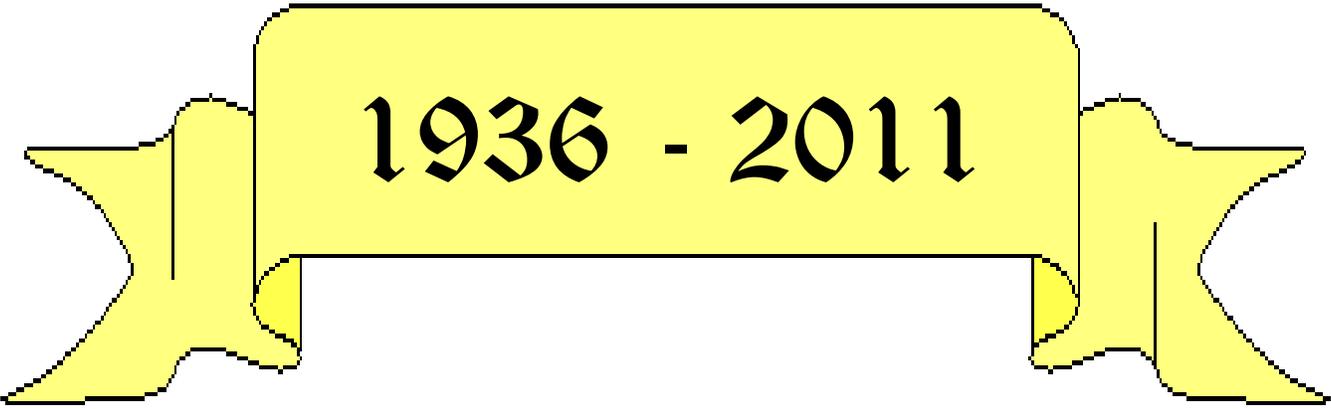


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THE AUCTION IS COMING It's time to get ready to SELL

Yes, I know you have minerals everywhere, in your basement, your kitchen, even your back yard (Eva?) so clean them up and bring them to our annual auction. All "YOU" sellers need to do is pre-register by phoning Bill Jones at (303-503-6288). Sellers can get extra copies of bidding slips on our club website

<http://www.coloradomineralsociety.org/>. Our auction

committee reserves the right to screen materials sold and to limit sales to three flats of material.

SEE YOU THERE



Bidders at a past auction



Some of the auction volunteers.

We always need more!





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CMS Board meeting notes for April 19, 2011

By Gary Rowe

Attendees: Daryl Lamb, Bruce Sales, Eva Siemonsma, Cara Reynolds, Leslie Osgood, Gary Rowe, Debbie Kalscheur, Jeff Self and Donna Ware.

Old Business:

- 1) CMS Auction-Flyers were distributed at the April general meeting. Rich Nelson reported via e-mail that preparations for the CMS Auction are going well with exception of need for door prize specimens (see new business item #1 below).
- 2) Debbie Kalscheur presented a formal proposal for the donations process. This primarily refers to the practice of CMS soliciting donations of mineral specimens, books, or other items for use in the verbal auction held at the May CMS auction and for specimens used for the CMS raffle held at each general meeting. Funds raised at the CMS Auction and the monthly Raffle are used to support CMS educational activities. Debbie presented a list of duties related to the donations committee including duties of the Donations Committee Chair and assistants, a spreadsheet for tracking donations made to the club, and an acknowledgement letter that thanks each dealer/person for their donation with a promise to acknowledge their donation in the CMS newsletter. Leslie Osgood made a motion to accept the documents prepared by Debbie and Donna Ware seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by unanimous vote. The Board then reviewed and discussed the draft acknowledgement letter. Bruce Sales made a motion that we accept the letter as written and Daryl Lamb seconded the motion. The Board then approved Bruce's motion unanimously.
- 3) 75th Anniversary Committee report. Debbie Kalscheur provided an update on planning for the 75th Anniversary Program. Note to members: Advance tickets for adults and kids older than 11 are \$15 and \$5 for kids through May 6. Therefore the last chance for CMS members to purchase banquet tickets at the reduced price will be at the May 6 general meeting. After May 6 ticket prices will increase to \$20 and \$10 respectively. Note that individual tickets have been printed and will need to be presented for entry to the banquet on October 2. Also note that the banquet tickets are non-refundable but they are transferrable. Debbie noted that the Planning Committee has formed 4 subcommittees to assist with the overall planning effort. These include:
 - Banquet Committee
 - Display Committee
 - 75th Anniversary Merchandise Committee (hats/pins/patches etc.)
 - 75th Anniversary History/Memory Book CommitteeIf you are interested in helping out on any of these Committees please contact Sandra Gonzales (303-758-1939) or Viola Padilla (303-757-1531). To keep the Board informed of progress on the 75th Anniversary planning the Board has scheduled a conference call for 7:00 pm on Friday June 3rd to get an update on progress. Gary Rowe will set up the call and distribute information to the Board and relevant committee members.
- 4) Denver Show: Sign-up sheet for Show volunteers was circulated at April General meeting and will be sent around again at the May meeting. Gary Rowe gave Martin Hannu copy of CMS application for case on main floor for our 75th Anniversary display. Need to circulate a sign up for CMS club table at the Denver Show (contact Gary Borkan).
- 5) Cara Reynolds-Current membership tally is 29 life members, 131 renewing members, and 71 who will be inactive as of May meeting if they don't renew. Cara prepared draft directory that will be taken to

Kinko's for printing with distribution planned at the May 6 general meeting. Cara motioned that we offer members option to receive membership directory electronically. Bruce Sales seconded the motion and the Board approved the motion. The Board also directed Cara to modify membership application to offer this option. She received permission to modify the application form to provide a box for internal use that tracks the membership application through all the steps listed in CMS by-laws.

New Business:

- 1) Eva mentioned need for new door prize material. Board discussed options for securing new material and decided on two options: (1) we will put article in Newsletter letting members know that we need donations for Dale Blocks grab bags, kids material for Denver Gem and Mineral Show giveaway at club table and door prize material for general meetings. (2) Gary motioned that CMS allocate up to \$250 for purchase of multiple flats of mineral and/or fossil specimen for use as meeting/auction door prizes for the coming year at the upcoming Spring and/or September show. Bruce Sales seconded the motion and the Board approved unanimously. Jeff Self also offered a 5 gallon bucket of quartz crystals that need to be cleaned.
- 2) Board discussed spending raffle dollars to fund mineralogy course to be taught by Ed Raines. A motion was made by Daryl Lamb to authorize the club to make a deposit to secure Ed Raines to teach his Mineral Identification Course this fall. This is the same course offered by Ed that was conducted in Spring of 2010 involves about 10 weeks of lectures and hands-on identification of a flat of mineral specimens prepared by Ed that are loaned to attendees for study between classes. There was a waiting list for this class and folks on that list will be contacted if Ed is willing to hold the class again. The cost for the class is \$150 per class opening; there are 10 openings that can be filled by a single member, a couple, or a family. This motion was seconded by Debbie Kalscheur and approved unanimously by the Board. The Board also suggested that we approach Ed Raines about offering his Front Range Geology course in spring 2012. Gary Rowe and Bruce Sales will follow up with Ed to nail this down.
- 3) Eva requested permission to solicit volunteers for the mineral cart at the Denver Museum of Natural History. Board discussed it and approved request to include advertisement in the newsletter. Motion to approve by Daryl Lamb, seconded by Debbie Kalscheur, and approved unanimously by the Board.
- 4) Julio Edwards submitted invoice for 5-year agreement to maintain the CMS domain name (coloradomineralsociety.org) and renew our agreement with the company that hosts the CMS website. Approximate cost for the 5-year agreement was about \$575 and the company that hosts the CMS website charges us about \$200 per year.
- 5) Eva reported that \$250 check from Greater Denver Area Gem and Mineral Council for newsletter support was received at the last quarterly Council meeting and was deposited by Eva.
- 6) Eva requested that Jeff and Donna produce invoice for display case.
- 7) The next CMS Board meeting will be on June 3 at 7:00 pm via conference call. The next face-to-face meeting will take place on Tuesday July 12.

Thanks again to Leslie for hosting us. And a special thanks for her chocolate chip cookies. Leslie's delicious cookies provide a lot of incentive to serve on the CMS Board!

Sorry the type is so small, there was a lot going on at the Board Meeting!



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CSM Museum Notes

Similar to last year's display of topaz specimens loaned to us by various Colorado mineral collectors, please mention in your newsletters that our featured Colorado minerals this year are those that contain rare earth elements. Some of the more common representatives include: Allanite, Ancylite, Bastnasite, Bazzite, Betafite, Brannerite, Brockite, Cerianite, Cerite, Euxenite, Fergusonite, Fluocerite, Fluorite (Yttrian), Gadolinite, Monazite, Parisite, Pyrochlore, Polycrase, Samarskite, Synchysite, Xenotime, Yttrocolumbite, and Yttrotantalite.

We are asking whether collectors can loan us specimens of any of the above minerals, from which we will choose the dozen or so most impressive/aesthetic pieces (from as many collectors as possible) for display. Specimens should arrive in our Museum sometime before August 1st, so we can begin creating the exhibit. The loan paperwork is simple and the loan period will be for one year. This will be one of the new displays we want to feature at our Annual Open House on September 14, from 6 P.M. to 9 P.M. Please phone me any questions or concerns.

Of course, all your club members are welcome to attend our Annual Open House. Come meet some of our Museum Advisory Council members, Student Aids, volunteers, members of the Friends of the Colorado School of Mines Museum, see our new acquisitions, our ever evolving collection, and our newest displays. Some of you might even enjoy a visit to our Gift Shop. We hope to see you then.

Cordially,
Bruce Geller, Director
CSM Geology Museum

Pete Modreski Summer News

May 7, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Colorado Mineral Society (CMS) annual Silent Auction of mineral hobby items; at the Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling St., 3 blocks north of 6th Ave, Lakewood, CO; "door prizes every half

hour, and a special verbal auction of museum quality specimens at 1:00 p.m."

Sat.-Sun., May 7-8, Mineral Sale, 9.a.m. – 4 p.m., "In our barn at 7513 Tudor Rd., Colorado Springs, I-25 Exit #149, Selected from our collection and trade stock, hundreds of crystals to choose, most are \$1 to \$50; Ray & Eloise Berry, 719-598-7877, rayber@q.com "

Sat., May 14, 12 noon – 3:00 p.m., Silent Auction, sponsored by Colorado Chapter, Friends of Mineralogy; at the Clement Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St. (just west of Colfax & Wadsworth), Lakewood, CO. Minerals, rocks, books, etc.; all are invited to come. See <http://friendsofmineralogycolorado.org/>

June

Fri.-Sun., June 24-26, Rock Fair and Pikes Peak Gem and Mineral Show, at the Western Museum of Mining & Industry and at the Best Western Academy Hotel, 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156A) and 8110 North Academy Blvd. (I-25 Exit 150), Colorado Springs, CO. Sponsored by the Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society and the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies. For more info see <http://www.csms.us/>

August

Thurs.-Sun., Aug. 11-14, "Contin-Tail Rock Show", Buena Vista Rodeo Grounds, Buena Vista, CO; a fun outdoor annual event; free admission. See www.coloradorocks.org or www.ct-coloradorocks.blogspot.com .

Fri.-Sun., Aug. 19-21, Lake George Gem and Mineral Show, Lake George, Park Co., CO; sponsored by the Lake George Gem & Mineral Club; free admission, free parking; for more info see <http://www.lggmclub.org/>

September

Sat., Sep. 10, Symposium on Minerals of Russia, cosponsored by Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter, Colorado School of Mines Geology Id in Petroleum Hall, Green Center, Colorado School of Mines campus, Golden, CO. For more info contact Pete Modreski, pmodreski@usgs.gov, or see <http://friendsofmineralogycolorado.org/>

THE BIG SHOW!



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April Raffle News

The raffle winners are happy with their treasures and your continued support of this endeavor allows the proceeds to be spent on CMS education and the state science fair awards. Jerry Keifer will report the science fair winners for 2011, be sure to read about who won. The covelite (\$30) from the **Judith Holmes collection**, was won by *Jerry Davidson*. Bruce Sale's ticket was drawn for the quartz/chalcopyrite (\$15) from the **Judith Holmes collection**. The amazonite specimen (\$14) donated by **Dreamtime** was won by *Nels Grevstad*. Three of the specimens each brought in \$9 and the happy winners were: *Susan Duncanson* who won the agate thunderegg from the **Judith Holmes collection**, *Sabra Hoerter* who won the dolomite on quartz specimen donated from the **Marge Regel collection**, and the smoky quartz specimen donated by **Gary Gillaspie** was won by *Nels Grevstad* (he was lucky that night!!) The retail value of the evenings donations were \$100 bringing a total of \$86 into the raffle account. **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!!!**

Thanks go to Bill Jones and Sherman Marsh for helping with the raffle. Congratulations to all our lucky winners.

Submitted by Eva Siemonsma
CMS Raffle Manager.

Attention kids! Help decorate for the CMS 75th banquet and draw your favorite mineral specimen. Poster board will be provided at the May meeting, and you can use crayons, paint, or pencils. Drop off your creation at the CMS Picnic on August 27, 2011.

Judith Holmes

Marge Regel

Gary Gillaspie

Dreamtime

Note to Donors: If I the editor print your name in a box, that means I, the editor, don't have your business card. Please give me one of your cards so I can give you proper credit!

Stamps Committee

Save your used postage stamps! The purpose of collecting used postage stamps is for the unfortunate ones that need dialysis and other required medical needs. So, please cut them off the envelope, leaving a small margin around the stamp, and give them to Eva Siemonsma at our monthly meetings. She will deliver them to the national stamp chairperson.

Spring cleaning your rock area?

We always need nice specimens for Dale Block's grab bags, door prizes and the door prizes we give out at our annual auction.

If you have a bunch of rocks that you don't quite know what to do with and you don't want to throw them away, bring them to a meeting and give them to one of the board members. Thank you!



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Geological Notes From Around our Realm

Bruce Geller had an inquiry from a Museum visitor from North Carolina, who asked if some CMS members wanted to exchange minerals by mail with him (not his club). He wrote:

I am in a club called MAGMA out here and we exchange minerals by flat rate boxes. Would you be in the least interested in doing so? I have picked up some chert from Durham County NC, some pyrite from Glendon NC, some Savanna River agate (chert), a wide variety of slabs and some specimens of corundum (sapphires) in matrix, and some neat stuff from Wisconsin.

Thanks,
Dan Cathey
danielcathey@hotmail.com



Dear Colorado Rockhounds:

As an email contact for your club, I personally invite your clubs to the RMFMS Convention & Show in Colorado Springs, June 24-26. It's not often that a regional show is held in our state, and our state should be amply represented. It promises to be a great show.

The Editors'/Webmasters' Breakfast is Saturday, June 25th, 8:00a, Best Western Academy. The Delegates Meeting will be Saturday afternoon, same location; it usually starts at 1:00p. This is your opportunity to make a difference in the RMFMS operations.

If you are not able to attend, please ensure your club has 2 delegates at the meeting. Should that not be possible, our State Director, Walt Wells, can cast your proxy votes if you submit the paperwork to RMFMS. The forms and mailing address are available at www.RMFMS.org.

If you have an item that should be brought before the Delegates, please provide the details to Walt, 719-269-1988, touchogold@earthlink.net.

I look forward to seeing you at the show!

Sincerely, Betty
RMFMS Newsletter Editor
Betty Cain
bettycain3@comcast.net

From: "Felixbeall@aol.com" <Felixbeall@aol.com>
To: jmranch@ymail.com
Sent: Sat, April 2, 2011 7:53:19 AM
Subject: Inquiry about Friends of Rockhound State Park

What is the latest news on New Mexico's plan to halt rockhunting in Rockhound? I go down once a year for the rockhound roundup and stay at Rockhound State Park. Who can I contact to voice my opinion? I live in Colorado.

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From: jmranch@ymail.com
To: Felixbeall@aol.com
Sent: 4/3/2011 10:33:27 A.M. Mountain Daylight Time
Subj: Re: Inquiry about Friends of Rockhound State Park

Thank you so much for your inquiry!
We had a great meeting with the State officials at the park on Tuesday, March 29th. About 100 people attended to protest the proposed ban on rockhounding. I think the rockhounding will continue but perhaps in a smaller defined area.

Please, please, please send your comments to:

nmparks@state.nm.us
Susana.Martinez@state.nm.us
John.Bemis@state.nm.us
Tommy.Mutz@state.nm.us
robert.v.apodaca@state.nm.us
Rolf.Hechler@state.nm.us

Thank you so much for your support

MaryKay
jmranch@ymail.com
575 546 1931



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More Geological Notes from around our Realm

From: "Antony & Sharron Thomas"
<adslthomas@gmail.com>
To: cms2008@coloradomineralsociety.org
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 9:02:19 AM
Subject: rock hounds

I have some nice Louisiana petrified wood gathered by me that I would like to trade for other rocks and minerals. I have recently started my collection and have just started knapping. If anyone in your club is interested in a trade let me know. I will attach a few photos of wood I have found over the years.

I do not have any fluorescents yet.....hint hint
Antony



Antony's petrified wood chunks

2011 SCIENCE FAIR REPORT

On Thursday, April 7, seven members of the Colorado Mineral Society had the pleasure of serving as judges for the Fifty-Sixth Annual Colorado Science and Engineering Fair, held at Colorado State University in Fort Collins. CMS is one of a number of organizations that provide special awards for the competition that brings together interesting displays representing the research projects of junior and senior high school students from throughout the state. CMS is the only private organization that has presented a special award during the entire 56-year history of the state science fair. Don Bray, Ben Geller, Bruce Geller, Bill Hutchinson, Debbie Kalschuer, Paul Ralston and Eva Siemonsma reviewed those that had an Earth Science theme, and then interviewed the student researchers. After difficult deliberation, they chose the following as deserving of recognition by CMS:

Senior Division, First Place: Sophia Schneider, 9th grade, Palmer High School, Colorado Springs. The title of Sophia's project: "Can Geosequestration and Geothermal Energy Work Together? Enhanced Geothermal Systems Using CO₂." Sophia was the CMS Junior Division First Place winner in 2010.

Senior Division, Second Place: Rebecca Roskowski, 11th grade, Grand Junction High School, Grand Junction. The title of Rebecca's project "Reclamation and Revegetation of Spent Oil Shale."

Junior Division, First Place: Samantha Staynings, 8th grade, Summit Middle School, Boulder. The title of Samantha's project: "Growth and Sound: Frequencies in Relation with Crystals."

Junior Division, Second Place: Aleesa Muir, 7th grade, The Classical Academy, Colorado Springs. The title of Aleesa's project: "Analyzing the Deteriorating Effects of Acid Precipitation on Natural Landscaping."

Each of the winners received a copy of Roadside Geology of Colorado and a check, \$40 for the First Place winners, and \$25 for the Second Place winners. Each also received a Certificate of Achievement and mineral specimens from the Colorado Mineral Society and from the Flatirons Mineral Club.

This is an enjoyable project for the judges. We are always amazed at the talent we see in these young people. If you would like to see any or all of the project abstracts, please get in touch with Jerry Kiefer (jerrykiefer@comcast.net). Any CMS member who would like to participate in the experience next year should make one of this year's judges aware of your interest.



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Colorado Mineral Society News Letter New Member Notifications

By Cara Reynolds

Second Listing of New Members for Newsletter

Amber & Russ Ault
Veronica Bartlett
MistyAnn Bateman
Sally Bishop
Judy Blakemore
Adam Blanning & Lauren Frey
G. Scott Braley
Cynthia Bray & Chad Colclasure
Amber Brenzikofer
Julian Crawford
Paul & Nancy Crowell
Nolan Davis
Paula & Jim Dodds
Sage Alexandra Douglas
Gail Dubis
Greg & Laura Fawley
Courtney Fawley
Richard Galaty
Mark & Christine Gillaspie
Gary Gillaspie
Kellin Goodin
Bill & Laura Gunderson
Shawn V. Hall
Katie Hindman
Joe & Christina Kafka
James Mahony
Mario & April Marrujo
Valerie Meyer
Shannon Mundell & Adam Schaible
Roxanne Nelson
Michaela Obrien
Cory Olin
Adam & Stephanie Ostrow
Alex Parise & Sarah Walters
Ron & Marilyn Pearson
Roger & Pat Pittman
Augustus & Phyllis Posey
Terry Pyson
Alan & Mary Ragins

Svetlana & Roy Railsback
Markus & Eva Raschke
Donna Roberts
Richard Schattner
Jamie Seeley & Karim Abuzaid
Greg & Karen Stanek
Eckhard D. Stuart
David & Joan Tinkelman
Bernie & Heidi Van Senas
Johnny Walker
Lynette & Fred Warren
Karen Wells
Chuck & Gaylyn White
Greg Wilson

First Listing of New Members for Newsletter

Jessica & Tony Blackburn, Connor, Emily, Gavin
Katherine Brannan
Marlin & Tatiana Burke
Sabra & Richard Hoerter
Trisha Morrow, Emma, Ethan
Don Prihoda
Tom & Rita Sullivan

New Members from April meeting for Newsletter

Katherine Brannan of Aurora
Marlin & Tatiana Burke of Lakewood
Sabra & Richard Hoerter of Littleton

Attention All! We are searching for the 75th anniversary specimen. If you have a special mineral that was collected at a CMS Field trip in the last 75 years, we want you to bring it to the Picnic on September 17th. The minerals specimen that is chosen will be featured on the 75th anniversary patch, and will be displayed at the September show 75th anniversary display case. You will also be granted full honors to all bragging rights.

See Sandra Gonzales if you have that specimen!



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Denver Gem & Mineral Show Mini Report, April 2011

The Russians are coming...the Russians are coming! What!? Oh, of course, the theme for the 2011 Denver Gem & Mineral Show is Minerals of Russia. This theme should prove to be very exciting, and some special exhibits and activities are in the works. Watch for the details. If anyone has any ideas in regard to the Russian mineral theme, be sure to let your club representative for the Show Committee know. The show is a club show and we depend upon the members of the eight Denver area clubs to help put on this show.

It cannot be repeated enough that the Show Committee is continually in need of new people to join to help plan and operate the show. To keep the show fresh and exciting, new, younger people with new ideas are needed. Maybe that person is **YOU!** Why not give us a chance and check us out. Contact your club representative and come with him or her to a meeting. The Committee meets each month except December, February and July at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science.

Right now the Committee needs a new person to prepare the show program. Katherine Brannan has the program all set up on the computer and could help a new person with this job. If you are somewhat computer literate, this could be the job for you. You don't need to be a computer expert. Please consider it. Contact Katherine at brannkat@q.com or 720-635-7123.

Jordan Sawdo reports that the Western Interior Paleontological Society (better known as WIPS) is in need of fossil specimens for grab bags. If you have small fossil specimens that you would like to donate to WIPS for the show, please contact Jordan at 303-452-7792 or jordanruth@msn.com. Since WIPS is a non-profit organization, a tax deduction certificate can be provided for your donation.

Please keep the show in your plans for September. Distribute the small posters and flyers.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Knoshaug, Secretary

ONE MORE TIME

WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE AUCTION DAY

If you wish to help us run the auction on the auction day, we'd love to hear from you. This is the only fundraiser we have for the CMS.

If you signed up on the April meeting sheet
A BIG THANK YOU

If not we still would love to have you there. So please sign the volunteer sheet at our May meeting.

We need most of the volunteers to be there at 9 am

Do you have any questions about Volunteering?

Please call Rich Nelson at (303-697-1574).



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It's Time Again For Another Thrilling Chapter In The Continuing Saga Of A Tow Truck Driving Rock Hound

□ The calendar says it is Spring, but up here in the hills it has not been very springy yet. The wind has been blowing non stop for weeks, and it has been real dry. Every few days we get a little snow, but not enough to lower the fire danger. This morning I had frost on my windshield, and the temperature was well below freezing. But there are some sure signs that spring is creeping up on us. The Mountain Blue Birds returned to the ranch a few weeks ago, along with the Robins, The Hawks and Bald Eagles have been real active. Since the end of March I have been watching the Eagle chicks on the computer, how cool! I have been real busy setting stone at the ranch, my stuff there is coming right along. I am only a week or so behind schedule. Last week I pulled all of my Lapidary equipment out of Julie's garage and headed for the ranch with it. I stopped off at the Self compound and picked up my small trim saw on the way up. Wow! For the first time in 9 years all my cutting equipment is all set up in one place. I worked a few pieces of Fluorite that Jamie and Julie found, and finished out a few cabs I had dopped up. It doesn't sound like much, but it is the first cutting I have done in a long time.

As you all know this year is our clubs 75th year. I have been working on an article covering the 50 years I have been around rock hounding and the CMS. I was away from the club for quite a while, but spent a good part of my early years around our club. So watch for that coming to your newsletter in the next few months.

Our auction is coming up on May 7th. Once again this year I will be there as a volunteer doing whatever needs to be done. I would encourage all of our members to chip in and help make this years auction the best one yet. The best part about helping with set up is you get to set out your three flats before others get in to set there stuff up. I will be bringing a lot of stuff, Gems, Mineral specimens, and cutting rough. Including some rare gemstones like Cats Eye Chrysoberyl. So don't forget to bring your checkbook, bid often, and bid high. The more you bid, the

more the seller makes, the more the seller makes, the more the club makes. It is a win, win situation. I will be working with Jeff and Debbie organizing the verbal auction. Debbie and Jeff will be collecting donations from dealers at the show the last week of April. Then we will pick a dozen or so of the best ones for the verbal auction. In years past the dealers who have made donations have been very generous, and the bidders have scored some great deals. So I hope to see you all there, but don't forget the meeting the night before. That's about it for this month, stay safe out there, and keep on rocken.



Colorado Mineral Society 75th Anniversary Update

Save The Date: October 2nd CMS Anniversary Banquet
– Mount Vernon Country Club

Tickets will be sold at the May 6th CMS meeting

Adult / young adult tickets are \$15.00 per person if paid by May 6th / \$20 per person if paid by September 17th , children from age 11 to 4 are \$5.00 per person if paid by May 6th / \$10.00 per person if paid by September 17th , and children under age 3 are free. Discounted fees were made possible by the CMS membership.

Dinner tickets are not refundable, but transferable. All ticket sales are final by September 17, 2011

If you pay after the May 6th meeting, mail check to Sandra Gonzales at 3435 S. Birch St. Denver, CO 80222 – Pick up your tickets at the Banquet.

Attention Life Members! We want to hear your stories. You will receive a survey in the mail in May regarding your memories of CMS, and other related mining stories for the last 75 years. Please be sure to return your survey because it is important to have your stories for posterity and documentation for the 75th anniversary. In addition to your participation in the survey, you may be considered to participate in our round table panel discussion at the Banquet.

It's time to celebrate! Get involved and join a committee! Let's have Fun! ~ Sandra Gonzales



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Up Coming Events: see page 5 for more information from Pete Modreki

May 6, Field Trip Guides - CMS meeting, St. Paul's church 10th & Garrison, 7:30 PM

May 7, Annual CMS auction, Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling Street

June 24, 25 & 26 The Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society annual show at the Academy Hotel ,
8110 N. Academy Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO - Exit 150 from I-25

See inside for more Rock hound activities

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