WGMS Show Display Case Reservation

Exhibits provided by WGMS members are a very important feature of our yearly show. If you can provide an exhibit and/or need a case, please fill out this form and return to: Lyle Koerper, 1644 Valleyview Ct., Wichita, KS 67212, or Bill Smith, PO Box 311, Hardtner, KS 67057-0311.

The club has many cases of different sizes available. Eight new lighted cases are being built. Please provide complete information below, if possible by April 1. Use back if necessary.

____ I will provide ____ show exhibits, and have my own cases, size_____.

My exhibit(s) will be _____.

____ I will provide ____ show exhibits, but need cases.

____ Wichita (unlighted) cases will be OK (Size: 30"W, 24"D, 3 H front 5" H back).

My exhibit(s) will be _____.

____ I will provide ____ show exhibits, but need WGMS lighted cases.

My exhibit(s) will be and each will require space as indicated.

_____

_____

Name _____

Address _____

_____

Phone _____ email_____

Exhibits must be set up Thursday and remain in place through 5 p. m. Sunday.

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Quarry Quips

WICHITA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

WGMS January Anniversary Party & Auction

At the January Anniversary Party we honored Joe and Ardis Cruz, recipients of the 2011 Outstanding Service Award. Joe and Ardis joined WGMS in 1996. Joe has served as our field trip chairman since 2007 and Ardis was the membership chair from 2005 to 2010. She currently serves as a director on the WGMS Board. Joe and Ardis have been very active in sharing their love of fossils and rockhounding with current and prospective members. Thank you Joe and Ardis for helping to make WGMS such a great place to be.

Arleta Seery ~ awarded her 5 year badge.

Janet Biven, Mary Clough and Sandy Whiting help at the auction

Let the auction begin!

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Our Annual show will be:
April 15, 16 & 17 2011
World of Wonders

About our Club

The Wichita Gem and Mineral Society Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-exempt, educational organization. Our purpose shall be exclusively educational and scientific; (a) to increase and disseminate knowledge of the earth sciences pertaining to minerals, gems, rocks, artifacts, and fossils and similar subjects; (b) to promote and perpetuate knowledge of the lapidary arts; © to encourage field trips to study the earth sciences, particularly of geology and mineralization in place and (d) to encourage greater public interest and education in gems, fossils and minerals, cooperating with established institutions in such matters.

The Wichita Gem and Mineral Society, Inc. meets the fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in Room 101, Geology Building, Wichita State University. - Except - January (Anniversary Party); April (Annual Show); August (Picnic & Auction). (November and December meetings are subject to University holiday closings.) Times and locations to be announced/published. WGMS does NOT offer classes or workshops.

Board meetings are held on the Monday preceding the General meeting at places announced and/or printed in the Quarry Quips, the official bulletin of the Society. ALL members are urged to contribute material for publication in the Quarry Quips, the deadline for ALL articles is the Friday following the General meeting. All articles should be submitted by e-mail to: editor@wgmsks.org or snail mail to:

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Exchange Bulletins Welcome

Membership News

By Susan Bannon

Please add the following returning member to your directory:

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The Year Ahead

General Club Meetings

Feb 27	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm
Mar 27	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm
Apr 15-17	**WGMS SHOW** Cessna Activity Center	
May 29	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm
Jun 26	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm
Jul 24	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm
Aug 27	Rock Sale, Pot Luck and Auction Community of Christ Church	
Sep 25	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm
Oct 23	WSU Geology Bldg, Rm 101	2 pm

Board Meetings

Feb 21	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
Mar 21	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
Apr 11	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
May 16	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
Jun 20	Maggard's House 8318 SE Hwy 77, Leon	6 pm
Jul 18	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
Aug 22	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
Sep 19	Community of Christi Church	7 pm
Oct 17	Community of Christi Church	7 pm

Chips From the Quarry

Sandy Whiting, WGMS Treasurer, lost her beloved son, Brad Ray Whiting , age 30, on November 14, 2010. Cause of death is unable to be determined. Please keep Sandy and her family in your thoughts and prayers and extend your love to her during this time of sorrow.

- Contact Alice Piper at 316-264-7273 to have a card sent to a member who is ill or grieving.
- Contact Carolyn White at carolyn.white1@cox.net or at 250-6182 to put a notice in the Quarry Quips.

Member Birthdays

Correction to January QQ: My apologies to Alfred White - I typed his name in as Albert in the January birthday list.

February:

01	Seth Krystalyn, Ray Vitkus
02	Ruby Moore
11	Charlotte Norris, Stanley Ayers
20	Lillian Simmons
22	Aileen Wilson, Jim Nutter
24	Roger Pollard

March:

01	Mary Skelton
06	Ann Radiel, Laurie Husman
09	Susan Bannon
15	Patti Ballou
18	Kristen Walker, Eric White
21	Dana Shannon
25	David Hardin
27	Bob Oliver, Faye Worden
29	George Mack

Snack Sign-up

We need some people to sign up for snacks.

Please call Debbie Winton: 841-9576 to volunteer.

WGMS Board Meeting Minutes

By Tonona Martin

The Board of Officers for the Wichita Gem and Mineral Society met on Jan 17, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Community of Christ Church.

Tony Giardina, Don Atherton, Carolyn White, Joe Cruz, Leo Heidebrecht, Bob Haines, Sandy Whiting, Tonona Martin, Gene Maggard, Ardis Cruz and Peggy Maggard were in attendance.

- President Giardina asked for corrections to the minutes none were offered. Gene Maggard moved that the minutes be approved as read, Peggy seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- Don Atherton reminded the board of the anniversary celebration and auction Saturday 1.23.2011. He also stated that February's program will be presented by WSU professor Greg Novachek.
- Secretary Tonona Martin presented one application for membership and one membership renewal. Three publications from other clubs were circulated.
- Treasurer Sandy Whiting presented a voucher for $45.82 to be signed for the Outstanding Service Award. Paperwork was also signed to renew the club's CD.
- Editor Carolyn White stated that prospective member Mary Ridgeway was concerned as she has not received notice of the status of her application. Carolyn will follow up with Susan Bannon as to the status of this applicant. Entries to the RMFMS Bulletin Contest were submitted by Carolyn on behalf of Gene Maggard, Leo Heidebrecht, Mary & Curly Clough, Greg Weisbrod, Larry Skelton, Angie White and Lyle Koerper.
- Joe and Ardis Cruz have planned a field trip to museums in Emporia on Saturday, Feb 12. Members are to call them if they plan to attend. The Maggard workshop will be held on Feb 26 at 10 a.m. See January Quarry Quips for address. Joe stated that there was a family with six children interested in joining the club but activities for the children during club meetings were a concern. Possible solutions were discussed. The issue will be discussed further at a later time.
- Publicity Chair Leo Heidebrecht stated that show flyers would be available at this month's General Meeting. Curly mentioned a local free paper that could serve as a marketing tool for the club's show.
- Show Chair Gene Maggard encouraged members to sign up for work assignments for the show during the General Meeting.
- Bob Haines, Finance, discussed postponing discussion of the revision of bylaws to the April General Meeting.
- Peggy Maggard, Director, suggested members submit updated property inventory forms.
- No old business was brought up for discussion. Meeting adjourned

WGMS General Meeting Minutes

The January General Meeting of the Wichita Gem & Mineral Society was held on Jan. 23, 2011 and was called to order by President Tony Giardina at 2:00p.m. at Christ Community Church.

Membership Chair – Susan Bannon:
Dana Shannon was recognized with a third star on her badge. Ida Crouch was recognized with the fourth star on her badge. Jerry Calvert, Merle White and Arleta Seery were all recognized with their badge for five consecutive years of membership. The Bivens family was recognized for their travel from Oklahoma to be with us for the anniversary celebration.

Door Prizes were won by Joe Cruz and Tony Giardina.

Show Chair - Gene Maggard - Reminded members to sign up for work stations for the April show – World of Wonders, and to sign up for classes to be held at the Maggard workshop on Feb. 26th. Peggy Maggard is planning a beading class at that workshop. Members were reminded to sign up to volunteer at the Wichita Lawn & Garden Show in March.

Joe Cruz-Field Trips - Two field trips are planned for February. One to museums in Emporia, KS - Saturday, Feb 12th (contact Joe or Ardis if you are interested). Another, at the Maggard workshop on Saturday, Feb 26th.

Publicity Chair- Leo Heidebrecht - Advised club members that flyers and coupons for our April show are available up front. Members are encouraged to tell any interested persons or groups about the show.

Carolyn White - Editor - Reminded members that the newsletter is moving to email distribution. Those that do not have an email address will still receive their QQ via US Postal Service. Carolyn recognized the grab bag seamstresses who sewed bags in 2010 with an additional charm for their pin. Any seamstresses who were not at the January meeting should contact Carolyn at a future meeting to receive their charm.

President Giardina dismissed the group for cake, coffee and biscotti.

Following refreshments the 2011 auction was held.

Meeting dismissed.

2011 Show Committee

Note: Additional people are needed to serve on the Show Committee.

If you are interested in any way, please call Gene Maggard, show chair, at 742-3746. Ideally we'd like to have 2 people in each spot.

Don't know what you'd enjoy helping with? That is ok, pick one. Next year try something else! Some one already assigned to the area you are interested in? That's ok too. We like to share!

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Webmaster	Diane DeGood	316-794-8391
Wheel	Alice Piper	316-264-7273

Show Report

By Gene Maggard

Showtime is almost here. You can sign up for work times at the Feb. meeting. Remember, we need all the help possible for setup on Thursday, April 14. If you have a special place that you would like to work, talk with the Chair of that activity.

Do you have any exceptional mineral specimens from a known country of origin that would display well in our Special Exhibit Case? If you do, please let me know. We want to fill up the case with attractive specimens from around the world.

Exhibit reservation forms will be available at the Feb. meeting and you will probably also find one attached to this newsletter. Reservations are due by April 1.

Gene Maggard
Show Chairman

Fun, And Smell the Roses

by Lyle Koerper

Yes, all of this can be yours when you volunteer to help staff the Wichita Gem & Mineral Society exhibit at the Wichita Garden Show.

The WGMS exhibit has proven to be a major attendance builder for our April show. Helping staff the exhibit has also proven to be a good time for WGMS members.

The Garden Show will be at Century II March 2-6. The show is open mornings, afternoons, and evenings.

Theme this year is "Gardens in the Movies." Theme for the WGMS exhibit will be "Our Little House on the Prairie." Featured will be WGMS's stone settlers cabin. The cabin, when set up, rests in a natural environment with a live garden and perhaps even a pond.

Help is still needed to make the "Our Little House" come alive. If you can contribute to creating a miniature garden, please contact Lyle Koerper at 722-7115.

Debby Moore has been signing up WGMS members to staff the exhibit. The Garden Show wants names of those who will be working (and who will receive show passes) by February 1. Be sure to sign up in writing, even if you have simply said, "I can work anytime." Shifts are generally three or four hours, and a person may work more than one shift.

And, by the way, there will certainly be a lovely rose exhibit at the Garden Show. So you can visit that before or after your fun time at the WGMS exhibit.

Field Trips

Submitted for Joe Cruz by Ardis Cruz

February 12, 2011

Meet at the Johnston Geology Museum on Emporia State Campus, Cram Hall, 14th and Merchant Street 10:00 Saturday February 12th.

Directions: take the Turnpike to Emporia, exit the turnpike on the exit for I-35 north, look for exit 130, which is Merchant Street then go to 14th and Merchant. It's really easier than it sounds.

The following are some things we will see and learn about. A western Kansas Cretaceous mosasaur, a giant ground sloth and a mastadon tusk plus other displays in the ESU Geology Museum. There are also geological specimens predominantly from Kansas including some from the Hamilton Quarry now closed to hunting and owned by ESU, a display of Tri-State Mining area items, petrified tree stumps and Indian artifact collections.

WE NEED YOU TO CALL US SO WE CAN TELL THEM HOW MANY TO EXPECT AS WE HAVE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO HAVE THE BUILDING OPEN FOR US!

Joe or Ardis 218-0250. If we don't answer just leave a message.

When we leave there we will have a lunch break then go on to the One Room School Museum a few blocks on down on Merchant or the Lyon County Historical Museum located in Emporia if it's still open at that time.

As of 1-31-11 only one person has called us so this trip may be cancelled due to lack of interest.

~~January~~ February Field Trip

Gene Maggard

The Maggard field trip has been rescheduled to Saturday, February 26th. There is still room in some of the classes - contact Gene @ 742-3746 to register for a class.

Basic classes are planned to be offered in Cabbing, Silversmithing, Wire Wrapping, Bead Stringing, Basic Rock, Mineral and Fossil Identification, and Sphere Making. Start time will be 10am. There will be a fee charged for some classes to cover the cost of materials provided.

We will have a pot luck lunch, just like all the others: I main dish and 1 or 2 sides. Gene will probably feel really energetic and have a pot full of vegetable soup or chili. Beware, he puts dead deer in his pots of stuff.

Saturday, March 12, 2011

Bazine Limestone/Post Rock Quarry in Bazine Kansas. Meet at the quarry at 10:30.

Directions: Go to Lindsborg, take Highway 4 west to Lacrosse, then south on highway 183 to Rush Center, go west from Rush Center on Highway 96 to Bazine. From Andover it takes 3 ½ hours so leave in plenty of time.

While we are there we will get a demonstration on how they break the limestone into the right sized pieces needed to make everything from desktop paperweights to large signs for businesses. Also we will get to see how the pictures and words are sandblasted onto the stones after they are made smooth. Some of us will even get to help in the process of breaking/splitting the limestone. After the demonstrations we are going to do a little fossil hunting in the piles of overburden that has to be removed to get to the post rock layer. What can possibly be found are shark teeth, ammonites (small ones) and clam shells.

When we leave the quarry we will stop back by the owners house and look at the items they have already made and are for sale.

Lunch will follow the hunting and then we are going to tour some Kansas Ghost Towns.

RSVP with Joe or Ardis 218-0250.

Suggestion:

If you know of someone else who would like to go but doesn't want to drive that far alone, try to carpool. Save money on gas and have more fun!

Maps will be also be available at the February meeting so you can go on the Ghost Town tour at your leisure if you cannot go with the club.

April – Salt Plains in Oklahoma.

That will be *AFTER* our Annual Show, which I hope you will all be helping out with.

Saturday, April 23rd we will go to the Salt Plains in Oklahoma to collect selenite crystals.

We are checking out the camping facilities near there in the State Park and may incorporate a camping trip along with the crystal hunting.

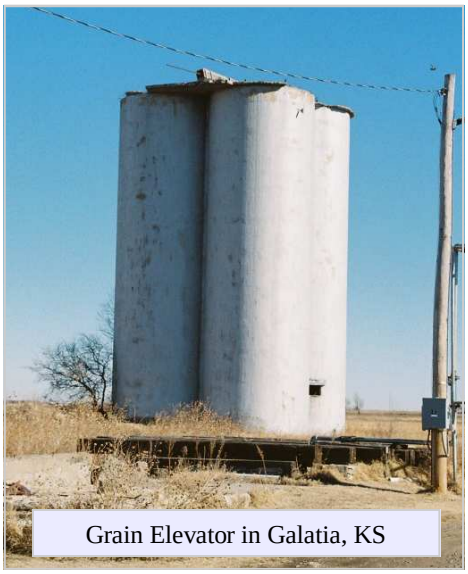
May – Black Mesa, OK. More details to come!

As always please **RSVP** with us at 218-0250 unless we tell you otherwise.

March 12th Field Trip ~ Ghost Town Preview

Photographs by Ardis Cruz

Above: Grocery Store in Hitschmann , KS



Grain Elevator in Galatia, KS

Below: School in Alexander, KS

Below: Jail in Frederick, KS

February 28th Field Trip

Map to the Maggard's

Below: Store in Boyd Station, KS

2011 RMFMS Bulletin Contest

By Carolyn White, Editor

Entries for the 2011 RMFMS Bulletin Contest were due January 15th. I am pleased to say that I was able to enter several WGMS members in the competition this year. Below is a list of the items that we entered and the month that they ran. If you missed reading one of these entries you can view them on the WGMS website wgmsks.org

Adult Article:

- Feb 2010, Leo Heidebrecht, A Visit to a Lead Mine in the Tri-State Area
- Mar 2010, Mary & Curly Clough, Field Trip to Tri-State Mining Area
- Apr 2010, Lyle Koerper, Photo Collage: Mining in the Tri-State District
- May 2010, Gene Maggard, RMFMS Selenite Collecting Field Trip
- July 2010, Greg Weisbrod, Uncle Josh Rockhound Adventures
- July 2010, Angie White, Ruby (poetry)
- Aug 2010, Larry Skelton, Sedimentary Structures and Trace Fossils

Larry Skelton also submitted the following articles in 2010: Jan - Kimberlites? in Kansas??, Feb - Tri-State Lead and Zinc Mining Area, Oct - Dendrites, Dec - Imatra Stones. If you missed any of these features, I encourage you to visit the website and check them out.

I would like to take this time to encourage all WGMS members to contribute to the Quarry Quips in 2011. There are many different ways that you can contribute.

- Write an informative article about gems, minerals, fossils or other related subjects.
- Write a how to article, compile a list of helpful hints
- Take photos at a WGMS or rockhound related event and create a digital photo collage. If you don't have the tools to put together a photo collage, email the photos to me.
- Create a rock related word search, word scramble or crossword puzzle.
- Interview a long time club member - or a new member. Tell us something we don't know about them.
- Write a poem, a fun fictional story, a thank you to a fellow club member.
- Tell us about your latest rockhounding adventure - you know we wish we were there!
- Write a book report

You can submit your articles to me via email or US postal service mail. Or you can give it to me at a club meeting. I look forward to seeing your contributions and submitting them in the 2012 competition.

THE PETRIFIED FERN

Author Unknown

via Tips & Chips, Feb 2010, via Colorado Springs Gazette, Sept. 29, 1877

In a valley, centuries ago,
Grew a little fern leaf green and tender,
Veining delicate, and fibers slender-
Waving, when the wind crept down so low;
Rushes tall, and moss and grass grown round it
Drops of dew stole in by night and crowned it
But no foot of man e'er trod that way;
Earth was young, and keeping holiday.

Monster fishes swam the silent main,
Stately forests waved their giant branches,
Mountains hurled their snowy avalanches,
Mammoth creatures stalked across the plain;
Nature reveled in grand mysteries,
But the little fern was not one of these,
Did not number with the hills and trees;
Only grew and waved, its sweet wild way,
No one came to note it day by day.

Earth, one time, put on a frolic mood,
Heaved with the rocks, and changed its mighty motion
Of the deep, strong currents of the ocean,
Moved the plain, and shook the haughty wood,
Crushed the little fern in soft, moist clay,
Covered it and hid it safe away;
Oh! The long centuries since that day!
Oh! The agony! Oh! Life's bitter cost,
Since that useless letter fern was lost.
Useless! Lost!

There came a thoughtful man,
Searching Nature's secrets far and deep;§§
From a fissure in a rock steep
He withdrew a stone, o'er which there ran
Fairy penciling, a quaint design,
Veinings, leafage, fibers, clean and fine,
And the fern's life lay in every line-
So I think, God hides some souls away,
Sweetly to surprise us- the last day.

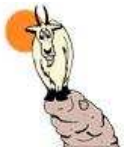
Asplenium delicatula
Berkeley Museum #20685
Green River formation

Newsletter Distribution

By Carolyn White

WGMS will change to email distribution of its monthly newsletter after the January Anniversary meeting.

- Members who do not have an email address will continue to receive their Quarry Quips via the US Postal Service.
- Members who specifically ask the editor to continue mailing their Quarry Quips will also receive their newsletter via the US Postal Service.
- All other members will get an electronic copy of their Quarry Quips via their email address.



COLLECTING ROCKS

I think that there shall never be
An ignoramus just like me,
Who roams the hills throughout the day,
To pick up rocks that do not 'pay'
For there's one thing I've been Told
I take the rocks and leave the gold.
O'er deserts wild or mountains blue,
I search for rocks of varied hue.
A hundred pounds or more I pack,
With blistered feet and aching back.
And after this is said and done,
I cannot name a single one.
I pick up rocks where e're I go,
The reason why, I do not know,
For rocks are found by fools like me,
Where God intended them to be.

Via Golden Spike ENews, May 2010
From a plaque on the wall of Dick Glismann's shop
in his basement,
Courtesy of Bonnie Glismann
Author Unknown

WGMS Library

We have a lot of great books in the WGMS library. It is open when we have a club meeting at WSU. Members can check out books for one month.

Show Calendar

For a more complete list of all shows go to:
http://www.rockngem.com/showdates.asp
or refer to a copy of Rock & Gem Magazine.

FEBRUARY:

19-20—MESA, ARIZONA: Show, "2011: Rocks From Heaven"; Apache Junction Rock & Gem Club; Skyline High School, 845 S. Crismon Rd.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; adults $3, students $1, children under 12 free; contact Wally Frlich, 463 N. Valley Dr., Apache Junction, AZ 85120; (480) 982-7760; e-mail: wfrlich@hotmail.com; Web site: www.ajrockclub.com

25-27—GOLDEN, COLORADO: Show; Denver Gem & Mineral Guild; Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 15200 W. 6th Ave.; Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5; free admission; contact Joseph Payne, 6101 S Logan Ct., Centennial, CO 80121, (303) 783-0221; e-mail: jpayne@englewoodgov.org; Web site: www.denvergem.org

MARCH:

5-6—BIG SPRING, TEXAS: 42nd annual show; Big Spring Prospectors Club; Howard County Fair Barn; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-5; free admission; gems, minerals, jewelry, dealers, demonstrations, displays, spinning wheel, hourly prizes, jewelry repair, stone setting; contact Jerald Wilson, 707 Tulane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432) 263-4662, or Lola Lamb, (432) 263-3340

11-13—COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA: Show, "Verde Valley Gem Mineral & Jewelry Show"; Mingus Gem & Mineral Club; Verde Valley Fairgrounds, 800 E. Cherry St.; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; adults $2, children 13 and under free with paying adult; contact Sarah Knowles, P.O. Box 1284, Cottonwood, AZ 86326; e-mail: Mingusgemandmineralclub@gmail.com

11-13—KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI: 50th annual show, "Greater Kansas City Gem & Mineral Show"; Association of Earth Science Clubs of Greater Kansas City; MCC-BTC Exhibition Hall, 1775 Universal Ave. (I-435, Front Street Exit); Fri. 9-8, Sat. 10-7, Sun. 10-5; adults $6, 5-12 years $2; or Bruce Stinemetz, (816) 795-1641; e-mail: brucestinemetz@att.net; Web site: www.gemshowkc.org

18-20—ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO: 42nd annual show, Treasures of the Earth"; Albuquerque Gem & Mineral Club; Creative Arts Center Bldg., State Fair Grounds, EXPO NM (San Pedro entrance); Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10–6, Sun. 10–5; adults $1 Fri., $3 Sat. and Sun., kids 12 and under free; contact Paul Hlava, (505) 255-5478; e-mail: paulhlava@q.com

25-27—ADA, OKLAHOMA: Show, "A Festival of Gems, Minerals & Fossils 2011"; Ada Gem, Mineral & Fossil Club; Pontotoc County Agri-Plex, Main Bldg. #1, NE corner of state Rte. 99/U.S. 377 and the Richardson Bypass/S. Hwy. 1/3E; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; free admission; contact Ed Vermillion, P.O. Box 782, Purcell, OK 73080, (405) 527-6431; e-mail: okieed42@windstream.net; Web site: www.freewebs.com/agmfc/index.htm

25-27—LOVELAND, COLORADO: 50th annual show; Fort Collins Rockhounds; The Ranch, Larimer County Fairgrounds, Thomas M. McKee 4-H, Youth & Community Bldg.; Fri. 4-8, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; adults $4 ($7 weekend pass); under 18 $1, children under 12 free with adult; contact Dave Halliburton, Fort Collins Rockhounds, P.O. Box 482, Fort Collins, CO 80522, (970) 493-6168; e-mail: fcrockhounds@yahoo.com; Web site: www.fortcollinsrockhounds.org

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