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President's Message

In a few weeks, 2018 will be over and we will be celebrating a New Year. Before we start 2019, let's review all that AMLS accomplished in the past 12 months.

The biggest accomplishment this year was finding, remodeling and equipping our new workshop. The workshop is a big investment for the future of the AMLS. It will be a great tool to both teach AND learn new lapidary skills. We will have a chain maille class this month and many others are being planned for next year. If you have a skill that you can share or a skill that you would like to acquire, please let me know and we will try to add this to the schedule.

The workshop will also help our club grow as it will be a great way to attract and keep new members.

Due to the dedication of our members, Tannehill was once again a great success in 2018. We added activities - mostly in the children's area and it resulted in a nice increase in revenue. One area we need to improve is in our publicity for Tannehill. Traditional types of advertising are not as effective as they once were and it appears that social media will be the better course in the future.

AMLS also had several opportunities to interact with the public with our usual exhibit for Earth Day at the Birmingham Zoo, the Whistlestop Festival in Leeds and the Oak Mountain State Park Harvest Festival. Each of these allowed us to show the public what AMLS is about. We added new members at each of these events.

We also had several field trips to Hogg mine, Brookwood and Summerville and I know that there are several new places coming up in 2019!

As I outlined above, 2018 was a great year for the AMLS and the prospects for 2019 are exciting. I want to thank each club member for their efforts to make our club successful this year and in the future.

Let us take this opportunity to celebrate the Christmas season and make our plans for a Happy New Year. AMLS has been blessed with a fantastic group of people that contribute their time, muscle and money to create a very special collection of rockhounds!

Merry Christmas! See you Friday!!!

John Wild, A.M.L.S. President



JOHN WILD
President A.M.L.S.

Upcoming in December -

Dec. 9 Sunday Don Hill will have the workshop open from about 9 am to 4 pm. He says "Come on down!"

Dec. 14 - Christmas Party & Kontzen Scholarship and the Educational Scholarship winners announced.

Dec. 16 - Sunday Judy Wild will teaching Chain maile 1 pm to 4 pm.

Dec. 18 - Reggie will again be at the workshop 10 am to 8pm. Call Reggie before going.

***** Board Meeting - To be announced**

Jan. 11 - Regular meeting

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AMLS WORKSHOP ADDRESS:
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(Across from The Pant Store)

Please welcome this new member: Jinger Glasgow of Pleasant Grove



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 Mineral and Lapidary Societies (EFMLS). We have to pay for our insurance too.

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Meeting Minutes November 9, 2018 ~

Levan Foster blessed our Thanksgiving meal and we dug in. Thanks to Tony McCullough for the turkey and everyone else who brought food. John welcomed visitor David Gray and new member Jinger Glasgow. The October minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Our program was presentations by last year's winners of the Kontzen and Education Scholarships. Bud Newell gave us a rundown of how the week goes at William Holland regardless of the class you choose and encouraged everyone to take a class there. He showed us the pieces he made in his silver class and is planning on teaching a soldering class for the club in the near future. Yvonne Foster went to William Holland during the Federation week. This is a week specifically for rock club members with special teachers and she showed us a program of the week's activities. She took faceting and told us about the different machines and showed us pictures of the work she and her class did and other classes such as enameling, cabochons, wire wrapping and intarsia. The school has a website with all the information on classes for next year.

Reggie Bolton gave the treasurer's report. The outreach event at the Whistlestop in Leeds and Oak Mountain State Park brought in over \$1400. We had to buy more rocks for painting (a free activity) during Oak Mtn. and sold out of geodes and sifting cups. So, we need to restock our supplies. Rent and utilities for the workshop are about \$550. a month but will go up some with the cold weather. The Tannehill show proceeds were between \$2,500 and \$3,000. but we still haven't been billed by the Tannehill park as of yet.

The outreach events have been successful and we hope they will bring in new members especially younger ones. It would be nice to build up our junior program. More volunteers are needed for these events and it's time to buy more supplies. Once purchased, we will need to have some gatherings at the workshop to put together grab bags and sifting cups. Also, member donations of small to mediums rocks for the cups and bags are needed. When you go on a field trip or come across a great deal at a show or estate sale keep that in mind. Crystals, tumbled

stones, shark teeth, any shiny or sparkly rocks that a child would like are good. A motion was put forward to spend \$1500. (which we have already taken in) on buying outreach supplies, the motion passed.

Sunday November 11th John Wild will be doing certification classes for the cabbing machines, doping, and trim saws from 9am to noon or 1pm to 4pm. Reggie will have the workshop open Tuesdays from noon to 8:30pm through December 18th. Call first to let him know you are coming. Don Hill will have it open Nov. 23 and Dec. 9th from 9 am.

We will have a Brookwood field trip in February date TBA. The Dixie Mineral Council has field trips almost every month throughout the southeast. As members of our club you are eligible to participate in these.

BIG DEAL!! We awarded a lifetime membership to Sandra and Mike Sullivan! Their service to our club over the years has been invaluable. THANKS Sandra and Mike!

2019 officers were sworn in and the door prizes awarded.

Respectfully submitted,

Bunny Bolton, Recording Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes of Nov. 26, 2018

In attendance John Wild, Levan and Yvonne Foster, Don Rosenstiel, Lou Ann and Bud Newell, Rhea Proffitt, Bunny and Reggie Bolton.

Scholarships- committee members have the applications and need to finalize their decisions.

We talked about how other clubs increase attendance at their shows. John brought printouts of information that could be helpful. One thing most clubs do is have people sign up for door prizes using their name, address and e-mail then send notices to them for the next show. We need to arrange for any free publicity we can get including TV spots like the ABC 33-40 morning program and articles about the club in neighborhood papers like the Hoover Sun and Vestavia Voice. We also need to get vendors to send us info about themselves to promote on our website and facebook page. Big signs directing guests to the games and demos and vendors at the far end are needed for our next show. More food vendors would help too. Trade Days has multiple food vendors so it seems strange they don't want us to. It's a good idea to participate in Trade Days a few times before our show as advertising. Many items are needed for grab bags and sifting cups- quartz and amethyst points, rose quartz pieces, tumbled stones, shark teeth, citrine chips, fossils, shells and magnets are all winners, anything sparkly.

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

Dec. 8 & 9 - Franklin, TN. 38th Annual Gem, Jewelry, Mineral, Fossil Show & Sale Mid-Tennessee Gem & Mineral Society; Earth Treasures Show. Sat. 9 – 6, Sun. 10 – 5. Williamson County Ag Expo Park 4215 Long Lane Franklin, TN., 37064 Exit I-64 at exit 61 (20 miles south of Nashville) and turn east onto Peytonsville Road. Drive ¼ mile and turn left onto Long Ln. and then right into AgExpo Park's parking lot. Adults \$5 (2-day pass \$7), Students 18 and under \$1.00, Children under 12 with adult free. Contact John Martin, 1212 Firefly Road, Hermitage, TN 37076, (615) 210-5385; Email: mbdjewelry@aol.com; or Show Questions: <http://mtgms.org/images/at.gifmtgms.org>

Dec. 7 - 9 North Atlanta Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show. Gwinnett County Fairgrounds at 2405 Sugarloaf Pkwy, Lawrenceville, GA. (Entrance is on Davis Road) Hours are Fri. and Sat. 10-6, Sun.10-5. Hosted by Mammoth Rock. Info from www.facebook.com/GeorgiaMineralSociety

Dec. 7- 9 -Lawrenceville, GA. 22nd Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show; Mammoth Rock Shows; Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway, entrance on Davis Road; Fri. 10 -6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; adults \$5 (good for 3 days), children under 16 free; Contact Richard Hightower, 78 Emerald Hill, Franklin, NC 28734, (828) 369-7226; Email:staff@mammothrock.com; Website: www.mammothrock.com

Dec. 8 - 9 - Leesville, LA. Annual show; DeRidder Gem and Mineral Society; Leesville Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, 276 HM Stevens Blvd; Sat. 9 - 5, Sun. 10 - 4; Adults/Seniors-\$2; Children under 12-Free; contact Bridget, (318) 730-7725; Email: bmjoubert@aol.com; Website: <https://rockngemswla.com> www.mammothrock.com

Jan. 11-13, 2019, Largo, FL. Pinellas Geological Society 43rd Annual Gem, Jewelry and Mineral Show and Sale. Fri. and Sat. 10 – 5, Sun. 12 – 5. Central Park Performing Arts Center, Parkside Room 105 Central Park Drive Largo, FL. Turn south off East Bay Drive just one block east of Seminole Blvd. Free admission. Donation \$2.00 for hourly drawing. Silent Auction every hour. Unique jewelry has fascinated mankind since cave days.

that still holds true as men and women create wonderful gem and mineral ornaments from nature's abundant rocks and minerals. Members of the Gem and Mineral Clubs in our area gather together monthly to share their hobby. The members of the Pinellas Geological Society and other local Gem and Mineral Clubs will be showing their cut gems, silver and gold jewelry, wire wrap, beading, cabachons, and collections of rocks and minerals for your viewing pleasure and purchase. This show is for everyone of all ages (free rock bags for children) who are fascinated by and enjoy seeing and learning more about nature's beauty in gems, rocks and minerals. Contact person: Leona Feldhausen , Co-Chairperson; (727) 709-3236.

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Upcoming classes include Chain Mail Christmas tree with Judi Wild on December 16th and Bud is planning a soldering class for Saturday March 16th. Students will bring their own cab-nickel to quarter size with no points. The class will be \$10. plus \$20. for the silver and supplies needed. Don Hill will have the workshop open on Dec. 9th and Reggie will open it on Tuesdays, noon to 8:30pm, through Dec. 18th for you to make those last minute presents.

Respectfully submitted,
Bunny Bolton, Recording Secretary

***** IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT *****

The board of directors will be taking under consideration the cost of mailing out the newsletters to those who wish to have a hard copy. The price of printing, mailing, and perp items to mail the newsletter have increased considerably since the rock club first began. The price may have to be passed on to the members in some way to cover this expense.

Let's don't forget the little kids too!

For more information concerning kids and rocks, check out this website too!



www.kidsloverocks.com

Brad Smith - Bench Tips ~

ROLL PRINTED TEXTURES

If you have access to a rolling mill, roll printing is a great way to add interesting textures to copper, brass or silver sheet. A texture is formed on the sheet metal by pressing a pattern material into it. But a lot of pressure is required, and that is why the rolling mill is used.

The process is quite straightforward:

- 1. Make up your sandwich of annealed sheet and pattern
- 2. Put it in the mill and close the rollers down on it
- 3. Extract the sandwich by rolling it backwards out of the mill
- 4. Close the rollers an additional amount to impress the pattern
- 5. Roll the sandwich through the mill without stopping

The only problem is Step #4 and that's where you have to do some experimenting. The amount of compression for a good imprint will be different for each new pattern material you try. I use scrap copper sheet to experiment with a pattern before committing to silver. Try rolling just a small amount of the sandwich, and then reverse to roll it back out to inspect how well the pattern is being impressed into the metal. Adjust the compression, carefully reassemble the sandwich and roll through.

Initially look for pattern materials that have actual holes in it, like window screening or lace. Then try some coarse rice paper from an art store, the stuff with big fibers in it. Cupcake wrappers (see Amazon) will give bold texture patterns, and don't forget to try some of the plastic mesh used to pack fruit in grocery stores.

A different type of surface pattern with polished, raised areas on a matt background can be produced with manila file folder sheet. Cut holes in it or use paper punches, and polish your metal sheet before pattern rolling onto it.

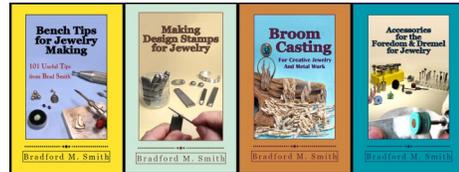
Additional textures are obtained by using textured brass sheets from Metalliferous.com or CoolTools.com, and for really neat texture designs see the plates by OregonTrailSilver.com/collections/texture-plates

One caution, never let any steel pattern touch your rollers. It could damage them. Steel can be used as pattern material but always shield it from touching the rollers with a sheet of scrap copper or nickel. Happy Hammering!

DENTAL FLOSS

When testing the fit of a stone in the bezel, it's all too easy to get it stuck. If tapping the finding

or opening up the bezel a bit with a knife blade doesn't dislodge it, you might have to drill a small hole in the bottom and push it out with a needle. To avoid all this frustration, remember the old dental floss trick. Lay a piece of over the top of the bezel before you seat the stone. Then just pull on the string to remove the stone.



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

See all Brad's jewelry books at
Amazon.com/author/BradfordSmith

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

Kenneth Kornegay Estate Sale

2105 Vestavia Drive, Vestavia Hills 35216, Note: Park in front of house by rock wall, or in grassy area across the street from next-door neighbor.

Carolyn: 205-422-6975, John Gaston: 205-907-5648



EQUIPMENT, ROCKS AND MINERALS:

Brookwood Petrified Wood, Brookwood Pet. Wood, polished, Brookwood Agates, Texas Red Agate Texas Petrified Wood, Arizona Petrified Wood Wyoming Jade (Nephrite), Wyoming Jade, polished Jade (Jadeite, Nephrite), small slabs, Obsidian Obsidian Needles, Corundum, Enstatite, Fire Agate Yellow Beryl, Chalcedony "Desert Roses", Sunstone, Many other minerals and rocks.



Meteor Shower Schedule ~ [Via http://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/earthskys-meteor-shower-guide](http://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/earthskys-meteor-shower-guide)
EarthSky's 2018 meteor shower guide

By Bruce McClure and Deborah Byrd in Astronomy
Essentials | Space

December 13-14, 2018 Geminids
December 22, 2018 Ursids

Radiating from near the bright stars Castor and Pollux in the constellation Gemini the Twins, the Geminid meteor shower is one of the finest meteor showers visible in either the Northern or the Southern Hemisphere. In 2018, the rather wide waxing crescent moon staying out until mid-evening shouldn't pose too much of a problem. The moon will set before the peak viewing hours of the Geminid shower, from late evening until dawn. The meteors are plentiful, rivaling the August Perseids. They are often bold, white and bright. On a dark night, you can often catch 50 or more meteors per hour. The greatest number of meteors fall in the wee hours after midnight, centered around 2 a.m. local time (the time on your clock no matter where you are on Earth), when the radiant point is highest in the sky. In 2018, watch the usually reliable and prolific Geminid meteor shower from mid-evening December 13 until dawn December 14.



Cynthia Haithcock in Troy, North Carolina, caught this Geminid in 2015. Looks like a bright one!

December 22, 2018, before dawn, the Ursids

Die-hard meteor watchers in the Northern Hemisphere watch for Ursid meteors about a week after the Geminids. This low-key meteor shower is active each year from about December 17 to 26. The Ursids usually peak around the December solstice, perhaps offering 5 to 10 meteors per hour during the predawn hours in a dark sky. This year, in 2018, the peak of the Ursid shower falls on the same date as the full moon, on December 22 – so the full moon is sure to put a damper on this year's display.

Ursid shower peaks in moonlight

A word about moonlight. In 2018, moonlight poses no problem for the August Perseids, October Draconids and November North Taurids. The moon won't seriously interfere with the November South Taurids and December Geminids. Some moon-free time accompanies the April Lyrids, October Orionids and November Leonids in the predawn sky. On the other hand, a waning gibbous moon obstructs the May Eta Aquariids, and an almost-full moon falls on the peak night of the January Quadrantids and July Delta Aquariids. Our almanac page provides links for access to the moonrise and moonset times in your sky.

A.M.L.S Christmas Gift Exchange

Our annual Christmas party will have our usual exchange. If you wish to participate, please bring a wrapped gift about \$10. to \$15. in value that would be appropriate for rockhounds. If you're a child, please bring a gift for a child. If you're a lady, please bring a gift for a lady, and a man's gift for a man. Or bring something that anyone would be excited to receive as a gift. If you have any questions, just call Sandra and she'll explain. 903-7062 Okay.

How about for the food items this year, we bring finger foods. The club will provide the ham and dressing. The last few months we have been skimpy on the drinks. So if you can cook a dish, a drink would be a much needed item. Anyone ready for their eggnog or apple cider?





An Official Field Trip of the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society (Jacksonville, FL) (HOST)
An Official Field Trip of the A.M.L.S.

Saturday, December 15, 2018
9:00 AM Eastern Standard Time
Fernandina Beach
Fernandina Beach, Florida

TRIP: Amelia Island sharks' teeth are sourced from the dredging of nearby channels to the north and west (and reportedly date back to a 20-million-year-old geological deposit). The island receives sand from this dredging which is pumped back onto the beach in re-nourishment efforts that take place every several years. The last beach re-nourishment was completed in March 2018.

COLLECTING: Shark teeth and other treasures from the sea. When we start, there will be an incoming tide (low 7:53 am – high 2:15 pm).

BRING: The only tools you actually need are your eyes and patience and something in which you can store your finds. For serious hunters a trowel or small shovel and a screen can be helpful.

REQUIREMENTS: This is a public beach so no special requirements. Dress for a December day at the beach (checking the weather forecast in advance is advisable).

CHILDREN (Yes): Children of all ages are welcome.

PETS (Yes): Dogs are allowed on the beach but must be leashed. Also, please clean up after your dog.

FACILITIES: We will be starting at Main Beach Park which has restrooms and some picnic tables.

OTHER INFORMATION: We will be in the historic town of Fernandina Beach which offers a wide range of lodging and dining.

DIRECTIONS AND WHERE TO MEET:

From I-95 take exit 373 for FL-200/FL-A1A toward Callahan/Fernandina Beach.

Turn right onto State Hwy 108/Sadler Rd.

At the traffic circle, take the 3rd exit onto Florida A1A N/S Fletcher Ave.

Continue on S. Fletcher Ave. past the Seaside Amelia Inn and through the intersection with Atlantic Ave.

We will meet in the very back of the parking lot (north end).

CONTACT: For further information, please contact Stephen Waddill at JGMSfieldtrips@jaxgemandmineral.org. On the day of the trip call (904)-400-4066.

Google Maps URL for the location: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/32+N+Fletcher+Ave,+Fernandina+Beach,+FL+32034/@30.668978,-81.4319768,18z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x88e4fed260e69cb7:0xab696451eee89514!8m2!3d30.668978!4d-81.4308825>

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



DMC Fieldtrip Info ~ An Official Field Trip of the Forsyth Gem and Mineral Club (Winston Salem, NC) (HOST)

Saturday, January 19, 2019

10:00 a.m. Eastern Time

Douglas Lake

Jefferson County, Tennessee

TRIP: Douglas Lake is a 30,000 acre impoundment located near Dandridge, Tennessee with over 500 miles of shoreline. It is managed by the Tennessee Valley Authority. Each winter, the TVA lowers the water level significantly, exposing miles of dry lake bed. We will be searching the dry lake bed for "Douglas Lake Diamonds".

COLLECTING: "Douglas Lake Diamonds" is a phrase coined by local rockhounds for the quartz crystals found at the site due to their resemblance to Herkimer "diamonds" from New York. Crystals found here are often double terminated or twinned and are very clear. Sizes range from smaller than a pea to thumb size. Small crystal lined geodes are found here as well as chert, fossils, and agate. Note: It is illegal to remove, disturb, dig or damage historical or cultural artifacts on federal property, including items exposed on land normally covered by water. The public is asked to leave such materials in place and report anyone digging for artifacts to TVA police at 1-855-476-2489.

BRING: The TVA will not allow any digging or excavation of the lake bed, therefore we will be surface collecting only. Bring suitable containers for your specimens. Wear waterproof boots, warm clothes and a change of clothing. The wind can be quite cold coming off the lake with nothing to block it. Be prepared to do a lot of walking.

REQUIREMENTS: No special requirements, although we will be subject to the TVA rules and regulations for public lands. As noted earlier, no digging in the lake bed is allowed, no disturbing artifacts, and no littering. More information can be found at www.tva.gov.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS: We will be parking at the public boat ramp near the dam. The parking is paved and adjacent to the collecting site. The collecting area is slightly to moderately inclined. There will be no fee or registration required.

CHILDREN (Yes): Children are allowed but must be closely supervised by a responsible adult or legal guardian. The site is probably not appropriate for small children unless closely watched.

PETS (Yes): Pets are allowed but must be closely supervised.

FACILITIES: There are restrooms at the site. There are convenience stores nearby and along the route and some restaurants in Dandridge.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: More information about Douglas Lake can be found at www.douglaslake.info, including water levels, public ramps and lodging.

DIRECTIONS AND WHERE TO MEET: Douglas Lake is located south of Interstate 40 between Asheville, N.C. and Knoxville, Tennessee. It is approximately 100 miles west off Asheville and 30 miles east of Knoxville. From Interstate 40, take exit 412 Deep Springs Road. If traveling west on I-40 turn left (south) at the end of the ramp. If traveling east turn right at the end of the ramp. Continue south on Deep Springs Road to the intersection of Highway 139. Turn right onto Highway 139. Continue for about 3 tenths of a mile and turn left onto Highway 338. After 2.4 miles turn left onto Boat Launch Road at the convenience store. After 150 feet turn left again to stay on Boat Launch Road. Continue for about a mile to the public boat ramp. We will be meeting at the public boat ramp near the dam. Trip leaders will be there to answer any questions and share additional locations.

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Last page funnies ... **Top Ten Signs You Might Be A Lapidarian**

1. You have ever had to respond “yes” to the question, “What have you got in here, rocks?”
2. You have ever taken a 22-passenger van over “roads” that were really intended only for cattle.
3. You have ever found yourself trying to explain to airport security that a rock hammer isn’t really a weapon.
4. Your rock garden is located inside your house.
5. You have ever hung a picture using a Brunton as a level, and your rock hammer as your hammer.
6. Your collection of beer cans and/or bottles rivals the size of your rock collection.
7. You consider a “recent event” to be anything that has happened in the last hundred thousand years.
8. Your photos include people only for scale and you have more pictures of your rock hammer and lens cap than of your family.
9. You have ever been on a field trip that included scheduled stops at a gravel pit and/or a mullock heap.

And the #1 sign you might be a lapidarian:

10. You have ever uttered the phrase “have you tried licking it” with no innuendos intended.
- OFF the INTERNET : <http://hubpages.com/art/Lapidary-Jokes-For-The-Discerning-Rockhound>*

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

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

CHILDREN Age group ( 0 to 4) \_\_\_\_\_ ( 5 to 10) \_\_\_\_\_ (11 to 15) \_\_\_\_\_ (16 -18) \_\_\_\_\_

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. A \$5.00 discount if paid by the December meeting.**

**Please** make checks payable to the **ALABAMA MINERAL & LAPIDARY SOCIETY** and mail to  
8036 Parkway Dr. Leeds, Al. 35094      **OR bring to a meeting!**

**Info: Usual Date** Second Friday of each month except for the month of June. The Tannehill 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Website: <http://www.lapidaryclub.com>



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Birmingham, AL. 35235

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

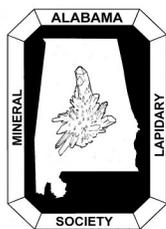


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**Meeting: Friday DECEMBER 14, 2018**  
**Place: Cahaba Heights United Methodist Church**  
**3139 Cahaba Heights Rd.**  
**Cahaba Heights, AL. 35243**  
**Time: 6:30 pm gathering and fellowship**  
**And food. 7 pm Program**

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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 2017 are \$25.00 family, \$20.00 single, and Juniors / Students \$15.00. If you pay by the December meeting there will be a \$5.00 discount. 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 **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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#### 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.*

