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President’s Message

Hello Folks,

We have a new year and a new mission for our rock club for 2020! **First**, we will be changing venues from the Tannehill State Park to the Oak Mountain State Park for our annual rock show. Hopefully this will be a more profitable fit for us. We need everyone talking about this and handing out flyers at the right time.

Second, we are in a unique time to make more changes; like this newsletter. I would like to include the SFMS newsletter called the *Lodestar* when we distribute this newsletter to you. I need your feed back folks. PLEASE let me know what you want to see in a newsletter coming to your computer each month. An email or a short conversation at a meeting will do. **Third**,

we will be rocking and rolling with new fieldtrips, classroom events at the workshop, and hopefully new speakers for our meetings. I know, we are busy, busy, busy getting the new year planned and going.

Our treasurer, Reggie Bolton says we need to get a budget prepared for the membership to approve in February. Please be aware we need to get business done in our meetings too; it is not all fun and games. He knows these things go quickly too.

Request have been made for an up-to-date Membership List. So we will getting that one done soon too.

Personally, I thought we should start the new year out with an inventory of our workshop in Leeds. So I set about getting that done with the exception of counting *ALL* those rocks, identifying them, or weighing them. I would like to say Reggie Bolton again stepped up and gave a much needed hand in getting this accomplished. He is a real true rockhound in so many ways. I will be getting this typed and ready for a look over by the board on January 7th.

By the way, any member who would like to attend a board meeting, the door is always opened and you will be welcomed. See you Friday night.

Sandra Sullivan, A.M.L.S. President



Sandra Sullivan
President A.M.L.S.

Upcoming in January -

**Jan. 7 - Board Meeting, membership welcomed
Held at the workshop in Leeds.**

Jan. 10 - Regular meeting at the Church

Jan. 11 - Judi Wild - Basic Techniques of Wire wrapping

Jan. 28 - Board Meeting, membership invited and is held at the workshop in Leeds.

*** Due to hunting season, safety in the woods un-guaranteed, NO fieldtrip has been scheduled at this time.**

*** Board Meeting - Two in Jan. 2020; the 7th and 28th.**

Feb. 14 - Regular meeting

Feb. 29 - The Fifth Saturday in February - DMC - Fieldtrip : Brookwood AMLS hosting

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The SFMS Newsletter, *the Lodestar*, and the AFMS Newsletter are now available for all members to read on line at <http://www.amfed.org/sfms>. And www.amfed.org Email: sfms@amfed.org

AMLS WORKSHOP ADDRESS:
8036 Parkway Dr. Leeds, AL. 35094
(Across from The Pant Store)

*Please welcome this new member:
Sheila (Che) Breckinridge*

DUES ARE DUE ~ It is that time of the year folks. Dues are due between the November meeting and the end of December. The rockclub must pay the club dues to the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies (SFMS) and the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical and Lapidary Societies (EFMLS). Both are apart of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies. We have to pay for our insurance too.

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Meeting Minutes - Friday, December 13, 2019

President Sandra Sullivan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

She welcomed new member Sheila (Che) Breckinridge and visitors.

Everyone received the minutes from the last meeting within the newsletter written by Sandra and issued via email by Lou Ann Newell to all members on Wednesday, December 11, 2019. Don Hill made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. Kathy Carisch seconded the motion. There was no discussion or revisions. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

There was not a treasurer's report issued tonight. Treasurer Reggie Bolton and Larry Hensley recently completed an audit of the books within the last three months. There will be a report at the next meeting.

Sandra announced that there are still several board chair positions that need to be filled, particularly publicity and field trip coordinator.

There was discussion about a major decision to move the annual rock and mineral show from Tannehill State Park to Oak Mountain State Park. After a trial run this fall, the decision was made to move the June show to Oak Mountain State Park. The setup location within the park is moving from where we were in November. We will be located near the basketball courts on the water side in a multi-use field with a new covered pavilion. One concern is that vendors cannot park near the tent area and some may not attend. Lou Ann is the vendor chair and will be addressing this issue.

Sandra and Reggie recently completed an inventory of the workshop, located in Leeds, recording and marking all of the equipment and furniture that belongs to AMLS and equipment that belongs to individuals. There is still a storage unit to be inventoried. Sandra will type of the list and share it with members.

Don Hill is offering an enameling class on Saturday, December 14 but because of limited interest due to competing holiday events, the class has been postponed until Saturday, February 15, 2020.

The January program will be on William Holland and other course offerings. Sandra has asked that any member that has taken classes bring examples of what they produced to the meeting.

Sandra also mentioned RockNGem Magazine. This magazine is recognized by the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies as the best publication representing rockhounds. It is a subscription every member should take advantage of and is available in print and

Board Meeting Minutes December, 2019 ~

NO board meeting minutes recorded due to the Board Meeting for December was cancelled due to the holidays. However, there are plans for **TWO** board meetings to be held in January. The first one will be on January 7th and the second on January 28th. The Leeds workshop at 8036 Parkway Dr. (Main St. across from the Pants Store) is where the A.M.L.S. holds the boards meetings about 6 p.m. The membership is invited and officers should always attend. Please feel free to attend and bring forth any new ideas you may have about our rock club to the board at this time.

Meeting Minutes Continued ...

digital formats.

There were no committee reports. Then John Wild awarded the scholarships. The Joe Kontzen scholarship alternate was Reggie Bolton and the winner is Tristan Carisch. The AMLS Teaching scholarship alternate was Lou Ann Newell and the winner is Bunny Bolton.

Gifts were exchanged the meeting was closed. Respectfully submitted for the absent Bunny Bolton, Casey Faulkner

Reba Blackerby says ...

One of our faithful vendors for our annual Tannehill Gem and Mineral show wrote this on his face book page 12-28-19 and I am copying with his permission the following:



To let every ne know Glinda had her left kidney removed recently. She now has NO kidneys and is relying on dialysis 3 times per week. She is doing well and hopes to be recovered by the end of January. The kidney was abnormal size and required a large incision.

We are awaiting a kidney transplant donor. Your prayers are appreciated. Submitted by, Reba Blackerby

“Keep life moving forward, looking backward is only for time travelers.”

Rachel O. Washington

~ from a Dove chocolate wrapper S.S.

Clubs and Societies Shows and Rock Swaps via RockNGem shows, SFMS website, and other sources

Jan. 10 - 12 Largo, FL. Pinellas Geological Society Central Park Performing Arts Center, 105 Central Park Ave. Fri. 10 - 5, Sat. 10 - 5, Sun. 12 - 5. Contact Leona Feldhausen (727)-79-3236
Email: sheffieldleona@gmail.com
Website: www.PGS.Rocks

Jan. 18 - 19 Deland, FL. Tomoka Gem & Mineral Society; Volusia County Fairgrounds 3150 E New York Ave, Sat. 10 -6, Sun. 10 - 5. Contact: Mary DeJan (386)-871-6221
Email: tomokagmsvendor@gmail.com Website: tomokagems.org

Jan. 30 - Feb.10 Tucson, AZ Wholesale and retail show; JOGS Tucson Gem & Jewelry Show; Tucson Expo Center, 3750 E. Irvington Road; daily 10-6; contact Yelena Masenko, (213) 629-30; Email: info@jogsshow.com; Website: <https://jogsshow.com/>

Feb. 1-2 Merritt Island, FL. Central Brevard Rock and Gem Club; Kiwanis Recreation Ctr, 951 Kiwanis Island Park Road; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5 (\$1 off admission coupon on club website and Facebook), free admission for children under 12 accompanied by paid adult; contact Roz Mestre, 1867 Longleaf Rd, Cocoa, FL 32926 Ph (321) 431-0159; Email: roz.mestre@att.net; Website: www.centralbrevardgems.org.

Feb. 22 – 23 Jackson, MS. Mississippi Gem and Mineral Society; Mississippi Trade Mart on the State Fairgrounds, 1200 Mississippi Street ; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Leslie Lane, 176 Tazan Avenue, Florence, MS 39073-8720, 6013448171; Email: rock2lanes@gmail.com; Website: <http://missgems.org>.

William Holland Catalog online:

<https://lapidaryschool.org/2020>



Some links to help you keep track of upcoming shows:

<http://www.rockngem.com/showdates>
<http://www.jewelryshowguide.com/event/>

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**SOMETHING FROM OUR SFMS ~**

**SFMS ROCKHOUND ROUND-UP - 2020**  
**March 6-8, 2020, Live Oak, FL.**

**Who:** All members of all SFMS Clubs are Welcome. From Clubs in good standing with SFMS. Members in good standing from over 74 Clubs in: AL, FL.,GA., MS., NC., SC., TN.

**What:** A good old-fashion Rock-Swap.

**When:** March 6th, 7th, and 8th, 2020. Save the date

**Where:** Spirit of Suwannee Music Park  
3076 95th Drive, Live Oak, FL 32060  
(386) 3665-1683 [www.musicliveshere.com](http://www.musicliveshere.com)

**How Much:** For Buyers Only: the only cost is the Admission Fee for the park. If you have a few rocks in your pockets, you may be able to 'Swap' also. Buying is open to the general public, and all are welcome to shop No club affiliation needed.

For Sellers: \$25.00 for a 10' X 20' "booth" to be a Vendor, plus the Park Admission. The \$25.00 is for the 10 foot by 20 foot vendor booth, for all three days. Place your reservation with SFMS Contact. Separate email sent with application. Vendors MUST submit Application and Payment by a deadline to be established.

THIS IS A FAIRLY NEW ENDEAVOR SET UP FOR ALL SFMS CLUB MEMBERS. Please see the attached Lodestar for all the details; starting on page 14 thru page 16.

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Please remember to save those empty gift wrapping tubes for the maps we sell at the June show.

These tubes sure come in handy to make these sells go easier.

Thanks, S.S.



Brad Smith - Bench Tips ~

DEPTH GAUGE FOR DRILLING

Sometimes you need to drill a number of holes all to the same depth. One quick and easy way to do this is to wind some tape around the drill bit so that the tape just touches the part surface when the hole is deep enough.

You can set the depth either by measuring from the tip of the drill to the tape or by drilling to the correct depth, leaving the bit in the hole, and wrapping tape around the bit at the surface level.

Note that a little extra tape left free on the end will blow away debris from the drilling.

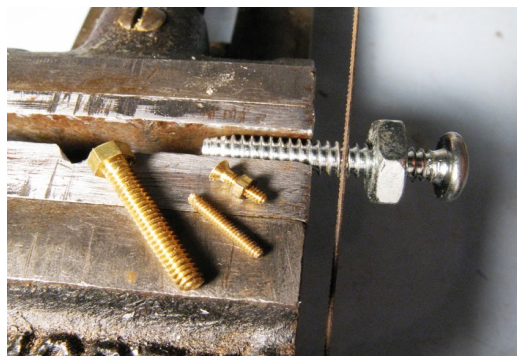


CUTTING A BOLT

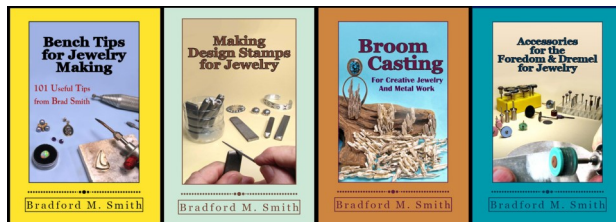
Whenever you have to cut a threaded bolt shorter, it's often difficult to get the nut to thread back onto it. And the smaller the bolt, the more difficult it is to restore any distorted threads. The problem is easily solved with the use of a nut. Here's how I do it.

First, screw a nut onto the bolt before cutting it. Grip the bolt by the threaded section that is to be sawed off. Then saw the bolt to the desired length, taper the end with sandpaper or file, and unscrew the nut from the bolt.

Unscrewing the nut over the freshly cut end of the bolt will straighten out any damage that sawing and filing did to the threads. Gripping the bolt by the piece to be sawed off localizes any crushing damage to the piece that will be thrown away.



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BradSmithJewelry.com "Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" and "Broom Casting for Creative Jewelry"

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See the paperback edition at <https://www.amazon.com/dp/0988285886/> and the Kindle edition at <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B07D4B45JJ/>

Workshop Class for January ~

**Judi Wild says ... Saturday, January 11th,
10:00AM - 2:00 PM**

Basic Jewelry Techniques ~

Save your space and plan now to attend the workshop on Basic Jewelry Techniques. What a great way to get the new year started off right. On the agenda are ear wires, basic loops, wrapped loops, bead units, headpins, and clasps. All of these can be shaped with 20 gauge wire and used to create your finished jewelry.

Bring your tools, a handful of beads, and an eagerness to learn; and Judi will teach you to correctly shape the findings and assemble your jewelry parts and pieces to create ever more stunning pieces.

Bring to workshop: round-nose pliers, flat-nose pliers, & cutters, if you have them, an assortment of beads in various sizes & shapes for the different projects, and a light or magnifier if you typically use them.

You will leave the class with a new appreciation for the jewelry findings you can make and excellent written instructions to assist you following the class.

Judi Wild has been teaching jewelry making locally since 2008 and at William Holland Lapidary School since 2011.

“ Throw kindness around like confetti!”

from one of my Dove chocolate wrappers. SS

Meteor Shower Schedule ~ [Via http://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/earthskys-meteor-shower-guide](http://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/earthskys-meteor-shower-guide)

Earth Sky's 2020 meteor shower guide by Bruce McClure and Deborah Byrd in Astronomy Essentials | Space

This is a wonderful website for the entire family to enjoy. Check out the Meteor Shower this month!

IMPORTANT: DMC field trips are open only to members of clubs in the SFMS DMC field trip sharing program. SFMS DMC club members are covered by liability insurance and they are bound by the AFMS code of ethics (click here to read them), but the general public is not and could jeopardize access to a collecting location. So unless the property owner has invited non-SFMS attendees, the general public is not allowed on DMC field trips. Please do not post DMC field trip information where the general public can access it.

Please reply by e-mail to: sfms-dmc@amfed.org

World Wide Web site for the DMC is: <http://www.amfed.org/sfms/dmc/dmc.htm>

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"Earth first...we'll collect on the other planets later."

Clubs scheduled to host DMC Field Trips in the next 6 months - 2020

February - Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society Inc. (Birmingham, AL)

March - Mobile Rock & Gem Society, Inc. (Mobile, AL)

April - Charlotte Gem & Mineral Club (Charlotte, NC)

May - Mississippi Gem and Mineral Society (Jackson, MS)

June - Gaston County Gem, Mineral & Faceting Club (Gastonia, NC)

July - Henderson County Gem & Mineral Society (Hendersonville, NC)

Sandra asked for information and submittals ~ Lou Ann Newell says she's been busy ...

First off -Brookwood Dig will be Feb. 29, 2020. We need people to work table for sign in and out, starting at 8:00 am until 3:00 p.m. I have sent Lori all the information so she is working on it.

For what I did on my jobs!

Editor sent out newsletter monthly. Posted on Facebook events happening and classes held. I put together a couple of classes since nothing was being lined up at the time. Set up fieldtrips with the big one at Hogg Mine in LaGrange, GA. Several smaller trips planned throughout the year with low participation. Set up Brookwood on Feb. 2020. Set up the January meeting with Lori Carter for sand presentation. I did a presentation on Field Trip Etiquette and what tools to take and some rules to follow with Bud Newell.

I helped cleaned and organized the workshop on several occasions with different people. I cleaned up the membership list and updated it in my computer and sent out to officers of the club. I attended board meetings or officer meetings, regular meetings and met President John Wild to secure Oak Mountain for the next shows.

I helped secured a new place for AMLS Shows at Oak Mountain State Park and moving it after 46 years at the Tannehill State Park, where we were losing money every year. I helped set up shows with Oak Mountain State Park as a vendor in April and October 2019. Organized the first November AMLS Rocking IN the Holidays in 2019. I continued to get vendors for the June Show 2020 at Oak Mountain State Park.

I think that covers it!

Lou Ann did a lot of the "behind the scene" hard work many will never see. Thank You!



An Official Field Trip of the Tampa Bay Mineral and Science Club (Tampa, FL)

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Vulcan Limestone Mine

16313 Ponce De Leon Blvd, Brooksville, FL

Meet no later than 8:45 AM Eastern Time

Collecting 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM Eastern Time

TRIP: This quarry has abundant Oligocene marine fossils as well as interesting rocks and minerals.

COLLECTING: Echinoids (fossil sand dollars and urchins), druzy calcite crystals, and chert for cabbing. There are shark teeth but seldom found.

BRING: This is surface hunting, so digging tools are not necessary, other than a screw driver or butter knife to pry fossils from dirt. A rock hammer is helpful at times if you want a piece of chert. We park at the hunting site, so you can leave your lunch, drinks and cooler in the car. Sun screen might be handy. Bring drinks and snacks as we stay until 12:00 noon and/or 2:00 PM.

REQUIREMENTS: Sturdy closed shoes or sneakers, no sandals or open toed shoes. Jeans or long pants are preferred to protect your knees and long sleeve shirt or sun screen. If it is a bright day, a hat or ball cap would be useful.

FEE: No Fee.

REGISTRATION: No registration required.

CHILDREN: Children are allowed but must be under adult supervision at all times.

PETS: No pets allowed.

FACILITIES: The one thing they do not have is a restroom, stop at the gas station in Brooksville before you arrive.

ACCOMODATIONS:

At I-75 exit (#301) to Brooksville-(20 miles to Vulcan)

Days Inn, Hampton Inn

Brooksville east of town (12 miles to Vulcan)

Budget Inn

Brooksville west of town (15 miles to Vulcan)

Holiday Inn Express

Weeki Wachee (22 miles to Vulcan)

Quality Inn, Best Western

Crystal River, north side of town (23 miles to Vulcan)

Days Inn, Econo Lodge, Quality Inn

DIRECTIONS AND WHERE TO MEET:

The meeting time will be 8:45 AM as we go into the mine in convoy at 9:00 AM. The gates are locked behind us so don't be late. If you are unavoidably detained, call Fred Hendershot (813-892-5864).

Take I-75 to exit #301, Brooksville, Florida. Go ten miles into Brooksville and follow Rt. 98. It will turn north in town and go another ten miles north. The Vulcan/Cemex signs are on the left (the Cemex sign is larger and easy to spot). Park in the large field and sign the Vulcan liability waiver.

For Google Maps and GPS units, the address is 16313 Ponce De Leon Blvd., Brooksville, FL 34613.





An Official Field Trip of the Alabama Mineral and Lapidary Society (Birmingham, AL)

Saturday, February 29, 2020
Gravel Pit / Coal Mine
Brookwood, AL
Meet at 8:00 AM Central
Collect from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
RSVP if planning to attend

TRIP: This is an old alluvial deposit containing rocks eroded from the Appalachian Mountains since their formation 400 million years ago. This site is an old gravel quarry that is now producing natural gas field.

COLLECTING: Material at Brookwood is primarily water smoothed pebbles of mixed size from teeny to baking potato size. We will be looking for petrified wood, jasper, agate, blue crazy lace, and oolite. This site has an abundance of water smoothed quartz pebbles shaped like a double-sided cabochon. Small amounts of many other types of rock are found including petrified wood, jasper, agate, marine fossils, Indian paint pots and any number of other unknown materials. Lots of great tumbling material but some is suitable for cutting.

BRING: Sack lunch, plenty of drinks, buckets or bags for specimens, hammer, screwdriver (or something similar to pry the rock out of the surface). No real digging involved although people bring shovels to put many rocks into their buckets. Limit two 5 gallon buckets. Wear appropriate dress, hat, good gloves, and sunscreen.

CHILDREN: Kids are allowed with adult supervision. This trip is not recommended for children under 5 years old.

PETS: No pets allowed.

FACILITIES: There will be a port-a-potty available.

TERRAIN & ACCESSIBILITY: It is fairly level with some hills if you choose to climb. It should not be a problem for people with mobility issues. People can park right at the areas they want to collect.

REQUIREMENTS: All tools, equipment, and ponds are strictly off limits. The AFMS/SFMS code of ethics should be strictly observed (click here to read them). The property owner has been generous to let us collect here for many years and we would not want anything to jeopardize that.

WAIVER FORMS MUST BE SIGNED BEFORE YOU DIG!!!

Please check in at the club table when you arrive at the site and before you leave so we can keep count of who is there. We do not want anyone to get locked in the gate!!

EVERYONE MUST BE OUT OF THE SITE BY 3:00 P.M.

This picture was taken of one of the winner's of the Mr. Bob Smith Tumbling Contest. We hold the tumbling contest in his honor during the month of May using Brookwood collected rocks. These are particularly good to use because of their consistent hardness and form. Mr. Smith had his own giant tumbler in his basemen, self-built and he would run it nonstop for month's on end. *Results : beautiful tumbled rocks for all. S.S.*



Last page funnies ...

AIN'T ROCKHOUNDING GREAT!!!
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Igneous, Metamorphic & Sedimentary,
Three types of rocks, elementary!
Now the knowledge of the rock within,
That's next the place to begin.

Vertebrate, invertebrate and more,
Echinoderm, Annelida or Carnivore.
Our Earth holds such a store of treasure,
There simply is no way to measure.

When Rockhounds go out afield,
Enthusiasm is unconcealed.
Searching for treasures to unearth
Cannot but help, to fill one with mirth.



Knowing you may be, the person to find
a special fossil, one of a kind;
Or locate a gemstone of great value,
With lovely color, you can see through.

Slicing an old rock with a diamond blade,
'til its lovely surface is displayed.
Casting a piece of jewelry, oh so fine,
It must be perfect, because its mine.

Mineral clubs are such great fun
If you don't belong, go join one.
Fees are small compared to the reward
I'll guarantee, you'll never be bored.

A.M.L.S. Application for Membership

_____ New _____ Renewal _____ Year

ADULT NAME _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

SECOND NAME _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CHILDREN'S NAMES & AGES _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK/CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS(S) _____

Family \$25. _____ Single \$20. _____ Junior / Student \$15. _____

After June 1, the cost of the membership dues are one-half price for *new* members only for the remainder of that year.
Dues for regular members are to be renewed at the November meeting and / or before January 1st of the new year. Please make checks payable to the

ALABAMA MINERAL & LAPIDARY SOCIETY
8036 Parkway Dr. Leeds, Al. 35094

and mail to
Or bring to a meeting!

Info: Usual Meeting Date : Second Friday of each month except for the month of June. The Oak Mountain State Park Show takes the place of the June meeting.

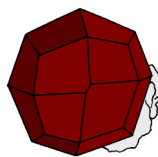
Meeting place : Cahaba Heights United Methodists Church 3139 Cahaba Heights Rd.
Cahaba Heights, AL. 35243

Meeting time: 6:30 p.m.

Visitors Welcomed !

Date Received _____

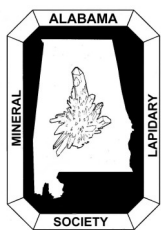
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GARNET ~ Birthstone for January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4
5	6	7 Workshop 12-6 Board Meeting	8	9	10 Regular Meeting	11 Basic Jewel- ry Techniques w/Judi Wild
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Board Meeting	29	30	31	

ALABAMA MINERAL & LAPIDARY SOCIETY Birmingham, Alabama



The Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society is a non-profit organization for people interested in geology, mineralogy, paleontology, and the lapidary arts. Membership is open to all people interested in the objectives of the society. Dues for the calendar year 2020 are \$25.00 family, \$20.00 single, and Juniors / Students \$15.00. Checks should be made payable to the **Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society** and given to the treasurer. The society holds regular meetings on the second Friday of the month at 6:30 pm (**except the month of June because of the Oak Mountain St. Park Show**). Meetings are currently held at the Cahaba Heights United Methodist Church and usually last an hour and a half. There is a half hour of snacks and fellowship preceding the meeting.

The society is affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies, and the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical Societies. Reprint rights are granted for any information in the bulletin except minutes and copy right articles with permission to print one time only in ROCKHOUND ROUNDUP, provided credit is given to the author and the original publication as well as the bulletin. Exchange bulletins should be addressed to the editor.

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A NON-PROFIT, NON-COMMERCIAL, NON POLITICAL ORGANIZATION AND REGIONAL FEDERATION OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES



PURPOSE:

To bring about a closer association of clubs and societies devoted to the study of the Earth Sciences and the practice of the lapidary arts and crafts in the southeastern part of the United States.

OBJECTIVE:

To cooperate with similar Federations to promote public interest in the Earth Sciences and the conservation of natural resources.

