, with the 1st place winner also receiving a prize.

CONTEST RULES:

- All entries must be presented on paper 12 inches by 18 inches.
- Include name, address, age and school grade of participant on back of Entry.
- Artwork can be in pen, ink, crayons, magic marker, paint or any other artists' medium.
- No three-dimensional posters accepted.
- The title may be on the front or the back.
- List names of the gems and/or minerals and why you chose them.
- All entries become the property of the Summit Lapidary Club.

SCALE OF POINTS:

Originality & Art Work—30 points; Design—25 points; Title—25 points; Listing of Gems and/or Minerals & Reason Chosen—20 points.

DEADLINES & CONTACTS:

- Entries must be postmarked by October 1, 2007.
- Send to: **David Rich**, 1166 Broadview Road, Tallmadge, Ohio 44278
- Winners will be displayed and prizes and ribbons awarded at the Fall Gemboree on October 27, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.
- If you have any questions, please call the contest chairman, **David Rich** at (330) 630-9625, or email at DRICH@lapidaryclubofohio.org

I encourage every club with juniors who have been taking part in the AFMS/FRA program to jump in and send in entries from their pebble pups and junior members. It sounds like **David** and the good folks of the Summit Lapidary Club have come up with a great way for kids to express their interest in their favorite gems and minerals while—as always—having fun!

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*Richard Jaeger
Linda Jaeger
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James Hurlbut
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Howie Whiting
and everyone else*

*for your contributions
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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 September is August 1.

President's Message

By Richard Jaeger

Presidents Message:

The combined AFMS/RMFMS Convention and Show in Roswell, New Mexico was an outstanding success. Show Chairman **Frank Whitney**, Show Advisor **Howell Whiting**, and all the other members of the **Chaparral Rockhounds** are to be congratulated. The Editors Breakfast and Awards Banquet were excellent with the best attendance in several years. The AFMS and RMFMS business meetings were also a success despite a few problems with our recording equipment. The show itself had about 130 exhibits with 40 of them being competitive which again are the highest numbers in many years for an AFMS show. There were 10 RMFMS trophies awarded and I believe 19 AFMS trophies. The show had ten quality dealers and the silent auction area had very good materials. The field trips during and after the show were well attended and produced some excellent finds. With all the positives about the show the thing that stood out the most was the hospitality of the **Chaparral Rockhounds**. I think lists of the winners of the Competitive Trophies will appear elsewhere in this newsletter as will the list of the winners of various bulletin competitions presented at the Editors Breakfast.

New officers elected at the Annual Delegates Meeting are:

President: **Stan Nowak** of the Enid, Oklahoma club.

Vice President: **Yonis Lone Eagle** of the Farmington, New Mexico club.

Secretary: **Carol Holman** of the Stillwater, Oklahoma club.

Treasurer: **Gene Maggard** of the Wichita, Kansas club.

Arizona State Director: **Debbie Leschner** of the Wickenburg, Arizona club.

Kansas State Director: **Marvin Lundquist** of the McPherson, Kansas club.

North Dakota State Director: **Ray Olinger** of the Bismarck, North Dakota club.

South Dakota State Director: **Don Rathert** of the Rapid City, South Dakota club.

The terms of these newly elected officers will begin on Nov. 1, 2007.

Several items of new business were passed at the Annual Delegates Meeting. OP No.

Treasurer—1 was replaced. The new OP gives State Directors up to \$200 for travel expenses relating to their job. It also sets a \$500 maximum reimbursement for travel expenses for RMFMS personnel required to attend AFMS meetings and for the RMF representative to Wildacres. A new OP for the job of Ribbons Chairperson was passed and the requirement that this person be a member of the Uniform Rules Committee was stricken from the Convention Code Management OP. A new OP describing the duties of the Parliamentarian was also passed. The other new OP is one on the RMFMS Trademark; this was to clarify the process of the periodic renewal of the Trademark rights and the use the Trademark. The RMF is a member of the Blue Ribbon Coalition; the new primary contact person will be **Ernie Leschner** of Wickenburg, Arizona and with our membership one other person in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming will also be receiving information much of which will relate to efforts to keep open roads which we need for collecting opportunities. We also voted a membership for the RMF in the American Lands Access Association, a unit within the AFMS.

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On a personal note, the **President's Hat Compliance Committee** did choose to fine me \$50 at the Awards Banquet for not meeting some of the requirements of wearing the hat.

I had the rare opportunity to take control of the meeting from **Howie Whiting** and **Robert Carlson** while the President's Hat Compliance Committee was determining my fate. I sought to gain sympathy from the gathering by explaining that my other job is that of Assistant Stage Manager of the Miss Oklahoma Pageant and that I was missing the entire pageant by attending the Roswell show. At about the time I was speaking if I were still in Tulsa I would have been back stage dressed in a tuxedo with Miss America who would have been dressed in a stunning gown. With us would have been the top ten finalists getting ready for the swimsuit competition wearing their bikinis. Instead I was at a banquet of about 170 rockhounds who **Howie** had described earlier in the evening as being a "Herd of Turtles". I got sympathy from the crowd but not from the **Committee**.

I must admit that I did take my hat off when taking a shower (as reported by an **Alien**) and when showing a member of the committee, **Walt Wells**, the feathers (which he had requested to see). And I did choose to wear the hat on my hand rather than on my head (the OP does not specify) while addressing the banquet and I referred to the Committee as "Teddy Bears". In addition I did blame my original \$40 fine on my wife **Linda** who promptly informed the committee of another violation which resulted in an additional \$10 fine. A gentleman from California said if it were he that he would just burn the President's hat – not all members of other federations understand or appreciate the tradition of the RMF hat.

Another gentleman said that I should have been fined another \$10 for stupidity for attending the Roswell show rather than staying in Tulsa for Miss Oklahoma Pageant (several seemed to agree with him). However, aside from the business and responsibilities that go with a federation show comes the wonderful opportunity to visit with rockhound friends from around the our Federation and in this case from around the whole United States. That, to me, is the valuable highlight of any of our federation shows.

Did you hear about the man who fell into an upholstery machine?
He's fully recovered.

Sympathy



Keith Price, 82, passed away June 2, 2007. **Keith** and his wife **Pauline** have served their club, the Rocky Mountain Federation and SCRIBE for years in several positions. She was Wasatch Gem Society Editor, RMFMS Publication Chair and SCRIBE Treasurer. **Keith** was best known for his years-long term as RMFMS Treasurer. Keith will be missed deeply.

Dixie Lee Alf passed away May6, 2007. She was President of the RMFMS in 1992-93. **Dixie Lee** and her husband **John** have of course been very active in Federation activities for many years.

To Clean Flourite, do not use hot water or even warm water – the luster will vanish forever. And the specimen will crack along cleavage planes very easily. It can be placed in muriatic acid to remove calcite, and then washed in cold water.

Taken from: The Tulip City Conglomerate, Tulip City G&M Club Holland Michigan, June 2007.

Directory Changes

Please make the following changes in your RMFMS Directory.

Gem Crafters & Explorers Club

Las Cruces, NM

change PO Box number from 4284 to 3091

change **Faith Hutson's** phone number from 647-8767 to 526-6211

change **Rose Mary LaPlante's** zip code from 88001 to 88007

add Editor - **Cookie Saathoff**, PO Box 55, Organ, NM, 88052, 505-382-3464, don@zianet.com

Richard Goodnough's, Boundaries, e-mail address should be: <rockhound3@cox.net>;

Sandy Cannedy's, Scholarship, e-mail address should be: <jscannedy@att.net>;

Max Burkhalter's, Stationery/Trophy, e-mail address should be: <maburkhalter@cox.net>;

Arlene Burkhalter's, Insurance, e-mail address should be: <maburkhalter@cox.net> (same as **Max's**)

Lee Whitebay, Uniform Rules Committee, has an e-mail address: <lwhitebay@sbcglobal.net>

Award Winners for RMFMS Bulletin Contest, 2007

by Linda Jaeger

New Editors

1st Pick & Pack, **Betty Cain**, Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society

2nd The Voice, **Cheryl Christensen**, El Paso Mineral & Gem Society

Small Bulletins

1st Beehive Buzzer, **Leora Alexander**, Beehive Rock & Gem Club

2nd Shawnee Slate, **George Finley**, Shawnee Gem & Mineral Society

3rd The Rockhound Record, **Lois Spendoria**, Mineralogical Society of Arizona

Large Bulletins

1st Quarry Quips, **Sandy Riekeman**, Wichita Gem & Mineral Society

Adult Articles

1st "A Blast from the Past: The Meteor Crater Story", **Brett Whitenack**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

2nd "Fluorescent Minerals", **Sherman & Ricky Thomson**, Beehive Buzzer, Beehive Rock & Gem Club

3rd "Magic Bus Ride with Steven Veatch" **Terry P Beh**, Pick & Pack, Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society

4th "Durania Maxima", **Lois Larson**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

5th "Our Rockhound in Japan", **Herb Bastuscheck**, The Shawnee Slate, Shawnee Gem & Mineral Society

7th "Prospecting Trip to the Hassayampa River", **Bobby Montgomery**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Society

8th "The Mother Lode – Part 15 – The Demise of Hydraulicking", **Thomas Horton**, The Rockhound Record, Mineralogical Society of Arizona

9th "Fixing the Lortone Model 34 Tumbler", **Elmer P Jennings**, Quarry Quips, Wichita Gem & Mineral Society

10th "Oil Shale and Tar Sand", **Chris Fite**, T-Town Rockhound, Tulsa Rock & Mineral Society



HM – "Southwestern Treasures You Gotta See", **Kim Vasper**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Society

HM – "The Mineral Rhodochrosite", **Shirley Unruh**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

HM – "Another Wire Wrap Method", **George Finley**, The Shawnee Slate, Shawnee Gem & Mineral Society

HM – "My Adventures at Pilanesberg National Park, South Africa", **Susan Reimer**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

HM – "Why "K" for Cretaceous?", **Don Huber**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

HM – "Concretions and Creations", **Greg Weisbrod**, Quarry Quips, Wichita Gem & Mineral Society

HM – "Why Do People Cut and Polish Stones?", **Leon Reeder**, T-Town Rockhound, Tulsa Rock & Mineral Society

HM – "Oregon Rock Trip", **Glen Gurney**, Rock Chips, Timpanogos Gem & Mineral Society

HM – "Should I or Shouldn't I?", **JoAnn Mounce**, T-Town Rockhound, Tulsa Rock & Mineral Society

HM – "Finding Uses for Collections", **Meghan Dailey**, The Shawnee Slate, Shawnee Gem & Mineral Society

HM – "Creedite", **Mindi Toole**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

HM – "Bloodstone, A March Birthstone", **Marvin Lundquist**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

HM – "Wildacres", **Dottie Smith**, The Shawnee Slate, Shawnee Gem & Mineral Society

Adult Articles – Advanced

1st "Fossil Spiders from Florissant", **Steven Wade Veatch**, Pick & Pack, Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society

2nd "The Earth's Oldest Rocks", **Wes DeCoursey**, The Post Rock, McPherson Gem & Mineral Club

Poetry

1st "An Editor's Lament", **Wilma Ramming**, The Rockhound Gazette, Stillwater Mineral & Gem Society

Special Publications

2nd Show Program – "Kansas' Ageless Wonders", **Sandy Riekeman**, Wichita Gem & Mineral Society

Congratulations to all of you for a job well done! Keep up the great work!

AFMS & RMFMS Competitive Entries

by James Hurlbut

The competitive entries at the AFMS RMFMS show in Roswell numbered more than thirty. The acting AFMS Judging Chair **Jay Bowman** and the RMFMS acting chair of the rules committee **Jack Thompson** did an excellent job in getting all the cases judged and ribbons presented at the awards banquet.



Here is the list of the AFMS winners:

Paul Otto BT-1 Trophy 8 Thumbnail Minerals
William Beiriger BM-1 Trophy 10 Micromount Minerals
Barbara Sky BT11-xy Thumbnail Minerals
Carol Holman BC-1 Trophy 4 Cabinet Minerals
Carol Holman BT-x Trophy 9 Thumbnail Minerals
Lyle Roessler C-4 Trophy 15 Lapidary
Steve Gustafson CC-2 Trophy 18 Lapidary
Carol Holman F-1 Trophy 34 Animal Fossils
Bill Smith FC-2 Trophy 35
Kay & Jack Thompson EIC-1 Trophy 30 Educational
William Beiriger EGC-5 Trophy 28 Educational
Betty Pearson CA-1 Trophy 16 Lapidary
Pat Snyder G-8 Trophy 13 Petrified Wood
Steve Gustafson C-3 Trophy 22
Bill Smith G-7 Trophy 23 Petrified Wood
Richard Friesen EIS-1 Trophy 42 Educational
Vivian Richards CA-5 Trophy 42 Lapidary

Here is the list of the RMFMS winners:

Ruby Linglebach A-2 Trophy 1 Open
Paul Otto BT-1 Trophy 8 Micromount Minerals
Barbara Sky BT-xy Trophy 9 Thumbnail Minerals
Lyle Roessler C-4 Trophy 15 Lapidary
Bette Pearson CA-1 Trophy 16 Lapidary
Bill Smith G-7 Trophy 23 Petrified Wood
Yonis Lone Eagle EGC-1 Trophy 28 Educational
Bill Smith FC-2 Trophy 35 Fossils
Betty Pearson CA-4 Trophy 41 Lapidary
Virgil Richards G-8 Trophy 13 Petrified Wood

Thank you for entering these beautiful cases for all show attendees to enjoy.

Treasurers Corner

by Gene Maggard

You haven't seen a Treasurer Report for a couple of issues due to "technical malfunctions." Hopefully, this one makes it into the newsletter.

The Annual Report, Dues and Insurance Form is on the RMF website. Dues and club insurance remains the same at \$1.50/member for dues and \$3/ household for insurance. I am asking that the Report be completed in Word, if possible, and submitted to me by email. Detailed instructions are on the top of the form. I will send out the form in October by email to both the Treasurer and the club contact as listed in the 2006-07 report, where email addresses are given. USPS notification will be sent to all other clubs.

If your treasurer or club contact has changed since your club submitted the 2006-07 report, it would be a huge help to me for you to email or USPS mail me the changes. The biggest problem in getting 2006-07 reports was notification going to people who were no longer treasurer and the notification not getting forwarded to the current treasurer. I spent hours telephoning people to find the correct contact. I hope that we can reduce that problem this go around.

So, reports is what I am obsessing about. This is August and summer is almost gone. I hope that you had a great summer and some really great rockhounding.

Rocky Mountain Federation News via e-mail

by Sandy Riekeman, editor

Are you currently receiving the RMFMS News in black and white by snail-mail? Would you like to like to receive it in color by e-mail? You would get it earlier also!!!!

As with all organizations, the RMFMS is trying to save money. And printing costs are constantly rising. Obviously e-mailing the newsletter would be a great way to cut our costs, less paper, less printing, less postage. So.... if you would like to receive the RMFMS News via e-mail instead of snail-mail send me an e-mail at: <wgms2001@yahoo.com>. Please include your snail-mail address so that we can remove you from that mailing, also PLEASE put "RMFMS News" in the subject line.

Also with e-mail there is no limit to the number of copies your club can receive, so make sure that everyone who is interested in receiving the RMFMS News sends me an e-mail.

News Release

USDA Forest Service
Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National
Forests
2250 Highway 50
Delta, CO 81416-2485
CONTACT: Lee Ann Loupe, Public Affairs Specialist,
970-263-5829 or 970-596-0246

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE GMUG Proposed Forest Plan Suspended

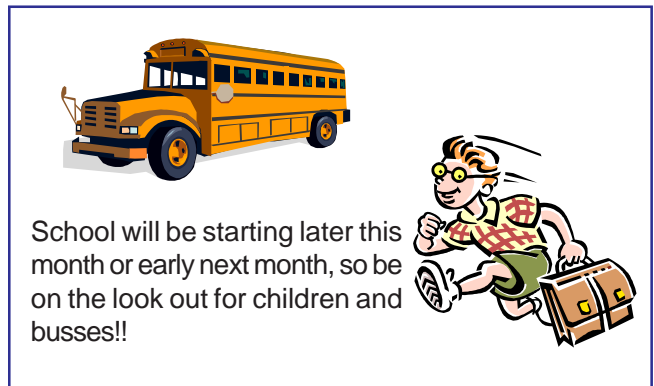
DELTA, Colorado., May 7, 2007 – Public comment on the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest (GMUG) proposed Forest Plan is suspended indefinitely. The GMUG proposed Forest Plan was developed under the 2005 Planning Rule and was released for public review on March 16, 2007. On March 30, Judge Phyllis J. Hamilton of the Northern District of California U.S. District Court ruled that the Forest Service's adoption of new planning regulations (2005 Planning Rule) violated the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and Endangered Species Act (ESA). Until the Agency complies with the court's order, the Court has enjoined the Forest Service from implementing and utilizing the 2005 Planning Rule.

GMUG Forest Supervisor Charlie Richmond said, "We don't know for sure where we will head with Forest Plan revision in response to the injunction; however, we are evaluating our options for when and how to proceed." He went on to note, "whatever approach, we decide to use, the public collaboration and recommendations we have received to date will be integral in our continuing planning activities. Our stakeholders have helped us develop a vision for the Forest for the next 15-20 years, and we need to prepare effective plans to guide and support that vision."

Some of the options under consideration include: "re-initiating" forest plan revision under the 1982 planning regulations, continuing management under the 1983 Forest Plan and addressing any necessary changes through amendment, waiting for the Agency to make the necessary changes to the 2005 Planning Rule to comply with the Court, and continuing with National Forest Management Act (NFMA) planning activities that are independent of the 2005 Planning Rule (e.g. monitoring, public involvement, scientific analysis, etc).

The work that went into developing the proposed Forest Plan, (e.g. the Comprehensive Evaluation Report (CER) and Comprehensive Assessment) provides information about current conditions, trends, and key findings for the social, economic and ecological components of the Forest. Planning Staff Officer Carmine Lakewood stated, "Regardless of which option(S) we choose, these planning documents, and all the work by our stakeholders, provide valuable information that will be useful in future strategic planning activities, as well as project-level planning efforts."

Additional information on the Court's ruling and Forest Service activities please visit the GMUG National Forest web-site: <www.fs.fed.us/r2/gmug>.



An Editor's Lament

by Wilma Ramming

From: *The Rockhound Gazette* June 2006

Adult Poetry - RMFMS 1st Place

Oh dear, oh dear, whatever shall I do.
The deadline's coming near, and I'm in a stew.

Why doesn't that President send me with haste
His Message I need. There's no time to waste.

Then I'll need to compose a short little story
Retyping it quickly before I have to worry.

With all the proofreading and editing I need to do,
I'll not get to bed anytime before two.

Checking the articles for syntax and spelling,
How long will it take, there is just no telling.

At last it's all done and off it will go
Down to the printers; then I'm through, you know.

Stamp it an label it and fold it in half;
All of this fussing has made me quite daft.

Then next month will arrive all too fast,
I'll have to do it all over, just like in the past.

AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year 2007 Award

One of our long standing members of over thirty years has done so much for this club that it is very difficult to write this award. This person has served as a club officer four times, has held chairmanships of committees too numerous to count, and has hosted hundreds of social functions helping the club accomplish its goals. She has exhibited at various shows around the county representing our club; she has traveled to far places and camped in primitive areas representing our club; she has welcomed visitors on the spur of the moment into her home to enhance our club image. In fact, her performance has been so professional, low key and efficient that her efforts are now taken for granted. She deserves to be recognized. The Chaparral Rockhounds take great pride in nominating **Doris Whiting** (The hostess with the mostest) as their AFMS Rockhound of the Year Award.

Submitted by:
Diane Weir
President
Chaparral Rockhounds

AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year

Tom and **Willogene Morris** are the kind of members who have done so many things for the club most members are unaware of. **Willogene** is a past President and is now Vice President. She keeps track of and turns in the number of members present at each meeting enabling the club to meet in a larger room at the library. She also found us a new meeting place when we lost our old meeting place. **Tom** is a past Treasurer. He published the club Directory and prints the mailing labels for our newsletter. **Tom** also helped the current Editor get and learn to operate a new computer replacing the old typewriter. Using donations **Tom** conducts our door prize auction (at a \$1 per chance) allowing us to continue supporting the scholarship program. **Tom** and **Willogene** demonstrate Spear making using his homemade Spear Machine at other clubs. I recommend them for the Shawnee Gem and Mineral Society AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year Award.

Submitted by:
George Finley
Editor
Shawnee Gem and Mineral Society



Apache Tear Polishing Tip

by George Anderson - SRGC

Crushed Walnut Shells are great to use as a filler when polishing Apache Tears. Obsidian is difficult to polish and “bruises” easily. After you have finished filling your tumbler barrels $\frac{3}{4}$ full of Apache Tears, put in your grit and 3 to 4 cups of crushed walnut shells (you can layer this), then add your water.

The shells can be obtained in 25 lb bags from your local farm/pet supply distributors. You will have to put in fresh walnut shells with each grit but the cost is nominal. Also put shells in with your polishing medium – wash carefully after polishing, but do not run overnight in detergent as you would other rocks. The polish will be great and you won’t have any bruising.

Source: Skagit Rock & Gem Club, Skagit Gems February 2006, Taken from: Rockhound Ramblings, North Jeffco G&M Club Arvada Colorado, July 2007.

Lapping Geodes

When you are trying to polish a geode on a vibrating lap, it is difficult to keep the grit out of the center of the geode when it is hollow and filled with crystals.

One suggestion has been to fill the center with Knox gelatin, a product you can buy at any grocery store. It turns to jelly when mixed with water and after a while, will set up good and firm. Pour this into the geode before polishing and, when you are done, just wash it out with warm water. It leaves no residue.

Taken from: Rockhound Ramblings, North Jeffco G&M Club Arvada Colorado, July 2007.

SHOWS & MORE

2007 REGIONAL FEDERATION SHOWS & CONVENTIONS

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 Mineral Club
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:
November 9 - 10, 2007

CLUB & SOCIETY SHOWS/SWAPS

August 3 – 5, 2007 – Prescott, AZ

4th Annual show and sale of the Prescott Gem & Mineral Club. Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Activity Center, 3700 Willow Creek Rd. Contact: Larry Jackson, 928-636-9188, e-mail lpjack@cablone.net. www.prescottgemmineral.org

August 9-12, 2007 – Buena Vista, CO

Show, "Contin-tail show"; Colorado Federation of Gem & Mineral Societies, Rodeo Grounds; Thu. 9-5, Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-5; free admission; outdoor show, more than 100 dealers, rocks, minerals, gems, beads, jewelry, lapidary items; contact Carolyn Tunnicliff, 1130 Francis #7010, Longmont, CO 80501, (303) 833-2939; e-mail: ctunnicliff@comcast.net ; Web site: www.coloradorocks.org .

August 17 - 19, 2007 - Lake George, CO

Lake George Gem and Mineral Show, Show Chairman: Andy Weinzapfel, 719-748-3356, acwein@gmail.com
Dealer Chairman: Rebecca Blair, 719-748-1275, blairra@hotmail.com

August 17 – 19, 2007 - Tahlequah, OK

Swap, show and sale; Tahlequah Rock & Mineral Society; Tahlequah Community Bldg., 1st St. and College; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; free admission; demonstrations, children's booth, live auction; contact Sara Brasel, (918) 458-0801, or Maxine Woods, (918) 456-8198.

August 24 – 26, 2007 – Hot Springs, AR

"Hot Springs Bead, Gem & Jewelry Show"; AKS Gem Shows; Hot Springs Convention Center, 400 Convention Blvd.; Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; adults \$5, children free; beading classes, stone-cutting, wire-wrapping and cab-cutting demonstrations, jewelry repair bench; contact Kay Schabillon, 4532 Kawanee Ave., Metairie, LA 70006, (504) 455-6101; e-mail: info@aksshow.com; Web site: www.aksshow.com.

August 31- September 3, 2007 - Crawford, NE

20th annual swap, "Crawford Rock Swap"; NW Nebraska Rock Club; Crawford City Park, Main Street; Fri. 8-6, Sat. 8-6, Sun. 8-6, Mon. 8-4; free admission; field trips, agates; contact Mike Brost, 123 Ann St., Harrison, NE 69346, (308) 668-2511; e-mail: crawfordswap@hotmail.com

September 14 - 16, 2007 – Lincoln, MO

47th annual show; Mozarkite Society of Lincoln; Lincoln City Park; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 9-3; free admission; dig your own mozarkite, displays, silent auction; contact Linville Harms, (660) 827-4143.

September 22 – 23, 2007 – Schuyler, NE

"Loup Valley Gem, Beading, Crystal and Fossil Show"; Loup Valley Gem & Mineral Club; St. Mary's Social Hall, 305 W. 11th St.; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; adults \$1, children free with parent; flint knapping, wire wrapping demonstrations, Nebraska fossil preparation, sphere making, archaeological displays, gem polishing, silent auctions, field trip Sun., special wood and agate displays; contact Ben Vrana, 705 C St., Schuyler, NE 68661, (402) 352-5531; e-mail: bbv5531@intergate.com .

September 28-30, 2007 – Enid, OK

Enid Gem & Mineral Society; Hoover Bldg., Garfield County Fair Grounds, 111 W. Purdue; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; adults \$1; contact Billy E. Wood, 1705 S. Johnson, Enid, OK 73703, (580) 234-5354; e-mail: baronladislaus@suddenlink.net .

October 13 - 14, 2007 - Sierra Vista, AZ

November 3 – 4, 2007 - Oklahoma City, OK

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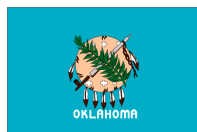
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