

South Central Federation

Newsletter



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**THE DAYS INNS OF
SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER CITY, LA
WELCOME TO THE
2013 ARK-LA-TEX
GEM, JEWELRY & MINERAL SHOW
AUGUST 17-18**

With rates of \$45 - Bossier City & \$40 Shreveport

200 John Wesley Blvd.
Bossier City, LA 71112
318-742-9200

4935 W. Monkhouse Dr.
Shreveport, LA 71109
318-636-0080

The Show Will Be Held At The
BOSSIER CIVIC CENTER
620 BENTON ROAD
BOSSIER CITY, LA
Saturday, August 17, 2013 10 am - 6 pm
Sunday, August 18, 2013 10 am - 5 pm

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LET'S REMEMBER
OUR TROOPS
AND THEIR FAMILIES
WHO ARE
SERVING IN THE
MILITARY



SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION OF MINERAL SOCIETIES, INC.

PURPOSE

To promote popular interest and education in the various earth sciences, in particular those hobbies dealing with the art of lapidaries and the science of minerals, fossils, as well as their associated fields.

To cooperate with educational and scientific institutions or other groups engaged in increasing knowledge in the earth sciences.

To cooperate with or become members of similar Federations in the United States and elsewhere.

To assist in the formation of earth sciences societies in localities where public interest justifies their formation.

**SOUTH CENTRAL, FEDERATION
WEB-SITE:
WWW.SCFMS.NET**

E-MAIL ADDRESS CORRECTION AND CHANGES

It is each members responsibility to send your E-mail Addresses to the SCFMS Editor Paul W. Good, pmgood@verizon.net

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The DEADLINE for each Newsletter is the 15th of the following months: January - March - May - July - September and November. As a reminder! Shop hints and tips that are used in this Newsletter, have not been evaluated for safety or reliability by myself. Please use caution and safety when trying out any new idea.

SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION'S ANNUAL MEETING:

The Federation's next annual meeting will be held on:

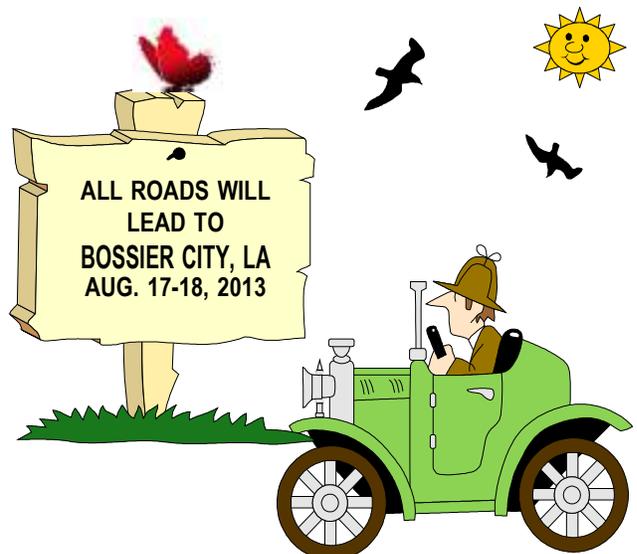
August 17, 2013, 1:30pm

hosted by the ARK-LA-TEX GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY, BOSSIER CITY, LA.

SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION'S ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION

The annual silent auction will be held during the SCFMS Show and Convention, August 17-18, 2013. Donations are greatly welcomed and needed. Rocks, fossils, minerals, jewelry and hobby related items are among the items needed. Bring or send these items to the show. Proceeds from the silent auction go into the South Central Federation Endowment Fund.

SCFMS SILENT AUCTION BID SHEET	
Donated by: _____ Minimum Bid: _____ Name of Material: _____	
Please Print Bidders Name	Bid





THE NASH RAMBLER

John D. Nash, SCFMS Executive Vice-President



The annual SCFMS meeting will be held in Bossier City, Louisiana during their annual show. The show will be held on August 17-18, 2013. I know you have been told this more than once but you need to remember this date and attend this show. Of course, you should attend the various Federation meetings.

Preparations for the Federation meeting are slowly coming together. Ann James, the Federation Secretary, has sent packages to each club and there

are items that need your attention. There are alterations to the wording in spots in the Constitution. Check these changes. There will be the elections of various officials of the SCFMS. Think about these elections. Make sure your club has a representative at this meeting. As an encouragement, your club may choose to pay a portion of expenses incurred by your representative.

I need to rest up to get ready for the upcoming shows, Baton Rouge,

Bossier City, and of course, Jasper. I have never attended a show in Baton Rouge so I feel obligated to attend to see what kind of job Ray Duplechain and his co-workers do. A final thought- contact Catherine Rouchon about tickets for the AFMS raffle to be drawn at annual AFMS show later on in the year.

Until later,
John D

MARK YOUR

FOR THE FOLLOWING DEADLINES



SCFMS DUES ARE DUE OCT. 31:

To all the clubs in the SCFMS,

Your annual Federation Dues are based on your clubs high count for total membership as of October 31st each year. Dues are \$2.00 per adult member and \$0.40 per junior member. Each club needs to send in their dues as soon after November 1st as possible.

Make all checks Payable to:
SCFMS or South Central Federation of Mineral Societies
and mail to:

Jonathan M. Moehring
SCFMS Executive Secretary
2835 Grandview Dr. Grand Prairie, TX 75052

INSURANCE PAYMENTS ARE DUE BY SEP. 15:

Coverage is effective from October 2013 - October 2014. To be eligible for this coverage your club must be a member of the South Central Federation of Mineral Societies and dues must be current. To avoid confusion at enrollment please pay your dues with a separate check.

Send to: Jonathan M. Moehring, Exec. Secretary
2835 Grandview Dr., Grand Prairie, TX 75052

This year again we are asking all the clubs that want to participate in the SCFMS insurance program, to please make their payment by September 15th 2013. Thank you for your cooperation

Note: Attention Club Presidents, and or Secretaries: Forms will be sent in a separate e-mail. Please return to Jonathan before the deadlines.



SAFETY REPORT



by: Owen Martin, SCFMS Safety Coordinator

Safety note: Keep Benadryl in your...



Ok, first as a disclaimer I am not solely endorsing Benadryl - any similar generic or pharmacy brands with the same active ingredient (Diphenhydramine) are helpful.

But as to the point of the discussion...

As many of you know I work as a safety manager for an oil field services company. Over the last few weeks we were lucky enough to have a good bit of rain at one of our facilities in south Texas, an area that is usually really dry this time of year. The result was the flowering of many types of plants that are typically in some state of dormancy during the dry times. And along with the flowers came the BEES! They weren't exactly swarming, but they still seemed to be everywhere.

To that point over the past week we've had three employees stung by bees at the facility. Luckily none of these employees had strong allergic reactions to the stings, but it did make us reevaluate how we respond to such situations.

We do have an employee at the site who is allergic to bees and as a result has an Epi pen in case he is stung, however Epi pens require a doctor's prescription so I can't stock up any in our First Aid kits.

So as an alternative we stock Benadryl in our kits and offer it to employees if they are stung. Keep in mind that Diphenhydramine will not prevent or stop anaphylaxis (allergic shock) like an Epi pen however it can delay the onset or otherwise mitigate symptoms of a bee sting. By delaying the

onset of anaphylaxis First Responders can be afforded more time to react to any shock symptoms. This extra time can save lives!

Anaphylaxis is a serious allergic reaction that is rapid in onset and may cause death. It typically causes a number of symptoms including an itchy rash, throat swelling, and low blood pressure. Common causes include insect bites/stings, foods, and medications.

My recommendation is that you all consider stocking liquid Diphenhydramine in you medicine cabinets and First Aid kits. This is especially important for those of us who like to spend a lot of time in the field.

Be safe!

Smokey the bear! Smokey the Bear,



Growlin' and a prowlin' and a sniffin' the air,
He can find a fire before it starts to flame,
That's why we call him "Smokey" and that's how
He got his name.

"ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT PRAIRIE FIRES!!"

**TO ALL BOY AND GIRLS - REMEMBER - SMOKEY'S
FRIENDS DON'T PLAY WITH MATCHES!**





FUTURE ROCKHOUNDS CORNER

HAVING FUN: JUNIOR ACTIVITIES



Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program: An Overview for Newcomers – and Us Golden Agers Too

Those of us who have been affiliated as officers or committee members with a particular organization for a good many years often take it for granted that everyone else knows everything there is to know about the organization and all it has to offer. It's good to reexamine that assumption now and again and to put ourselves back into the shoes we wore when we were newcomers. Thus, I dedicate this month's column to all you newcomers out there, and I want to introduce you to the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program. And may this provide a refresher for those of us now in "golden oldie" status, too! (I say that having received a shock recently when I was handed the "senior menu" at a local restaurant...)

Sponsored and underwritten by the AFMS, the Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program is a free program of guided activities to provide kids and youth leaders in local AFMS-affiliated societies with 118 individual activities in 20 basic areas of our hobby: Rocks & Minerals, Earth Resources, Fossils, Lapidary Arts, Collecting, Showmanship, Communication, Field Trips, Leadership, Earth Processes, Earth in Space, Gold Panning & Prospecting, Gemstone Lore &

Legend, Stone Age Tools & Art, Rocking on the Computer, The World in Miniature, Special Effects, Fluorescent Minerals, Reaching Across Generations, and Maps. All kids receive a Membership patch upon enrolling. They earn badges by completing a minimum of 3 activities in any one badge unit. Kids earning a minimum of 6 badges earn a "Rockhound" badge as a mark of accomplishment and distinction. And those superstars earning all 20 badges become "Rock Stars" and receive an AFMS cloisonné pin. Both Rockhounds and Rock Stars have their names included in "Honor Rolls" posted to the AFMS web site.

The requirements are few and basic: 1) the program is open for kids up to the age of 18; and 2) the kids must be members of their regional AFMS-affiliated federation, either through a local club or through an independent application into the local federation. The program can be used in a formal group setting at monthly club meetings, workshops, and field trips, or kids can pursue their badges in a less formal, individualized "home-schooling" way. A back-up sheet provides tips on different ways to use the program, with an emphasis on flexibility.

A 223-page Badge Manual, along with an FRA Membership Certificate, is provided to a local juniors activities leader upon enrolling the kids of his or her society. In addition to checklists and activity sheets, this manual includes back-up pages to provide essential information and pointers that make it easy for anyone—even a rookie rockhound—to guide kids through the activities. Again, an emphasis is on flexibility and on adapting activities to match the age ranges and abilities of the kids involved.

The full FRA Badge Manual is available on-line under the "Kids Corner" tab on the AFMS web site

www.amfed.org/kids.htm
and I'm always happy to provide more details (phone, 805-659-3577, evenings and weekends; email,

jbraceth@roadrunner.com

Once again, this is a **free** service made available through the good graces of the AFMS to all affiliated societies to help ensure the future of our hobby by involving and educating our kids about it—while having fun!
(From AFMS Newsletter, June 2013)

THE DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER
NEWSLETTER WILL BE SEPTEMBER 15.

THE WAY I SEE IT

by Don Monroe, AFMS President

Why Not Be a Mentor?

All of us who have been involved in various lapidary activity federations, clubs, etc. know many, many talented people and many of them serve as instructors. There seems to be a nearly universal complaint from all of us. "No one from our gene pool (relatives or friends) wants to learn what we do". In my family, including our children and our grandchildren, there seems to be only one person who shows any interest in learning the skills that we take pride in.

Well, you may have to give up on your kids and grandchildren. An old expression is that you can lead a horse

to water but you can't make him drink. We have concluded that if you want our hobby to grow and prosper, you may have to cast your net out wider and find an interested person, preferably a younger one, to mentor.

Ann and I are most fortunate to find a small family (two children) who really want to learn what it is we do. They want to acquire skills and create "stuff" and do fun things. There is nothing more rewarding than teaching someone who really wants to learn and, frankly, schools do not always meet the needs of the young people. I cannot tell you how to find someone to

mentor. Take every available opportunity to demonstrate your craft and speak to any groups who will let you have the floor. Be sensitive to the reactions of the audience and you will find those who want to learn.

I'm looking forward to meeting many of you when the AFMS and SFMS hold their joint convention this September 18 - 22 in Jacksonville, FL. More information should be available on the AFMS web site shortly.

Don

QUARTZ INCLUSIONS

By Paul E. Desautels

When the seven dwarfs places Snow White in a crystal casket to preserve her, they were duplicating a long established natural process. Almost every time nature grows a crystal, she encases it in a variety of objects called inclusions. They are scientifically important because they are evidence of the temperatures, pressures, composition and other characteristics of the environment in which the mineral is found.

Not only solids, but liquids and gases are often trapped during crystal growth. The difference between the white, opaque variety of quartz called "milky quartz" and the clear glassy variety called "rock crystal" is caused by multitudes

of tiny bubbles of liquid trapped in milky quartz. Frequently the inclusion will be more than one kind, each called a "phase".

One of the most amazing sights to see under a microscope is the two-phase inclusion of a tiny bit of carbon in Herkimer County, New York. The carbon can be seen jittering around in an erratic dance, bombarded by the ever-moving liquid molecules. This is called the Brownian Motion, after Robert Brown, the botanist, who first reported it in 1827.

from Agatizer, 8/89 via The Rockytier, 10/99

A good volunteer is worth a



To your club!!!!

COLLECTING

By Colleen Hayes



As I sit in my Jeep and stare at the map,
I thing to myself, I need a cap,
A bottle of water, a rock pick or two,
And a very large bag, the blue one will do.

But I sit in my Jeep and I stare at the map,
It's tangled, unfolded a heap in my lap.
I'm lost, I know it,
I should have turned right.
Now, I'm aimlessly wandering
And it's just hours till night.

As I sit in my Jeep and my foot hits the gas,
I figured it out, I'll get there at last,
And find the best spot to sit down and dig,
And maybe just maybe,
I'll find something big.

And then when I find a fossil or two,
I'll need a large bag, the blue one will do.

From Rock N' Rose Oct 1998,
(5th Place, 1998 AFMS Poetry Contest)

INSTANT WEATHER

Place a string around a smooth polished rock and hang it on three sticks and exposed it to the elements.

Follow guidelines below for an instant weather report.

If Rock is Wet, it's Raining.

If Rock is Swaying, it's Windy.

If Rock is Hot, it's Sunny.

If Rock is Cool, it's Overcast.

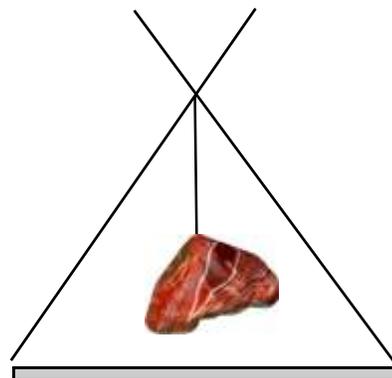
If Rock is White, it's Snowing.

If Rock is Blue, it's Cold.

If Rock is Shaking, it's an Earthquake!

If Rock is Gone, there's been a Tornado!

From AFMS Newsletter, 5/97



LOUISIANA PETRIFIED PALM WOOD

Petrified palm wood is the state fossil of Louisiana. It comes from palm trees in the Oligocene Epoch. The distinctive spotted look of palm wood comes from the rod like structures within the regular grain of wood that gave the wood its vertical strength. Depending upon the angle the lapidary uses to cut the stone, these structures show up as spots, tapering rods, or line. Petrified palm wood is very hard, around 7 1/2 on MOHS scale and takes a wonderful polish which, makes it a great stone for jewelry.

from the Northeast LA G&M Soc., Newsletter, March 25, 2013



PYRITE CLEANING - AN ALTERNATE CLEANER



Ling Shurtz, Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas

I recently collected a bucket of pyrite specimens at the TXI Cement Factory in Midlothian, TX. The condition of the collected specimens ranged from bright and shiny (just a few) dull. Many had limestone matrix still attached. Based on conversation with club members, I decided to try cleaning some in an Oxalic Acid wash. The pyrites were soaked in the a solution of oxalic acid (1 cup acid powder in 3 gallons of water) for 4 hours to several days depending on the initial condition of the specimen. The specimens were then thoroughly rinsed in water and dried. I am quite pleased with the result.

from Chips and Chatter, May, 2013 - via The Pineywoods Rooter, June 2013.

THE ANNUAL ROCK SHOW

by: Margaret Good

Every year the gem and mineral club
Holds a show for all to see
With displays neatly in the cases
Showing individual ingenuity

There we saw the Texas palmwood
A large hunk polished on one end
The owners proudly light it up
To show just how the colors blend

Fossils distinctively displayed
In cases lined with white
Dug from the dirt and rocks of yore
Shine now beneath electric light

A special display of items of food
So many you could not name
All looked so real, so very good,
But all were natural, just the same

Minerals shown from around the world
In colors of various hues
Took your breath away when you saw
Purples, greens, pinks, turquoise blues

Jewelry galore, all sizes and forms
Were there for eyes to gaze on
Or purchase if that's what you prefer
Lovely and practical to be worn

Agates, opals, and petrified wood
Made into works of art
Many of them were there for sale
But with some owners wouldn't part

There was so much more for one to see
But naming them one by one
Is just an impossibility
Still everyone had lots of fun.

**BAG
YOUR
LITTER**

Then place it in your container.



It prevents LITTER.
It prevents PESTS.
It's the LAW.



THE GEODE

WHAT ARE THEY AND HOW ARE THEY FORMED?

If you ever took any kind of natural science at school you will probably have seen a geode. However, what are they and how are they formed? Geodes are a kind of geological rock formation that can naturally occur in sedimentary and certain volcanic rocks. Most geodes look like normal rocks on the outside and have internal crystalline structures or banded interiors. The crystals are normally either quartz or chalcedony. Also the structure can vary from being hollow even with crystals on the inside or having a completely crystalline core.

The most common type of stone that geodes are made of is limestone. As for the formation of geodes they happen in two different ways. In the sedimentary rock scenario the rock forms as sediment surrounds a round cavity in the rock formation. Due to the porous nature of sedimentary rock groundwater carrying dissolved sili-

cates seep into the cavity through the sedimentary rock. When it enters into the cavity the water evaporates leaving silicon to form natural quartz crystals. In the case that the crystals only line the inside of the cavity of the geode the normal term is geode. If the cavity is filled with crystals completely it is called a nodule.



The other way that a geode can form is in volcanic igneous rock. This kind of geode is formed when bubbles in lava appear then harden into hollow igneous rock. It is hypothesized that as the rock cools the solution of minerals in the hollow of the volcanic

bubble rapidly evaporates and create crystals. However for both scenarios there is no concrete evidence to prove that these are the definite processes of formation. The only clues lie in the composition of the rock and the internal crystals. Traits such as color and composition can be determined by impurities and location.

Geodes can vary greatly in size. The largest known geode is a large cave located in Spain in 2000. Some have shapes other than the traditional spherical shape. They can be columns or just about every other kind of shape depending on the shape of the cavity. Geodes are common in the United States, Namibia, Mexico, and Brazil. However they can occur anywhere on the globe.

(Found on line < www.universetoday.com) also from the Rockytier, June, 2013

TID BIT-LILAC LEPIDOTLITE

Lepidolite is a lilac-gray or rose-colored lithium-bearing mineral of the mica group. It is associated with other lithium-bearing minerals like spodumene in pegmatite bodies. The mineral is noteworthy as one of the major sources of the rare alkali metals rubidium and caesium.

When Lepidolite was first discovered in the 1700's as it was given the name Lilalate, for its lavender color. Scientists eventually renamed the stone lepidolite, from the Greek lepidos meaning "scale". The reference is to the scaly appearance of lithium flakes in the mineral.

Lepidolite is a major source of the element lithium, the world's lightest metal. Lithium has many important industrial applications: it is used in rechargeable batteries, alloys for aircraft parts, and in appliances like toasters and microwave ovens. Lithium compounds are used in mobile phones, air purifiers, high-temperature lubricants, and mood-stabilizing drugs.

(from the Northeast LA Gem & Mineral Newsletter, Feb. 2013)

AFMS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

By: Virginia Adian SCFMS Scholarship Chair AFMS Scholarship Totals	Membership 2013	Donations On Account	Amount Needed to Make the Next % Point	Total % Of Giving
Ark-La-Tex Gem & Min. Soc.	98	\$31.29	\$66.71	4600%
Arlington Gem & Min. Club	300	\$14.04	\$285.96	700%
Austin Gem & Min. Soc.	225	\$30.00	\$195.00	3500%
Baton Rouge Gem & Min. Soc.	136	\$35.00	\$101.00	1500%
Big Spring Prospectors Club	32	\$25.00	\$ 7.00	0%
Central Texas Gem & Min. Soc.	88	\$ 2.05	\$85.95	3500%
Chihuahuan Desert Gem & Min. Club	29	\$10.00	\$19.00	1500%
Clear Lake Gem & Min. Soc.	61	\$10.00	\$51.00	2900%
Dallas Gem & Min. Soc.	99	\$43.56	\$55.64	3800%
DeRidder Gem & Min. Soc.	33	\$ 0.00	\$33.00	2300%
East Texas Gem & Min. Soc.	75	\$57.90	\$17.10	2900%
Fort Worth Gem & Min. Club	58	\$ 9.02	\$48.98	400%
Fredericksburg Rockhounds	175	\$113.00	\$62.00	900%
Gem, Mineral & Lapidary Soc. of Central La.	20	\$ 0.00	\$20.00	0%
Geological Soc. of San Antonio	111	\$58.00	\$53.00	300%
Golden Spread Gem & Min. Soc.	27	\$22.19	\$14.81	200%
Gulf Coast Gem & Min. Soc.	154	\$ 3.00	\$151.00	1300%
Hi - Plains Gem & Min. Soc.	57	\$ 7.55	\$49.45	100%
Hot Springs Geology Club	20	\$ 0.42	\$19.58	900%
Houston Gem & Min. Soc.	572	\$282.39	\$289.61	500%
LMRA Stone Steppers	91	\$26.45	\$64.55	1000%
Lubbock Gem & Min. Soc.	51	\$20.71	\$30.29	1600%
Midland Gem & Min. Soc.	143	\$100.00	\$43.00	0%
Northeast Louisiana Gem & Min. Soc.	26	\$10.00	\$16.00	100%
Paleontological Soc. of Austin	205	\$55.00	\$150.00	2900%
Pine Country Gem & Min. Soc.	82	\$31.00	\$51.00	400%
Pleasant Oaks Gem & Min. Club of Dallas	37	24.90	\$12.10	1200%
Rollin' Rock Club	280	\$238.99	\$41.01	12700%
Southwest Gem & Min. Soc.	111	\$44.00	\$67.00	800%
Texoma Rockhound Club	34	\$18.17	\$15.83	3000%
Tri City Gem & Min. Soc.	52	\$15.29	\$36.71	2500%
Victoria Gem & Min. Soc.	34	\$20.48	\$13.52	3000%
Waco Gem & Min. Club	32	\$25.43	\$ 6.57	1100%
Williamson County Gem & Min. Soc	72	\$15.00	\$57.00	5600%
Wise County Rock Fossil & Min. Soc.	54	\$ 0.00	\$54.00	200%

This is the giving record since recording began about 1967. Every 100 % means the club gave \$1 per member. In other words, if a club has 25 members and gave \$25, that would be 100%. If they gave another \$25, that would be 200%. If they gave additional \$35, that would be 300% with \$10 carried over toward achieving 400%. As membership changes, the amount to achieve another 100% changes. It is always based upon current membership, or at least most recently received membership numbers.

Clubs are encouraged to make memorial donations for deceased club members. All interest earned from this endowment goes toward scholarships for graduate students in the earth sciences.

Contributions should be mailed to:

Virginia Adian
109 Katie Court
Boerne, TX 78006

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Paul W. Good

SHOW TIME IS NEAR

by Margaret Good

Show time is near. Clean that case.
Fix your display. Black marks erase.

Give a sparkle to that glass.
Polish those hinges made of brass.

Be particular with what's inside.
What e'er you do, do it with pride.

With the public and members share
What you've collected with such care.

Be sure to attend the show this year
Memories galore you will hold dear.

See you in Bossier City, LA
August 17-18, 2013

I MET AN ANGEL

A REAL STORY FOR TODAY...

Margaret and I went walking one day at the hospital. We try to walk four or five days a week. Margaret had stopped to talk to one person and I just kept walking. I met a man, who is an x-ray technician, and I ask him "how he was" and he said, "I'm Good". Jokingly I said "Oh, your name is Good, so is mine, and I have been Good for 76 years". He said, "Well, you have me beat, I haven't been Good very long, but I have been an Angel for 28 years". You guessed it. His last name was Angel.

Paul



L@@KING at the Calendar, I see that we only have one month and two days before the SCFMS and ARK-LA-TEX combined show will be off and running. This will be the third show that I have attended in Bossier City. The first one was in 1999 and the second one in 2006. They were two very good shows and I believe from what I hear, this one will be even better.

So that brings up another subject. Did you send in your Pre-Registration Form? I hope you did.

The Editor's and Webmasters Breakfast will be on Saturday, August 17 at 8:00 am. This is when we will find out "who the winners are in the Bulletin and the Webmasters Contests". I thought we were going to find out the winners of the Bulletin Contest in the May - June issue, when Ray Duplechain sent in his report, BUT he realized that it was toooo early to do that. So we will wait for another month.

Saturday evening at 7:00 pm will be another exciting part of the show, when we meet together to enjoy a fine meal at the SCFMS Annual Banquet. Several awards are usually given at the Banquet and a great time is enjoyed by all.

Be sure to remember to include a few items for the Annual Silent Auction, which will be held during the show in Bossier City. Donations are always welcomed and needed. Any thing that pertains to our hobby, such as: rocks, fossils, minerals, jewelry and hobby related items are among the items

needed. Bring or send these items to the show. Proceeds from the silent auction go into the South Central Federation Endowment Fund.

This will be a busy time for Margaret and my self. We plan to leave at the end of July to go to the great state of Indiana. On August 1, we will meet with the class of 1953, Marco High School, Marco, Indiana, to celebrate my 60th graduation reunion.

Then on the 3rd of August, we will gather to visit with several of my nieces and nephews, who still live in Indiana. As we head back toward home, we are going to stop in Bowling Green, KY to visit with our grand daughter, Becca. Next stop will be Nashville, TN to visit Margaret's brother.

I want to talk a moment to say "Thank You" to the following who sent in an article for this issue: John Nash; Jonathan Moehring; Virginia Adian; Owen Martin; and Margaret Good.

I guess that is all for now. Talk to you later in the next issue.

Paul





SCFMS ORGANIZATIONS SHOW DATES FOR 2013

Mary Trammell, SCFMS Show Co-ordinator

August 10-11, 2013
Baton Rouge, LA
Baton Rouge G&MS
The Marriott

September 21-22, 2013
Denison, TX
Texoma Rockhounds
Denison Senior Ctr.

October 18-19-20, 2013
Austin, TX
Austin G&MS
Palmer Events Ctr.

November 08-09-10, 2013
Humble, TX
Houston G&MS
Humble Civic Ctr.
8233 Will Clayton Pkway

August 17-18, 2013
Bossier City, LA
SCFMS Convention & Show
Ark-La-Tex G&MS
Bossier City Civic Ctr.

September 28-29, 2013
Dallas, TX - Dallas G&MS
Restiol Expo Ctr.
Mesquite, TX

October 18-19-20, 2013
Victoria, TX
Victoria G&MS
Community Ctr.
2905 East North St.

Nov. 30 Dec. 01, 2013
Round Rock, TX
Paleontological Soc. Of
Austin
Old Settlers Park
Hwy 29 E
Round Rock, TX

August 24-25, 2013
Jasper, TX
Pine Country G&MS
Events Center

October 12-13, 2013
Temple, TX
Tri-City G&MS
Mayborn Civic Ctr.

October 19-20, 2013
Amarillo, TX
Golden Spread G&MS
Amarillo Civic Center

December 07-08, 2013
DeRidder, LA
DeRidder G&MS
Beaugard Parish
Fairgrounds
506 West Dr.

September 14-15, 2013
Grapevine, TX
Arlington G&MS
Grapevine Convention
Center

October 12-13, 2013
Fort Worth, TX
Lockheed Martin
RA Stone Steppers
LMRA Picnic Area
3400 Bryant Irvin Rd.

November 02-03, 2013
Midland, TX
Midland G&MS
Midland Ctr.

2013 REGIONAL FEDERATION SHOWS

NORTHWEST
August 16-18, 2013
Butte, MT

SOUTH CENTRAL
August 17-18, 2013
Bossier City, LA

SOUTHEAST & AFMS
September 20-22, 2013
Jacksonville, FL

2013 AFMS/SFMS Convention and Show
Heavens and Earth - September 18th - 22nd, 2013

Convention Location ---- Marriott Jacksonville
4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, FL 32256
(904) 296-2222 (904) 296-2222 FREE

Show Location ---- Morocco Temple
3800 St Johns Bluff Road S., Jacksonville, FL 32225