



# Colorado Mineral Society

# Mineral Minutes



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## Important Field Trip Updates!

Several field trips have been added to our schedule this summer and fall.

### **Red Feather Lakes – Second Trip Added Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**

We have received permission from the new claim owner of the amethyst and quartz claim at Red Feather Lakes to hold a second field trip there this summer. Contact Lewis Reynolds to see if there are any spots open to attend the trip. We are again constrained to the number of people or vehicles that can attend this trip. We'll accept sign-ups until the trip is full, and we'll carry a short wait list to allow interested members to go should spots open at the last moment.

### **Hartsel - Rescheduled for Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**

Contact Gary Rowe by COB August 14<sup>th</sup> if you are going. The trip description in the field guide is still correct, just a different date and trip coordinator. If you plan on digging for blue agate, there is a limit of 15 people, so let Gary know and he can add you to the list.

### **Topaz Mountain and Dugway, UT**

We are adding a fall trip to Utah if there is enough interest. See Page 5 for details and an online poll to choose a date for the trip and to show your interest.

## President's Message

By Bruce G. Sales

Hello everyone.

I hope that you have had a great collecting season. The weather has not always cooperated with the best of plans. Taylor Mountain was a much shortened collecting session, due to the thunder and lightning, rain and hail. I have seen some fine specimens from a couple of trips that I participated in and from the Blanchard trip.

The CMS Board of Directors has provided new liner covering for the display cases at the show this year, bring your best specimens found at a CMS field trip, to the Founders Day Picnic on September 12th from noon to 4:30pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. We will display the new set for the Prospector's Case Competition and determine the three specimens that will be judged for the September show. Let's go out and win the Prospector's Case for the sixth year in a row. See the other details of the picnic later in the newsletter.

The 2015 Denver Gem and Mineral Show is six weeks away, and I have become the Security Chair for the show. I need many people to fill all of the security shifts for the show, and I need many volunteers to man the CMS Table and give rocks to the kids...See me at the Picnic or contact Amber Brenzikofer if you can volunteer to help at the show.

## Reminder: Next CMS General Meeting is October 2, 2015

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## CMS Officer Positions Available

CMS is seeking nominations for new Officers. If you are interested in serving as a CMS Officer or want to nominate someone, please contact Bruce Sales or one of the other Officers. Positions available include the following:

- **President (3-year term)**
- **Secretary**
- **Assistant Treasurer**

## COLORADO MINERAL SOCIETY OFFICERS

2015

President: Bruce G. Sales

First VP-Programs: Gary Rowe

Second VP-Education: Debbie Kalscheur

Secretary: Sandra Gonzales

Treasurer: Eva Siemonsma

### Appointed Board Members - Committee Chairpersons

Annual Auction: Howie Houk

Door Prizes-Guests: Paul and Cindy Hatfield

Library: Kevin Atwater

Exhibits: Harold Taylor, Leslie Sebol, Dan Wray

Membership: Cara Reynolds

Field Trip Leader: Gary Rowe

Field Trip Leader Co-Chair: **OPEN**

Nominations: Daryl Lamb

Grab Bags: Dale Block

Editor: Amber Brenzikofer

Historian: Amber Brenzikofer

Scrapbook: Jennifer Knies

Youth Activities: Lewis Reynolds

Hospitality: Star Edwards

Donations: Debbie Kalscheur

Web Master: Julio Edwards

[coloradomineralsociety@comcast.net](mailto:coloradomineralsociety@comcast.net)



### Representatives (Board Members)

Denver Council Rep: Daryl Lamb

Denver Show Rep: Dale Gann

**COLORADO MINERAL SOCIETY (CMS)** was founded in 1936 by a group of distinguished individuals within the mineralogical field. The organization was incorporated as a non-profit, educational organization in 1948. The Society is affiliated with the Colorado Federation of Gem and Mineral Societies, Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies, and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, a founding member of each group.

**PURPOSE:** To promote the study of minerals and other geologic materials, to encourage mineral collecting as a hobby and to conduct public meetings, lectures, and field trips, and to engage in all activities which relate to said purposes of the organization.

**MEETINGS:** General membership meetings start at 7:30 PM on the first Friday of each month, October through May, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, at 10th and Garrison in Lakewood, CO. Displays are set up by members about one-half hour before meetings. Specimens may be available for sale and trade.

**VISITORS and GUESTS** are welcome.

**BOARD MEETINGS:** The board members meet once a month to complete the executive business and affairs of the Society. Meetings will start at 7:00 PM usually the third Tuesday of each month. Additional meeting times, if necessary, may be called by the President or any three members of the board and will be announced at the general or board meetings.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Open to all persons who agree to abide by Society rules and rules of the Federations. Annual fees: \$16.00 for a Family or Newsletter Membership, \$14.00 for a Single Membership, \$12.00 for a Senior Membership (single or family over 65), and \$12.00 for junior members under the age of 18 who are not included in a family. Name badges are available for a one-time fee of \$7.50.

**ANNUAL EVENTS:** Yearly activities include a silent auction of minerals, fossils, gems, jewelry, equipment and other items related to our interests; participation in the Colorado Contin-tail, the largest mineral swap show in Colorado; participation as a member of the Greater Denver Area Gem and Mineral Council in sponsoring the largest gem and mineral show in Colorado; and the Founder's Day celebration.

**FIELD TRIPS:** The Society sponsors several field trips from Spring through Fall for the purpose of collecting minerals, crystals, and fossils. These trips are one-day, two-day, and occasionally several-day adventures. A field trip guide is published each year in May.

**NEWSLETTER GUIDELINES:** CMS has a proud history of promoting the education and pure enjoyment of the mineralogical world. At the very heart of its existence are the many volunteers and contributors who spend their time and efforts in direct support of the club's mission. The CMS official newsletter **MINERAL MINUTES** is published monthly during the active meeting season (October through May) and a summer edition, and is the primary way the club's activities and mission are communicated to its members and prospective members. On that basis, the Board of Directors would like to offer the following content guidelines for CMS newsletter contributions:

- Formal announcements concerning club business and/or membership
- Information around mineral-related education opportunities or fundraising activities
- Stories or history that concentrate on the edifying aspects of mineral collection and education
- Sharing of personal mineral-related experience from field trips or other related adventures serving an educational purpose
- Announcements of volunteer/leadership opportunities for the club or club representation
- Worthy news events or discoveries related to mineralogy or geology that align to club's core interests
- Appropriate announcements regarding mineral shows, one-time mineral related events, mineral auctions, sale of private collections and/or equipment, etc.
- Information around relevant donations and/or gifts made available to the club or club members

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Deadline for publication is the 24th of the month prior to publication. All correspondence to Mineral Minutes should be sent to Editor, P.O. Box 280755, Lakewood, Colorado 80228-0755 or by email to:

[editor.coloradomineralsociety@gmail.com](mailto:editor.coloradomineralsociety@gmail.com).

# May Auction Success!

The CMS May Auction was a huge success. We wish to thank the volunteers, donors, sellers, and buyers for their contribution! We would also like to thank Bruce Geller for being the auctioneer this year. Our beautiful mineral specimens were donated to CMS by the wonderful donors below. If you need a special piece for your collection, visit or contact these dealers.



## 2015 CMS Auction Contributors Thank You!







## Your Support Helps Make the CMS Mission Happen!



Bruce Sales  
XTAL/Dennis Beals Minerals  
Dan's Used Rocks  
Self-A-Ware Minerals  
Pinnacle 5 Minerals, LLC  
Rocky Mountain Gems & Minerals  
Marty Zinn  
World Circle  
Egger's Lapidary  
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Porter Minerals  
Prospector's Choice  
Great Wall Consulting  
Hands of Spirit  
Rock On  
Vicjon Enterprises-Peru  
GEOdyssey LLC  
Mines & Memories  
General Store



CMS May silent auction tables with bidders mingling about.



Kids only tables with lots of great specimens to bid on.



# Member News

## 2015 CMS Educational Opportunities Update

We still have a few openings remaining for our two fall classes (see below). If you are interested in attending any of these classes, please contact Debbie Kalscheur at [kalscheur2004@yahoo.com](mailto:kalscheur2004@yahoo.com). Please provide payment in the form of a check to confirm your spot. A check allows us to hold and easily return if we have to without handling cash.

### Mineral Identification Course – To start September 28, 2015

Current status: 2 slots still available. \$75 to confirm. Ages 13 and up.

Meeting Time: Mondays, 6pm-9pm for 10 weeks

Meeting Place: Colorado School of Mines Geology Museum Classroom

### GPS Navigation Class – October 24, 2015 with a back-up date of October 31

Current status: 4 slots still available. \$10 to confirm. Ages 13 and up.

Meeting Time: 10am to 3pm

Meeting Place: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, at 10th and Garrison in Lakewood

## Estate Yard Sale

**Rocks, Minerals, & More**

**Aug. 15, 2015 – Sat – 9 to 4pm**

**10310 W. Evans Ave.  
Lakewood, CO 80227**

## Rock Bottom Prices!

Many items 10 cents on the Dollar or less

**Includes New items, not previously  
in yard sale**

***Everything must Go! – REALLY!***

Home of Denzil Wiggins,  
former owner of Red and Green Minerals

Questions: Call Merlin Schreffler 303-988-8958

## New CMS Members

### First Listing

- Barbara Eahehart
- Nickolas Knappe
- Tolan Ladenburger
- Jacob (Jake) Lara & Shelby Huston
- Diane & Richard Lee
- Bobby Manning
- Clyde & Gloria Phillips
- Ashley Rietman & Brooks (Richard) Chestnut
- Cara Schable & Adam Wilson & family
- Peggy Sziklas
- Scott & Claudia Thomas
- Doris Prior-Kofoid
- William D. Heran
- Joel & Laurie Sorensen & family
- Robert Ratliff

### Second Listing

- Dennis and April Boyer
- Emily Comer and Ryan Swanson
- Carole and Mark Graas
- Chris Keilman and Adriana Cozzi
- Ted Randolph and Beth Shaw-Randolph

*Per CMS Bylaws, comments concerning new, first listing members should be formally submitted to the President.*

***Welcome!!***

# Another CMS Field Trip Opportunity

## *Topaz Mountain and Dugway, UT*

**Date:** Fall 2015 – to be determined by doodle poll <http://doodle.com/i8vhpq3hrz2u8gcu>

**Collect:** Topaz, red beryl, bixbyite, garnet, pseudobrookite, amethyst, hematite and geodes. Clear topaz pieces are easily found. Nicer specimens require more work and luck.

**Travel Time:** Approximately 12 hours from Denver, 1 hour from Delta.

**Environment:** Remote arid desert. Scrub covered rhyolite mountains surrounded by salt flats.

**Vehicle:** Any vehicle can make it to the base of the range and the Dugway geode beds. High clearance and 4-wheel drive may be needed in the cove and in other locations.

**Lodging:** Hotels are available in Delta and primitive campsites are plentiful. RVs and trailers can be parked near the base of the mountain and high clearance can make it into the cove.

**Tools:** rock pick, sledge hammer, round chisels, pry bar, probe, garden trowel, 1/8" screen.

**Hazards:** heat, scorpions, black widows, tarantulas and rattlesnakes

**Essentials:** water, sunscreen, hat, food

**Comments:** Some hiking is necessary to reach the best spots, but specimens can be found close to roads. There may be a trip to the Dugway geode beds on the north end of the range, if there is interest. Collecting is on BLM land, but there are some active claims in the area.

**Leader:** Robert Boehm, 303-941-2625, JPegmatite@aol.com



## CMS Junior Rockhounds Program

**Plan:** The CMS Junior Rockhounds Program will continue to be guided by Dr. Lewis Reynolds for the next year. This is not a required activity for any of our junior participants. Instead, it offers a more structured learning experience and the opportunity to earn achievement badges for those juniors who are especially motivated by such a program. For all the junior participants, we will introduce and discuss one of the topics in the Future Rockhounds of America program during each regular CMS meeting. Interested junior participants may complete the remaining achievement badge requirements at home and then bring evidence of task accomplishment to the new Coordinator, Dr. Lewis Reynolds, for final approval and transmission to the AFMS Juniors Program chair.

The following table presents our planned schedule for the next year. The Future Rockhounds of America Program currently offers 20 badges. We will introduce 6 of the badge topics at the regular meetings. If a CMS regular meeting is cancelled for some reason, the Junior Rockhounds Program will also be cancelled that month. Two additional badges or topics may be pursued by interested participants: Communication and Leadership.

Month of Regular Meeting	Badge/Topic
October 2015	Earth Resources
November 2015	Lapidary Arts
December 2015	No Program – Party
January 2016	World of Miniature
February 2016	Earth in Space
March 2016	Fossils
April 2016	Maps
May 2016	No Program – Field Trip Overview

**Junior Participation.** The Future Rockhounds of America program is open to juniors under the age of 18. Although no minimum age has been established, the Coordinator would like to make the following suggestions. We would like the junior participants to be excited about these topics and to look forward to attending the meetings. A participant may have the maturity to begin when she or he can sit rather quietly, listen, respond to questions, ask questions, and interact with others respectfully for about 30 minutes. A participant may be more comfortable completing badge requirements when she or he has begun to read happily. Younger participants will need more guidance and involvement from their parents or guardians than more mature participants. For each participant, we want to utilize the program for her or his greatest benefit.

**The Optional Badge Program.** Participants and their parents or guardians may view the Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program online at [http://www.amfed.org/fra/fra\\_badge.htm](http://www.amfed.org/fra/fra_badge.htm). (Also check the CMS Homepage for a link to this manual.) The badge manual contains the signature pages and good background resources for each badge. (Please let the Coordinator know if computer access to this document is not available at home or a nearby public library.)

**Our Needs.** The Junior Rockhounds Program will need some help from members of the CMS for this venture to be successful. First, we would like a second parent, guardian, or member to help supervise each meeting. Sadly, many organizations are recognizing the need to safeguard our children, and it is very helpful to have two adults present when working with children to ensure appropriate discipline and accountability. Happily, this is an opportunity for an interested adult to enjoy the “rock talk” while the normal club business is conducted nearby!

The Coordinator needs help with the lapidary arts and micromounting topics planned for the next year. If you are interested in helping in any of these three areas of need, please contact the Coordinator Lewis Reynolds (phone: 303-333-4360; email: [Lewis.Reynolds@comcast.net](mailto:Lewis.Reynolds@comcast.net)).

We are looking forward to fun Junior Rockhounds Programs in the coming year and to investigating inspiring topics!

*Submitted by Lewis Reynolds, Coordinator*





## Calling All Field Trip Reports and Photos

Several CMS members have submitted field trip reports/stories and photos that so far this year, which is a great start. If you had a great time on a CMS field trip, write up a short (or long) report/story and attach some photos. Amber is compiling the reports and photos for a special edition of the newsletter next month that showcases our field trips and member experiences this summer. We also need field trip photos for our website. Contact Amber if you are interested in submitting an article and/or photos.



## May Raffle News

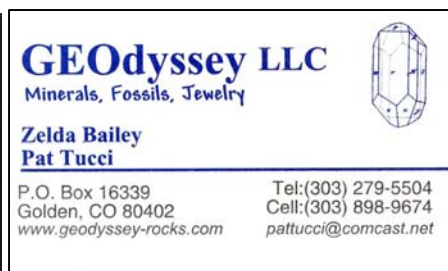
May was another exciting month for the Raffle because we had two, one at the regular meeting and one at the annual auction. Both raffles were filled with some great specimens. Your never wavering support of this endeavor allows the proceeds to be spent on CMS education, the purchase of library materials, and the state science fair awards. *Thanks John Kleber for helping with the raffle.*

The retail value of the May 1<sup>st</sup> raffle donations was \$312 bringing a total of \$326 into the raffle account. The most popular item of the raffle, a pyrite specimen (\$155) donated by **Rocky Mountain Gems & Minerals** was one by lucky and happy *John Smith*; the ruby from India (\$63), donated **anonymously** was won by *Adam Wilson*; **Rocky Mountain Gems & Minerals** donated the fluorite specimen (\$50) that was won by the happy *Sabra Hoerter*; *Bobby Maning* won the wulfenite specimen (\$22) that was donated by **Self-A-Ware Minerals**; the anglesite in sulfur specimen (\$19) donated **anonymously** was won by *Jeff Self*; last but not least **GEOdyssey** donated the fossil shrimp (\$17) that was won by *Jim Dennis*. Thanks Sheleen Kent for helping draw the winning raffle tickets.

The retail value of the May 2 auction raffle donations were \$252 bringing a total of \$153 into the raffle account. **Great Basin Minerals** donated the gold in quartz specimen (\$40) that was won by *Gideon Breithaupt*; **Vicjon Enterprises, Inc.** donated the carved stone eagle (\$36) that was won by *Robert Boehm*; *Wallie Robinson* won the calcite specimen (\$36) that was donated by **GEOdyssey**; *Glenn Antonopulos* won the Colorado Uranium Mine stock "UTE Uranium" shares (\$21) donated by **GEOdyssey**; the sow belly amethyst slab (\$13) donated by **Minerals & Memories General Store** was won by *Pete Modreski*; and lastly the 1995 framed Denver Show Poster (\$7) donated by **GEOdyssey** was won by *Bruce Sales*. Thanks Amber Brenzikofer for helping John Kleber with the raffle and to the "tall man," (name unknown) for helping draw the lucky winners.

**It is fun to see the lucky ticket holder's happy smile when their number is called to be the winner!!! Your continued support of the raffle is amazing, thank you very much.**

*Submitted by Eva, CMS Raffle Manager*



## CMS Founders Day Picnic

**Date:** Saturday, September 12th **Time:** Noon to ~ 4:30 pm

**Leaders:** CMS Board and Exhibits Committee

**Purpose:** (1) Have fun and show off finds from this year's field trips  
(2) Select specimens for the CMS Prospector's Competition at the Denver Gem and Mineral Show display

**Place and Time:** Fellowship Hall at St Paul's Episcopal Church (our regular meeting location) at 10<sup>th</sup> and Garrison in Lakewood

**What to bring (food):** All attendees should bring a dish for sharing (appetizer, hamburger or hot dog buns, salad, side dish, or dessert) and whatever meat (hot dogs, brats, hamburgers, steak etc) they wish to grill. We will have a couple of the church's barbecues fired up and ready to go and the hospitality committee will provide drinks, condiments, and ice cream.

**What to bring (mineral specimens):** We will have a number of tables and our two display cases set up and encourage all attendees to bring their best specimens from 2015 CMS field trips to the meeting. We encourage you to bring labels identifying your specimens and the trip (locality) they were collected on. We will have a vote and the top three vote getters will receive top consideration for display in our Prospector's Case. The Exhibit Committee Chairs (Bruce Sales and Gary Rowe with assistance from Jeff Self) will count the votes and have the ability to nominate additional specimens for display in the case. They will collect the specimens and retain them for display in the case at the Denver Gem and Mineral Show September 18-20<sup>th</sup>. Specimens will be returned at the October 3<sup>rd</sup> CMS general meeting.

CMS has won **1<sup>st</sup> place** in the last five Prospector's Case competitions at the annual Denver Gem and Mineral Show. We want to go for the sixth win, so bring those great specimens to the picnic. If you cannot attend the picnic, but still want to enter a specimen in the voting competition, contact Gary Rowe to make arrangements.

## CMS Membership Dues

Starting October 1, 2015, you can pay your 2016 dues. CMS memberships run from January 1st to December 31st. You can pay your dues in three ways:

1. Pay with cash or check at the general meetings the first Friday of each month from October through May. Look for the Membership Chairperson to obtain a receipt and membership card.
2. Send a check made out to "Colorado Mineral Society" or "CMS" to P.O. Box 280755, Lakewood, Colorado 80228-0755. Please do not send cash through the mail. Pick up your membership card at the next general meeting. Cards not picked up will be mailed to you.
3. Fill out a membership form and bring cash or check to a field trip to receive a temporary membership card.

### CMS Membership Fees:

Family: \$16 per year

Single: \$14 per year

Senior 65+ (single or family): \$12 per year

Junior (<12 years old): \$12 per year

Also, due to RMFMS insurance and liability purposes, we need to know the month and year of your children's birthdays, so please provide this information when you renew your membership. The children's information will not be published. A new membership form is located on the CMS website at [www.coloradomineralsociety.com](http://www.coloradomineralsociety.com).

If you ordered a name badge, they will be available at the general meetings to pick up. Alternative methods of delivery for name badges may be available if you cannot attend a general meeting. Contact Cara Reynolds or Amber Brenzikofer to coordinate.



## Denver Gem & Mineral Show Mini Report July 2015

I hope that excitement is starting to build among club members for the Denver Gem & Mineral Show. It will be here before you know it. Don't forget - the show is September 18 - 20, 2015 at the Denver Mart and the show theme is "Minerals of the American Southwest". For purposes of competitive entries at the show, the American Southwest is defined to be the four states of Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada and Utah. This show theme encompasses a wide variety of very appealing minerals so the exhibits are sure to be outstanding.

To pique your interest, here is the tentative speaker list:

### Friday

- 12:00 – Jeff Scovil - Photo Gallery of SW Mineral Specimens
- 1:00 – Tony Potucek and Mike Saunders - 4 Decades of Collecting in the SW U.S.
- 2:00 – Phil Richardson - Contemporary Utah Mineral Collecting
- 3:00 – Terry Wallace - Uranium Minerals of the Colorado Plateau
- 4:00 – Peter Larson - The End of the Age of Dinosaurs

### Saturday

- 12:00 – Steven Veatch and Pebble Pups - TBD
- 1:00 – Pete Modreski - Starting a Mineral Collection
- 2:00 – George Witters – The Comstock Lode, Nevada
- 3:00 – Graham Sutton – 30 Years of Collecting in the Southwest
- 4:00 – Scott Werschky - Round Mt. Mine Gold, Nevada
- 8:00 – Virgil Lueth (evening program) A Mineral Collecting History of New Mexico

### Sunday

- 12:00 – Eric Fritz - Native American Jewelry Materials
- 1:00 – Joe Marty - Recent New Minerals of the SW
- 2:00 – Bill Gardner - Fluorescent talk – Purple Passion Mine
- 3:00 – Lori Coleman - Lava Cap Thunder Egg Deposit

Please remember the show needs many volunteers (400+) to help put on the show, so we hope all club members sign up to help in some way. The Show Committee is always looking for new members also to help in planning and operating the show. We welcome Mike Dempsey to the committee. Mike has volunteered to become the new Dealer Chair. If you think you might want to join the committee, contact your club representative (each club has a representative to the Show Committee) or Show Chair Martin Hannu at 303-429-2519 or 303-550-4936 or [icd55mph@centurylink.net](mailto:icd55mph@centurylink.net). The show is the best, most exciting event for our hobby for the entire year! You will want to be a part of it!

*Respectfully submitted, Judy Knoshaug, Show Secretary*

## CMS General Meeting Notes for May 1, 2015

### General Announcements

Bruce Sales: Called the meeting to order, welcomed new members and visitors

Cara Reynolds: Introduction to new members

Eva Siemonsma: Presented a brief report on the financials, gave raffle updates / Big Thanks to everyone who donated minerals for the raffle.

Debbie Kalscheur - Education Update (a few slots are opened for the 3 educational programs), please see Debbie if interested in signing up – All fees need to be paid at the time of signing up for the class

Howie Houk: Updates on the CMS Auction on May 2nd. Volunteers are still needed, sign-up sheet to go around.

Amber Brenzikofer: If you ordered a t-shirt, they have come in and are ready for pickup.

Sandra Gonzales - Selling Pins, patches, and mineral bags.

Denver Show Update: The show is needing volunteers. Please sign up to volunteer at the show and/or at the CMS club table.

Gary Rowe: Review of the field trip guide. Signup sheets were available after the break.

Raffle

Meeting is adjourned

*Submitted by Sandra Gonzales, Secretary*

## CMS Board Meeting for June 30, 2015

Attendance: Bruce Sales, Gary Rowe, Debbie Kalscheur, Eva Siemonsma, Sandra Gonzales, Amber Brenzikofer, Leslie Osgood, Daryl Lamb, and Howie Houk

Bruce Sales, CMS President called the meeting to order

### Old News:

#### Display Cases:

Everything purchased and put together. Bruce will retrieve risers. Leslie paid for the material that was bought and will be reimbursed. Display cases survived the flood damage at the church.

#### May Auction update from Howie Houk:

The Board signed and sent out thank you cards to all who participated in the Auction. Some confusion on sellers and buyers numbers. Need additional volunteers next year for the auction back end. Next year, the auction committee is recommending that we have a meeting in March to help organize volunteers on job duties.

Verbal Auction - Thanks to all the people who donated specimens and all the volunteers who helped assist with the set up, announcing, and take down. Next year's Auction will be May 7, 2016.

#### Education update from Debbie Kalscheur:

GPS & Mineral Identification - Classes are nearly full - 2 slots opened for the Minerals Identification to start in late September. 4-slots open for GPS class, which is Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> with a backup date of October 31<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Debbie Kalscheur to sign up.

#### Field trip update from Gary Rowe:

A second Red Feather Lakes trip has been added on August 15th. The Hartsel trip was rescheduled for August 16th.

Denver Show Committee Update - Needing volunteers from all the clubs

T-Shirts - all done, Amber has the extra T-shirts to sell.

Scrapbook- Sent in to AFMS.

### New Business:

#### Bruce Sales:

CMS 2016 Board positions are available for President, Secretary, and Assistant Treasure. Call Bruce Sales or any board member if you are interested in running for a board position.

#### Eva Siemonsma:

Gave the Treasurer's report (see below)

#### Debbie Kalscheur:

Made suggested that we give a rocky pin for verbal auction donators

#### Amber Brenzikofer:

Jerry Keifer donated an ultraviolet cabinet and other items (e.g., rolls of maps and posters) to CMS

August newsletter due at the end of July

Next Board Meeting in September 22, 2015

Meeting Adjourned.

*Submitted by Sandra Gonzales, Secretary*

#### June 2015 Treasurer Report:

CMS Income 10/1/14-6/15/15	\$8,274.65
CMS Raffle income	\$2,074.08
CMS Expenses 10/1/14-6/15/15	(\$9,556.30)
Net Diff:	\$792.43

See treasurers detail at the next meeting.

# RMAG MEMBERSHIP

The Rocky Mountain Association of Geologists

## Technical Talks

**2014 Luncheon Talk of the Year**  
Fluvial megafans in the Uinta Basin,  
a consequence of extremely bad early Eocene weather?  
By: Piret Plink-Bjorklund.

**Unconventional Reservoirs and Stratigraphy  
of the Southern Denver Basin: Graneros,  
Greenhorn, Carlile, and Niobrara Formations**  
Lead by: Jeff May and Tofer Lewis.

## Field Trips

Lead Story: Wyoming State  
Geological Survey Publishes  
Field Guide to Some of the  
World's Best Ancient  
Stromatolites

## The Mountain Geologist

**The Outcrop**  
monthly newsletter

**2014 Paper of the Year**  
The Graneros-Greenhorn Petroleum System:  
Greater Wattenberg Area, Denver Basin,  
Colorado. By: Craig A. Kaiser and Stephen A.  
Sonnenberg.

## Symposia

Fall Symposium: Hot Plays  
of the Rocky Mountain Region

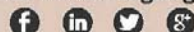
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**GEM & MINERAL SHOW**  
September 18 – 20, 2015  
Denver Mart Expo Hall  
**MINERALS**  
OF THE AMERICAN  
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### Rocky Mountain Federation News

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