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Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society  
Birmingham, Alabama**

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**President's Message**

Hello my fellow rock hounds,

Hope you're ready for some serious rock business. The October meeting will be our annual election of officers. It's not too late to throw your hat in the ring. This month's speaker is Gloria Adams on mine operation. And I look forward to a report and rock showing from those who went on the Franklin trip. Also, I would like to discuss the future of our club workshop program. Should we purchase more equipment if it comes available? How can we find and manage a location?

My thanks to those who participated in our September 26 demonstration in Moody. Thanks to Levan and Yvonne Foster for organizing it. I thought we did an excellent presentation of cabbing, sawing, tumbling, faceting, wire wrapping and fossil display. I would have welcomed more visitors but this was an excellent preparation for the future events I hope will come.

I'm very pleased to see we have gotten several new club members. I hope you feel at home with us and find some club activities that spark your interest. By all means learn by doing. And please let us know what you would like to see the club doing. Who knows? You might even be able to help make it happen. On the other hand, there seem to be quite a few old members I haven't seen in a while. I hope you are at least receiving and reading your Rockhound Roundup. Again, please let us know what you would like to see the club doing. Is there anything we can do to increase your participation and get you coming back to meetings?

One thing I think would please everyone, old and new alike, is more field trips. We are coming up on what *President's message continued on page 2.*



REGGIE BOLTON  
President A.M.L.S.

**Oct. 9th - Gloria Adams - From Mines to You, and the Election of officers  
Come prepared to vote !**

**Nov. 6th - Annual Meeting, Officers sworn in,  
William Holland Scholarship Speaker 2015**

**Dec. 11th - Kontzen Scholarship 2016 Winner  
announced, Christmas gift exchanged**

*Got any good ideas for a program, See John Wild !*

**Jan. 8th - To be announced**

**Feb. 26th - To be announced**

**Mar. 11th - To be announced**

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**AFMS and SFMS Websites**  
 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.afed.org](http://www.afed.org) Email: [sfms@amfed.org](mailto:sfms@amfed.org)

**Pres. Message Cont'd. from page 1.** I consider to be the absolute best time of year to be living in Alabama. Take every opportunity to scout out locations that might be good to share with the rest of us. And get out and visit other area clubs at their shows and events. The more the merrier. We can all share our rocks and resources. And above all have fun hunting rocks.

Reggie Bolton, President AMLS

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**Board Meeting Minutes at Barnes & Noble Sept 14, 2015**

~ In attendance were Bunny & Reggie Bolton, Cathy Kellogg, Larry & Cindy Hensley, Karen Williams and Sandra Sullivan.

Sandra was been in touch with Val & Ken Keelin, they have settled on a price of \$900.00 for the equipment they have. We need club members with knowledge of these machines to take a look at what they have. Membership would have to vote on a purchase of this size and we would have to have a proper workshop to store and use it. A committee needs to be formed *minutes continued page 3*

| Members Serving on the Board of Directors : |                                                                                                   |
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**Board Meeting Minutes continued** ... to look into finding a location for this. Also we need people to check into getting 501-C to maybe get club grants.

Yvonne Foster has expressed an interest in buying the old club tent. An e-mail needs to be sent out to the membership if anyone else is interested before going forward with this.

Our bylaws need to be amended to add education chair and to okay paying members to teach workshops. Sandra Sullivan, Cindy Hensley and Bunny Bolton will be the committee to choose the Kontzen Scholarship winner. The applications are due by the November meeting because the scholarship is to be awarded at December meeting.

The position of Publicity Chairman was discussed. We need to update/revamp the flyer to make it less wordy and more interesting. Most people have ready access to the internet so our website info can replace much of the information on the flyer leaving more room for pictures. Cathy Kellogg will talk to the new food vendor at the Tannehill Park as soon as one is in place (Oct/Nov). We need to have some food service for attendees but especially for our vendors. We also talked about renting a cabin at Tannehill for the duration of the show. This would give Cathy and some folks who have a long drive a place to stay and an air-conditioned spot in case you need it. We need a 'new member relations' person or chair.

The Hoover Library is put back together. Upcoming classes are scheduled for Oct.17th, Nov.21, & Dec.19th. They are from 10:30 to 5:30. Next year is iffy because of low attendance. Future board meetings will be Oct. 5, Nov. 2, & Dec. 7 at 6:30 pm at the Hoover Library at the other end of the library in the break room.

Respectfully submitted, Bunny Bolton  
Recording Secretary

**Meeting Minutes for Sept. 11, 2015**

Due to a scheduling mix-up the meeting room was set up for a Saturday library function so we set up our pot-luck in the board room.

**Meeting Minutes Continued...** It was a little awkward but after John Gaston blessed our meal we traipsed back and forth and balanced our plates the best we could. Reggie asked our visitors to introduce themselves. They were Destini Collins, Dora Austin and Lois Avery who brought some rocks to be identified, Carolyn Miller who is interested in cabbing, and Steve and Jill Johnson who are building a cabin in NC and are finding rocks as they go along. Welcome!

Reggie asked for members to e-mail him with their ideas for the club at [reggie@newenvirons.net](mailto:reggie@newenvirons.net). New officers will be elected at the October meeting. We discussed the slate and there are still some openings. Nominations and volunteers were asked for. Board meetings are scheduled for the first Monday of each month but in September that was Labor Day so it was moved to the next Monday at Barnes & Noble at the Summit since the Hoover Library was still being worked on.

A cabbing party/community outreach demonstration will be held Saturday, Sept. 26 from 10 to 4 at the Moody United Methodist Church. Yvonne and Levan Foster are hosting and planning this event and asked for members to participate. Lots of kids will be attending and there will be faceting, tumbling, cabbing and sawing to do. The up-coming mountain cabin trip was discussed. Judith Johnson is in charge and has fun activities planned.

Reggie introduced our program chairman Larry Hensley who is also a member of the Birmingham Paleontological Society. He presented a program on fossils which can be found in our area. He brought examples and explained how mud solidifies into shale and what you find is a cast of the plant material or footprints left in the mud. This is different from petrified wood where minerals replace the wood. The black material found in some fossils is carbon (coal) left by the plant. Door prizes were given out and the after-meeting meetings began. Respectfully submitted, Bunny Bolton, Rec. Sec.

### Club & Society Shows / Swaps via the Lodestar and Rock&Gem internet listings and newsletters

**Oct. 2 - 4 Dallas, N.C.** Annual show; Gaston Gem Mineral & Faceters Club, Gaston County Park; 1303 Dallas- Cherryville Hwy, Hwy 279; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 9-5; Admission is Free!; Grab bags \$1.00-\$10.00 Sluice buckets \$3.00-\$5.00 Gems, minerals, fossils, findings, wire wrapping, jewelry; contact Rick Perkins, 100 LakeView Drive, Belmont, NC 28012, (704) 915-8366; email [rocksrick@gmail.com](mailto:rocksrick@gmail.com)

**Oct. 9 - 11 Huntsville, AL** Annual show; Huntsville Gem & Mineral Society, Jaycee Community Center; 2180 Airport Rd.; Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 12-5; Adults \$3; The largest Gem, Jewelry, and Mineral Show in the region. Outstanding selection of dealers. Children's activities: Gem dig and flume. Food service. Ample FREE parking.; contact Lowell Zoller, 3027 Flint Mill Run, Hampton Cove., AL 35763, (256)534-8803; e-mail: [Lzol@comcast.net](mailto:Lzol@comcast.net); Web site: [www.huntsvillegms.org](http://www.huntsvillegms.org)

**Oct. 16 - 18 Franklin, NC** Retail show; Gem & Mineral Society of Franklin, NC, Robert C. Carpenter Community Building; 1288 Georgia Road; Fri. 10 -5 , Sat. 10 -5, Sun. 11 -4; Adults \$2.00, Children under 12 free!; 25th Annual Leaf Lookers Gembo-ree featuring rough and cut gemstones, minerals, beads, supplies and demonstrations. Dealers from across the United States. Creating, repairing and setting done during the show. Contact Linda Harbuck, 425 Porter Street, Franklin, NC 28734, (800) 336-7829; e-mail: [lindah@franklin-chamber.com](mailto:lindah@franklin-chamber.com); Web-site: [www.visitfranklinnc.com](http://www.visitfranklinnc.com)

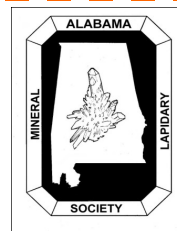
**Oct. 16 - 17 Knoxville, TN** The three day 25th Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show opens October 16th at 10 am at the Kerbel Temple, 315 Mimosa Ave. in Knoxville TN. Fri. and Sat. 10 to 6, Sun. 11 to 5. The Gem Show is open to the public and has an admission fee of \$5 a day for adults or \$8 for the whole show; children under 12 are admitted free. The show will have many vendors that offer great products, specimens, meteorites, gems of all colors shapes & sizes, lapidary & jewelry equipment, and much more. <http://knoxrocks.org/gemshow>.

**Oct. 31 - Nov. 1, Plant City, FL** Tampa Bay Mineral & Science Club's "Hot Rocks, Cool Gems and Fabulous Jewelry" 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Florida Strawberry Festival Expo Hall, Plant City, FL Admission: Adults: \$5 – Teens 12-16 & Students with ID \$4 – Kids under 12 free (with parent) Parking: FREE Discounts : Visit our web site for a coupon at [www.tampabayrockclub.com](http://www.tampabayrockclub.com) Features: Hourly Door Prizes; Silent Auctions; Live Demonstrations; ; Gems & Minerals; Beads; Fossils; Tools & Lapidary Materials; Jewelry & Jewelry Making Supplies. Contact: Jerri Heer, President, Dealer Chair [jheerx6@aol.com](mailto:jheerx6@aol.com) Judy Anderson, Show Chair – [ventana1609@yahoo.com](mailto:ventana1609@yahoo.com) Club Phone: (813)-684-2039.

### Mini Miners Monthly Link:

### [A Monthly Publication for Young Mineral Collectors Vol. 9 No.8 August 2015](#)

Dear Mini Miners, Please find the link to the August 2015 issue of *Mini Miners Monthly*. Faithfully,--  
( Sorry Folks, the Sept. & Oct, issues hasn't come in yet from the SFMS. S.S.)



**Let's Extend a big WELCOME to these new A.M.L.S. members!**

Please take a moment at our next meetings to introduce yourself to these new members.

- ~ Lois Avery of Vestavia
- ~ Vara & Rigdon Hitchcock off Hwy. 119 So.
- ~ Steve and Jill Johnson of Inverness area
- ~ Susan Williams Kiser of West Columbia, S.C.
- ~ Alison Robinson & daughter Ruth of Mt. Brook
- ~ Drew Willoughby of Birmingham

*Please extend a hand to a fellow rockhound!*

**For more information concerning kids and rocks, check out this website too!**  
[www.kidsloverocks.com](http://www.kidsloverocks.com)



**Dixie Mineral Club Fieldtrip  
An Official Field Trip of the The  
Middle Tennessee Rockhounds,  
Nashville , TN (Host)**

Saturday October 3, 2015  
10AM – 2PM CST

Coon Creek Science Center  
McNairy County, Tennessee

**FEE \$15 – Limited to 35 participants**

**Description:** Within the grounds of Coon Creek Science Center , located in rural McNairy County , Tennessee , lies one of the most important fossil sites in North America . Acquired by the Memphis Museum System in 1988, this property contains a treasure lode of superbly preserved Upper Cretaceous marine shells and vertebrate remains left there 70 million years ago when the water of the Gulf of Mexico receded. **Coon Creek fossils are mostly marine invertebrates (clams, snails, oysters, shrimp etc.) that are about 75 million years old. They are found in an unconsolidated clay/sand matrix. Coon Creek fossils are very unique because of the state of their preservation. They are original material – the shells have not turned to stone. They are also very abundant with a huge variety of species. Collecting will take place in a “quarry” area. You will be “carving” fossils out of the Coon Creek formation by looking through chunks of the formation that have been loosened from the quarry. Participants will use a curved linoleum knife for collecting. Museum instructors will demonstrate how to collect your fossils and how to clean them. Everyone will find fossils! Some of the fossils are very fragile. The program includes time for surface collecting in Coon Creek for fossils that have been washed into the stream bed gravel. This will be guided by the museum staff. You keep what you find with a few exceptions. If you find a specimen that would be beneficial for the Museum’s collection or research, the Museum reserves the right to keep that fossil. See also: [http://www.memphismuseums.org/coon\\_creek-overview](http://www.memphismuseums.org/coon_creek-overview)**

**Program – Field Paleontology (4 Hours):** Introduction – 30 minutes; Collecting Session (quarry and surface) – 2 Hour; Lunch – 30 minutes; Clean and Identify Fossils - 45 minutes

**Registration Procedure:** After you supply required information by email to Middle Tennessee Rockhounds (MTR), MTR will assign you a registration number by return email – bring registration number the day of the fieldtrip. [Instructions for mailing the \$15 *per* participant fee will be included with registration number.] Once registration reaches 35, registration is closed. **To register**, email [MiddleTnRockhounds@gmail.com](mailto:MiddleTnRockhounds@gmail.com) with: **Name(s; Last, First), Address/ City/State, Phone (include cell for day of trip), club, age of children (must be 10 to 17 years old and** accompanied by a parent or a guardian). Registration request are limited to family members, couples, and significant others; non-related individuals must email separate registration request. **All persons who attend DMC fieldtrips (including children), must be members, in good standing, of an SFMS club (who has provided their membership with SFMS liability insurance).**

**Children:** Yes (see stipulations in registration above; **no children under 10 per Coon Creek Science Center** ) **Pets:** No

**Rain or Shine:** This fieldtrip is rain or shine. The Science Center will cancel only if weather conditions are threatening.

**Bring:** Boots or shoes that can get wet/dirty, poncho, towel, change of clothes & shoes (for return home), lunch (there is no food nearby & no vending machines at the center), water, bucket, small digging tool (optional; linoleum knives will be furnished), roll of aluminum foil , and bug spray.

**Save the Date !** The Emmet O’Neal Library has the A.M.L.S. on their calendar for the following dates:

**November 6th (first Friday night of the month)**

December 11th

January 8th

**February 26th (due to the annual book sale we have been bumped to the fourth Friday night)**

Thanks to Reggie B. for getting this done. S.S.



**Brad Smith** Bench Tips ~  
DEBURRING A HOLE



When you drill a hole, there's usually a burr produced on the underside of the metal. Typically, burrs are removed by filing or sanding the area smooth, but doing it this way will put scratches on your piece that will have to be polished off.

A quick way to remove the burr is to grab a drill that's two or three times larger than your hole. Simply twist it in the hole to cut off the burr. I usually do this twisting by hand, but if you have many holes to do, it's easier on your fingers to put the drill into a holder like a pin vice.

CLEANING STEEL SHOT

Steel shot in a vibratory or rotary tumbler works great to burnish and shine your finished silver pieces. But a common problem is how keep the shot clean. Carbon steel shot can get rusty if exposed to the air, and even stainless steel shot can sometimes develop a blackish coating that's hard to remove.

My solution of choice to clean the shot is Classic Coke. Just pour an ounce or two over the shot and let the tumbler run for an hour or so. A bad case might require a second cleaning. Some folks like to let the bubbles in the Coke dissipate before using it so that gas pressure doesn't build up in the tumbler barrel. I've heard that it's the phosphoric acid in Coke that does the trick. While you're waiting for the shot to clean up, just settle back and enjoy the rest of the Coke.

"Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" and "Broom Casting for Creative Jewelry" are available on Amazon

*OPAL* ~ Birthstone for October

Coober Pedy Opal Rough  
Multicolor rough crystal opal from Coober Pedy, South Australia, expressing nearly every color of the visible spectrum.  
by [Dpulitzer](#) from wikipedia

*Slate of Officers For 2016* —

- |                         |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| President               | - Larry Hensley   |
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| Publicity Chair         | -                 |
| Show Chair              | - Cathy Kellogg   |
| Webmaster               | - Steve Adams     |
| Members on the Bd.      | - Judith Johnson  |
|                         | - Karen Williams  |

If you have any qualms about these folks in these positions, please come to the meeting prepared to volunteer for the position or vote as stands. We are getting as many positions filled as possible before our October meeting. Our rock club needs good people in the remaining open positions. Please consider helping out any way you can.  
Your friendly editor, Sandra Sullivan

*2014 Kontzen Scholarship Recipient* ~

I would like to thank the AMLS for the opportunity to attend William Holland School of Lapidary Arts for a week. I chose Kim St Jean's class "Cold Connections". She is a terrific teacher and was recommended by other club members. It was great to be able to refresh my skills in riveting, sawing, annealing and using the rolling mill. New skills included form folding and use of a tumbler to polish metal. I look forward to sharing these skills with other club members in an upcoming class. I also found many new tools. It was great to interact with rock hounds and craftspeople from around the country.



*Bunny Bolton, 2014 Scholarship Recipient*



### Young Quan ~

August 7, 1925 - September 17, 2015 Young Quan of Hoover, Alabama passed away in Longmont, Colorado. Young had always regarded Birmingham where he had spent most of his life as his home. Young was a local entrepreneur having started several businesses. After retiring, Young and his wife were very active in the Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society becoming Lifetime members. In his younger years, he was also active as a Mason. He is survived by his wife of over 74 years, Mary; his 5 sons, 6 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and many other family members and friends. Published in The Birmingham News from Sept. 22 to Sept. 23, 2015.

Young and Mary Quan have held a variety of office positions throughout the years. Young served as club president for two years. They were active in the Tannehill show especially in the demonstrations and as venders. After the encouragement of family members, they decided to move to the suburbs of Denver, CO. They have been missed by many here who enjoyed just listening to Young tell his stories.



### **Graves Mountain "Rock Swap and Dig" Friday, Saturday, and Sunday October 2, 3, and 4, 2015**

**"You are invited to field collect minerals at Georgia's premiere mineral location!"**

**THESE DIGS ARE OPEN TO ALL.**

**NO NEED TO SIGN-UP, JUST SHOW UP FOR ALL "ROCK SWAP AND DIGS"!**

**Mark your calendar and tell all your friends about these great events!**

The caretaker in charge of Graves Mountain, Clarence Norman Jr., has announced plans to hold two three day digs and rock swaps on the Mountain during the current year. He will have the mountain open to collecting from 8 am to 6 pm each day. All participants must stop at the welcome table in the Hospitality tent to sign a liability release and make a small contribution to defray the cost of opening the mountain and providing port-o-lets. There will be several golf cart type, four wheeled vehicles available to transport those participants who have trouble walking long distances. The dig will cease and everyone is expected to be off the mountain by

### ***The Joe and Frances Kontzen Scholarship***

This scholarship was proposed after the death of Joe Kontzen by Rick Kittinger who was a long time show chairman. Rick knew Joe and Frances Kontzen well and for many years. They were very instrumental in the early years of the club and were active in the club for as long as they could. The Kontzen Scholarship is funded from the Tannehill show proceeds and is usually awarded annually at the December meeting. The Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies (SFMS) works with the two lapidary schools, William Holland and the Wild Acers Retreat (EFMS Workshop). The SFMS sets aside two sessions per school for a total of four sessions. This is a scholarship for one week of instruction in a class of your choice. Only one class of instructions will be awarded. You will have room and board with meals included. Each of these schools are different from the other but both are excellent in the classes offered.

By awarding this scholarship in December, it allows the recipient plenty of time after the holidays to decide on which class to choose. The schedules for classes at the two schools will be made public or posted. Usually the SFMS website has all the info including bios of the instructors after the first of the year. Each year the schedule offers a good range of classes and will have a variety of instructors with different ways of teaching. All who have attended regard this to be a informative way to learn more about any of the lapidary works.



Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society

Application for the Joe and Frances Kontzen Scholarship

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_



Number of years you have been a member of AMLS? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you regularly attend meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you volunteer to help with the Tannehill Show in June? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you attend fieldtrips? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended one of the SFMS schools/classes at William Holland in Young Harris, GA or Wildacres Retreat in Spruce Pines, NC before? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be willing to teach or demonstrate a workshop skill at an AMLS club meeting after returning and write a brief article for the newsletter about your class? \_\_\_\_\_



If you are submitting this application at a club meeting, please fold in half and place it in the basket on the sign-in table by the door.

If you are printing this from the website for the Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society, please mail to:

Sandra Sullivan  
P.O. Box 1067  
Springville, AL. 35146

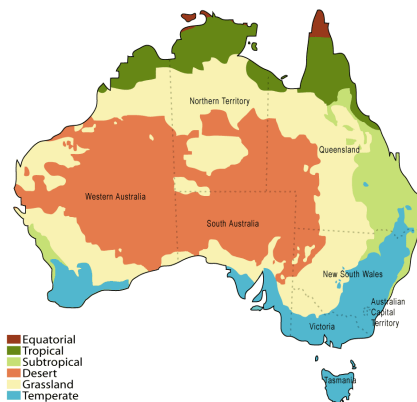
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*Last page funnies ...*

**You Know You're A Rockhound If:**

- You prefer baryte roses to real ones.
- Your dream holiday destination is Coober Pedy or Far North Queensland.
- Your garage is so full of rocks that the car won't fit in.
- You collect Interesting specimens, including the brown unknown ones, just in case they might turn out to be something special.
- You've ever sorted through a mullock heap.
- You've ever dumpster dived at a marble warehouse.
- You colour co-ordinate your clothes and shoes to match your gemstone pendants.
- The sign on the side of the road says "Falling Rock" and you pull over to wait.
- You like to examine the rocks in your driveway.
- You treasure ancient, fossilised animal dung.



*OFF the INTERNET :* <http://suzanneday.hubpages.com/hub/Lapidary-Jokes-For-The-Discerning-Rockhound>

**A.M.L.S. Application for Membership**      \_\_\_\_\_ New      \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal

NAME (S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Family \$20. \_\_\_\_\_ Single \$15. \_\_\_\_\_ Junior / Student \_\_\_\_\_ After June 1, the cost of the membership dues are one-half price for new members only. **Dues for regular members are to be renewed at the November meeting and / or before January 1 of the new year.**

**Please** make checks payable to the **ALABAMA MINERAL & LAPIDARY SOCIETY** and mail to P.O. BOX 1067 SPRINGVILLE, AL. 35146

Meeting Date: Second Friday of each month except for the month of June. The Tannehill Show takes the place of the June meeting.

Meeting Place: Emmet O'Neal Library 50 Oak St. Mountain Brook, AL. 35213 PH. (205) 897-0459

Website: [info@eolib.org](mailto:info@eolib.org)

Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

***Visitors Welcomed !***



SANDRA SULLIVAN, EDITOR  
 P.O. BOX 1067  
 SPRINGVILLE, AL. 35146

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*If undeliverable, please return  
 to the address above.*

**Meeting: Friday night Oct. 9, 2015**  
**Place: EMMET O'NEAL LIBRARY**  
**50 Oak St. Mt. Brook, AL. 35213**  
**205-897-0459 info@eolib.org**  
**Time: 6:30 pm gathering and fellowship**  
**And food. 7 pm Program**

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**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 2015 are \$20.00 family, \$15.00 single, and Juniors / Students \$10.00. 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 Tannehill Show** ). Meetings are currently held at the **Emmet O'Neal Library in Mt. Brook, AL.** 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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**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.*

