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President's Message

Welcome to the dog days of summer in Alabama. If you go out rock hounding make sure you drink lots of water.

We lost a long-time member this month, Walter Anderton. My prayers go out to his family.

This is the month we prepare for your big annual show. Please try extra hard to make the meeting Friday August 12. Please volunteer to help out at the show. Any and all help is needed. I am not going to list where we need volunteers just know that from loading at workshop on Thursday morning to unloading at workshop on Sunday evening, we will be grateful for any and all the help.

I have been contacted by Allison Cole, a rock hound in the Mt. Hood Rock Club. She is collecting rock hound stories to publish. The form to fill out is at <u>https://forms.gle/igCbsaHe7v7VR3HK9</u>. Take a look if you are interested, send her a story.

I know this months' message is short but the main thing is the show preparation. Please volunteer either at the meeting or online.

See you at the meeting this Friday night. Sincerely,

Levan Foster, A.M.L.S. President



Program for July 8th Mr. Chase Egli gave a great program on Alabama fossils.

Chase has had quiet a bit of notoriety about a fossil find in Alabama into Mississippi. This particular plant fossil has never been documented before. He discovered it because he pulled over by the road and went looking for fossils!

Imagine that! WOW!

He has brought to the attention of many the importance of the continuation of mineralogy from one into another state, such as Alabama and Mississippi.

Website: https://www.lapidaryclub.com



Levan Foster President A.M.L.S.

- Upcoming in August Meeting on the second Friday night, the 12th. Board meetings are scheduled for now the 4th Wednesday night 6 pm on ZOOM. This month it will be on Wednesday the 24th. Members welcomed! Just email Sandra or Levan.
- Fieldtrip DMC Located on page 6.
- Workshop open usually with Robert Lorino for Tuesdays and Levan Foster for Thursdays. So if you want to go use the workshop other than Thursdays, call, text, or email Levan Foster. He says usually Thursday afternoons are good for him.

We will have our meeting August 12th at the Cahaba Heights United Methodist Church 3139 Cahaba Heights Road Cahaba Heights, AL. 35243 Friday night at 6:30 pm on 2/11/22 PROGRAM: Scholarship recipients return and A.M.L.S. Show prep!

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For more information: AFMS, EFMLS, and SFMS Websites

The SFMS Newsletter, *the Lodestar*, and the AFMS Newsletter are now available for all members to read on line at website: <u>https://southeastfed.org</u>. Email: <u>SFMS.Lodestar@gmail.com</u> And <u>www.amfed.org</u> And the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lap-idary Societies or EFMLS <u>https://efmls.org</u>

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. These are our newest members. Penny Lake, Barbara Cross, John Glass, Michael & Jillian Hagas, Bobby Harper, Susan Hart, Donald Hebert, Plamondon family, Casey Ruiz, Kat Griffith, Louise Hewlett, Chuck Neese, Rebecca & Phillip Kinney

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. Meeting Minutes on 7/8/22~

Treasurer Reggie Bolton reported that there had been no significant changes since his last report. John Wild moved that the minutes from the June meeting be accepted. Levan Foster seconded and the motion passed.

Levan said if you want a t-shirt and haven't ordered one from Jinger Glasgow, you should let Sandra Sullivan know tonight because she is standing in for Jinger Glasgow.

Jim Thomas spoke about the July field trip to Graves Mountain, GA on July 16th. He recommended a donation of \$15. per person plus tips for rides should be expected. Handouts are available on the back table and Sandra Sullivan made suggestions about what to take.

The Kontzen Scholarship plus another ??? will be awarded again this year after 2 Covid years when the

lapidary schools were closed. There will be an application in the August Rockhound Roundup. Participation

in AMLS activities are a big part of consideration for the scholarships.

Our show Chairman, Ben Beadore, announced that all the tables for the Labor Day weekend show have been accounted for. We are sold out! It is very important that club members volunteer for this event. We can not put on a decent show without club members participating! "Many hands make light work."

Respectfully submitted,

Bunny Bolton, Recording Secretary

A.M.L.S. ZOOM Board Meeting 7/20/22 ~

In attendance Levan Foster, Sandra Sullivan, Bunny and Reggie Bolton, Ben Beadore,

Rhonda Jordan, Robert Lorino, and Jinger Glasgow.

Ben suggested that we start asking each member individually when they can work the show and what they can do such as work the club table, help with a vendor dinner, pass out water and snacks to vendors, work the geode cracker, watch a booth for a vendor to take a break, etc. We should start with the most active members. Levan will put together some lists and distribute them to folks willing to make some calls. Ben and Levan plan to be at the Civic Center from Thursday morning on through the close of the show. Good start, who's next? Tables will be delivered Thursday morning and can be put in place and set up depending on available volunteers. Ben will take measurements and do a table layout.

ZOOM Board meeting minutes continued ...

There is a 6' or 8' banner in storage at the workshop or maybe the Douglas shed, it needs to be located and can go up at the Civic Center. Sandra will be inventorying the periodicals so more can be ordered.

Levan thanked Reggie Bolton for contacting the SFMS to get us on their map of Federation member clubs and get our show listed. Rhonda asked about having demonstrations at the show. This could be done in the lobby with the club table and geode cracker. Activities for children could be in this space if we have enough volunteers. Casey Faulkner is also working on lining up volunteers.

Rhonda Jordan has been busy with advertising! She has set up at least a dozen on-line listings for the show and is working on more. Most notably there is a listing in the on-line version of Alabama Tourism. If we want to get in the print version for next year info has to be in by July 31. A commitment to having the show the same time next year would be necessary for that. Levan made a motion that AMLS have a show Labor Day week-end of 2023. Ben seconded and the motion carried. Ben will notify the Bessemer Civic Center about our intentions and Rhonda will take care of Alabama Tourism. Many thanks to Rhonda for getting the word out there and to Jinger Glasgow for her tips and setting up a remote with Jonathon Skinner of Channel 6 for the Friday morning of the show. Ben will escort him around and try to feature as many club member vendors as possible.

The BCC concession stand will be open during our event but we don't know what they will offer. Sandra will purchase bottles of water and snacks like chips, cookies and crackers to pass out to vendors. Ben suggested we have some sort of vendor dinner Thursday night, probably something like BBQ sandwiches, slaw and potato salad catered/purchased. We would be looking at around \$500. so this would have to be voted on by the members. Ben made a motion that we have the members vote at the August meeting on money being spent on a vendor dinner, Levan seconded and the motion passed.

Ben asked about applications for the Kontzen and Education/Teaching scholarships. These will be in PDF form in the Rockhound Roundup and at the meetings. We have not done scholarships for the past 2 years when William Holland was closed because of Covid.

Levan moved that we put to a club vote adding a line in the budget for spending \$850. on purchasing club t-shirts. This will, of course, be offset by the money brought in by the sale of the shirts but still needs to be in the budget. *Continued on page 5.*

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

Aug. 12 - 14 Sarasota, FL. Frank Cox Productions; Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 8-1 N. Tamiami Trail (US. 41), 755 S. Palm Ave. #203; daily 10-5; Adult \$5 (\$4 if you mention this listing); Show & Sale of Gems, Jewelry, Crystals, Minerals and Beads; contact Frank Cox, (941) 323-3130; Email: frankcox@comcast.net; Website: Frankcoxproductions.com

Aug. 13 - 14 Gonzales, LA: Baton Rouge Gem & Mineral Society; Lamar Dixon Expo Center-Trademart Building, 9039 S St. Landry Ave; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, Children 5-12 \$3; Military Personnel Free with ID, \$1 off Scouts in Uniform; Gemstones, Minerals, Fossils, Two Day Auction, Fine Jewelry, Hourly Door Prizes, and More! Contact Wanda Gawarecki, (225) 603-3870; Email: mercymom3@gmail.com;

Website: www.brgemandmineral.org

Aug. 20 - 21 Bossier City, LA. Arklatex Gem &

Mineral Society; Bossier Civic Center, 620 Benton Rd; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; \$4; Custom and unique Jewelry, Beads, Gems and Minerals, Fossils, Educational exhibits and Demonstrations/Speakers, Door prizes; contact Del Glasner, (318) 517-7372; Email: larockclub@gmail.com; Website: larockclub.com

Aug. 26 - 28 Marietta, GA. Bellpoint Gem Show; Cobb Civic Center, 548 S. Marietta Pkwy; Fri. 10-5:30, Sat. 10-5:30, Sun. 10-4:30; Admission \$5 Cash Only at the Door; Select dealers from near and far selling extraordinary minerals, jewelry, fossils, healing stones, beads, crystals, rocks; contact BJ; Email: mbellpoint@gmail.com; Website: www.bellpointpromotions.com

Aug. 26 - 28 Marietta, GA. Bellpoint Gem Show; Cobb Civic Center, 548 S. Marietta Pkwy; Fri. 10-5:30, Sat. 10-5:30, Sun. 10-4:30; Admission \$5 Cash Only at the Door; Select dealers from near and far selling extraordinary minerals, jewelry, fossils, healing stones, beads, crystals, rocks; contact BJ; Email: mbellpoint@gmail.com; Website: www.bellpointpromotions.com

Sept. 2 - 4 ST. Petersburg, FL. Jerri Heer; St Petersburg Coliseum, 535 Fourth Ave N; Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5; Jewelry, Gems, Minerals, Fossils, Beads Seeking new vendors;

Some links to help you keep track of upcoming shows:

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

Contact Jerri Heer, (419) 344-9999; Email: Hrgemshows@gmail.com; Website: Hrgemshows.com

OUR SHOW !!!

SEPT. 2 - 4 BESSEMER, AL. Gem Show & Sale; Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society; Bessemer Civic Center, 1130 9th Ave. SW; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5, Teens \$3, 12 and under FREE; Browse through over a hundred tables of unique gem, mineral & fossil specimens from a variety of vendors. Seasoned rock hounds to casual collectors, All are welcome; Contact Ben Beadore; Email: amlsgemshow@gmail.com

The AFMS Annual Meeting will be held in Louisiana this year.

The event will be held on: October 13, 14, 15, & 16, 2022 Location: John A. Alario Center 2000 Westwego Blvd Westwego, LA 70094 The annual event is provided by: Gem & Mineral Society of Louisiana, INC. P.O. BOX 52973 New Orleans, LA. 70152

*** Have you looked at your local thrift store for specimens or geology books? I have found both good spots to find such things!

https://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/earthskysmeteor-shower-guide

Early to mid-August meteors, the Perseids



Predicted peak: August 13, 2022 Duration of shower: July 14 to September 1. Radiant: The radiant rises in the middle of the night and is highest at dawn. Please go to the website above for a lot more information concerning this meteor shower!

Brad Smith - Bench Tips ~

Smart Solutions for Your Jewelry Making Problems Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith Happy hammering, - Brad Smith BradSmithJewelry@gmail.com

SMALL PARTS CONTAINERS



I'm always on the lookout for small containers to use for holding all those little parts and tools we deal with in making jewelry, especially since I'm al-

ways traveling to classes and workshops.

My latest find are some plastic vials about 15 mm in diameter and 75 mm long. Best part is they are free. The vials are used in the doctor's office to draw blood samples. They cannot be used after their expiration date and are thrown out. On my last doctors visit, I asked the nurse if they had any expired vials. She replied "How many do you want?" and tried to give me 400 of them. (We settled on 200).

The ones shown above are called "Vacutainers", but there are probably many other names. They're clear plastic with a rubber stopper and a paper label all ready to write on. I find them really handy for small parts like jump rings, prong settings, small drills, nuts & bolts, faceted stones, and precious metal filings.

FINISHING PIERCED PATTERNS

After sawing patterns there's always a little cleanup to do, and the smaller cutouts can be a challenge. Nee-



dle files (7-8 inches) can get into the larger areas, and escapement files (4 inches) can get into some of the corners.

But I often find myself wanting even smaller files. I couldn't find them, even at a watchmaker tools supply company, so I had to try something else. I ended up grinding down the tip of a small 4" barrette file using a separating disk (or cutoff wheel) in your Dremel or Foredom.

Be sure to wear your safety glasses when using this tool. A flake of steel in your eye makes for a bad day.



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/

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Reggie seconded and the motion passed. Reggie said he will be going to the workshop on Friday to pick up bills, membership applications etc. He also suggested we set up an additional Facebook page for members where we can discuss field trips and other things we don't need out in public.

One thing we need to be working on is our DMC field trip in January of 2023. As members of the Dixie Mineral Council all AMLS current (paid up) members can go on their field trips. These are featured in each month's Rockhound Roundup. In return, we must host a field trip about every 3 years. In the past we have gone to the mine in Brookwood which has been very popular but is no longer open. We need to find a spot, report to the DMC and get planning.

The club has a Square reader (for purchases at the show) but it is not linked to our checking account yet. Levan will be working

with John Wild on this. Respectfully submitted, Bunny Bolton, Recording Secretary



An Official Field Trip of the Huntsville Gem and Mineral Society (Huntsville, AL) (HOST)



Saturday, August 13, 2022 Meet at 8:30 AM Eastern Time Collect from 9:00 AM until 5 PM Hogg Mine LaGrange, GA Fee: \$35 per person over 16

NOTE: DMC field trips will continue to be planned and scheduled, but may be cancelled or rescheduled pending COVID-19 status. If there are any changes to a trip, all contacts listed for DMC member clubs will be notified via email as soon as possible. The DMC trip schedule page on the SFMS website (https://www.southeastfed.org/sfms-field-trips/dmc-field-trip-program/dmc-field-trip-schedule) will also be updated with the current status of trips. Lori Carter, DMC Coordinator.

TRIP: Hogg Mine 2408 Whitesville Rd, Lagrange, GA 30240. Rain or Shine!COLLECTING: The Hogg Mine started out as the Oxford Mine in 1942 to mine beryl to produce beryllium. Commercial operations shut down in 1960. The site has been opened off and on since then for specimen mining and is currently managed by Chris Painter. The site is a surface mine pit approximately 650 feet long with an east – west orientation. The parking area is at the east end of the pit. As you enter the pit from the parking area there is a trench approximately 150 feet long and to your right. Here has been found large green Aquamarine beryl and pockets of green Aquamarine beryl. As you enter the main pit area, there is a tailing or spoil pile to your left that came out of the pit in front of you. There has been several large nice gemmy Aquamarine beryl specimens come from this area. The main pit in front of you has a plethora of treasures, Rose Quartz, Smoky Quartz, banded Quartz, Beryl in matrix with the quartz, Tourmaline in matrix with the quartz, etc. The last area of note is at the western end at the back of the pit. There has been a new smaller pit dug in the last year and some very nice Blue Aquamarine Beryl has been found. The new pit was dug because an old drilling report had indicated that Amethyst was found. There are pieces of Amethyst coming from the new pit.

BRING: Bring all the tools you have: pick, shovel, screen, rock hammer, hand sledge, rock chisel, bucket, hand cart, etc. The Hogg does sell some tools in limited quantities. It would be a good idea to bring an extra change of clothes. The pit can be muddy and wet.

REQUIREMENTS: Arrive at the mine before 9:00 AM Eastern (8:00 AM Central) to pay, complete paperwork, and receive a safety briefing. The mine crew will direct you where to park. Follow directions of the onsite crew. Practice social distancing from groups you are not part of. For more information visit https:// www.hoggmine.com/?adlt=strict

REGISTRATION: No registration required.

FEE: \$35 per person 17 years and older. 16 and under dig free.

CHILDREN: Yes, bring the whole family. Please supervise your children. There must be one paying adult for every four children under 17.

PETS: No.

FACILITIES: There are stores and fast-food restaurants within ~ 3miles of the mine site.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: There are several hotels in LaGrange within 4 miles of the mine.

DIRECTIONS AND WHERE TO MEET: Meet at the mine before 9:00 AM Eastern time. The mine is located at 2408 Whitesville Rd, Lagrange, GA 30240.

FROM I-85 S (From Atlanta):

Take Exit 13 and turn left onto 219 (Whitesville Road). You should now be heading south on 219. Stay south on 219 for about 3.5 miles.

P.S. If you are not responsible for field trips in your club, please forward this to the person who is, and let me know so I can change the mailing list.

Please reply by e-mail to: <u>dmc@southeastfed.org</u>

Website: https://www.southeastfed.org/dmc-field-trip-program

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



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Take Exit 13 and turn right onto 219 (Whitesville Road). You should now be heading south on 219. Stay south on 219 for about 3.5 miles. As soon as you pass mile marker 5 (on your left) the entrance will be the first driveway on the right.

FROM I-185 N (From Columbus): Take Exit 30 and turn left onto 219 (Whitesville Road). You should now be heading north on 219. Stay North on 219 for about 9.3 miles The entrance to the mine will be on the left CONTACT: Anthony Zwilling (256) 541-8894; afzwilling@gmail.com



The Hogg Mine is always a fun dig with so much to be collected there!

Jinger Glasgow says ...

I will have our new T-shirts at the next meeting. Please pay with a check or cash only. The shirts are royal blue with our logo on the front. If you ordered one or more; you'll need to pick them up. We have extras too!

https://www.gamineral.org/ft/commercial/ ftgravesmain.html

Great articles about this unique rockhounding site! October 7 - 9, 2022 (Tentatively) 8 to 6, Fri. – Sun. THIS IS FOR THE PUBLIC TO COME IN AND **COLLECT FROM THIS SITE!** Masks must be worn in common areas

including the rock swap area



Keep on rocking, Sandra Sullivan

Program for August ...

Due to the shutdown over the covid outbreak, we have not heard from our last recipient of a scholarship. We need them to talk about what they did in the class and show their examples for all to see.

It is SHOW TIME !!! Our show chairman, Ben Beadore will bring us up to date on what is needed. SEE YOU AUGUST 12, 2022!

REQUEST for the SHOW ITEMS ~

Please save your wrapping paper tubes for those of



us who handle the club booth at the show. Many know we sell maps from the Geological Survey of Alabama and give away many posters. These tubes sure come in handy to make these sells go easier. Thanks, S.S.

Scholarships have been mentioned a few times recently. The way it works is very simple. If you help out with the club doing this or that, others around you will be very aware of all your helpful deeds.

The rock club will have a committee set up to make a decision on who receives a scholarship to the SFMS workshops at William Holland in Young Harris, GA or at Wildacres near Spruce Pines, N.C. The information you put on the application will help too. Just be mindful this is for all year long and the scholarships will be awarded in December at the meeting. S.S.



As an editor for a newsletter for a member of the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies, I have been asked to forward the Lode star on to our membership as I send out the monthly newsletter. Please take a few minutes to read over it, especially the Safety Tips and the new things the federation is trying to do for the clubs. If we can just join in and do our part, the federation will become a better organization for all the clubs.

Please let me know what you think of this dispersal form of getting the SFMS informationout to our membership. I have included the new web address below.

https://southeastfed.org

A.M.L.S. of our show last year!



Picture taken up above on the messezine



Levan Foster and Charley Thomas, Our geode crackers!



Yvonne Foster selling her slabs



Another vendor





Birthday and Christmas gifts?





Sweet lady vendor with her gem trees.

vith Wonderful vendor holding Paint Rock Agate he collected.

Something for everyone!

This year 2022, we may not have these same wonderful folks for dealers, but the fun of collecting all these different rocks in one place is just irresistible! See you at the Bessemer Civic Center Sept. 2 - 4 !

Last page funnies ... GOTTA GET CHECKED OUT! Thought I'd let my doctor check me, I was fluoroscoped and cystoscoped, My aging frame displayed. Stripped, on an ice cold table, 'Cause I didn't feel quite right. . . All those aches and pains annoyed me While my gizzards were x-rayed. And I couldn't sleep at night. I was checked for worms and parasites, He could find no real disorder For fungus and the crud, While they pierced me with long needles Taking samples of my blood. But he wouldn't let it rest. What with Medicare and Blue Cross, Doctors came to check me over, We would do a couple tests. Probed and pushed and poked around, To the hospital he sent me And to make sure I was living Though I didn't feel that bad. They then wired me for sound. He arranged for them to give me They have finally concluded, Every test that could be had. Their results have filled a page. What I have will someday kill me; I was fluoroscoped and cystoscoped, My affliction is OLD AGE ! My aging frame displayed. Stripped, on an ice cold table, This poem was first published in the Summer 1997 While my gizzards were x-rayed. Fossilphile newsletter of North Coast Fossil A.M.L.S. Application for Membership _____New ____ Renewal _____Year ADULT NAME EMAIL ADDRESS SECOND NAME EMAIL ADDRESS CHILDREN'S NAMES & AGES ADDRESS CITY_____STATE____ZIP____ HOME PHONE WORK/CELL PHONE E-MAIL ADDRESS(S) Family \$25. Single \$20. Junior / Student \$15. After June 1, the cost of the membership dues are one-half price for *new* members <u>only</u> 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 and mail to 8036 Parkway Dr. Leeds, Al. 35094 Or bring to a meeting! Info: Usual Meeting Date : Second Friday of each month except for the month of September. The Bessemer Civic Center takes the place of the September 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

<i>AUGUST 2022</i>						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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14	15	16 Wkshp. open 11am	17	18 Wkshp. open 1pm	19	20
21	22	23 Wkshp. open 11 am	24 ZOOM Bd. Mtg.	25 Wkshp. open 1pm	26	27
28	29	30	31			

ALABAMA MINERAL & LAPIDARY SOCIETY Birmingham, Alabama



The Alabama Mineral & Lapidary Society is a non-profit organization for people interested in geology, mineralogy, paleontology, and the lapidary arts. Membership is open to all people interested in the objectives of the society. Dues for the calendar year 2022 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 our annual 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.

