**AFMS BULLETIN CONTEST SPECIFIC GUIDELINES –** *Revised 7/30/2023 for contests beginning in 2024*

**SPECIAL PUBLICATIONS**

1. Special Publications **AUTHORS**:

-must be a member of the club that submitted the entry in the regional competition
-may be 1 member or a group of club members
-clubs may enter more than one special publication if the subject and purpose is different

-a 1st place AFMS adult trophy winner is NOT eligible for AFMS in the same category for the

 following 2 years; a **junior** 1st place AFMS winner may not enter the same category for the next 1 year

2. Special Publications:

-is an original one-time publication during the year
-should be club and/or earth science-related
-may be any length, but should be long enough to cover the subject
-an address (email, street, or phone number) to which inquiries may be made should be included

 for judges to contact the author(s) as needed for clarifications

-was created specifically for the club submitting the entry
-possible entries could be (but are not limited to):

 -workshop
 -study classes
 -new members
 -show chairman
 -field trippers
 -hobbyist in general
 -exhibiting
 -guidelines for a good show
 -special show publication
 -field trippers guide
 -a specific field trip guide
 -new member kit
 -guidelines for school programs
 -25th, 50th club anniversary
 -rockhound poems
 -shop procedures
 -lapidary techniques & hints
 -club and/or show handout
 -fossils
 -flintknapping
 -micro-mounting
 -booklet of previously published articles/poems if additional information (illustrations,

 credits, background info, etc.) is included
 -update or revision of a previously published anniversary book, etc.; original publication

 MUST be included