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President’s Message

Hello Folks,

Since we last got together, many have been working behind the scenes to secure a spot for a 2021 AMLS rock show. If all plans go as expected, we will have the Bessemer Civic Center for our first indoor show. The dates to mark on your calendars’ is the Labor Day weekend, Sept.3, 4, & 5! We will be learning how to place the vendors, where the club items go, and we hopefully will have a big stage full of fluorescence minerals to show off. I believe all will be please to see the facility in working order during the show. Indoor concession stand, indoor restrooms, and plenty of electrical outlets; and the list goes on. There are many more advantages here than to having an outdoor show.

Our new Show Chair Cathy Kellogg said “YES” when I asked if she would do this one more year. Thank you Cathy !!

I would like to say a special “Thank You” to these folks who came out to inspect the Bessemer Civic Center last Friday, especially Jinger Glasgow and Don Hill. The list includes Reggie Bolton, Cathy Kellogg, Benjamin Beadore, Molly Klatt, Jinger Glasgow, Don Hill, and myself. Benjamin mapped out the electrical outlets and helped in many other ways too.

Publicity for our indoor show will be abit different but hopefully we will adjust and get it done. Morning TV shows I think will still be a good idea too.

The workshop is open again on Tuesdays and Thursdays all thanks to Levan Foster and Robert Lorino. This is a good step in the right direction for us. We are glad Robert is recovered enough to enjoy the workshop again. You folks need to come out and see them.

See you this Friday night on ZOOM !
Keep on rocking,
Sandra Sullivan, President A.M.L.S.



Sandra Sullivan
President A.M.L.S.

Upcoming in March - CHANGE HERE

- Workshop open usually when you call **Levan Foster** for Thursdays or **Robert Lorino** for Tuesdays. Levan says the workshop is **NOT** getting anyone on Saturdays. So if you want to go use the workshop other than Thursdays, call, text, or email Levan Foster. He says Thursday afternoon is good for him. See page 2 for contact info.
- ZOOM Meeting date Mar. 12 th at 7 pm just like a regular meeting; the second Friday of the month. Board meetings on ZOOM scheduled for now the 4th Tuesday night 7 pm on ZOOM. Members welcomed as always.

YES, WE ARE DOING ZOOM MEETINGS! We need a way of staying in touch with one another AND START TALKING ABOUT ROCKS AND A SHOW AGAIN!

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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 And the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies or EFMLS <https://www.efmls.org>

A.M.L.S. WORKSHOP ADDRESS:
 8036 Parkway Dr. Leeds, AL. 35094
 (Across from The Pant Store)

Please welcome any new members with a handshake and tell them a bit about A.M.L.S. and what you like about it.

Mike Cox, Bobby George, and Debra Krotzer

If you know of someone who would like to visit or be interested in rocks, feel free to invite them to our meetings/workshop.

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A.M.L.S. Zoom Meeting Minute 2/12/21

In attendance Sandra Sullivan, Reggie and Bunny Bolton, John Wild, Don and Jill Hill, Jinger Glasgow, Richard Mc Contha, Judith Johnson, Bill Foster, Robert Lorino, Tim Leatherman, Vivian Melof, Cathy Kellogg, Levan and Yvonne Foster, and Jackie Seale.

Reggie gave an overview of the budget. He gave his best guesses as to income at \$950. and expenses as \$7,500. without a show and with a show maybe clear \$3000. He suggested we move \$7,000. from saving to checking with hopes of returning it after a successful show. The Bessemer Civic Center requires a 50% deposit for a Labor Day week-end show, that would be \$1,750. If they close due to the pandemic, we would be able to get a refund or put it toward a future date. They will supply tables and set them up. They seemed to be willing to work with us. Tannehill hasn't returned our calls and Oak Mountain has added extra fees that aren't acceptable. Cathy moved to pass the budget and Vivian seconded. The motion passed which included a go ahead for the show.

Vivian Melof made a motion to have Jinger Glasgow replace Don Rosenstiel as board member at large. John Wild seconded and the motion passed.

Jim Thomas wants to lead some field trips. He would like to go to Second Creek/Wheeler Dam soon. He also has a boat and wants to go for looking for shark's teeth. A trip to Graves Mountain for a club only dig is also being looked at. Sandra may have a new Brookwood location to dig in a tailings pile. This would require a UA geologist and an EPA representative.

Levan Foster and Cathy Kellogg have been talking about an online auction to replace our usual April auction. This can be done on zoom or facebook. It was recommended that we have 20-30 high quality items for best results. Members donating items are asked to give a detailed description. We may need to get a PO Box.

Richard Mc Contha said he had 15-20 pounds of petrified wood he would like to donate to the club. Thanks!

Robert reported that his eyes are healing from recent cataract surgery and he hopes to get the shop open again soon.

Reggie has been in touch with Benjamin Beadore who is interested in participating in the club but could not make it to this meeting.

Cathy moved that we transfer up to \$10,000. incrementally to cover the show deposit and other expenses. Robert seconded it and the motion passed.

Side note - we paid for two show insurance policies which we hope will carry over to our next shows. Door prizes were not given out because Levan and Yvonne Foster couldn't make it to the workshop. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Bunny Bolton, Recording Secretary

A.M.L.S. ZOOM Board Meeting 2/23/21~

In attendance : Sandra Sullivan, Vivian Melof, Bunny Bolton, John Gaston, Levan and Yvonne Foster, and Robert Lorino.

Sandra talked about the Rockhound Roundup, an outdoor show put on by the Southeastern Federation of Mineralogical Societies at the Suwanee Music Park in Live Oak, FL March 12-14. In the past, this has included the quarterly meeting of the SFMS but not this year so it is not necessary for us to send someone to attend.

Treasurer Reggie Bolton sent a report via Bunny that he had transferred \$6,000. from our savings to checking and deposited checks from received memberships. No checks have been issued to the Eastern and Southeast Federations but that will be done soon. Sandra and John expressed concern that a deposit had not been paid for the Bessemer Civic Center yet.

Yvonne said she hasn't heard from anyone interested in one-on-one silversmithing classes with her in March. Sandra volunteered to be her first student.

Sandra asked the Fosters to be at the workshop for the door prize drawing for the March meeting.

E-mails will be sent to board members to set up a visit to the Bessemer Civic Center to get a better idea of the space available.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Bunny Bolton, Recording Secretary



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

PLEASE CHECK WITH THE SHOW CLUB OR CHAIRMAN BEFORE GOING ! THE SHOW COULD BE CANCELED DUE TO THE VIRUS !

Mar. 12 – 14 Live Oak, FL. SFMS ROCK-HOUND ROUND-UP - 2021 Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies

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-fashioned Rock-Swap.

When: March 12th, 13th, and 14th, 2021.

Where: Spirit of Suwannee Music Park
3076 95th Drive, Live Oak, FL 32060

(386) 364-1683 www.musicliveshere.com

All buying is open to the general public.

Mar. 19 - 21 Marietta, GA. Annual Show Bellpoint; Cobb County Civic Center, 548 S. Marietta Pkwy.;

Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, free admission for children under 15 when accompanied by a paying adult; Select dealers from near and far selling exquisite minerals, gems, jewelry, beads, rocks, geodes, healing stones, fossils, crystals; contact Damian; Email: mbellpoint@gmail.com; Website: www.bellpointpromotions.com

Mar. 19 - 21 Arden, N.C. MAGMA Annual show;

Club and Jacquot & Son Mining; Camp Stephens, 263 Clayton Road; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; free admission; 12th bi-annual gem, mineral and fossil show, dozens of vendors from across the U.S. offering gems, minerals, fossils, and rocks; demonstrations; displays; contact Rick Jacquot, PO Box 542, 3897 New Leicester Hwy, LEICESTER, NC 28748, (828) 779-4501; Email: rick@wncrocks.com; Website: www.americanrockhound.com

Mar. 20 - 20 Tampa Bay Mineral & Science Club

Sadye Gibbs Martin Community Center 302 South Maryland Ave. Plant City, FL. 33563 Sat. and Sun. 10 am to 5 pm. tampabayrockclub.com

Mar. 26 - 28 Jacksonville, FL. Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society;

Jacksonville Fairgrounds, Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair & Expo Center; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5 (3-day pas \$8) \$1 off for seniors and military personnel with ID, free admission for children 12 and under; contact Jim Mc Adams, Jacksonville, FL 32258,

Some links to help you keep track of upcoming shows:

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

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

(904) 704-1958; Email:

james.mcadams@ymail.com; Website: [https://](https://jgms.wildapricot.org/)

jgms.wildapricot.org/

Mar. 26 - 28 Hickory, N.C. Catawba Valley Gem & Mineral Club, Inc.;

Hickory Metro Convention Center, 1960 13th Ave. Dr. SE, 5254 Olde School Drive; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5 (good for all three days), free admission for children under 12, military and law enforcement personnel with ID; 27 vendors selling gems, minerals, fossils and jewelry; contact Dean Russell (Show Chairperson), 5254 Olde School Drive, Hickory, NC 28602, (828) 303-14; Email: cvgmcsecretary@aol.com; Website:

www.cvgmc.com

Apr. 7 – 11 Edison, LA. Eons Expos, RLLLP; NJ Expo Center, 97 Sunfield Avenue; Wed. 12-8, Thu.

12-8, Fri. 12-8, Sat. 10-7; Wed-Fri \$15 (unlimited re-entry), Sat-Sun \$20 (unlimited re-entry), family pass (weekdays) \$30, family pass

(Sunday) \$40; Wholesale and retail sale, free parking every day, all COVID-19 restrictions followed for your safety. ; contact Lowell Carhart, 106 Horseguards Ave, Bossier City, LA 71111, (804) 291-6357; Email: lowellcarhart@yahoo.com; Website:

<https://ny-nj-gemshow.com>

Apr. 16 - 18 Lawrenceville, GA. Bellpoint; Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, 2405 Sugarloaf Pkwy; Fri.

10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, free admission for children under 15 when accompanied with a paying adult; Dealers selling minerals, jewelry, gems, crystals, fossils and rocks; contact Damian; Email: mbellpoint@gmail.com; Website:

www.bellpointpromotions.com

Apr. 17 – 18 Sanford, FL. Central Florida Mineral & Gem Society, Inc.;

Sanford Civic Center, 401 E. Seminole Blvd.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; Adults \$5, children \$2, free admission for scouts in uniform; President Salvatore Sansone, 6100 S. Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32809, (321) 278-9294; Email: ssfos-silhunter@aol.com; Website: www.cfmgs.net

These shows could be a fieldtrip too !!!

underscored, just click on it. It is linked in.

Brad Smith - Bench Tips ~

SHARP KNIVES FOR CUTTING MOLDS

Cutting molds is easier and more precise with a sharp blade. A new Xacto blade is sufficient for cutting RTV molds but is usually not sharp enough for vulcanized rubber. For that it's best to use scalpel blades available from most jewelry supply companies.

The #11 blade is triangle shaped, and the #12 is hawksbill shaped. I find the hawksbill is particularly nice for cutting the registration keys of the mold.



USE YOUR THUMB

When using multiple bits in a Foredom, we often have to deal with several different shaft sizes - the usual 3/32 inch burs, the larger 1/8 inch shaft sizes and of course the many different sizes of drills. For some reason I really dislike having to turn the key multiple times to open or close the jaws of the handpiece chuck.

So I have two ways to speed up that task. For opening up the jaws, I just remember "four", the number of turns I have to make to open the chuck just enough from the 3/32 bur shaft size to the larger 1/8 bur shaft size.

For closing the jaws around a smaller shaft, there's a neat trick. Hold the new bit in the center of the open jaws of the chuck, put your thumb lightly onto the outer toothed collar of the chuck, and gently start up the Foredom. As the chuck turns, it will naturally tighten the jaws around the bur shaft or the drill bit. Then all you have to do is a final tightening with the key.



BTW - I am offering a couple online jewelry making workshops in March that may be of interest to some of your members. One is on how to make Castellated Bezels - elegant in a ring, pendant or bracelet. The other is Adding Textures Without a Mill - for those who do not have access to a rolling mill. Please get in touch for more details.

Happy hammering, Brad Smith
BradSmithJewelry@gmail.com

Are you Missing your Jewelry Classes?

Try an online session at home.

Online Class - Castellated Bezels - March 13th 10am - 4pm EST. The castellated setting is a fabulous way to show off a larger cabochon in a fresh, bold, and beautiful way. It works particularly well for larger stones in both rings and pendants. The setting is formed from heavy gauge 14 or 16 thick material with equally spaced cuts cut all around. Join me for this online class to learn the tricks of working with thick bezel material. This setting is worthy of your best cabochon. It makes stones up to a inch or more look great in a ring design and larger ones in pendant or bracelet designs - your choice after completing this bezel.



Class fee \$85 Registration closes March 5th

Contact: BradSmithJewelry@gmail.com

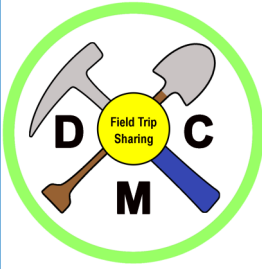
Online Class - Adding Textures Without a Mill - March 27th 10am - 4pm EST.

Jewelry makers use textured surfaces to add depth, complexity and elegance to their designs. We all have our favorites, but this session is bound to turn up a few new ones for you, all without the need of expensive equipment like rolling mills or hydraulic presses.

The online session will feature 20 different techniques for adding texture - including a variety of simple punches, hammers and rotary tools. Some are applicable to raw sheet material while others can be used on partially fabricated pieces.

Class fee \$85 Registration closes March 25th

Contact: BradSmithJewelry@gmail.com



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 (DMC Field Trip Sharing Program (amfed.org), 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."

DMC Field Trips Cancelled for 2021 as of January 17, 2021

Schedule Moving Forward One Year

I hope everyone is healthy and safe as we enter this new year. COVID-19 vaccines are providing some post-COVID optimism. We are nearing a time when we can share field trips with one another again.

Unfortunately, even with vaccines available, it appears that the virus may still be a problem this year. Until we know for certain that we can gather together safely, we must approach the situation with great caution.

So in the interest of safety, I am moving the entire DMC schedule forward by another year.

All trips scheduled for 2021 are moved to 2022, 2022 to 2023, 2023 to 2024, and 2024 to 2025.

The new schedule is posted on the SFMS website here:

http://www.amfed.org/sfms/_dmc/dixie-proposed-ft.htm

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Many thanks to all of the clubs who continue to support the DMC Field Trip Sharing Program as we work our way through this.

Stay healthy, stay safe.

Lori Carter, DMC Coordinator

sfms-dmc@amfed.org

dmc@gaminal.org



Spring Speaker in Residence to be announced for Spring 2021 WILDACRES 2021

If all goes well, the dates for the EFMLS Wildacres Spring Session are May 17-23. The unknown, of course, is the situation regarding the Coronavirus. Because of this, we are not including a registration form, and asking everyone not to send in checks at this time.

Tentative classes include wire wrapping, chain mail, cabochon making, micromount preparation, faceting, beading, and PMC. These may be subject to change as conditions change.

The cost for the entire week will be \$435 which includes room and board, classes, lectures, and other activities. We hope to know by March if Wildacres will be able to open and if the conditions in the eastern states permit traveling. Stay tuned. Steve Weinberger, Wildacres Director





Some of the items you can make in Cindy Moore's Metal Mania Class

The SFMS William Holland Workshops are online. Please go to sfmsworkshops.org for class descriptions and instructor bios. Below is a list of classes.

Paul Roberts - Cab II class
 Bill Boggs - Intarsia
 Chuck Bruce - Silver III - Inlay II
 Cindy Moore - Metal Mania
 Dale Koebnick - Silver II - Cab Alt. w/Bezel Prongs & "Step Bezel" Tab Setting
 Debora Mauser - Low Tech Casting
 Micah Kirby - Electro-Etching with Silver forming
 Janet Pace - Flame Painting on Copper (almost full)
 Gene Sheridan - Wire II
 Jerri Heer - Gem Trees
 Tom Slavicek - Leather

We hope you will join us for this fun and educational week. I know we're all ready to get back to normal.

For more information contact the SFMS WH-
Registrar:

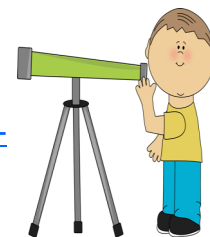
Cindy Reed
 2020SFMS.WH@gmail.com
 Text or Call: 863-255-5256 if calling, please leave a message.

Our mailing address is:
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 Lakeland, FL. 33812-3207

Meteor Shower Alert April 22, 2021, before dawn, the Lyrids

The Lyrid meteor shower – April's shooting stars – lasts from about April 16 to 25. About 10 to 15 meteors per hour can be expected around the shower's peak, in a dark sky. This year, the best time to watch may be the hour or two between moonset and dawn. The Lyrids are known for uncommon surges that can sometimes bring the rate up to 100 per hour. Those rare outbursts are not easy to predict, but they're one of the reasons the tantalizing Lyrids are worth checking out. The radiant for this shower is near the bright star Vega in the constellation Lyra (chart here), which rises in the northeast at about 10 p.m. on April evenings. In 2021, we expect the peak viewing to take place in the dark hour before dawn April 22, after moonset.

<https://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/earthskys-meteor-shower-guide>



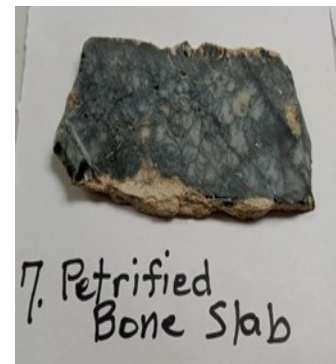
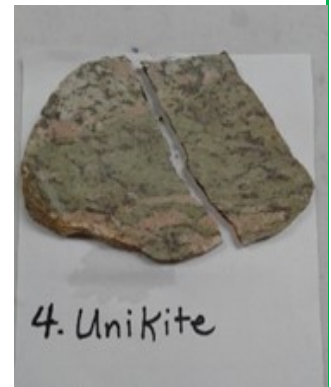
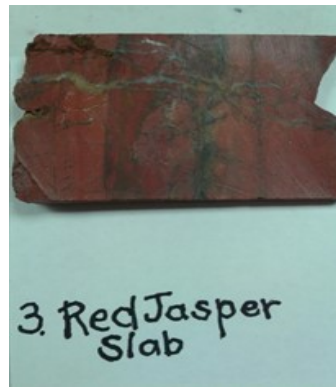
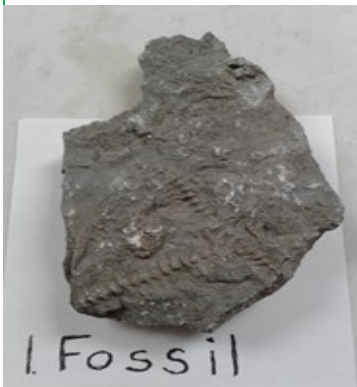
We are trying something new to our ZOOM meetings; giving away doorprizes!

The first time we tried this it didn't work out too well. If you see something on page 8 that you like, jot down the number. In fact jot down about three numbers in the order of your choices. Be sure to contact Sandra or Levan to set up collecting your door prize. We have two leftovers from the first time around so if you didn't receive your doorprize we may still have it! Keep on rocking, S.S,

DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS-

Many events are being changed to a later date or cancelled totally. Please stay tuned ! We are trying folks but we need to hear from you. Please contact Pres. Sandra Sullivan, VP John Wild, or another board member (see page 2 for contacts) to let us know what your thinking. **We need your participation if we have a good working club. S.S.**

DOOR PRIZES to be given away at this ZOOM meeting ~



DON'T FORGET TO LET SANDRA KNOW IF YOU WANT TO BE IN THE DRAWING AT THE END OF THE PROGRAM. PLEASE DECIDE AHEAD OF TIME WHICH DOORPRIZE YOU WANT ! As the drawing winds down so does your number of selected items you have to choose from. Make a mental choice up to say 3pieces before the meeting. If all goes well this time, we can continue to do this at each ZOOM meeting. Maybe with more items too. Let me know if the pictures are ok or if you can it to enlarge. S.S.

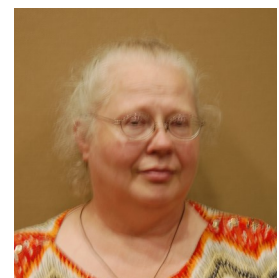


UNCLAIMED DOORPRIZES FROM LAST MONTH

Please contact Sandra if you won either of these prizes. Email or phone - contact info on page 2

Yvonne Foster says ...

For those who are interested in a silver class, please call her with what you would like to learn. She will teach only one at a time at the workshop in Leeds, AL. for \$50. for 2 day consecutive sessions in order to raise more \$\$ for the workshop. Each session will be 6 hours each and she will have her silver set-up there ready to begin teaching. Please contact her a week or two beforehand for a supply list and maybe some "Homework" . Her contact information can be found on page 2 of this newsletter.



Last page funnies ...

What kind of spells do leprechauns use? *Lucky Charms!*
 Why do leprechauns hate running? *They'd rather jig than jog.*
 Why do leprechauns love to garden? *They have green thumbs!*
 What happens if a leprechaun falls into the ocean? *He gets wet, of course.*
 Why shouldn't you borrow money from a leprechaun? *Because they're always a little short.*
 Do leprechauns make good secretaries? *Sure, they're great at shorthand!*
 When does a leprechaun cross the road? *When it turns green!*
 Why did the leprechaun climb over the rainbow? *To get to the other side!*
 What do you call a leprechaun who broke the law? *A lepre-con!*
 How did the leprechaun win the race? *He took a shortcut.*
 What did the leprechaun say when the video game ended? *Game clover!*
 How can you tell if a leprechaun likes your joke? *He's Dublin over with laughter!*



Via the internet Country Living Erin Cavoto www.yahoo.com/lifestyle/st-patricks-day-

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**A.M.L.S. Application for Membership**

\_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_ Year

ADULT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN'S NAMES & AGES \_\_\_\_\_

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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 !**

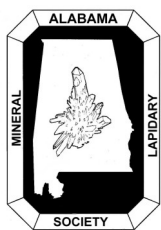
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# MARCH 2021



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| 7  | 8  | 9 <b>Workshop</b><br>Times 11 am<br>Until 4 pm<br>Contact Robert<br>Lorino | 10                                             | 11 <b>Workshop</b><br>Times 1pm until<br>Contact Levan<br>Foster | 12 <b>ZOOM Regular Meeting</b><br>7pm | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16                                                                         | 17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b><br>Wear your green | 18                                                               | 19                                    | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23                                                                         | 24                                             | 25                                                               | 26                                    | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 <b>ZOOM Board Meeting</b><br>7 pm                                       | 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.*

