



# Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society

Celebrating 69 Years!

## "The Hard Rock News"

May, 2009

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### A Message From Our President, Tony Schackmann:

May, the month of Spring has arrived, **ahhh** the warmth of the sun and the

freshness of air. KMGS members lend me your ears. The flowers and tree's are finally blooming and we all are breaking out the tools and camping gear to find the one we all been waiting for! We held the annual auction last month and did very well. I want to thank the volunteers: Nathan Schackmann, Sierra Schackmann, Jim McClure, Dale Roberts, Jan King, Lorene Leider, Ruth Brooks-Butler, Heather Schackmann, Doug Leider, Gerry Alexander, as well the auctioneers Patt Jolly and Bill McCarty. They all did an outstanding job and if I forgot someone—I apologize, but thank you for your help too. I can say I had a great time and with what I saw brought in for donation and the amount we made, everyone else did too. Those who do not know where the auction proceeds go, I'll say it again: the funds get equally divided. One half goes to our general fund and the other half goes to our scholarship program. Which brings me to that subject. We are waiting for the results of the Scholarship Committee's evaluations of the applications for this year and we will

decide on awarding one or possibly two scholarships.

Another workshop at the Sunnyslope Improvement Association facility will be announced soon. I'm trying to find an appropriate date, so those who were left out can have another opportunity. I'm thinking before or after the picnic in July. If you have any ideas for the date, please bring them to my attention. If you have any suggestions about activities that the club could offer at the workshops, please let me know. Maybe the focus could be more lapidary-related, such as what the Port Townsend Club offers at Gemboree. Speaking of which, Port Townsend has re-scheduled their Gemboree in September, so keep your eyes and ears peeled for those definite dates. We will be keeping you informed. They put on a great function with lots of material and enjoyment. The great thing they do is silver and gold casting which I'm told happened just recently in April, so I'm hoping some of you took advantage of it.

Gerry Alexander, held the field trip to Saddle Mountain and I can't wait to hear the report. In that area you can't go home empty handed, but it is always great to hear the fun stories. Thanks Gerry.

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**May Meeting Dates, Times and Locations:**

The May General Meeting will be held on **Friday, May 8th at 7:00 PM** in the basement day care center (entrance in the back) of Chico Alliance Church 3670 Chico Way NW Bremerton, Washington.

The May Board Meeting will be on **Thursday, May 14th at 7:00 PM**. This meeting is also at the church, in the Junior's Activity Room. **All members are encouraged to attend Board Meetings. Please feel free to participate.**

**Program:** Projector presentation on "Beginning Cabochon Cutting" by Tim Barzee

**Junior's Program:** The juniors will be talking about collecting petrified wood, and looking at some of the many crafts one can do with the collected specimens. Dean Norman has volunteered to show his bird houses, and the bonsai planters.

Are there other adults who could/would share and talk about what they have done with petrified wood? We brought lots of samples of Cypress back from the last trip, and will share some with each junior who attends.

**Display Table:** We will have a Display Table set up for our May club meeting. Please feel free to bring any lapidary or mineral-related item that you think others would enjoy seeing. Juniors are encouraged to participate in this portion of the meeting.

**Refreshments for the May General Meeting:** will be provided by members with last name beginning with the letter **"K" and "L"**. (Please provide finger foods that can be placed on a napkin.) **Remember that this involves refreshment set-up and clean-up after the meeting has been concluded.**

**Port Townsend Club News:**

The new **GEMBOREE** date is moved to September 18th and 19th, 2009 with a wax casting included.

**Yearly DUES**

\$10.00 for Adult Membership

\$20.00 for Family Membership

\$2.50 for Single Junior (Associate Member)

(Dues are due in June of each year.)

**Attention Wire Wrappers:**

Contact Vangie Mayton for information regarding wire wrapping classes for May, **(360) 373-3370**.

**"Hard Rock Beaders":** The Hard Rock Beaders will continue to meet on the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be on **Thursday, May 7th at 6:30 PM** at the community center at the Steele Creek Mobile Home Park. **Call Linda Mathison at (360) 698-1562 for directions.**

New Email address for:

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Dave and Kathy Reimers

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Please change these in your KMGS directories and in your email address book. Thanks!

**NAME TAG PICK-UP AT THE "WELCOME TABLE"**

**IF YOU HAVE ORDERED A NAME TAG AND HAVE NOT YET PICKED IT UP—**

**PLEASE DO SO AT THE NEXT MEETING.**

**A Message From Our Webmaster and Club Librarian:**

The club has a new web page

"Library"

"Check it out!"

- Jack Eads and Mark Fawcett

## Important KMGS Contacts

Committee	Chairperson	Phone Number	Email Address
Membership	Del and Bobbie Sack	(360) 277-0383	
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**Refreshment F.Y.I.:** We rely on our club members to provide snacks for our General Meetings! Bobbie Sack, our Membership Chairman, has crafted this schedule for 2009 by using the first letter of your last name, based on membership records.

**May—"K" and "L"**

**June—"E" and "F"**

**July / August—Club Picnic**

**September—"A" and "H"**

**October—"G", "J", and "I"**  
**November—"S" and "P"**  
**December—Potluck**

When it is your turn to bring snacks, please remember that we prefer that it be finger food that can be placed on a napkin to minimize messy clean-ups.

Healthy snacks are also encouraged! The club provides the coffee, tea and other beverages.

Please note on your calendar the meeting that you will be bringing refreshments to. You will need to plan on participating with the set-up prior to the meeting and clean-up in the kitchen following the meeting. Please take your leftovers home.

You may switch assigned meetings with another member, if necessary.

## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING April 10, 2009

Tonight is the night everyone has been waiting for – THE ANNUAL LIVE AUCTION!!! This is a 50-50 auction benefitting the club and the Scholarship Program. Jack Eads acknowledged that yes, we do have scholarship applicants and after the deadline the committee will review the applications for this year's awards.

Attendees were ready with bidding numbers in hand and money burning holes in their pockets. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the fun began.

During the course of the evening there were a couple of announcements:

The Port Townsend Gemboree is being postponed until later in the year. However anyone interested in casting can still take advantage on April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

Tony remarked about the success of the recent workshop that was held on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. At the next meeting we'll discuss when to have another and get a feel for what the club thinks would be a good interval to plan future workshops.

A big thank you to EVERYONE who helped with the success of the auction, to those who donated items and of course the wonderful bidders!

Respectfully submitted, **Linda Mathison,**  
**Secretary**

### May Birthstone: Emerald Color: Green Cabochon: Chrysoprase

Emerald is a stone of love and romance. It brings and enhances joy, cleansing, clairvoyance, memory, and faith. It also benefits intuition and communication, and promotes truthfulness.

### May KMGS Field Trip Location is Changed

Due to the Hood Canal Bridge closure, the May field trip location has been changed.

The May field trip will be to Winston Creek/Riffe Lake for Petrified Wood. Contact Dean Norman (360) 871-2054 if you plan to attend; this will be a lead-in to the dig spot. There is a short distance (100-200 yards) on a steep hill to the material, bring good mountain hiking shoes. An alternative trip, time permitting, will be to explore Winston Creek for jaspers and petrified wood float material.

This field trip was previously planned for Twin Rivers as a two day trip. **It is now a one day trip.**

### President's Message (*..continued from page one..*)

Let me also remind everyone to keep those tumblers going, we are in need of material for grab bags. We ran out too soon at the last show which means a little extra could pay off in the long run. Keep making improvements on your preparations for the Kitsap County Fair and the November Show it will be just around the corner before you know it. I'm guilty; I wait until the last minute and forget something every time! As President, I look forward to meeting new members and working with all of you.

**Thanks** for your confidence in me; I'll do my best as sworn. Sincerely, **Tony Schackmann**

Jayne Strader has a Genie for sale.  
[strader60@msn.com](mailto:strader60@msn.com)

Chrysoprase is powerful stone. It brings good fortune and prosperity, as well as business success. It facilitates self-expression and courage and the ability to use them wisely. It can bring happiness, which is partly because it helps its wearer get rid of negative thoughts and irritability. It also enhances and strengthens friendships. Chrysoprase is a stone of balance that equalize yin/yang energies and allows deep meditation.  
**via: [http:// crystalsandjewelry.com](http://crystalsandjewelry.com)**

## Field Trip Schedule for 2009—Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society

*(No field trips are scheduled in January, February, October, November and December.)*

2009 Month and Day	Place	Material Collected	Tools Needed	Leader	Meeting Time and	Contact Information
<b>May 9th (Changed to a one day trip!)</b>	<b>(Twin Rivers Canceled Due to Bridge Closure)  Change To:  Winston Creek/Riffe Lake</b>	Petrified Wood and Jasper	<b>(See article, page four, "May KMGs Field Trip")</b>	Dean Norman	Further information will be announced at the May meeting.	Please contact Dean Norman (360) 871-2054 if you plan to attend.
June 20th	Greenwater	Jasper and Agates	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Gerry Alexander	Greenwater Forest Service Rd. 70 @9 AM Saturday	(360) 876-4543 Maps to be provided upon request.
July 11-12th	Frost M. Manastash Ridge	Jasper and Seam Agates	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Dean Norman	Frost Mdws. @9 AM Saturday	(360) 871-2054 Maps to be provided upon request.
August 8-9th	Red Top	Geodes, Nodules, Agates	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Dean Norman	Teanaway 29 Pines Campground @9AM	(360) 871-2054 Maps to be provided upon request.
September 19-20th	Rimrock	Nodules, Agates, Thunder-eggs, &	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Tony Schackmann	Rimrock Lake @9 AM	(360) 372-2777 Maps to be provided upon request.

### Greetings From The Field - April Field Trip to Saddle Mountain

By Dean Norman

Our turnout was fantastic, we had 21 members and guests show up for this year's annual field trip to Saddle Mountain for petrified wood. There were seven Juniors including the friends they brought along, and most stayed Saturday night.

There were six of us that spent the night Friday up by the towers. Boy, the winds were strong. Woody & Kathy had set up my 10-man tent early in the day so it would be there for Gerry and Kazuko Alexander (on-loan) when they showed. When Woody and Kathy came back from a day's digging in the dirt, the tent was blown over and the poles bent up. The stakes held though! My son, Clay and I arrived late around 7:30 that evening and the wind was horrible. I staked down another 10-man tent we brought so we had somewhere to sleep, along with our two dogs, right next to Woody

and Kathy's tent trailer hoping it would block out the wind and give us support.

The wind died down around 2:00 that morning and finally allowed us some quiet sleep. Not sure how Gerry and Kazuko were managing sleeping in Gerry's truck, because it was a cold night. The next morning, our tent had stayed upright, with the rope tied all over it, staked to my truck, the tent trailer and a couple tall poles I brought. The problem was the wind didn't care, it pushed so hard against the tent, the seams for the roof had ripped about a foot or so. Time to buy another tent.

This place never seems to run out of collecting materials, large or small. We discovered a new area within the allowed collection unit that produced hopeful material, but after cleaning with muriatic acid to dissolve the calcite, it was apparent that the material did not solidify enough for cabbings. It sure looks beautiful though, black with reds and some browns. The reds are like veins going throughout

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*("Saddle Mountain" Continued from page "five.....")* the grain structure. I'll bring in a couple samples at the May meeting for you guys to see.

One of the most productive spots for the larger chunks came from the bogwood sight just over the hill from our camp. You cannot drive up to this dig and it has to be packed out. We noticed that someone before us had taken their 4x4 and worked down from one of the towers, cross country to the ridge of the bogwood. Remember, all of you guys reading this, it is NOT allowed to go off roadin' on this land, no exceptions. It only takes one person not following the rules for our Government to impose a no-access restriction and we loose our right to dig.

Everyone collected some good material. Chris, one of Evah and Chuck Summers kids, came into camp all hunched over with a heavy load. He only walked from his tent and didn't go far to collect the red-barked casted potato size material. I had to see what his excitement was and helped him with his pack. He had about a half a five gallon bucket of this nice material. He stated; "It is easy to get and just right over there" (he pointed).

### Is It Possible?

In the Midwest section of the country, trilobites are generally found in a curled-up position. No one is certain as to why they didn't die in a flattened position as those found in the West and other countries. It really is an exceptionally easy problem to solve. It is without a doubt a matter of economics. The Trilobites in the Midwest were more economical and able to make ends meet.

***via Rock Pickings 6/01, via The Glacial Drifter, 9/01 via The Rock Collector 11/01***

## NFMS (Northwest Federation Mineralogical Societies) Meeting

April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009.....Substituting for Jim McClure, Ruth Brooks Butler, at Kennewick, WA.

Received a List of NFMS Club membership that includes adults and Juniors.

A reminder was given that NFMS dues are due on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year from each club. Also remind: Membership chair people that they are to list their membership by last name, address and zip code and/or send the old list and delete (cross out) those that have discontinued.

Preparation for the AFM & NFMS Billings, Montana Show was explained.

NFMS Endowment Representative gave 25 tickets to be sold for each club to return the unsold tickets, stubs and money to endowment chairman (Rocky) at the show. Tickets are available from our NFMS person Jim McClure or Ruth.

At the Billings show there will be facet stones for auction for the AMF Scholarship. See the Rock & Gem June Issue about the show. There will be nine field trips planned for after the show in July.

Junior Report: ABC Special Case will be available soon called a Kid's Kit.

Finance Report: AMF has increased dues to 75 cents. The Treasurer of NFMS membership dues will remain the same, providing more requests to have the Northwest Newsletter be sent by computer (e-mail).

Report about claims: Rockhound retreat and ALAA will be given verbally at the May Club meeting by Ruth; as well as a club note on the issue: (Proper language or casual be for resolutions being presented to NWFS meetings.)

Sincerely, **Ruth Brooks Butler** (Substituting for Jim McClure)

The shortest distance between two points is always under construction

***Via Hy Grader 10/01***

*My sister emailed this to me and, unfortunately, I see myself having some of these dreaded symptoms:*

**Recently, I was diagnosed with A.A.A.D.D. - "Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder".**

This is how it manifests:

I decide to water my garden. As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing. As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the porch table that I brought up from the mail box earlier.

I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car. I lay my car keys on the table, put the junk mail in the garbage can under the table, and notice that the can is full. So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the garbage first. But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the garbage anyway, I may as well pay the bills first. I take my check book off the table, and see that there is only one check left. My extra checks are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Coke I'd been drinking. I'm going to look for my checks, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over.

The Coke is getting warm, and I decide to put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold. As I head toward the kitchen with the Coke, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye--they need water. I put the Coke on the counter and discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers.

I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table. I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers.

I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor. So, I set the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill. Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do.

At the end of the day: the car isn't washed the bills aren't paid there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter the flowers don't have enough water, there is still only 1 check in my check book, I can't find the remote, I can't find my glasses, and I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all dang day, and I'm really tired. I realize this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my e-mail....

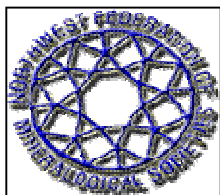
Do me a favor. Forward this message to everyone you know, because I don't remember who the heck I've sent it to.

Don't laugh -- if this isn't you yet, your day is coming!!

**Save Those Stamps:**

Save stamps for **NFMS**. These stamps are cleaned and resold to dealers (mostly overseas) and the money earned is sent to cancer facilities. Please do not remove the stamp from the envelope and try to retain at least 1/4" of the envelope around the stamp.

- **Jim McClure (NFMS Representative)**



## Northwest Shows - May, 2009

<b>May, 2009</b> <b>9th 10am - 6pm</b> <b>10th 10am - 4pm</b>	Bozeman Gem & Mineral Club	<b>50th Annual Gem, Mineral &amp; Fossil Show</b>	Gallatin Co., Fairgrounds Black & Tamarack St. Bozeman, MT. Ext I-90 at 7th St.	Dan Carter 406-586-4552 or Doug Ellis 406-266-4452 <a href="mailto:opal-crusher@hotmail.com">opal-crusher@hotmail.com</a>
<b>May, 2009</b> <b>16th 10am- 6pm</b> <b>17th 10am - 5pm</b>	Hatrockhounds Gem & Mineral Society	<b>Annual Gem &amp; Mineral Show</b>	Hermiston Conference Center 4155 Hwy 395 Hermiston, OR.	Mike Filarski 541-922-5091 <a href="mailto:stonemor-lin1@netscape.net">stonemor-lin1@netscape.net</a>
<b>May, 2009</b> <b>23rd 10am -6pm</b> <b>24th 10am - 5pm</b>	Bitterroot Gem & Mineral Society	<b>Montana State Rock &amp; Gem Show</b> <b>Treasures from the Past</b>	Bitterroot River Inn & Conference Center 139 Bitterroot Plaza Dr. Hamilton, MT 59840	Steve Vieth (406)363-2632 <a href="mailto:STE-VEVIETH@MSN.COM">STE-VEVIETH@MSN.COM</a> or <a href="mailto:ste-vevieth@gmail.com">ste-vevieth@gmail.com</a>
<b>May, 2009</b> <b>30th 10am - 5pm</b> <b>31st 10am - 5pm</b>	West Seattle Rock Club	<b>43rd Annual Show</b> <b>President's Gemboree</b>	(W Seattle) Alki Masonic Temple 4736 40th Ave. SW. Seattle, WA	Ron Nims E-mail: <a href="mailto:jugdude@hotmail.com">jugdude@hotmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.westseattlerockclub.org">www.westseattlerockclub.org</a>

### Washington State Mineral Council Field Trips May, 2009: (KMGS is a WSMC Member Club)

#### ALWAYS CALL/CONTACT GROUP TO CONFIRM INFORMATION:

Most trips will have 8 1/2" X 11" WSMC direction signs. Most weekend trips will have a Sat evening potluck, and a Sunday morning free pancake breakfast. Material swapping, and tail-gating encouraged.

**5-16/17-2009 NWR** Field Trip To: Saddle MT./Diatom Meet @: Mattawa Leprichon at 9:00 AM  
Material: petrified wood and opal Bring: light and dig tools

**5-31-2009 BOE** Field Trip To: Greenwater Meet @: Enumclaw Ranger Station at 9:00 AM  
Material: agate and jasper Bring: dig and light hard rock tools

**NWR** = Northwest Rockies Contacts: Ed Lehman (425) 334-6282 or [wsmced@hotmail.com](mailto:wsmced@hotmail.com)  
Kathy Ernst (360) 856-0588 or [earnstkk@comcast.net](mailto:earnstkk@comcast.net)

**BOE** = Boeing Rock Club Contact: Erik Chilson (360)-825-3138, [infernalspawnofevil6@hotmail.com](mailto:infernalspawnofevil6@hotmail.com)

Other Listed Contacts: BC Wagonmasters - Bob Morgan: [mineralsbycilor@yahoo.ca](mailto:mineralsbycilor@yahoo.ca)  
Lapidary Society of B.C. has a web site at <http://www.lapidary.bc.ca/>  
Oregon clubs - Tim Fisher - <http://www.OreRockOn.com/>

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YUK!!! WOW! WASH YOUR HANDS!!!!!! This is incredible..

<[http://media2.foxnews.com/112008/worm\\_tumor\\_700.wmv](http://media2.foxnews.com/112008/worm_tumor_700.wmv)>



# May, 2009

## Schedule of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7 "Hard Rock Beaders" @ 6:30 PM	8 KMGS General Mtg. @ 7:00 PM	9 KMGS Field Trip; Show
10 Show; Mother's Day; KMGS Field Trip	11	12	13	14 KMGS Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM	15	16 Show ; WSMC Field Trip
17 Show ; WSMC Field Trip	18	19	20	21	22	23 Show
24 Show	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30 Show
31 Show WSMC						

May 7th—"Hard Rock Beaders"  
meet at 6:30 PM

May 8th—KMGS General Meeting @  
7:00 PM

May 9th & 10th—KMGS Field Trip  
to Winston Creek/Riffe Lake

May 9th & 10th—Show: 50th Annual Gem,  
Mineral & Fossil Show, Bozeman, MT

May 10th — Mother's Day

May 14th—KMGS Board Meeting @  
7:00 PM

May 16th & 17th—Show: Annual Show,  
Hermiston, OR

May 16th & 17th—WSMC Field Trip to  
Saddle Mt.

May 23rd & 24th—Show: Montana State  
Rock and Gem Show, Hamilton, MT

May 25th — Memorial Day

May 30th & 31st — Show: President's  
Gemboree, West Seattle

### May Wedding Anniversaries:

Arthur and Virginia Bacon (5-5)

Lauri-Ellen Doty (5-12) Pat Fagan (5-29)

Rick and Susan Hurst

Stephen and Gitta Price

Tony and Heather Schackmann (5-12)

Please let me know if there are any additions or corrections.—Editor

**Refreshments** for the May Meeting  
will be brought to you by  
"K" and "L". **(See pages  
two & three for details.)**

Feel free to contact me if you want to put an  
announcement in the newsletter. Keep in mind  
the monthly deadline and that the newsletter  
usually arrives around the beginning of each  
month, so plan your announcement accordingly.  
Contact information is at right. - **Editor**

### May Birthdays:

Chris Amundsen Donna Ballard (5-29)

Bill Barron (5-10)

Christina Britton (5-7)

Norma Cooper (5-2) Carey Duffy (5-10)

Barbara Franke (5-3)

Ruth Jorgensen (5-12) Jan King (5-11)

Devin McCubbins (5-12)

Gavin McCubbins (5-12)

Robert McGee (5-19) John Morris (5-10)

Cole Pahaz Dave Reimers (5-11)

Ed Rinehart

Cathie Williams (5-17)

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**Deadline for June, 2009 Newsletter:**

**May 21, 2009**

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May, 2009

TO:

"The Hard Rock News" is the Official Publication of the Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society. Meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the second Friday of most months at Chico Alliance Church Daycare (entrance in the back). Address: 3670 Chico Way NW, Bremerton, Washington.

The object of the Society is to provide a general dissemination of knowledge pertaining to the earth sciences; to sponsor regular meetings and field trips for the benefit of the membership and to be helpful along these general lines to one and another. The Society is social and educational in character.

Our club is a member of the Washington State Mineral Council, the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies. and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

Looking Forward to June and Beyond... Mark These Dates On Your Home Calendars!

- The Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society's annual picnic is July 18th at Raab Park in Poulsbo.
- The Kitsap County Fair will be held August 26th-30th. Plan to support your club by helping out at the KMGS booth.
- The "Fall Festival of Gems" show will be held on November 21-22, with set-up on November 20th. Set aside this weekend now and plan to help out!



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**Combined NW Federation Show and the American Federation Show**

<b>July, 2009</b> <b>July 30-31st</b> <b>10am - 5pm</b> <b>Aug.1-2nd</b> <b>10am - 5pm</b>	<b>Hosted by</b> <b>Billings Gem &amp;</b> <b>Mineral Club</b>	<b>FMS / AFMS</b> <b>Combined Show</b>	<b>Holiday Inn Grand</b> <b>Montana</b> <b>5500 Midland Rd.</b> <b>Billings MT</b>	<b>Doug True</b> <b>(406) 670-0506</b> <a href="mailto:dtruefos-sils@yahoo.com">dtruefos-sils@yahoo.com</a>
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