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Information for Members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies



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IMPORTANT REMINDER EFMLS MEMBERSHIP & DIRECTORY RENEWAL

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! Has your club sent in its 2020 membership and directory renewal forms? If not, we need you to do so, as soon as possible. The forms are located at www.EFMLS.org/documents-and-forms. Please fill out your membership form (send to Treasurer, Gary Bergholdt, gbergholdt@gmail.com) and your contact information form for the Directory (send to Directory Chair Chris Conlon, efmls.directory@gmail.com) no later than February 10th. This information is needed to compile the information so that your club can be included in the EFMLS Annual Directory. The process of creating the Directory is one that is time consuming. The sooner we receive your information forms, the easier and quicker the Directory can be completed. The annual meeting is at the end of March; it would be great to have all forms sent in by February 10th. If you have any questions or cannot access the forms, please contact Gary or Chris immediately. Your quick action to this request is greatly appreciated.

Chris Conlon, Directory Chair, and Gary Bergholdt, Treasurer

IT IS NOT AS HARD AS YOU THINK!!

That is, being EFMLS Secretary. Yes, back in the dino days, being the EFMLS Secretary was probably a diamond or at least corundum. With computers and the internet, it is now more like apatite (Moh's scale 5) at worst. I should know since this is my sixth (and last!) year doing the job and I am not that techno savvy.

The forms and the format of the packet does not change from year-to-year. Reports, etc., come in electronically so you can just plug this year's into last year's document. Most of the officers and chairs stay the same and many of the directors and delegates are repeats. So, if you can copy and paste the way I do, then there is little to type. If you are good at word processing, you may very well know faster and easier ways to do things. That just leaves the minutes which are pretty much the same each year except for the new business.

Also, for the most part, it is a once-a-year activity! So, someone out there contact Katie Collins and volunteer to be the 2021-2022 EFMLS Secretary. See page 4 for a detailed description from Katie Collins.

Bev Eisenacher, EFMLS Secretary

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Go to the EFMLS Website and download the 2020 Convention Registration & Info Packet at EFMLS.org/annual-convention.

David Nock, President

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

The March issue of *EFMLS News* will be containing details for the Convention. If you have any items you wish to appear in the March issue (info on the convention, form deadlines, etc.) the deadline for the March issue is **February 9, 2020. The March issue will be mailed early.**

Each One Teach One Nomination

Deadline is **February 4, 2020**. See Each One Teach One on contact Betsy Oberheim, Chair of the Each One Teach One Committee (aoberheim2 at comcast.net).

2020 Convention Registration Form

Deadline is **March 1, 2020**. Form available at www.EFMLS.org/annual-convention or see October 2019 *EFMLS News*.

2020 Convention Competitive and Non-competitive Exhibit Forms

Deadline is **March 1, 2020**. Guidelines and forms available at www.EFMLS.org/annual-convention or see October 2019 *EFMLS News*.

2020 Convention Delegate Registration Form

Deadline is **March 12, 2020**. Form available at www.EFMLS.org/annual-convention and December 2019 *EFMLS News*.

2019 REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT ELECTION RESULTS

The election results are in and we have our new and continuing Regional Vice Presidents.

First, our thanks are extended to the Regional Vice Presidents who have and still do faithfully serve the Federation and the regional clubs. They are our first and best face-to-face connections with all the clubs in the Federation. Extra thanks go to the Region I, III, V and VII Regional Vice Presidents who continued to serve beyond their term while the election process continued for a longer period than usual. Thank you and thank you for your patience.

Please join me in welcoming both new and continuing Regional Vice Presidents in their two-year terms as follows:

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| Region I: | Ellery Borow | P.O. Box 47, Waterville, Maine 04901 | (207) 547-3154 |
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| Region VII: | Joe Cooker | 488 Old Camp Creek Road, Cornelia, Georgia 30531 | (706) 499-8322 |

Ellery Borow, EFMLS First Vice President (rocknellery at fairpoint.com)

FALL WILDACRES SCHEDULE

Wildacres registration is in full swing for both the spring (May 18-24) and fall sessions (August 24-30). Bob Jones will be the featured speaker for the spring session. If you haven't registered for the spring session, now is a good time to do so. Information and forms can be found at <https://efmls.org/wildacres>. Information on Wildacres and the class schedule for this spring can also be found in the December 2019 *EFMLS News*. The newly released fall session class schedule can be found on page 11. As more information becomes available regarding Wildacres for 2020, we will publish it. If you have any questions regarding any aspect of Wildacres, contact one of the following:

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| Registration: | Suzie Milligan, Registrar | 607-687-5108 | smilligan at stny.it |
| Classes, Dates, etc.: | Pam Bryant, Director | 804-457-4698 | pjbryant6 at junos.com |

Pam Bryant, Wildacres Director

NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO KEEP, BUT TOO GOOD TO TOSS!

The following is from the Maine Mineralogical & Geological Society's November 2018 newsletter:

Ever have that dilemma? This is a neat rock—interesting enough to make me pick it up and look at it, but gee, I already have a couple like it.....Do I really want to carry it home? But if I leave it behind, will anybody else notice it and enjoy finding it?

MMGS [Maine Mineralogical & Geological Society] Field Trip Director Wanda Turcotte has “been there, done that” and has found a way to deal with those borderline specimens on club field trips. [A box is put in a prominent place during the field trip] to collect material suitable for MMGS’ educational outreach activities. Now a neat rock that you find, but doesn’t necessarily fill a spot in your collection, can find a home with a youngster who will also think it’s darned cool.

COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH

CLUB ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE

The Proposal!

I have a proposal to offer but first here is a bit of background. After years of visiting clubs in all manner of locations, note has been taken that many clubs in one way or another honor their members. Some clubs have a member of the month program. Some clubs, each month, honor a member who has gone above and beyond in service to their club. Some clubs have a point system where points are awarded for various service to the club activities and at the end of the year the person with the most points is honored. Some clubs have a free for all where yearly they vote for the most outstanding member. There are indeed many and varied take-offs of those formats. In effect, a club's most outstanding members are honored by the club, and within the club.

The proposal I would like to offer is one of sharing. As many clubs have honor programs already, why not go one step further and mention your honorees to the Club Rockhound of the Year program so your member's wonderful accolades are shared with other clubs as shining examples of the many ways and means members generously support their clubs. Not only will such notices illustrate the dedication members have to their clubs, but by sharing their stories, readers will perhaps see new ideas or ways of how to support their own clubs.

Participation in the Club Rockhound of the Year program is easy. Simply select your honoree, put together a brief write up of their accolades and send it to us. We will do the rest to have your honoree's accolades appear in the CROY columns of both the American and Eastern Federation newsletters.

The rules - clubs may submit one honoree per year for the CROY program. In case of a couple both names may be included. We need the names of the honoree(s), name of the club, name of the person submitting the entry, and a brief write up of say 70 to 100 words in length. Clubs may also submit a junior member as an honoree in addition to the adult honoree. Send the information to me and done. We will take it from there.

Please consider the offer of mentioning your honorees in the newsletters. We like to see bright and shining examples of the good work members offer in support of their clubs. We also like sharing the good news with other clubs!

We welcome your submissions. If you have any questions, please contact me (rocknellery@fairpoint.com). It will be good hearing from you.

Ellery Borow, Chairman, Club Rockhound of the Year Committee

EFMLS SECRETARY DUTIES

There may be a few things that need to be done during the year, such as filing new club applications, but the most activity relates to the annual convention. There are many people who can help you with these jobs.

We'll let you know who they are.

The four jobs associated with the convention are:

- 1) Convention Registration
- 2) Meeting Packet
- 3) Sign-up sheets
- 4) Minutes

REGISTRATION: We'll give you a template that you send to the EFMLS Bulletin Editor to go into the bulletin informing clubs how to register for the Convention. The Secretary receives the forms by mail or email, prints the e-mailed forms and uses them to make the sign-up sheets and have official records of who the delegates are and which clubs they represent.

MEETING PACKET: You ask the bulletin editor to put a notice in the bulletin reminding all officers and Committee Chairs that all reports are due 60 days in advance of the convention. At the 60-day mark, you will have to follow up with anyone who has not sent a report. Folks mostly e-mail you the reports, and you cut and paste them into a template. This constitutes the packet. Ten days before the convention, you e-mail the packet to attendees. You will also get 20 copies printed to bring to the convention.

SIGN UP SHEETS: You can use last year's sheets as templates. Those sheets are set out at the convention for delegates to register. There is always help for the sign-up stuff.

MINUTES: You have a template to work from, having only to change names at the beginning. Actual minute-taking comes into play mostly for old and new business.

AFTER THE CONVENTION: Send the minutes to the President for review, then to the bulletin editor for publication. We have more detailed descriptions of these jobs, and you can speak to the current Secretary for more info (Beverly Eisenacher, beisenacher at comcast.net).

If you, or know someone, who would be interest in becoming EFMLS Secretary, please contact Katie Collins at Kathleenc55 at cox.net as soon as possible.

Katie Collins, Chair of the EFMLS Nominating Committee

SAFETY MATTERS

TOP OF THE LIST

Lists. Lists often have tops and bottoms. Generally speaking, the top of the list items is more likely to be accomplished, whereas, the bottom of the list items, well, they may be lucky to be done at all. Our hobby is rife with lists, lists with tops and bottoms. The question here is where do items regarding safety appear on our lists? Do items of safety appear on our lists? The last question was specifically asked because there are those who put safety first and foremost in all things. They don't put safety items on their lists because, well, safety is automatic, and is so ingrained, so natural, that it is not put on the list -- or so it may be.

The case to be made here is about the wisdom of keeping safety, your safety, show safety, public safety, equipment safety, etc., at, or near, the top, higher priority section of one's lists. The model for the wisdom of keeping safety at the top is taken from nearly all instruction manuals. Glance at most any instruction manual and one will note that safety guidelines, procedures and wisdoms usually appear on top, right in the front of the

manual. Safety mentioned in such places concerns personal and product safety. However, humans, as delivered, don't come with manuals. So, we make our own. Same is true with our hobby. There are no universal safety lists in our hobby, we generally make our own for each activity that warrants a list. We, for the most part, make our own lists. Therefore, we have a choice of where to include safety - near the top or near the bottom.

The guidelines recommended in instruction manuals mention safety first. Manuals have been thoughtfully constructed, so this seems a reasonable and wise reason for keeping safety first in most of our hobby related lists. Other reasons to put safety near the top of your list -

- by putting safety first, it is often easier than to try and fit it in later.
- by putting safety first, it can often be far less expensive in the long run.
- by putting safety first, it can build confidence that later things will go well.
- by putting safety first, it can reassure our insurers.
- by putting safety first, it can make what we do – better.
- by putting safety first, it shows that one cares about oneself, family, neighbors, others.
- by putting safety first, it becomes more – automatic.
- by putting safety first, you and the whole hobby will be safer.

Please, when you make your lists, please consider putting safety first. Your safety matters.

Ellery Borow, Chair, EFMLS and AFMLS Safety Committees (rocknellery@fairpoint.net)

DID YOU KNOW...

-- A team from Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences examined teenage T. Rex dinosaurs from Montana and could determine their age by the rings in their leg bones. They also determined that T. Rex grew as fast as today's animals and birds. www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/01/2001101144031.htm, *Science Daily*, January 1, 2020.

--A meteorite that crashed on earth in September 1969 near Victoria, Australia, contains material that is about 7 billion years old—7,000,000,000—making it the oldest solid material known to exist on Earth and older than our Sun. www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/01/200113153306.htm, *Science Daily*, January 13, 2020 and www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/meteorite-grains-are-oldest-known-solid-material-on-earth, *Smithsonian Magazine* (on line version).

--“...death of dinosaurs, it was all about the asteroid—not volcanoes.” A Yale University assistant professor of geology and geophysics put forth the theory that it was strictly an asteroid that sent the dinosaurs to extinction that the volcanic eruptions in India, around the same time as the dinosaurs went extinct, was not the cause of their demise. www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/01/200116141708.htm, Yale University, *Science Daily*, January 16, 2020.

Our thanks this month to *The Rockhound Register*, newsletter of the Morris Museum Mineral Society, Morristown, New Jersey for input into this column.

LINKS TO EXPLORE

Traveling and want to attend a show in the area you are visiting? Click on the following URL from *Rock and Gem Magazine* or just copy and paste it: <http://www.rockngem.com/sjpwdatesfiles.showdatesdisplayall.php?showstate=all>

VISIT A SHOW OR SWAP

If you'd like to see your club show, swap or other public event listed here, please send your information to the editor by the first of the month preceding the event. For example, if your event is March 2, you may want to submit it on January 1 so that it appears in two issues of EFMLS News (February and March). In any event, the minimum amount of time needed is the first of the month preceding the event, i.e. if event is January 2, to have it listed, your information should be in by December 1 to be listed in the January issue. Send to EFMLSNews.editor@gmail.com.

February 22-23 – 27th Annual James Campbell Memorial Gem, Mineral, Fossil Show and Sale sponsored by Capital District Mineral Club and the New York Academy of Mineralogy. New York State Museum, 4th floor, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue, Albany, NY 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM both days. INFO: <http://www.nysm.nysed.gov/programs/minerals>.

March 7-8 – 57th Annual Earth Science Gem, Mineral and Fossil Show sponsored by Delaware Mineralogical Society. Double Tree by Hilton, 4727 Concord Pike (Route 202), Wilmington, DE. INFO: Gene Hartstein, geneatfossilnut.com or www.delminsociety.net.

March 7-8 – Spring 2020 New York City Gem & Mineral Show hosted by the New York Mineralogical Club. Watson Hotel Ballroom, 9th Avenue, New York, NY. March 7 – 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, March 8 – 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Lectures at 1:00 PM on both days. INFO: www.newyorkmineralogicalclub.org.

March 13-14 – 44th Annual Micromount Symposium sponsored by the Leidy Microscopical Society. Advent Lutheran Church, 45 Worthington Mill Road, Richboro, PA. Friday 12:00 Noon – 6:00 PM, Saturday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM. INFO: Don McAlaren, 610-584-1364, donmcalaren@outlook.com.

March 21-22 – Buffalo Geological Society's 52nd Gem-Mineral-Fossil Show. The Fairgrounds in Hamburg, Market, Grange & State Police Buildings, Hamburg, NY. INFO: Jerolde Bastedo, jcbastedo@gmail.com.

March 21-22 – 56th Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show sponsored by the Gem, Lapidary and Mineral Society of Montgomery County, MD. Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Building 6, 16 Chestnut Street, Gaithersburg, MD Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, Sunday 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. INFO: www.glmsmc.com.

March 27-30 – Annual EFMLS Convention hosted by the Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club, Hickory, NC INFO: www.efmls.org/annual-convention. A field trip to collect sapphires at Propst Farm is scheduled for Monday, March 30 (\$20 dig fee). INFO: efmls.org/annual-convention. See next entry for show information.

March 27-29 – Annual show sponsored by the Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club, Hickory, NC Metro Convention Center, 1960 13th Avenue Dr. SE, Hickory, NC. 27 and 28th 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, 29th 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. INFO: www.cvgmc.com/SpecialEvents.html. See previous entry for Convention information.

March 28-29 – 51st Annual Gem, & Mineral Show sponsored by the Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club. Wysox Volunteer Fire Co. Social Hall, 111 Lake Road, Wysox, PA. Saturday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. INFO: www.chehannarocks.com.

March 28-29 – Western Mass. Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Mineral Club of Springfield, MA. Hadley Farms Meeting House at the Hampton Village Barn Shops, 41 Russell St. (Rt.9), Hadley, MA. INFO: www.WesternMassMineralShow.com.

March 28-29 – 2020 Philadelphia Mineral Treasures & Fossil Fair sponsored by the Philadelphia Mineralogical Society and the Delaware Valley Paleontological Society. LuLu Temple, 5140 Butler Pike, Plymouth Meeting, PA Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. INFO: www.phillyrocks.org.

March 14-15 – 2020 Tampa Bay Fossil Club, Tampa, FL. INFO: www.tampabayfossilclub.com

April 3-5 – 47th Annual Atlantic Micromounters' Conference sponsored by the Micromineralogists of the National Capital Area, Inc. Holiday Inn Express, 6055 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA 22303. Speakers: Michael Pabst, Scott Duresky, Steve Stuart, Michael Seeds. Special recognitions to John Ferrante, PA and Erich Grundel, NY. Sunday, April 5 – Private tour of Victor Yount's mineral collection. Lunch provided, silent and live auctions, geo fellowship. Advance Registration \$30.00, at the door \$35. REGISTRATION AND INFO: www.dcmicrominerals.org, Kathy Hrechka, conference chair, kshrechka@msn.com.

April 4-5 – 31st Annual North Jersey Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show at Midland Park High School, 250 Prospect Street, Midland Park, NJ, sponsored by the North Jersey Mineralogical Society. 4th 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM, 5th 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. INFO: <http://nojms.webs.com>.

April 4-5 – 2020 New Haven Mineral Club Annual Show. Amity Middle School, 100 Ohman Avenue, Orange, CT 06477. April 4 – 9:30 AM -- 5:00 PM; April 5 – 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM. INFO: Arthur Doyle, www.president@newhavenmineralclub.org.

May 2-3 – North Shore Rock and Mineral club 57th Annual New England Gem & Mineral Show. Saturday, May 2 (9:00 AM--5:00 PM), Sunday, May 3 (1:00 AM—4:00 PM), Topsfield Fairgrounds, Coolidge Hall, Route 1, Topsfield, MA (GPS: 207 Boston Street, Topsfield, MA. Free Parking. Admission \$6.00, seniors \$4.00, children under 12 free. INFO: www.northshorerock.org or nsmc@verizon.net.

June 6-7 – GemFest 2020, 27th Annual Mineral, Gem, Fossil and Jewelry Show sponsored by the Wayne County Gem and Mineral Club. Greater Canandaigua Civic Center, 250 N. Bloomfield Road, Canandaigua. Saturday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, exhibits, hourly door prizes, free crafts, soapstone carving, wire wrapping, rock painting, sluice and much more including scavenger hunt for kids of all ages. Adults \$3, Children under 12 are free. INFO: Fred Haynes, fredmhaynes55@gmail.com or www.wcgmcc.org.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH

THE GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY OF THE PALM BEACHES

The Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches, since 1966, a 501(c)(3), is located in West Palm Beach, Florida. We meet the 3rd Thursday at 7:30 pm at the building across from the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium in West Palm Beach who we participate for special exhibits and museum promotions. This has been a long partnership

Check out our active Facebook page - www.facebook.com/gemandmineralsociety. It gets a LOT of visitors. Many join the club after seeing it or coming to our show.

The monthly newsletter called *The Rockhound* is full of great articles, club photos, calendar of events and is linked to our website www.gemandmineralsociety.org. Membership dues are \$10 for Juniors, \$20 for a Single and \$30 for a Family per year for the e-mailed newsletter. Applications are on the website or available at the meetings.

There is a fully equipped workshop for lapidary related work and a wide variety of classes. Most teachers are talented members, but we occasionally have a guest teacher. Our Annual Show is the weekend before Thanksgiving on Saturday 9-6 PM and Sunday 10-5 PM. at the South Florida Fairgrounds Expo Center in West Palm Beach. This year we had over 2,300 people up 30% from last year probably due to the excellent promotion on the Facebook Website! There were many happy vendors, guests and kids. The Last Chance Mine is always a big hit for any age. Geode cracking, sluice mining, rock I.D. and guest speakers.

We have several various types of field trips, picnics three times a year with two other clubs (Ft. Lauderdale and Miami), many Junior Rockhounds, a variety of classes, club show-and-sells. General meetings include informative programs, door prizes, lapidary-related prize drawings at \$1/ticket and refreshments. We are active with local businesses, other clubs and museums. Rocks and fossils have been a passion of mine since I was 4 years old, so it's not a passing fancy! I became a member in 1984 and have been on the Board for years! Even though I moved 5 hours away I keep in touch with my "family."

Permission has been granted to include the following video link to anyone who wants to see it. The video was compiled by Anthony Long, a member of the Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches. The video is one half hour long. The link came from Laura Phillips, our newsletter editor.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mdfEF-pDreA>

Michelle Renné, President Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches

The next page shows a few pictures of the Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches. The top picture is on taken at their show, left bottom is a club meeting and bottom right is the club picnic with a table full of specimens.



WILDACRES FALL 2020 CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

| Class | Instructor | Description |
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| Low Tech Casting | Linda Searcy | 4 Day class- For all skill levels. Experiment with low tech casting techniques using MAPP gas torches. We will explore ways to melt silver and cast silver objects using broomstraw, water, dried peas/beans/rice, coffee beans, and rock salt. You'll work toward creating components that can be made into jewelry pieces. Students should be comfortable with using torches and soldering techniques. |
| Viking Knit | Val Johnson | 1 st semester- You will learn a technique used nearly 1300 years ago by ancient people to weave a silver rope. Viking knit is also called trichinopoly chain and was used to make bracelets, trim on clothing and many other decorative objects. Once you learn the skill it is very easy and uses few tools and supplies to create stunning chains. |
| Wireworks | Val Johnson | 2 nd semester Students will learn how to work with various tools to create sterling silver wire wrapped jewelry. You will become familiar with the techniques needed to bend and twist wire to make a bracelet and a pendant. 2-day class offered 2 nd semester. No prior experience necessary. Hazard: Wire wrapping can damage acrylic or long fingernails. |
| Intarsia | John Milligan | 1 st semester Intarsia is the making of a geometric design using a variety of stones cut to precision and fitted together to form a pattern while leaving no gaps between the pieces. In this course, students will learn the beginning skills of Intarsia by melding together stones of various colors and patterns to form a finished cabochon. Students should bring an Optivisor. Prerequisite: Must have capping experience. |
| Intarsia | John Milligan | 2 nd semester- same as above |

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| Basic Silversmithing | Richard Meszler | 1 st semester | Have fun learning the basics of working silver sheet and wire to fabricate jewelry. The projects will introduce you to annealing/bending/shaping/texturing metal, soldering, piercing and polishing. Students will receive a kit containing the necessary metals and supplies to complete these projects as well as a detailed written step-by-step description of each project. No prior experience necessary |
| Intermediate Silversmithing | Richard Meszler | 2 nd semester | Continue your education working with metals by doing a more complex project. You will learn to make a bezel setting & bail into which you will set a cabochon to make a pendant. Students will receive a kit containing the necessary metals and supplies to complete this project as well as a detailed written step-by-step description of each project. Prerequisite: Basic silversmithing experience including soldering. |
| A journey through Ultra-Violet and Fluorescent Minerals | Bob (UV Bob) McGuire | 1 st semester | Study the finding of UV light and learn about UV lamps from the start. Ugly rocks--there are no ugly rocks. Just wait until you see how they get along with UV light! Find out what's in your collection and other uses for fluorescence. Can fluorescence be photographed? In this class you will find out how to do it. |
| A Journey Through Ultra-Violet And Fluorescent Minerals | Bob (UV Bob) McGuire | 2 nd semester- same as above | |

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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 full 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.