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President's Report

The Knoxville Gem and Mineral Society is going to host the 2017 SFMS Annual Meeting and banquet October 21, 2017. I would like to invite all SFMS members to attend. Jeri will be sending the meeting information to all clubs shortly. I hope to see many of you next week at the August session of the Wildacres workshop. I have heard from a several people how much they enjoyed taking classes at the July session. If you have not been to a SFMS workshop there is still time to sign up for the September session. Danny will be teaching bench building, Morning Sherrod will be teaching Cold Connections II, Gail DeLuca will be teaching Intermediate/Advanced Seed Bead and Stitching, Tom & Kay Benham will be teaching Moving Metal Using Foldforming Techniques, Pattie Appleby will teach Silver I and Mary Weinheimer will teach Soapstone & Wood Carving. You can get more information on the <http://sfmsworkshops.com>. I hope to see everyone in Knoxville.

Committee Reports

Education

Our July session at Wildacres went very well. I saw a few familiar SFMS faces that I have never seen at a workshop before. I assume the July schedule worked well for them. Several folks went to the Franklin gem show or the Spruce Pine gem show either on our half day off or after the workshop ended. Being so close to two shows is another perk for the July session.

The August session starts this coming Monday (21st) and the September session is not that far off (Sept. 18th – 24th). It's still not too late to sign up for either session. The workshop website (www.SFMSWORKSHOPS.com) has a list of all the available classes and an application. Be aware that at least one class in the August session is already full.

The SFMS Workshops needs your support so please signup for a class! Keeping our attendance numbers up is important. It affects both the William Holland and the Wilddacres workshops in many ways.

If you have any questions feel free to contact anyone listed below.

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Please support the workshops!

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Safety Article

Intolerance! Gads, we as a society seem to be getting less tolerant, or maybe it is because I am just getting older. We have too many cases of road rage or shooting the neighbor's dog and the neighbor because the dog did his business in the wrong place. And when your headlights are not properly installed by the dealer and the headlight only lights-up the engine compartment; yes I was annoyed and still am, I take the thing back this week. I had planned to do it last Friday, but an intestinal distress forced the cancellation of my appointment.

With the aforementioned issues, it is extremely important to keep things in perspective and be prepared for the unexpected. It really does not matter that the "pilgrim" passes in a no passing zone to move one car up the line and he has now moved up to number 25 in the long line of

folks moving slowly down the road. This is because a “pilgrim” who should not be on the road has decided to go visit a distant relative. This is particularly an issue in the mountains, since passing lanes can be few and far between. So be patient; my wife continues to remind me that I may get to that stage in life. That is a given, unfortunately.

Now, be prepared for the unexpected. In the mountains, many bicycle riders like to get on the road, so watch for these folks. We were driving in Switzerland in 1985 and going through a tunnel on one of the many narrow mountain roads, we came upon a rider in the tunnel; fortunately for us, we saw him in time to miss him. It should also be noted, most riders in Europe are much better riders than their cousins here in the States. After that we always look for the riders and give them plenty of room.

Summer storms can cause havoc with your plans and your life. If you live in a flood zone, you are keenly aware of the issues. In 1985, we were fortunate to be on an assignment in Germany. We had rented an apartment in Greenville just before we left. During our assignment, the small drainage ditch outside our building flooded and our apartment had about 1 foot of water in it. The apartment complex, then “thoughtfully” turned off the Air Conditioner and when we got back in October, we were welcomed to an apartment that had a substantial amount of mold and a lot of ruined shoes and clothing. Needless to say, we were more than disappointed. We got to the apartment on Saturday morning and of course were up early looking for a place that sold cleaning supplies and chemicals. So at 4:00 AM, we were taking things to the dumpster and scrubbing the walls to kill the mold. We moved out shortly after that. Flooded properties are a serious cleaning and restoration effort.

Remember to plan for the worst, remembering that your family and your life are substantially more important than the space you live in. At least that is my opinion. Have a fire escape plan. Recently a young man lost his life when he went back into a burning building to retrieve his phone.

Be safe and enjoy the rest of the summer.

Obituary

Roger Edwin Campbell, 70, passed away Friday, July 21, 2017.

Born in Vincennes, Ind., he was the son of the late Harold Jasper Campbell and Mary E. Faris Campbell. He was preceded in death by his only brother, Tom Campbell. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Jacolyn Campbell.



He served in the United States Army from 1967-1987. He was a computer programmer/analyst, and his duty stations included MacDill AFB, in Tampa, Fla. ; Quarry Heights, in the Panama Canal Zone; Fort McPherson, in Atlanta, Ga., ; Camp Smith, in Honolulu, Hawaii; and Fort Myers, in Washington, D.C. It was while he was in Honolulu in 1980 that he met his wife, Jacolyn. Shortly thereafter, he was again sent to MacDill AFB in Tampa, where he was part of the Rapid Deployment Joint Task Force as it transitioned into the new Central Command.

In 1987, they moved to Transylvania County to be near the ruby mines of Franklin. They were avid gem hunters and mined for gems all over the country. He was a longtime member and current president of the Henderson County Gem & Mineral Society; member of the Western South Carolina Gem & Mineral Society and

the Catawba Valley Gem & Mineral Club. In 1999, he and his wife began attending classes at William Holland School of Lapidary Arts, where they both became

instructors. He was also a member of the Transylvania County Handcrafters Guild.

In his spare time, he was a happy hermit, enjoying gardening, building rock walls and raising shiitake mushrooms on their wooded property.

Memorial donations may be made to William Holland Retreat, Inc., P.O. Box 980, Young Harris, GA 30582.

Gem and Mineral Shows

November 10-12, 2017; Pascagoula, MS

The 28th annual Magnolia State Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show

Mississippi Gulf Coast Gem & Mineral Society,
Pascagoula, MS Inc.

http://www.mgcgms.org/gem_show.html

Friday November 10, 10:00 - 6:00

Saturday November 11, 10:00 - 6:00

Sunday November 12, 10:00 - 5:00



Jackson County Fairground Civic Center 2902
Shortcut Rd. Pascagoula, MS 39567

We will have 35+ vendors selling gems, minerals, fossils, jewelry, and more. A

gold/silversmith will be available for making repairs and setting stones. We will have several demonstrators showing flint knapping, faceting, cutting and polishing stones, beading, chain making and more. There will be a sluice for screening gemstones and a kid's corner where we will teach making gemstone trees. Meals and snacks will be available for purchase in our concession stand. Several educational exhibits will be on display. Come enjoy the fun and take home some treasures of you own!

Admission is \$3.00 for adults. Children 12 & under are free with adult.
3 day ticket available for \$5.00

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November 17-19, 2017, Columbia, SC

The Columbia, SC Gem & Mineral Society will hold its 2017

50th Annual Gem, Mineral, & Jewelry Show

Fri Nov. 17, 10:00 - 6:00;

Sat. Nov. 18, 10:00 - 6:00;

Sun. Nov.19, 11:00 - 5:00

Jamil Temple

206 Jamil Rd.

Columbia, SC 29210

Jewelry, beads, loose stones, fossils, minerals, gold, silver, & tools for sale

Geodes sold & cut

Club member's rock collections on exhibit & lapidary demonstrations.

Lots of fun for the whole family.

South Carolina amethyst on display.

Sponsored by The Columbia Gem & Mineral Society

\$5.00 for adults, Sixteen & under free.

All military & their dependents free.

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November 17-19, 2017, Marietta, GA

Cobb County Gem & Mineral Society/CCGMS invites you to the 32nd Annual Gem and Mineral Show at the Cobb County Civic Center in Marietta, GA located at 548 South Marietta Parkway SE, Marietta, GA 30060.

Calling all collectors, artists, educators, formal/informal students of lapidary and rock hounds alike. Come immerse yourselves in a showcase of rocks, gemstones, minerals and fossils collected and sold all over the world!

Free admission and **Free** parking provide the option of a weekend of shopping, live lapidary and artisan demonstrations, mineral identification and instruction, the chance to buy and crack open your very own geode and much more. Be sure to listen for the hourly door prizes!

When:

November 17-19, 2017

Friday and Saturday 10AM—6PM, Sunday 10AM—5PM

Where:

Cobb County Civic Center

548 Marietta Parkway

Marietta, GA 30060

We have reached our vendor capacity! If you'd like to be considered for next year's show, please email your information and a photo of your booth to ccgms.tamiwatkins@gmail.com.

To learn more about CCGMS visit:

Web Site: <http://www.cobbcountym mineral.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/cobbcountym mineral/>

November 18-19, 2017, West Palm Beach, Florida

51st annual gem, mineral, jewelry, bead and fossil show
Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches

Saturday (Nov. 18th) 9am-6pm, Sunday (Nov. 19th) 10am-5pm.

South Florida Fairgrounds Expo Center East, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach Florida 33411.

Over 80 dealers, Door prizes, hourly and other prize drawings, Fossil Dig, Gem Mining, Geode Cracking, Face Painting, Spin-the-Wheel-Game, Displays, Demonstrations, Speakers

Admission \$9, children under 12 free. Visit website for \$1 off coupon. 2 day admission \$14.
Free Parking

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