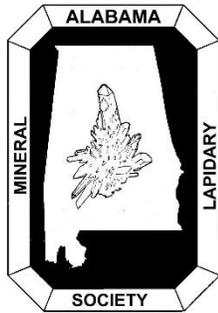


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



John Wild, President

As I write this, many of us are still recovering from an exhausting weekend at Tannehill. We had a great number of club members that helped throughout the show. From loading at the workshop in Leeds, setting up the club tent, helping vendors, preparing, serving and cleaning up after the vendor dinner, YOU were there to help.

During the show, members stepped up and worked the club tent, did demonstrations, sold geodes and sift cups, delivered water to the vendors and performed many other tasks too numerous to mention. Even as the show ended, you were there helping to pack everything away and take it all back to the workshop to be ready for the next show.

Volunteers are what makes our club special.

Thanks to all of you that helped make our show a great success!!

John

**NEXT MEETING JULY 12, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M. CAHABA HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**3139 CAHABA HEIGHTS RD., BIRMINGHAM, AL 35243**

**Remember to bring a dish for potluck and door price!!**

**HELP WANTED!!!!!!**

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We need a new webmaster!! Steve Adams is ready to retire!! Do you have the skills it takes to make a great webmaster? If interested, please let us know!! Steve has retired!! We greatly appreciate the job that he has done throughout the years and continues to do! Contact one of the officers!! This is a VOLUNTEER POSITION!

We are also looking to fill other positions! If you are interested in any of our chair positions and can be a great asset to the club WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!! Contact an officer!

Want more information on the club and activities? These are great websites to check out! AFMS and SFMS!

The SFMS Newsletter, the Lodestar, and the AFMS Newsletter are now available online for all members to read!

<http://www.amfed.org/sfms> and [www.amfed.org](http://www.amfed.org)

AMLS website is: [www.lapidaryclub.com](http://www.lapidaryclub.com)

Facebook page is : Alabama Mineral and Lapidary Society

Facebook page: #AMLS ROCKS ( for our painted rocks page)

PUP Scout page is: AMLS Pupscouts

\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE DO NOT POST ANY INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS SUCH AS LOCATIONS!! There are rules we must follow!! Thank you! Do not publish to YOUR personal page!!

### WORKSHOP DATES

8036 Parkway Dr, (Hwy 78) Leeds, AL Across from the Pants Store!

The workshop will be open on the following dates!

June 15- Cabbing party! Free!! Members only can use the machines! 9-4p.m.

Come have fun with us! Machines will be available to use. Don will also be doing a demonstration on enameling! Come watch and we will hopefully have a class soon on it! Please be considerate of others and not HOG the machines! Let everyone get a turn! Bring a snack to share and your lunch if you like!

JULY Dates (so far) Members only can use the machines!

July 18 (open workshop) \$5 hour

July 25 ( Open workshop) \$5 hour

July 25 Bunny will teach a class! More to come!

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Silver Class will be June 22 & 23. If you are on the list please confirm. We have a waiting list so if YOU can not make it please let us know!

IF you would like to teach a class or take a class let us know!! We would love to line up some classes for things that people are interested in!

### Officer Meeting minutes from May 15, 2019

Tim Leatherman has set up a time for Talk of Alabama May 28th. Don Hill and Bud Newell will do it.

We'll have a work day on Saturday May 25th to fill sifting cups and items organize for pick up on Friday to take to Tannehill. Lou Ann will send out an e-mail to members asking for help at a specific time and contribution for Vendor Dinner. John and Bonnie Gaston will be bringing barbeque, chicken etc and members will be asked to bring sides and dessert. Don and a helper will pick up tables and signs from Gilbert's on Thursday and take them to Tannehill and pick up post cards etc from Tuscaloosa. Bud, Lou Ann and Terri will pick up items at workshop on Friday to take to Tannehill and set up club tent and kid's area at the Hoot n Holler. Rhea will bring tea, lemonade and cookies.

Respectfully submitted by Bunny Bolton recording secretary

### Field Trips!

There are NO field trips scheduled for the rest of June! We have a lot that is going on in June so be on the lookout for something in JULY that will hopefully have some water!! Stay tuned!!

If you know of a place that you would think the club would like please see Lou Ann or Bud at the meeting or send us an email at [newell.louann@gmail.com](mailto:newell.louann@gmail.com)!! YOU can lead a field trip!!

NEXT MEETING JULY 12, 2019

### WHAT IS THE NEXT MEETING ABOUT?

FIELDTRIPS! What to know and do on a field trip!! Do you know that there are things that you should do when on a field trip?? Do you know what the basics are to bring on a field trip? Do you know what prospecting and mining mean? Come to the next meeting!! It will be fun!!

We will have items available for you to look at that WE carry!!

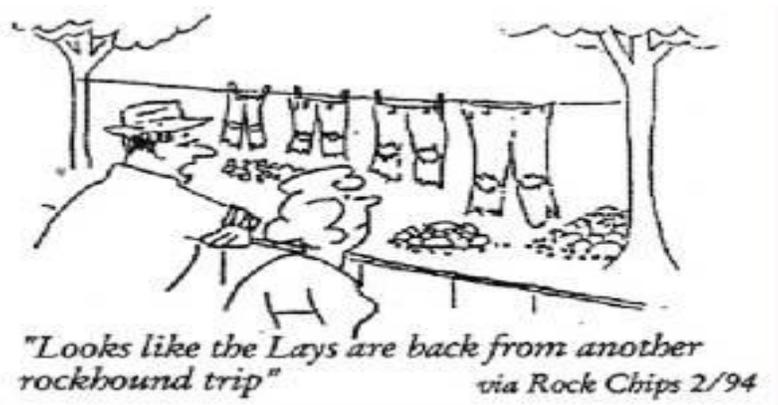
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!



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### Tshirts!!

WE Still have a few left!! Mainly Large and Ex Large! I have four mediums! NO XXL or above and no smalls. They are available for \$10 each. All proceeds go to the club!! They are great to wear at our functions like Oak Mountain and even to digs! See Lou Ann to get yours! YOU KNOW YOU WANT ONE!!



Does this remind you of someone you know???

### Brad's Tips!

#### EMERY BOARDS

The sanding boards for doing your nails are one of my favorite finishing tools. I use the ones with a thin foam core. They have enough resistance to sand just the high points off a flat surface and yet give a little when you're trying to smooth off a curved surface.

Plus they're inexpensive and come in a variety of grits. Some grits are so fine they give an almost finished surface. Pick up a few at a beauty supply company or at your local drug store.

-- Work Smarter & Be More Productive With Brad's "How To" Jewelry Books  
[Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith](https://www.amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith)

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