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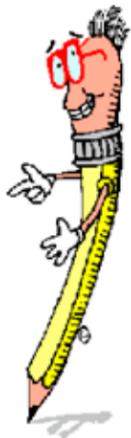
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QUICK TIPS FOR EDITORS

by Linda Jaeger, AFMS Bulletin Editors Advisory 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. 88th 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.

Most of the regional chairmen have been (some still are) successful, very competent editors. They try to align their regional contest rules with the AFMS rules, they make sure the editors in their federation receive contest information in a timely manner, they find judges for their regional bulletin contests, they present the awards for their regional bulletin contests, they send their top three winning entries in each category to AFMS, and they're all VOLUNTEERS!



If you have a question about your regional bulletin contest, or if you have an editing question, these are good people to ask. And if you happen to see or talk to one of them, thank them for the time they spend and the great job they do! Who are they? Look below for the members of the AFMS Club Publications Committee:

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Important dates for the 2010 contest:

February 28, 2010

AFMS Judges List to BEACs

March 20, 2010

Regional entries due to AFMS judges

May 1, 2010

Judged AFMS entries due to me

June 18-20, 2010

CFMS/AFMS show in La Habra, CA

June 20, 2010

Breakfast with the Editors & Web Masters

The **AFMS web site** has been updated with 2010 contest information available. **New this year** – For Regional BEACs and AFMS Judges – there are fillable control sheets online for you to download and use. Remember that you can also find sample score sheets online at the AFMS website, <www.amfed.org>, as well as good information on editing a newsletter.

What's a BEAC?

AFMS has a committee called the Club Publications Committee. It is made up of the seven regional Bulletin Editor's Advisory Chairmen (these are the folks who are in charge of the regional bulletin contests), an At Large Member, and an appointed chairman (that's me). Some federations may have a slightly different name for their chairman, but they ARE the person who runs your regional bulletin contest.

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Deadlines for the regional contests will have passed by the time you read this, but do go to <www.amfed.org> and take a look at the score sheet/entry forms. It is very simple to download the forms from your regional web site to fill-in on your computer or to print out and fill-in by hand. Remember for next year!

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FROM THE RECTANGULAR OFFICE

by Emerson Tucker, AFMS President

Reggie is retiring. His full name is Reginald Rockhound. Actually Reggie isn't the one retiring. It is his creator that is retiring. So what is the story on Reggie and why is it of interest to us?

Prior to 1979 two Rockhounds, Diane Ford and Joan Peck, would share the fun of parading around at gem and mineral shows in their own costumes that resembled a dog that also could be a Rockhound. This brought a lot of pleasure to the youngsters, young and old, at the shows. As the two thought about other ideas of helping to support the interest in the Rollin' Rock Club (RRC), Reggie was born. In 1979 Diane created a small plaster dog to represent a Rockhound. The dog was placed on a crystal base. Also added was a small sphere for Reggie to roll. Thus the rollin'rock to tie Reggie in with the Rollin' Rock Club.

Reggie, along with his crystals and sphere, evolved into a small display about 10 inches square and 12 inches high, mounted on a wooden base that Diane wanted to use to raise money for the AFMS Scholarship Fund and only for that Fund. She had great suggestions from people like Don Langston, past AFMS President, and Rusty Mercer as to how to accomplish this goal. The Reggie display would be taken to RRC unofficial meetings usually held on Sunday mornings prior to the opening of the club show in the SCFMS. Besides the Reggie auction the RRC also holds auctions, using member's donated material, at these meetings in order to raise money for its treasury, SCFMS Endowment Fund, AFMS Endowment Fund and Scholarship Fund, and other educational benefactors or institutions. Items are donated to the regular auction by members attending the show and they decide which organization will receive the money.

So at nearly every RRC meeting Reggie would be auctioned off to the highest bidder. That bidder could only keep Reggie long enough to take him to the next show. Thus Reggie attended many shows in the SCFMS, some in the RMFMS and a few at shows in other Federations. At each show he was auctioned again and the new winner had to get him to the next show so he could be auctioned off again.

People like Keith Harmon, Don Langston, Delbert Speed, Ed Ries, Howie Whiting and Bill Pattillo would have been auctioneers and would auction off Reggie to the highest bidder. Reggie couldn't make all the club shows as sometimes several shows would be on the same weekend. So many times he would be auctioned off in absentia. The invisible Reggie would be held up high so everyone could "see" him and then the auction would continue as members bid on the absent Reggie. All the money would go either to the restricted or unrestricted AFMS Scholarship Fund.



The RRC has one official meeting each year at the same show as the SCFMS annual meeting. At that meeting all of the names of the past winners of the current Reggie are placed in a hat and a name is drawn. That person gets to keep that Reggie. Also at the past twenty-nine official RRC meetings Diane has presented a new Reggie created from her creative ideas. And the bidding for this new one starts again. In order to help Diane, others, like Dick Rathjen, would help her by making the display cases and wood bases for the displays.

Many of the Reggie cases now are residing in the Arlington, TX clubhouse repository so they can be viewed by other Rockhounds. That's where the Reggie that I won is now residing.

Over the years since 1979 Diane has made a total of 30 Reggies. Reggie number 30, Diane's last one, is still being auctioned at the RRC unofficial meetings at many of the shows in the SCFMS and a few in the RMFMS and sometimes at meetings in other federations. The drawing of the winner from the hat for this, the last Reggie, will take place at the official RRC meeting in DeRidder, LA in December 2010.

So what has Reggie done for the AFMS Scholarship Fund? Records available for the past eleven years show that \$12,980.50 was raised by Reggie for the Scholarship Fund. Last year Reggie raised \$1,380.00. And the year before \$1,210.00 was raised by Reggie. I'm not sure what the total amount would be from all the auctions during the life-span of Reggie. My estimate is the total dollars raised by Reggie since the first auction may be around \$25,000 to \$30,000.

Yes, Reggie brought in a lot of money for the Scholarship Fund, but he did something else too. He brought about a lot of friendly and competitive bidding with all sorts of humor thrown in to make the bidding event something members looked forward to having as an enjoyable event at the RRC meetings. Friendships were made and grew closer in a gentle rivalry to "own" a Reggie.

An idea was born to help the Scholarship Fund in a small way and over the years grew to be a big hit. Many thanks are due to Joan Peck for her getting the idea started and to the annual effort of Diane Ford for designing and crafting Reggie to raise money for the AFMS Scholarship Fund. Also, a lot of thanks go to the many people who donated money by bidding on Reggie!

Until next time. **Emerson**



HAVING FUN: JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

by Jim-Brace Thompson, Jr. Activities Chair

Help Spread the Word about the FRA Program

With the new year upon us, I'd like to issue a plea to AFMS representatives from all our regional Federations (not limited to, but especially regional newsletter editors and junior activities chairs) to actively promote the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America program. Activity seems to be down a bit lately, and I receive the occasional email asking about the program from junior leaders of local clubs who says they just happened to "stumble across" the program on the web. Rather than having folks stumble their way in, let's guide them to us! Alert folks in your Federation and within your club to <http://www.amfed.org/kids.htm>.

Any AFMS-affiliated club with even a single junior member can sign that child into FRA at no cost whatsoever, and that child will be sent a free FRA Membership patch, and your club will receive an AFMS/FRA Certificate. From that initial step, kids can then work (either through formal, structured club activities or via home self-study) toward earning 15 free activity badges that span the full range of our hobby, as well as a "Rockhound" badge for kids earning 6 or more activity badges. Again, all free to the child and to the club, thanks to generous funding by the AFMS. Please help to continue spreading the word with brief write-ups in your regional and local newsletters and announcements at your Federation and club meetings. 97 clubs have used the program at various times and in various ways, but that's out of a total of 640 clubs within AFMS. Let's not rest until we've reached out to every child in every club.

Finally, I'm also seeking ideas for new badges we might consider adding to the program in coming years. My goal has always been to re-examine the program every four years or so. Last time was two years ago, when I revised elements of the original 9 badge units and added another 6. I've already, in fact, received some great ideas unsolicited, such as adding units on fluorescent minerals, on thumbnails and micromounts, on map reading, on fundraising, and more. Toward the end of this year or early next year, my plan is to compile a list of potential topics and send them out for comments and votes from participating clubs, so please send me your ideas today. Here's thanking you in advance for your suggestions to make a fun program even more fun!



Purpose of the AFMS:
To promote popular interest and education in the various Earth Sciences, and in particular the subjects of Geology, Mineralogy, Paleontology, Lapidary and other related subjects, and to sponsor and provide means of coordinating the work and efforts of all persons and groups interested therein; to sponsor and encourage the formation and international development of Societies and Regional Federations and by and through such means to strive toward greater international good will and fellowship.

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CLUB ROCKHOUNDS OF THE YEAR

from Loretta Ogden, ACROY Chair



South Central Federation

The Big Spring Prospectors Club would like to nominate **Jerald Wilson** as Rockhound of the Year for 2009.

Jerald has been a member of the Big Spring Prospectors Club since 1977 and has held every club office beginning in 1980. He has served as Show Chairman since 1995 and been on the board of directors. Through the years he has given programs to school groups and Boy Scout troops and has taken part in teaching lapidary classes to new members through the years.

He enjoys all phases of lapidary work but most enjoys fellowship of other Rockhounds, both in our club and in neighboring clubs.

While health problems have crimped his agility, it has not dimmed his enthusiasm...he still loves to "talk rocks".

We feel he is deserving of this honor.

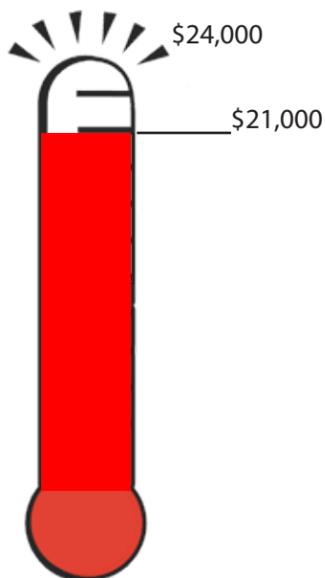
submitted by Lola Lamb on behalf of the Club

HOW'S THE CHALLENGE COMING?

from Dee Holland, Scholarship President

We're getting closer to our goal!!! If we do, and I'm convinced that we will, our students in 2010 will receive the full \$4,000 stipend that we've been awarding the past few years. If you've not already done so, please send your contribution - marked "unrestricted" today. Let's not disappoint our students who really can use our support.

Contributions should be sent to your regional federation coordinator with checks payable to "AFMS Scholarship Foundation."



SAFETY NOTE – SNAKE BITE 101

by Owen Martin, AFMS Safety Chair

While researching details for this month note I came across a great blog note from a gentleman named Steve Beyer who writes a blog for a website called Singing To The Plants.

Much of one of his blog notes is contained below.

With that being said we can break it down to three main points: stabilization, transportation and treatment. Of note at the bottom of the blog is mention of a "Pressure Wrap" which is a technique I've discussed in previous Safety Articles. Since most of us are more likely to encounter snakes in the field this method should be seriously considered in situations where emergency care is not immediately available.

Be safe, and now onto an excerpt from Steve's blog:

"As professional handlers of venomous snakes say, 'The best equipment for treating a venomous snakebite is a set of car keys.'

However, the first step in treatment is to avoid panic. Death is rare. Even without evacuation, most cases result in several days of serious misery and then full recovery. Remember that the fatality rate even for untreated pit viper bites is extremely low. The treatment steps are:

•Use the *Sawyer Extractor*. If you are in snake country, the Extractor should always be within easy reach in your pack. The Extractor can remove as much as 30 percent of Crotalid venom proteins if applied within three minutes. Use the Extractor as quickly as possible and then keep it on the bite for about thirty minutes. Because of the great suction it creates, no cutting is necessary. This should always be the first thing you do, even when evacuation is in progress. [Keep in mind that certain areas of the south and southwest USA have snakes that have bites too wide for a single extractor so plan accordingly ~ Owen]

•Remove rings, bracelets, or any other constricting jewelry on the affected limb, which may swell to as much as twice its normal size.

•Immobilize the bitten extremity with a splint, just as you would a fracture.

•Have the patient rest and keep activity to a minimum.

•Have the patient drink as much fluid as possible, in frequent small amounts, in order to maintain fluid volume and kidney flow.

•Remember that a snakebite is a contaminated puncture wound, and treat it as such.

•Get to definitive care as quickly as you can. Otherwise, have the patient rest and drink fluids; keep the wound clean; give lots of encouragement and support.

The following are not recommended for pit viper envenomations:

•Do not make incisions or try to suck out the venom. In jungle conditions, cutting into an already compromised limb is asking for an infection. You absolutely do not want pit viper venom in your mouth. Conversely, your mouth is full of all kinds of bacteria. And you can't suck as hard as the Extractor can anyway.

•Do not use a tourniquet. Tourniquets can result in loss of the limb due to decreased blood flow. In addition, you are just keeping the venom localized where it does the most tissue damage.

•Do not use electric shock. It can be dangerous, and has no proven value in managing pit viper bites. It is the great urban legend of wilderness first aid.

•Do not use ice. There is no evidence that snake venom enzyme activity diminishes with cold. Freezing already compromised tissue can lead to frostbite, which can damage the limb more than the original bite. Packing in ice has probably resulted in more lost limbs than snakebite itself; this is particularly tragic when limbs have been lost to frostbite because of a non-envenomated bite.

•Do not give alcohol. It causes vessels to dilate and may speed venom absorption. The use of an elastic bandage pressure wrap — recommended for use with bites from Elapidae or coral snakes — has been recommended for use in some cases of Crotalid envenomation as well. The argument against its use is that the pressure may actually increase the risk of disfiguring local tissue damage, which may then require skin grafts and extensive repair and treatment; and that removal of the pressure may result in sudden massive swelling and discoloration. The argument in favor of its use is that the spread of venom to vital organs can be life-threatening — in fact, some Crotalid bites can cause serious damage to limbs even when the bites were to a finger or foot — and the use of a pressure bandage can prevent this spread, even at the risk of greater localized damage.

The problem is that there is no way of knowing how serious the envenomation is at the outset, when the decision must be made. There is a tradeoff between averting more serious life-threatening damage and increasing the risk of painful and disfiguring local damage. Such a decision should be considered a serious one, to be decided in full consultation with the patient."

More can be found on Steve's blog site:
<www.singingtotheplants.com/2009/03/jungle-survival-tips-snakebite-i/>

ENDOWMENT FUND PIONEERS

from Shirley Leeson, AFMS Historian

What do you know about the AFMS Endowment Fund? It began in 1984 after a number of years of "talking". Bill Cox, AFMS President and Charley Leach, CFMS president began the Endowment Fund because the AFMS needed money to fund AFMS projects and there wasn't any money in the budget. In fact the AFMS at that point in time was limping along, just barely getting by.

From 1984 through 1999, at every AFMS Show, you saw Charley and Betty Leach, along with Bill and Edna Cox and Glenn and Dorothy Lee sitting at a table selling raffle tickets on items donated by other rockhounds at every national federation show.

Charley was the chair of the Endowment Fund and guarded it like it was his own.

From that beginning we have evolved into a successful operation that has taken in over \$200,000. It has funded the Junior Badge Program, a program of strong potential that is growing each year; the Judges Training Program, a program designed to have all the judges from the various regions on the same page when they judge competitive exhibits; and the Slide Library Contest and more recently money to save slide programs of importance and convert them to digital.

In 2003 Betty Leach and Glenn and Dorothy Lee were recognized for their work on the Endowment Fund and were awarded "Honorary Endowment Committee" positions for life. In December, 2009 Betty relinquished her position, and went on to join Charley in the "big rockhound roundup in the sky". Another rockhound pioneer gone, but what a strong footing she and Charlie helped give to our Endowment!

AFMS JUDGES TRAINING SEMINAR

by Lee Whitebay, 2009 Participant

Last September I had the opportunity to attend "Judging School" held during the EFMLS Workshop at Wildacres, in North Carolina. The class brings together judges and aspiring judges from across the country. I attended as the representative from the Rocky Mountain Federation, and was sponsored by the AFMS. I classify myself as an aspiring judge.

After spending a week in the mountains, I have a much clearer idea what judging is about and what I still need to learn. Going into class I had heard judges described as rigid, authoritarian, biased, and worse. Afterwards, I think my most important take-away is that I should approach judging from the point of view of an educator. As a judge/educator my role is to note that the Uniform Rules are followed, and if not to explain where the exhibitor went wrong. Anyone who has seen the Uniform Rules knows the document is impressive, some might say intimidating, and it is understandable that an exhibitor could encounter problems.

Nobody likes to be told their work or specimens are deficient in any way. However, by entering a competition the exhibitor is asking for their case to be judged according to the Uniform Rules. The judge must know the rules and note any and all apparent deficiencies. At this point the educator must step forward writing down comments, explaining what was seen and what might be done to improve the situation. There are specific penalties for many transgressions. However, there is also significant room for judgment. When judgment is called for the judge/educator levies the penalty.

Judges and exhibitors are familiar with the phrase "No errors noted." It is often used when commenting on labeling. It means we did not catch any errors. It does not mean there are no errors. We may have missed something. So, please don't yell at us if you get dinged for it later. We are, contrary to some reports, human and fallible.

I would like to carry the idea of "No errors noted." a little further into my personal judging

philosophy refined at Wildacres. If I see a deficiency I will note it. It does the exhibitor a disservice to ignore problems or praise marginal specimens.

As a result of my time at Wildacres I have been reminded I do not need to be overly critical either. Stories of Judges bobbing and weaving outside of cases or using extra lights to look for problems brings home the point that if it is almost impossible to see a defect then I don't need to take heroic measures looking for it. Neither the exhibitor nor public will benefit from the additional scrutiny.

We didn't have a lot of time to exchange ideas on the philosophy of judging exhibits. Did I mention the Uniform Rules is a thick document? We covered it all, and I believe I made significant personal progress transitioning from an aspiring judge to a judge/educator.

I want to thank all those who put up with my questions that week for their patience and guidance. Judging involves lots of rules and even more subjective wisdom. This was a week well spent and I would recommend anyone considering serving as a judge attend a future session. Thank you AFMS.

Almost forgot - the food was good and the mountains beautiful, but because of the mountains, cell phone reception was spotty.

Ed. Note: The 2010 AFMS Judges Seminar will be held from April 23 - 29 during the EFMLS Wildacres Workshop in Little Switzerland, NC. In addition to the seminar, a variety of other classes will be offered for participants. Cost of the week is \$350 per person and the group will have the pleasure of having Bob Jones, Sr. Editor of Rock & Gem Magazine as the featured speaker.

You can find out more about EFMLS Wildacres, see a list of classes being offered and download a registration form by visiting <www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm>.

AFMS /CFMS CONVENTION

The 2010 AFMS /CFMS Convention and Show will be held the weekend of June 18-20, 2010 with the AFMS Uniform Rules meeting and AFMS Annual meeting held the Wednesday and Thursday prior to the show respectively. The gala event is being hosted by the North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society.

Information about the scheduled events and a pre-registration form are printed elsewhere in this issue. Forms for both competitive and non-competitive displays and RV camping can be downloaded from the AFMS website <www.amfed.org>. Just click on the mini show poster to access the information.

AFMS/CFMS 2010 Gem Show
Hosted by: North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society

Games, Displays, Raffle Prizes, Gems & Jewelry, Sponsoring: La Habra Youth

Fossils, Kids Room, Food

Admission: \$6.00
Children under 14 Free (with an adult)

Free Parking

HIDDEN TREASURES

June 18 - 20, 2010
Fri. - Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

So. CA University of Health Sciences
16200 E. Amber Valley Dr. Whittier, CA 90604

Information: 626-330-9574 - show@amfed.org or 1806-593-2486 - www.nogems.com
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UPCOMING REGIONAL FEDERATION CONVENTIONS

from Bob Livingston, Convention Coordinator

	California Federation	Eastern Federation	Midwest Federation	Northwest Federation	Rocky Mountain Federation	South Central Federation	Southeast Federation
2010	AFMS June 18-20 La Habre, CA	March 6-7 Newark, DE	Aug 27-29 Peoria, IL	Sept. 17-20 Hillsboro, OR	April 23-25 Wichita, KS	Dec 11-12 DeRidder, LA	
2011		AFMS July 7-10 Syracuse, NY	Sept 8-11 Toledo, OH		December Colorado Spgs, CO		
2012		Sept. 16-17 Harrisburg, PA	AFMS July Minnesota				



AFMS/CFMS SHOW & CONVENTION
“HIDDEN TREASURES”
JUNE 16 - 20, 2010
SCHEDULED EVENTS



Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Wednesday	June 16, 2010	1 pm - 4 pm	Uniform Rules Meeting	D
Thursday	June 17, 2010	9 am - Noon*	AFMS Directors Meeting	D
Thursday	June 17, 2010	Noon - 2 pm*	AFMS Scholarship Meeting	D
Friday	June 18, 2010	10 am - 5 pm	Show	A
Friday	June 18, 2010	11 am - a pm	AFMS Past Presidents Luncheon +	C
Friday	June 18, 2010	6 pm - 9 pm	AFMS/CFMS Cracker Barrel	E
Saturday	June 19, 2010	10 am - 5 pm	Show	A
Saturday	June 19, 2010	9 am - 2 pm	CFMS Directors Meeting	B
Saturday	June 19, 2010	6:30 pm - 10 pm	AFMS/CFMS Awards Banquet	B
Sunday	June 20, 2010	7 am - 11 am	AFMS/CFMS Breakfast with the Editors and Webmasters	D
Sunday	June 20, 2010	10 am - 5 pm	Show	A

* Time may be extended if needed.

Scholarship Foundation meeting will begin at conclusion of AFMS Directors meeting.

+ Luncheon open to all who wish to attend

Locations:

- A So. Calif. University of Health Sciences Campus, 16200 E Amber Valley Rd; Whittier, CA 90604
- B La Habra Community Center, 1010 W La Habra Blvd, La Habra, CA 90631
- C Pizza Club, 1279 E La Habra Blvd, La Habra, CA 90631
- D Anaheim Park Hotel, 222 W Houston Ave., Fullerton, CA 92832
- E Friendly Village, 1001 W Lambert Rd; La Habra, CA 90631



HOTEL INFORMATION

The host hotel for the convention is the
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 Fullerton, CA 92832
 (714) 992-1700
 Toll Free (877) 491-1011

When calling to make reservations, be sure to mention the AFMS/CFMS Convention.

RV camping is available on a limited, first come first served basis. Dry camping is available at So. California University of Health Sciences at a cost of \$20 per day. Download the reservation form on the AFMS or CFMS website for a reservation form.

NEW OFFICERS?

from Steve Weinberger

AFMS Central Office Administrator

Most of our affiliated clubs will by now have elected and installed their new cadre of officers for 2010. Congratulations to each of you who have taken on this important responsibility. Our clubs represent the backbone of our organization!

Please take a few moments to notify the AFMS Central Office about your new (or continuing) officers. We need to have this information so that this newsletter, and all future issues, can reach the correct individuals so that you can remain apprised of important AFMS activities and programs.

What we need...

the name of your club

the name, and address for your president

the name and address for your federation director, liaison or if you don't have one of the above, your secretary

the name and address of your club editor

Please tell us which office each person holds within your club.

If your officers have not changed since 2009, please let us know that as well --- just e-mail, give us the name of your club and indicate that there has been no change in officers for 2010.

All information should be sent to me at <central_office@amfed.org>.

And as always, remember that the mailing list for the AFMS Newsletter is **never** shared with other organizations.

Thanks.

2009-10 AFMS COMMITTEES

Here is the listing of the people who have agreed to serve as Committee Chairs for 2009 - 10. Please feel free to contact these people if you need information, have questions or would like to share ideas with

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AFMS/CFMS SHOW & CONVENTION
"HIDDEN TREASURES"
JUNE 16 - 20, 2010
PRE-REGISTRATION FORM



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Club/Society: _____ Federation: _____

Check all that apply:	AFMS Officer _____	CFMS Officer _____	Director _____
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Event	Cost	Number	Total
AFMS Past Presidents Luncheon	\$9.00	_____	\$_____
AFMS/CFMS Awards Banquet	\$35.00	_____	\$_____
AFMS/CFMS Breakfast with the Editors & Webmasters	\$21.00	_____	\$_____
Show Admission:			
Adult Tickets (per day)	\$6.00	_____	\$_____
3-day passes	\$15.00	_____	\$_____
Raffle Tickets (6 tickets)	\$5.00	_____	\$_____
RV Dry Camping (limited space at University (\$20 / day)	\$20.00	_____	\$_____
	Total Due		\$_____
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Deadline for Pre-Registration is May 15, 2010

Make all checks payable to: NOC Gem Show 2010

Return this registration form, along with your check or money order to:

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 PO Box 653
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AFMS CODE OF ETHICS

I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without the owner's permission.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations of rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind - fences, signs, buildings.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires in designated or safe places only and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks or other water supply.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and Will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

I will cooperate with field trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or Federation officers, Bureau of Land management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use "Good Outdoor Manners" and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public "image" of rockhounds everywhere.