

# South Central Federation Newsletter



MAY - JUNE, 2013

Member of: [American Federation of Mineralogical Societies](#)

## AFMS Scholarship Foundation

by: Virginia Adian, SCFMS Chairman



Donations have poured in since I accepted this position in February. I have received and recorded donations from Midland Gem & Mineral Society, Victoria Gem & Mineral Society, and East Texas Gem & Mineral Society. The Rollin' Rock Club has sent donations from auctions held at 10 different gem shows.

Donations totaling \$2,396 have been received in memory of Charlotte Harmon, whose husband Keith has been a great supporter of the AFMS Scholarships. Thanks to the many clubs and individuals who have honored Charlotte in this way. There were donations from vendors in other states and clubs in other regional federations.

I encourage clubs to consider making donations to the AFMS Scholarship fund in memory of club members who have died or consider making annual donations. Donations of \$1 per member moves your club up 100% in contributions.

Please contact me if you have questions.

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LET'S REMEMBER OUR TROOPS IN THE MILITARY  
AND THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR  
FREEDOM



# 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: _____ Minum Bid: _____ Name of Material: _____	
Please Print Bidders Name	Bid





## THE NASH RAMBLER

**John Nash, SCFMS Executive Vice-President**

It is time for Ann James to send out requests for SCFMS elected and appointed persons to send in their reports to be in the packets for the annual meeting of the SCFMS. This request should come as an email. If you're one of the lucky people who should send in a report, please do so. It is discouraging to find a person holding a position but not willing to accept the responsibilities that go with that position.

The annual show and meeting will be here before you know it. Your local club President is the delegate to this meeting. If, for some reason, your President is unable to attend then the club should elect an alternate and notify the Secretary of the South Central Federation of this action. The local club should also try to help pay the expenses of this delegate. Gasoline is still expensive.

Catherine Rouchon still has tickets for the AFMS raffle. There is not a lot of time left so get them now. Ray Duplechain has the Bulletin contest well in hand and will present the awards at the Editors' Breakfast in Bossier City. Don Shurtz has the web page updated. Refer to the web site to answer questions.

**John D Nash, President, SCFMS**



### **WRENVA "TOMMIE" POTTS Austin Gem & Mineral Society**

Wrenva "Tommie" Potts, 87, a long-time Austin resident, passed away on March 22, 2013 in Round Rock, TX. Tommie was born March 27, 1925 in White River Township, Arkansas.

Tommie moved to Austin, TX to attend the University of TX. She graduated from Brackenridge Hospital School of Nursing in 1950. She spent the rest of her life in the nursing field.

Tommie was a member of The Austin Gem & Mineral Society. She spent many years making beautiful jewelry with the rocks she collected. She loved going to her rock club meetings and taking trips with the Gem & Mineral Soc.... especially the Thanksgiving trips they made every year to Big Bend.

## IN MEMORY



Tommie was an enthusiastic rock hunter who loved being where things were happening and who brightened any space she inhabited. She participated in AGMS events, including rock hunts, until she was in her 80's. She traveled with a group to a mine (Rancho de Minas Viejas) in the mountains of northern Mexico during Thanksgiving holidays of 2006.

Tommie will be certainly be missed by her rockhound friends.

(Information taken in part from The Stone Chipper, AGMS.)

### **JERRY TEDFORD**

#### **MIDLAND GEM & MINERAL SOC.**

Jerry passed away on February 24 in Odessa at the age of 75. Jerry served as President and Vice President for

the Midland Club. He also did "behind the scenes" work at our old shop building. Please remember his loved ones during this time of adjustment.

From the MGMS Newsletter, March, 2013

### **BARTON EVANS MIDLAND GEM & MINERAL SOC.**

Barton Evans died Monday, April 8 in Cortez, Colorado after a year in a care center. He was 94 years old. Barton was an honorary member of our organization, being a member about 40 years total, donating much of his time and talents to our organization.

From the MGMS Newsletter, April, 2013.



## 1983 - 2013 = 30 YEARS OF DISPLAYING

### Bill & Lois Pattillo's Food Table

After visiting a Gem and Mineral Show in Portland, Oregon and digging thunder eggs at The Richardson Rock Ranch, in October 1982, I decided to fix a table for our March 1983 Corpus Christi Gem and Mineral Show. With my muffins and items from club members, we had a Food Table. Not really a table of food, mainly a lot of dishes with a few rocks.

As we were set up at our March show, San Antonio Club members came and invited us to their show, the next week. Houston saw us in San Antonio, invited us to their show, in September. Jackson, Mississippi saw it in Houston and invited us to their show in February. We were off and running.

At Houston we were offered a loaf of bread. At show's end we went to return



it, thinking it was to be used just that week end. You don't want it? Yes indeed. It fit just right in a bread basket.

In the next few years, invitations to shows grew and so did the table. One year we did twenty-two shows. That's lots of packing dishes, so as not to

break with rocks. Lots of rocks. Many donations from a small piece of candy to a 12 pound round loaf of bread. Now donations make up most of the table. A young girl in Denver, gave us a fried chicken drum stick. We asked if she didn't want to keep it. No it was for us. A little boy donated a piece of fruit. I Asked him if he didn't want to keep it and start his own collection. No, I want you to have this one, then I will start my collection.

In over the last 30 years, the Food Table has grown from a standard 8 foot table, to a false top, to make it 9 feet by 4 feet and then later added the breakfast table.

Because of the rock food table, we were honored with a Certificate of Achievement by the National Rockhound & Lapidary Hall of Fame, Murdo, South Dakota, December 2005.

Rock Food Table articles were in the Rock and Gem Magazine in November, 2000, by Laura Dow, of Austin and August 2009 by Lari Carter, Atlanta, Georgia.

This year at the Corpus Christi Gem and Mineral Society Show, the first weekend of March, the Rock Food Table was thirty years old. That's a long time for an exhibit, that started with a lot of dishes and a few rocks.



Bill and Lois Pattillo  
[www.rockfoodtable.com](http://www.rockfoodtable.com)





# SAFETY REPORT



by: Owen Martin, SCFMS Safety Coordinator  
**SAFETY NOTE: A COUPLE OF POINT ON DRIVING SAFELY**

Hello folks. My inspiration for this month's safety article is from an accident we had at work recently.

While in North Dakota I had received a phone call from a supervisor at one of our ND drilling sites and learned that one of our crew truck drivers had been in a rollover accident. Historically speaking any rollover accident in the oil patch is a BAD thing. Thankfully in this case we do see that there is an occasional miracle. Although the truck flipped it did land upright and my co-worker walked away without a single injury.

With that all being said we still needed to do a preliminary incident investigation. The gentleman involved had just finished a 13-hour shift and had about an hour drive back to camp. First thoughts were along the lines of "asleep at the wheel" or "texting while driving." It was neither.

The cause was **"deviating from the lane of traffic"** which is known amongst accident investigators to be a critical component in compounding the severity of accidents. In this case my

coworker had a flock of birds (ducks or pheasants - he wasn't sure) fly out of the ditch on his right side. His immediate reaction was to swerve and miss the birds. What resulted was the loss of control of the vehicle as the rear of the truck slid into the ditch, hitting a culvert, and resulting in the vehicle rolling. The consequences of "swerving" lead to a totaled vehicle and a potential fatality. Thankfully the later did not occur.

One thing I learned when I got my international driver's license in Japan several years ago is that Americans like to "swerve" in order to try and avoid hazardous situations. The Japanese had some extremely detailed statistics on how Americans driving in Japan, while trying to avoid accidents, actually caused something worse.

The point of the article, and I understand that not everyone will agree with it, is that swerving to avoid hazards in the road can actually increase your risk for a much more serious accident. Better to hit a few birds than flip your vehicle...



My second point for this article is that "seat belts DO work!" My co-worker in ND was properly restrained and walked away from his accident.

One of the saddest statistics I ever read came from some research I did a few years ago for a safety presentation. The NTSB had a statistic that over about a year's time in the mid 2000's that 31,000 children were fatally injured in automobile accidents. Of those 31,000, investigations showed that 16,000 of those children were shown to have not been properly restrained in seat belts or car seats. This is a systemic failure in our society's commitment to protect our children.

Please do not be cavalier with the safety of your children and keep them properly buckled up while on the road.

Thanks and be safe!!!



**Rockey says:**

**THE SAFE WAY IS THE RIGHT WAY!**





## FUTURE ROCKHOUNDS CORNER



**HAVING FUN: JUNIOR ACTIVITIES**  
by: Jim Brace-Thompson, AFMS Jr. Activities Chair

### Take Full Advantage of Resources for Kids

The AFMS offers a free Badge Program via Future Rockhounds of America to help local clubs guide their pebble pups and junior members through 20 areas of our hobby, rewarding them with colorful badges along the way. (See [www.amfed.org/fra/fra\\_badge.htm](http://www.amfed.org/fra/fra_badge.htm).) I continue to encourage each and every local society with a Federation affiliation to take full advantage of this free program. It can be used in a group setting during monthly club meetings or to guide individual kids in an independent study or home-schooling sort of way.

But this is far from the only resource available to you! I encourage you to

follow the example of Steve Veatch, who oversees juniors in the Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society and the Lake George Gem & Mineral Club. Steve seeks out and uses every possibility for involving kids. For instance, he encourages them to write articles and poems for publication in their local society newsletters, and many end up in the Rocky Mountain and American Federation bulletin contests. He's helped his society's juniors get published in scientific journals and uses other resources, like the National Park Service's National Fossil Day art contest, science fairs, the Science Olympiad at the University of Colorado, and more.

Like Steve, let's all seek out every resource available to help fan the interests of kids in our societies. There are the wonderful Diamond Dan activities and publications:

[www.diamonddanpublications.net](http://www.diamonddanpublications.net),

the Mineral of the Month Club, activities via Earth Science Week:

[www.earthsciweek.org](http://www.earthsciweek.org),

and more. You'll also find earth-science related activity books and kits in stores catering to teachers or in mail-order businesses like Edmund Scientifics or Wards. Check 'em all out-and then, have fun!



### “HOOTY THE OWL”

Hooty, the owl! Hooty, the owl,  
Flyin' and a spyin' while out on the prowl,  
He can spot a fire before it starts to flame,  
That's when he starts a hootin' and that's  
How he got his name!



**ROCKY SAYS: PLAN NOW TO  
ATTEND THE SCFMS  
CONVENTION AND SHOW -  
BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA  
AUGUST 17-18, 2013  
BOSSIER CITY CIVIC CENTER**

**DEADLINE FOR THE JULY - AUGUST ISSUE WILL BE  
JULY 15, 2013**

## THE SOUTH CENTRAL ENDOWMENT FUND

By: Ed Ries

The Endowment Fund for the SCFMS was created at the Federation meeting in Waco, Texas, in March 1984. It was set up to be funded by voluntary donations of individual members and SCFMS organizations.

At each Federation show there is a silent auction of hobby related items that have been donated by individual members and SCFMS organizations. There has been a silent auction at every SCFMS meeting since 1985.

To help the Endowment Fund, the Patrons were established at the 1985 SCFMS meeting in Wichita Falls, Texas. A Patron is a member who donates \$100.00 or for whom a \$100.00 donation was made to the Endowment Fund. There Patrons are recognized and given a



special patron pin, a patron certificate, and have their name engraved on a bronze plate and placed on the patron plaque which is displayed at each SCFMS show and convention.

In 1986 in order to recognize the donations from the various organizations, the "Patron Clubs" of the SCFMS Endowment Fund was established. All SCFMS organiza-

tions that donate \$100.00 plus \$1.00 per member are recognized as a Patron Club. Additional donations by the organization which equal \$100.00 plus \$1.00 per member bring the organization to a Patron II, III, etc. Each organization is recognized and given a patron certificate and the organization's name is engraved on a bronze plate and placed on the Patron Club plaque, which is displayed at the SCFMS show and convention.

The Endowment Fund is a permanent fund. Only the interest can be used to help support the activities of the Federation.

Contributions should be sent to:

**Ed Ries, Endowment Fund Chair**  
4611 37th Street,  
Lubbock, TX 79414-2616

## PATRON CLUBS

### **PINE COUNTRY GEM & MIN. SOC.**

The Pine Country Gem & Mineral Society donated \$250 in memory of Charlotte Harmon. Jonetta Nash, Board President of Pine Country G&MS said, "Charlotte was a beloved member of our club for many years. She and Keith have supported our club in many ways." This

memorial donation makes them a Patron I Club.

### **VICTORIA GEM & MIN. SOC.**

The Victoria Gem & Mineral Society sent a contribution of \$150 to the SCF Endowment Fund. This contribution makes them a Patron Club VII of the Endowment Fund.

### **GULF COAST GEM & MIN. SOC.**

The Gulf Coast Gem & Mineral Society contributed \$50 to the SCFMS Endowment Fund in memory of Frances R. Martin.

Thanks for your continued support of the SCFMS Endowment Fund.

Ed Ries



## FROM THE SCFMS BULLETIN AIDS CHAIRMAN

Ray Duplechain



We have done it! We've sent in all entries to be judged. All scores have been tabulated. We have arranged all scoring in order of awards. The trophies have been ordered. Certificates have been printed and signed. And here are the winners in each category:

### Wait, I can't do that!

You will have to wait till the Editors Breakfast at the convention. The convention is fast approaching and I am excited to meet all of the editors and authors!

The ARK-LA-TEX Gem & Mineral Society will be hosting in Bossier City, La. See you all there. Remember the date: **August 17, 2013.**

Ray

rayduplechain@hotmail.com

## SCFMS 2013 - AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES



### AFMS ENDOWMENT DRAWING FOR 2013



DRAWING TO BE HELD DURING THE AFMS CONVENTION AND SHOW  
September 18-22, 2013  
Jacksonville, FL

Dear all SCFMS clubs,

My name is Catherine Rouchon. I am your regional federation representative for the AFMS Endowment Fund. I am asking you to please promote the AFMS Endowment Fund Raffle in your club. The interest from the fund is used to support the production and distribution of programs to each regional federation. In previous years, purchasing badges for organized junior activities programs.

On March 2, I e-mailed the editors of the clubs in the SCFMS information asking them to add a flier with information about the endowment fund to their monthly club newsletter.



I received a handful of responses. However, only one club has requested tickets. I will be sending a follow up e-mail to the editors soon. Tickets can be purchased now through July.

Deadline for returning tickets with the purchaser info clearly printed, your club's check, and any un-purchased tickets to me is **August 2nd**. Tickets are sold one for \$5 or five for \$20.

If your club is interested in purchasing tickets, please contact me and I will send you tickets to sell at your next club meeting. **rouchonc@starband.net** or **225-683-9264** I will need the following info:

**Contact person**  
**Address**  
**Approximately how many tickets.**

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you!  
Catherine E. Rouchon  
rouchonc@starband.net





## ADDITIONS - CLUB CHANGES - CORRECTIONS

The following additions, changes, and corrections should be made to your 2013 SCFMS Directory.

Page #2 - (Officers & Comm Chair)  
Jonathan Moehring's email address  
should read: jmarkm@flash.net.

Page #2 - (Officers & Comm Chair)  
Newly appointed  
CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS  
Chair: Jonetta Nash  
737 FM 254 South  
Jasper, TX 75901  
409-384-3974  
johnnash1937@yahoo.com  
Member: Ron Carman  
209 Smokey Mountain Dr.  
San Marcos, TX 76666  
512-754-6687  
Member: Virginia Adian  
(See Past-President)

Page #3 - (Officers & Comm Chair)  
UNIFORM RULES (AFMS)  
Chair: ED Gage  
Change e-mail address to:  
Edvgage@wildblue.net

Page #6 - ARLINGTON GEM & MIN. CLUB  
Show: 56th Annual  
Change to September 14-15  
Page #6 - AUSTIN GEM & MIN. SOC  
Vice Pres: Les Postlethwaite  
There 2nd VP is: Alan Cherepon

Page #7 - Baton Rouge Gem & Min. Soc.  
There meeting place and show  
is at The Marriott.

Page #8 - Clear Lake Gem & Min. Soc.  
Treasurer should read:  
Trina Wiloughby, (not Tina)

Page #9 - East TX Gem & Min. Soc.  
Add: Website: www.etgms.com  
Add: Webmaster: Bill Faulkner

Page #10 - Geological Soc. Of San Antonio  
Had to find another meeting  
location, which is:  
Old San Juan Restaurant  
4429 Walzem Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78218

Page #11 - Golden Spread Gem & Min.  
Soc.  
Change meeting time to the:  
Last Monday of the month, not the 4th.  
Also, the Show dates are  
October 19-20, 2013

Page #14 = Paleontological Soc. Of Austin  
New Web address:  
<http://www.austinpaleo.org/>  
Secretary is no longer Dennis Stock.  
New Secretary is: Dale Vargo  
dale@highlevel.org  
Also, Paleo. Soc. Of Austin is  
no longer a part of "Fossilmania"

Back Cover  
The SCFMS ANNUAL MEETING  
Will be Hosted by the:  
ARK-LA-TEX Gem & Min. Soc.  
(Not the Bossier City G&M SOC.)

Also for Page #8, we received The **CHIHUAHUAN DESERT GEM & MIN. CLUB** Officers and Editor Form after the Directory was sent out to all the club. Please make the following changes.

### CHIHUAHUAN DESERT GEM & MINERAL CLUB - District 5 - V.P. Herman W. Jones P.O. Box 1111, Alpine, TX 79831

Membership: Adults 27 Juniors 02 Year Society Formed: 2002  
Meeting Place: Variable  
Meeting Time: 2nd Tuesday, 5:00 pm  
Show Schedule: 3rd week-end in April, Alpine Alpine Civic Center, 801 W. Holland Ave, Alpine, TX

President: Judith Brueske, PO Box 195, Apline, TX 79831 432-244-9503 jbrueske@sbcglobal.net  
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Bulletin:

A "SPECIAL THANKS": I want to say a "Special Thank You" to all who took time to send in a note of additions, changes, and corrections for the 2013 Directory. Paul W. Good, SCFMS Directory, Chair.



## WORLD'S LARGEST ROSE ROCK CLUSTER

ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA



The world's largest single rose rock cluster known to exist weighs 788 pounds, is 62 inches long, 24 inches high and 18 inches thick. The barite rose rock can be found only in an 80 miles strip which runs north to Guthrie, OK and south to Paul's Valley, OK. The Oklahoma legislature adopted the rose rock as the official State Rock in 1968. This cluster was named "Redwine and Rose" for its founders, Tom and Ann Redwine. It was discovered 20 miles southeast of Norman and required three months to excavate the rock through the use of small brushes to keep the cluster intact. The rose rock cluster required four men two days to extract and four days to remove sand and debris.

A rose rock cluster of this kind and quality are many times more rare than diamonds. Rose rocks grew from slow crystallization of sand and seawater supersaturated with barium sulphate resulting in tabular crystals. The rose rock is composed of numerous tabular crystals intersecting one another around a central axis which appear to rotate on the axis, the result is a rosette. It is this rare formation of tabular crystals that makes the rose rock unique. This took place under the Permian Sea 250 million years ago in what is today Oklahoma. Because barite is harder and more durable than sandstone, the sandstone eroded leaving the rose rock formation on exposed rock surfaces. Further weathering caused them to detach

into individual specimens. Barite is just one type of mineral capable of forming rosettes. Others are hematite, aragonite, chalcedony and selenite. Oklahoma, however, is the only place in the world where barite rose rocks can be found.

This specimen is owned by LOVES. It is displayed at LOVES, 12th Avenue N.W., Ardmore, OK. (North of I-35 at exit 32). This cluster is on view for the public when LOVES is open for business.

(Editor's Note: Information taken from printed pamphlet. Margaret and I were able to see this on display a few years ago. I just wish we had a picture of it.)

Paul

## MINERALS R US

by Willie Heym

I looked at the label of my vitamin jar  
And got a glimpse of what we are;  
Calcium, magnesium, manganese  
and more.  
In all these bottles at the health food store.

The same minerals that make our  
pretty rocks  
Are human body's building blocks,  
No wonder we are drawn to stones...  
They're literally in our very bones.

2nd place winner, AFMS Poetry 2002

## THE ARROW POINT

by Kemp Maer,

The old man broke the heavy stone,  
And broke it further still.  
He chose a piece most suitable,  
And shaped it with his skill.  
A strip of hide, a slender branch  
Prepared it for the kill.

Lost, discarded, who can say?  
Three hundred years or more it lay.  
Until a gopher, in his toil,  
Brought it up mixed with soil.  
Then a rain shower washed it free,  
And left it waiting there for me.

(from The Backbender's Gazette,  
Houston Gem & Min. Soc., Oct., 2011)

## RIDDLES TO LAUGH-A-WHILE



How is the boy who swallowed  
the quarter?

A...No change yet.

How much dirt is there in a hole  
1 foot wide and 1 foot deep?

A...It's a hole--there's no dirt in it.

Why do bees have sticky hair?

A...They use honeycombs.

from The Roadrunner 11-05

**THE 38TH ANNUAL ARK-LA-TEX GEM &  
MINERAL SOCIETY SHOW**  
Is Proud To Host THE 2013 SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION  
Mineral Societies Convention



**Bossier Civic Center  
Bossier City, LA**



**August 17, 2013 - 10 am – 6 pm  
August 18, 2013 - 10 am – 5 pm**

**Custom & Unique Jewelry    Hourly Door Prizes  
Lots of Demonstrations    Flintknappers on site  
Grand Prize Drawings**

**Amethyst    Agate    Amber    Emerald    Geodes    Ivory  
Jade    Jasper    Opal    Pearls    Ruby    Fossils**

Exhibits by Society members

Admission: \$4.00 Daily  
Children 6 and under free, Students with ID \$1.00

**SCFMS EDITORS & WEBMASTERS BREAKFAST  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 - 8:00am**

**SCFMS AWARDS BANQUET  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 - 7:00pm**

Children under 5, eat free when accompanied by an adult.

**ROLLING ROCK CLUB  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2013  
8:00am**

Website: [www.larockclub.com](http://www.larockclub.com)  
For more information contact:  
Antony Thomas at (318) 518-0907

**APPLICATION TO EXHIBIT & PRE-REGISTRATION FORMS ARE NOW ON THE SCFMS WEB-SIGHT.**



## HEART ATTACK WARNING SIGNS

Uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness, or pain in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes or goes away and comes back.

Pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw, or goes away and comes back.

Shortness of breath with or without chest discomfort.

Other signs such as breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea, or lightheadedness.

For more information call 1-800-242-8721 or online at [americanheart.org](http://americanheart.org)

## STROKE WARNING SIGNS

Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body.

Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.

Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes.

Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination

Sudden severe headache with no known cause.

For more information call 1-888-478-7653 or online at [strokesassociation.org](http://strokesassociation.org)

**Not all of these signs occur in every attack. If you notice one or more of them, don't wait. Call 9-1-1 and get medical help right away! Take charge of your own health. Log on to [americanheart.org](http://americanheart.org)**



## AMERICAN LANDS ACCESS ASSOCIATION

### BLM - Forestry Cleanup Shirley Leeson, ALAA President

Are You Willing to do A BLM/Forestry Cleanup As Part of Your Field Trips on Public Lands?

ALAA is asking you to get involved. When you go out on a field trip on public lands, contact the BLM and/or Forestry or State Lands, and **offer to clean-up under their direction**. This is key. They will work with you on a location near your campsite and they will have someone on the day of the clean-up there to supervise. They will also provide trucks to haul away the trash, etc. take pictures of the event.

If you are willing to participate, contact me and I'll send you some ALAA TRASH BAGS - they have our logo and the words: "TRASH, Pack more out than in." Have them in the front of the picture. The BLM, etc will give you plastic trash bags for the rest of the refuse and trash.

Send pictures with the Club name, City and State, and the location of the clean-up and the government body who supervised the event to [infolands@amlands.org](mailto:infolands@amlands.org) and we will see they are put up on the website and

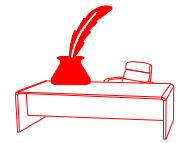
also do a write up in the ALAA Newsletter. I also suggest you send a picture and article to your regional Federation newsletter editor for recognition there too!

Let's get rockhounds recognized once again. It will help us when we ask the government to keep our public lands open for all of us. NOTE It does take time to send ALAA trash bags, they need to be printed, so plan ahead.

(From the ALAA Newsletter, Jan Feb Mar issue 2013

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Paul W. Good



### A DAY IN HISTORY!

HUMM! I just looked at the calendar and noticed it was May 16, 2013. In the back of my mind, I had something telling me that this was an important day in history. What was it? Well, I looked at the calendar again and I noticed that on May 16, 1888 was the day that the State Capitol Building was dedicated in Austin. So I said to myself, well that wasn't it... what could it be?

Then the light came on and I realized that it was on May 16, 1953 (60 years ago) that I walked across the stage at Marco High School in Marco, Indiana and received my H.S. Diploma. On a

side note: (I graduated the top ten in my class- not top ten percent - but top ten). My wife would say to you to ask me "how many were in the class". Weelll! I would have to say there were only eleven of us. When I graduated, we didn't have a valedictorian or salutatorian. The school from 1st grade through 12th grade only had 200 students.

My wife will have her day in history on May 18, as she graduated 62 years ago. But she earned the right to be a salutatorian of her class.

Well anyway, thanks for listening to my Day in History. Have a **GOOD** Day.

### THANK YOU

I want to say **THANK YOU**, to the following people who sent in articles for this issue: Virginia Adian; John Nash; Bill & Lois Pattillo; Owen Martin; Ed Ries; Ray Duplechain; Catherine Rouchen; Shirley Leeson; Mary Trammell; Antony Thomas; Ark-La-Tex, show info; and to all those who sent in Additions, Club Changes and Corrections for the 2013 SCFMS Directory.

Until the next Newsletter:  
Be Good, Be Safe.

Paul

## MORE ABOUT THE 2013 SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION AND THE THIRTY-EIGHT ANNUAL ARK-LA-TEX SHOW.

Anthony Thomas sent a lot of information to the SCFMS clubs. Now it is up to all, who desire to attend that show, to start L@@KING forward to getting the pre-registration form, and the application to exhibit form mailed by the following deadline:

The pre-registration form July 15, 2013. (no refunds after August 1, 2013). This form should be sent to John Autry, Treasurer, PO Box 6633, Bossier City, La 71171.

**SCFMS Editors and Webmaster Breakfast**  
Saturday, August 17 at 8:00 am  
\$15.00 per person

**SCFMS Award Banquet**  
Saturday, August 17 at 7:00 pm  
\$25.00 per person

Children under 5 eat free when accompanied by an adult.

Make all checks payable to ARK-LA-TEX G & M SOC.

The application to exhibit form, must be returned by July 1, 2013 to: Del Glasner, President, PO Box 6633, Bossier City, LA 71171.

### GROUPS FOR EXHIBITING INCLUDE:

Master  
Advanced  
Novice  
Junior  
Society  
Non-Competitive

All forms are posted on the SCFMS Web page:  
[www.scfms.net](http://www.scfms.net)

**Don't delay -- Do it today**





## 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 2013 FEDERATION SHOWS

MIDWEST  
April 06-07, 2013  
Lincoln, NE

ROCKY MOUNTAIN  
May 17-18, 2013  
Sandy, UT

CALIFORNIA  
May 31-June 02, 2013  
Ventura, CA

EASTERN  
June 01-02, 2013  
Plainview, NY

NORTHWEST  
August 16-18, 2013  
Butte, MT

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

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