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Bring your Best CMS Field Trip Finds to the May Meeting for Display!

All, we will be reviewing this year's field trip guide and schedule at our May 1st meeting and myself and others have worked to line up a number of field trips this year we hope you'll find exciting. It includes a number of old favorites and a few new ones.

To get folks enthused about this year's field season please bring 2 to 3 of your favorite/best mineral, fossil, or gem specimens collected on a Colorado Mineral Society (CMS) field trip over the past several years. We'll have both display cases open and just ask you provide a label with the mineral name(s) and localities so folks know where specimens were collected.

Gary Rowe, CMS Field Trip Chair

CMS Field Trip Guide and Membership Directory

Hardcopies of the 2015 Field Trip Guide and Membership Directory will be available at the May 1st general meeting. A digital edition of the trip guide and directory will be emailed to all our current 2015 and life members by May 2nd. If you do not have an email address and wish a hard copy of the trip guide and/or membership directory, please call Amber at 720-480-5234 and she send them by mail to you.

President's Message

By Bruce G. Sales

Hello everyone.

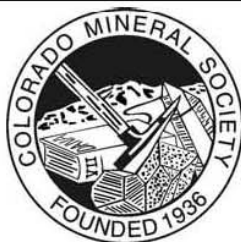
Spring has sprung, time has changed. It is time for the May 1st field trip meeting. This month, we do not have a presentation, as we will be using that time to decide which field trips to attend this year; there are some great ones this year. We need people to help set up for the meeting starting at 5:30pm; thanks for helping. In addition, you will need to be a member to attend the meeting, so there will be a membership table at the entrance to renew. You will get hardcopies of the 2015 field trip guide and membership directory at the meeting. If you ordered a CMS t-shirt or sweatshirt, they will also be distributed at the meeting. We ordered some extra t-shirts with small logos and bags, so if you missed the order deadline, we will have them available for sale.

I want to remind the membership that the Annual Silent and Verbal Auction will be held on the 2nd of May, at Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling Street in Lakewood. I hope to see all of you there. Bring your specimens to sell, bid often on items that want to go home with you and have a great time at our biggest fundraising event of the year. Bid sheets are located on the last page of this newsletter or online. We need as many volunteers as possible to help set up and to tear down after the auction, so if you can help be at Holy Shepherd Church at **8:45am**, we have to be out of the church by 5:00pm.

I know that I always ask for volunteers for CMS functions, but I am also asking for your help for the Denver Gem and Mineral Show in September. If CMS members do not step up and volunteer for positions on the Show Committee and support the show, it may disappear and that would be a shame. If you have a desire to see the show in September, which is the second largest show in North America and the fifth largest on the planet, then step forward and make sure that this annual event continues to be the best show possible. Contact me at oscar51686@yahoo.com and we will find a position that you can volunteer for.

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Colorado Mineral Society's Silent and Verbal Auction

Saturday - May 2, 2015

**Minerals, fossils, faceted stones, lapidary pieces, books,
jewelry, and florescent minerals**

- + Door prizes every half hour, raffle at 3:00pm
- + Special verbal auction at 1:00pm of museum quality specimens donated by special dealers
- + Abundant parking, refreshments, and easy handicap access
- + A few auction tables reserved for only children to bid on

Location: Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church
920 Kipling Street (3 blocks north of West 6th Ave.)
Lakewood, Colorado 80215

Time: 11:00am to 3:00pm
Checkout will begin at 3:00pm (Cash or Check Only)

****A special invitation is extended to non-CMS members to
participate in this auction as sellers and buyers****

Limit of sales to three flats of materials. Sellers can get copies of bidding slips on our club website (fillable and printable pdf file):

www.coloradomineralsociety.org

Any questions about the auction should be directed to Howie Houk by phone at 303-237-7072 or by email at jhhouk@msn.com



MEMBER NEWS AND NOTICES

For Sale - Lighted Display Case

by Jerry and Rita Kiefer

The case is 6 feet high, 5 feet wide, and 11 inches deep. Nine shelves. Price to be negotiated. Contact Jerry by phone (303) 679-8149 or email jerrykiefer@comcast.net



Notice on Wolf Creek Pass Field Trip

Dale Gann wanted to make sure that folks who plan to attend the CMS Wolf Creek Pass trip and who would like to stay at the campground by the collecting site need to make their reservations ASAP. The trip is scheduled for August 8-9, 2015 and site is located near Pagosa Springs, Colorado. We will be collecting geodes and zeolite minerals. The geodes can be filled with agate, but the most desirable are those that are hollow and filled with amethyst crystals. The URL to check on availability at the recommended West Fork Campground is:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsinternet/recarea/sanjuan/recreation/camping-cabins/recarea/?recid=43302&actid=29>

Reservations can be made at www.recreation.gov, just input West Fork Campground, San Juan Mountains, Colorado in the search line. RVs and campers are allowed; toilet facilities available, but no showers.

It's time for: GEODyssey's ANNUAL HOME SALE

Saturday, June 20, 2015, 9 am to 3 pm

15339 West Ellsworth Drive, Golden, CO 80401
(ph: 303-279-5504)

Help us reduce our inventory at our annual mineral and fossil "garage sale". A wide variety of individual specimens, including some from our recent trips to Morocco & Namibia, a selection of new vertebrate fossils, fossil tortoise shells, and large fossil fish. Lots of new mineral and fossil specimens from around the world. All specimens are a minimum of 10% off, with bigger discounts for volume purchases. We'll have many new specimens priced at 50% off. Drinks and snacks provided. You can check out some representative specimens on our web site, www.geodysey-rocks.com.

Directions: from west 6th Avenue, exit onto Indiana Street and go south on Indiana. Drive into Mesa View Estates. Turn right at the first street (McIntyre Circle) and right at the next street (Ellsworth Drive). We are about midway down the street on the left.

Paid Help Wanted for the Denver Coliseum Show September 10-20, 2015

I am looking for paid help for the fall Denver Coliseum Show. I need help setting up and booth watching. Some table space will be available to sell your rocks or minerals on a consignment basis. Contact Paul Liu by phone at 720-218-8486 or by email at greatwallc@aol.com.

Gem and Mineral Sale



RMGM CO-OP Mineral Show

Friday May 22, 2015 12pm - 8pm
(Wine and Cheese Party 5pm- 8pm)
Saturday May 23, 2015 9am - 5pm

601 E 64th Ave Denver, CO 80229
Here To Play, Inc Baseball Facility

www.rockygems.com

Estate Yard Sale

Everything must Go!

June 19, 20, 21 - 2015 –
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

10310 W. Evans Ave.
Lakewood, CO 80227

Rocks, Minerals, and Other Items

Lots of Rough Rock priced cheap!!
Slabs and chunks
Mineral Specimens, Crystals
Faceted Stones & Cabs
Speciality Stones & Beads & Shells
Polished Rocks & Some Jewelry
Some Tools and Supplies
Store Fixtures - - & More!

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

Questions: Call Merlin Schreffler 303-988-8958,

New CMS Members

First 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

Second Listing

- Julie and Nate Burford Family
- Maria Orms and Gene Sears Family
- Kathryn and Kevin DeForrest Family
- Sue and Bruce Krause
- Denise and Rick Pickard Family
- Elfi and Jon DeVaney
- John and Penny Salvino Family

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

Verbal Auction Donation Thank You

I would like to extend a very sincere thank you to everyone who donated to this year's verbal auction. These donations are 100% contribution to the club with all proceeds going to promote mineral education. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! You will be acknowledged individually the summer edition of the newsletter, but wanted to also acknowledge you as a collective. We have some wonderful specimens this year that will be up on the auction block at the annual CMS action on May 2nd. A welcome invitation to you all to come and participate in the bidding! Do not miss the opportunity!!

Submitted by Debbie Kalscheur

CMS Junior Rockhounds Program

The CMS Junior Rockhounds Program will not be meeting in May because of the Field Trip meeting agenda. Until we meet next in October, families are encouraged to participate in a summer field trip and to join the club for the Founders' Day Picnic in August to see (and even show!) fine minerals collected on the field trips. Interested children are also encouraged to continue working on the requirements for the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies' "Future Rockhounds of America" badge program with their parents or guardians. Happy collecting!

Submitted by Lewis Reynolds, Coordinator

April 3rd Raffle News

Thank you to those who donated these great specimens, it is fun to see the happy smiles when their number is called to be a winner!!!

April's raffle tickets sold were \$369, with the retail value of \$218. These funds are spent on CMS education, the purchase of library materials, and the state science fair awards. The most popular specimen was the wulfenite from Mexico (\$145) donated by **Self-A-Ware Minerals** and won by John Smith. *Lesley Sebol's* ticket was drawn for the silver specimen (\$67) that was donated by **Great Basin Minerals**. The tourmaline on cookeite specimen (\$55) donated by **Richard Owens** was won by *David Knies*. *Paul Knappe* claimed the fluorite specimen (\$44) that was donated anonymously. *Tina Fleming* was all smiles when she won the pyrite specimen from Spain (\$41) donated by **Crystallinn Int'l**. Last but not least, *Jesse Deollos's* ticket won the calcite specimen from Colorado (\$17) that was donated by **GEOdyssey**.

Thanks John Kleber, Jennifer Knies, and Felix Beall for helping with the raffle.

Congratulations to all the lucky winners!!!!

Submitted by Eva, CMS Raffle Manager

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2015 CMS Educational Opportunities Update

by Debbie Kalscheur

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. 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. I will be at the May 1st meeting to take sign-ups and checks.

Mineral Identification Course – To start late September 2015 (10 lectures)

Current status: 3 people confirmed and 5 signed up. \$75 to confirm. 10 total spots available. Ages 13 and up.

In this course, you will receive hands-on experience with mineral identification techniques along with gaining an understanding of basic Crystallography and the 6 core crystal systems. This is a great course for those who are fairly new to the mineral world or who just want to expand their skills in accurately identifying rocks and minerals. This class is also taught by Ed Raines. It meets for 10 weeks at the CSM Geology Museum in the classroom across from the Geology Museum entrance. This course will meet on Monday or Wednesday nights and is subject to change.

GPS Navigation Class – Tentatively Scheduled for October 24, 2015 with a back-up date of October 31st

Current status: 1 person confirmed and 9 signed up. \$10 to confirm. Minimum 10 people needed. Ages 13 and up.

Participants will learn how to properly setup a GPS, learn the importance of map datums and position formats, how to save a location and return to it by creating a waypoint, how to create tracks, and routes, and how to read and calculate coordinates. This is a “hands on” class and will consist of a combination of inside instruction and outdoor practice. USGS topo maps and informational material will be provided for participants to keep. Having your own GPS unit is preferred but if you don’t have one Peggy has a few GPS units available for loan. For those that have their own GPS unit we will need to know the make and model so Peggy can make sure she knows how it operates (according to Peggy, about 90% of the people who take her classes have a GPS unit manufactured by Garmin).

2015 CMS Membership Dues Reminder

A friendly reminder that your annual membership dues are due for 2015. 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. 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.

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.


INFORMATION FROM OTHER CLUBS AND SHOWS



**Monthly
Lecture
Series
Presents**



Dr. John Dreier




Silverton, Colorado

"Mineral Zoning, Geochemical Homogeneity, and Regional Structural Control of Mineralization in the Silverton Mining District, Southwestern Colorado U.S.A."

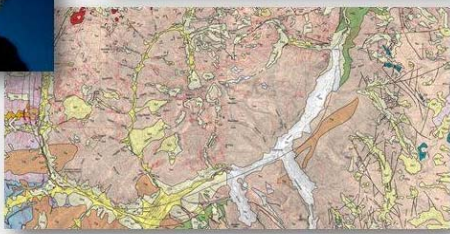
By Dr. John Dreier

Thursday, May 7, 2015, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

CSM Geology Museum Conference Room (201)



Rhodochrosite from the Sunnyside Mine



Geologic Map of the Silverton Caldera


Friends of Mineralogy, Colorado Chapter-- Silent Auction

Saturday, May 9, 2015

Friends of Mineralogy is having its silent auction of mineral specimens, rocks, fossils, books, faceted stones, jewelry, lapidary pieces and mining memorabilia. Please bring your auction materials for setup beginning at 10:30 AM. All (members or not) are invited to bring specimens to sell, and to participate as bidders/buyers. Items brought to the auction may be designated as a 20%, 50%, or 100% donation to FMCC.

Time: Our auction will be Saturday, May 9; setup will begin at 10:30 a.m., auction to begin at 12 noon, finished (including a live auction of special items) by 3:00 p.m., checkout to be finished by 4:00 p.m.

Location: Clements Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, located one block northwest of the intersection of West Colfax Ave. and Wadsworth Blvd. The entrance and parking lot are on the south side, facing Colfax.



Auction bid slips are attached on a separate page, and will also be available at the auction during setup. Sellers can get copies of our bidding slips at our website:

www.friendsofmineralogycolorado.org

Any questions about the auction should be directed to Peter Modreski, pmodreski@aol.com, 720-205-2553.

Please tell all your friends about the auction, bring some specimens, and all are invited to help bring food or beverage items to share for refreshments at the auction. A selection of special items, donated by local dealers, will be included in the "live" auction.

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More Info?
Kim and Bodie
719-360-9665

Crystals	Kids Area
Petrified Wood	Minerals
Beads	Jewelry
Cabs	Fossils

CMS General Meeting Notes for April 3, 2015

General Announcements

Bruce Sales:

- Called the meeting to order
- Bruce welcomed new members and visitors

Eva Siemonsma:

- Treasure Report - Fiscal year Oct 1-Sept 30th
- Eva brought the treasure books for anyone to review
- Introduced the Raffle and minerals that will be auctioned off tonight

Amber Brenzikofer:

- If you did not get your newsletter please get you email information to Amber for any updates
- For T-Shirt Orders see Amber, last day to order is tonight
- Denver show sign- up sheet for volunteers, free admission for all volunteers
- Scrap book - available for everyone to sign and will be submitted to the American Federation Club by April 15th.

Gary Rowe:

- Update on the Education classes- Map and Compass class, Front Range Geology Course at Colorado School of Mines - 3 or 4 slots available
- Update of field trips, Field trip schedule will be available at the May 1st CMS meeting

Cara Reynolds:

- Renew memberships by next Friday to be in the Membership Directory
- Introduced new members
- Name badges are available if you ordered them

Howie Houk:

- Needs more volunteers for the May 2nd auction, a sign-up sheet will be sent around if anyone is interested in helping.
- If you need to get a bid slip or number to buy or sell, see Leslie. There will also be slips available on the web.
- Volunteers need to get to the facility by 8:45am to get their work assignments, they will also be allowed to put their flat of minerals out first on the tables.
- There will be a verbal and silent auction – The auction is from 11:00am – 3:00pm. Verbal auction is at 1:00pm.

Daryl Lamb:

- Will managing the kitchen for the May auction, will need lunch volunteers – Volunteers can bring a covered dish, dessert, or fruit.

Daryl Gann:

- West Fork Campground -Wolf Creek Field Trip scheduled for August 8th & 9th, make reservations ASAP

Gloria Stabler:

- Publicity Chair for the Denver Show, Increase attendance through brand identity, metrics money effective through advertising Brand Identity, Post Cards, Pre-sell tickets

Guest Speaker: Mark Jacobson - Pikes Peak Batholith

Door prize winners:

- Bob Christy
- Bob Deschambo
- Susan Duncanson
- Dan Wray
- Mark Graas
- Clint Lemmons
- Sheryl
- Lesley Sebol

Submitted by Sandra Gonzales, Secretary

CMS Board Meeting for April 21, 2015

Attendance: Bruce Sales, Amber Brenzikofer, Leslie Osgood, Cara Reynolds, Sandra Gonzales, Daryl Lamb, Howie Houk

Old News:

Display Cases:

Leslie looking into alternatives.

Leslie will look at the Display Cases to see if the alternatives work.

Bob Berry attending next CMS meeting:

Not be attending CMS meeting, resigned his position on the Denver Show Committee.

May Auction:

Name Badges and Lunch Tickets will be given to volunteers

Amber will bring in an extension cord

Flats-Amber has over 100 flats so far

Adding machines functional

Daryl Lamb - menu for volunteers: Burger, hot dogs, chips condiments, Volunteers to bring covered dishes, fruits, dips, vegetables, desserts

Door Prizes – Leslie to coordinate

Verbal Auction – Debbie to coordinate

It was requested that a church representative be present at the beginning and at end of the auction to inspect all furniture for damage. The \$200 deposit has been given to the church.

Education:

Map and compass class was full.

GPS Navigations Skills class – Tentatively scheduled for October 24th.

Field Trips:

Hartsel trip is requesting \$20 per club for access (unlimited number of members). A motion made to approve the Hartsel trip for \$20 and was approved by the Board. If anyone is interested in looking for Blue agate at another claim, it will cost \$20 per person.

Cara Reynolds and Amber are taking care of printing the field guide and membership directory, membership forms, and trip leader packets – All due Tuesday to send to the printers.

T-Shirts:

CSM T-shirts and sweatshirts were ordered after the last general meeting, will be ready to pick up on Monday and will be distributed at the May 1st meeting.

Scrapbook:

Amber emailed the 2014 scrapbook to the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies on April 15th to enter into the All American Club competition.

Denver Show Committee Updates:

Summary by Daryl Lamb of the changes to the Denver Show Committee.

New Business:

Bruce Sales has volunteered for the open Security Chair for the Denver Show Committee.

Leslie Osgood reported that Dale Block has committed to doing the Denver Show grab bags for the next 3 years to 2017.

Cara Reynolds announced New Members. She is working on a renewal post card for membership card.

Board members and volunteers need to meet at the Church at 5:30pm to set up for the May 1st meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by Sandra Gonzales, Secretary

CMS Silent Auction Buyer's Receipt	
<i>Item Description:</i>	
FINAL BID	\$

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Rocky Mountain Federation News

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A.F.M.S Newsletter

The American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (A.F.M.S) serves seven regional federations, including RMFMS. The A.F.M.S Newsletter is published monthly and is located at <http://www.amfed.org/news/default.htm>



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