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# President's Report

As this year comes to a close I would like to thank all the federation officers and chairs for their work with me to help move us forward in several areas. And I hope for everyone's help to continue moving forward in 2020 with president Jesse Griffin and our new and continuing board. And don't forget to support the American federation which will be led this year by our past president Dave Wayment.

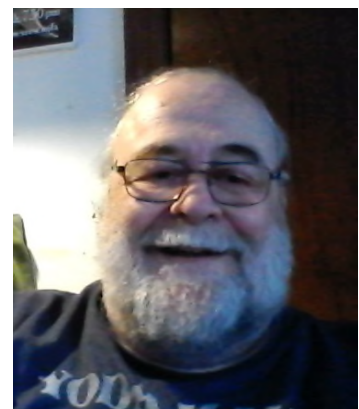
We have one resource in the southeast that is not available anywhere else in the country: William Holland Lapidary School. We can contribute to the benefit of rock hounds all over the country by supporting the school. Several of our members teach there as volunteers and others serve as board members and administrators. But we can all help the school and ourselves by taking classes and telling our fellow members about this wonderful resource. The 2020 class schedule is out and registration starts very soon so don't delay in choosing a class and signing up. As you peruse the schedule you will notice that the second week of June is reserved for SFMS sponsored classes. Our education chair, Lisa Roberts, already has a provisional line up of 14 excellent classes that will be confirmed very soon. You can support both the school and the federation by attending during this special week. And our second business meeting of 2020 will be held at the school after classes end. Your class fees will have Friday night lodging and food included and you will already be there so your travel expenses will be covered.

SFMS week at William Holland is supported by a scholarship program. This started off great three years ago with 8 scholarships awarded. The past two years weren't so successful so I hope 2020 will see better results. Scholarship funds are raised by selling tickets to be drawn to win prizes that have been contributed by members. Your club earns scholarship chances by selling tickets and contributing prizes. Look for details in upcoming issues of Lodestar or contact the workshop scholarship chair or your state director.

Meetings should be fun this year so all yall should attend. The first meeting will be in Florida at the SFMS Rockhound Roundup in March. Second meeting will be at William Holland in north Georgia in June after our class week. The Annual Meeting will be in Knoxville and we will be hosting the AFMS.

Happy holidays and a new year of success to you all,

Reggie Bolton  
Alabama Mineral and Lapidary Society  
2019 SFMS president



# Editor's Note

Hello rockhounds!

Anyone who wishes to subscribe to the Lodestar and/or submit an article/show/report for publication, send us an email at: [sfms.lodestar@gmail.com](mailto:sfms.lodestar@gmail.com) .

Please share this Lodestar newsletter with your local Club. You may simply attach this newsletter to your monthly newsletter distribution, or send out separately. Thank you for your assistance.

Although the SFMS Annual Meetings were just held in October, the SFMS has a January to December year. Some of the changes are implemented at the time of the meeting. However currently held position changes are effective as of January. Please look for the change in the officers in the January newsletter.

For the 2020 SFMS Annual Meeting, the Knoxville Gem & Mineral Society has agreed to host both the SFMS and AFMS Annual Meetings. More details to follow in coming months.

Rock On,  
Lori Heinemann  
SFMS Lodestar Editor

## Committee Reports

### Education

Class list for 2020 June workshop at William Holland school of Lapidary Arts Young Harris Georgia. I am very excited for next year not only will we be enjoying lapidary classes we will all be getting together for the 2nd meeting for the Southeast Federation for 2020. I expect a big turn out for a week of lapidary classes and end the week with an informative SFMS meeting. I hope everyone will take advantage of this opportunity for a week long class in the lapidary arts followed by a SFMS meeting. I look forward to seeing you On June 7 2020 for a week of fun..... Please don't miss out on getting together with rockhounds from all over the Southeast coming together at one place to share our love for the Lapidary Arts..... Education and Interclub Connections and Club Development, Programs, Youth Support are 5 of the 10 point benefits of the SFMS that can be achieved by attending this and other workshops. All you have to do is attend a workshop and meet people from other clubs, enjoy and learn in your class, then return home to your club and share your experience with adults and youth alike. You along could be responsible for many others attending a Southeast Federation Workshop and continuing the lapidary arts for the Southeast Federation. Please attend a workshop [sfmsworkshop.org](http://sfmsworkshop.org)

Pass on what you learn at a SFMS Workshop.....

Cabochons	Buddy Shotts
Seed Beeding on Broken China	Jerri Heer
Fly Trying	Jeff Herr
Loop-n-Loop chain	Chuck Bruce
Electro-etch	Micah Kirby
Flame Painting	Jane Pace
Fire Agate Carving	Cheryl Kasper
Casting	Bill Harr
Spoon Jewelry 1 and 2	Jan and Keith Stephens
Silver 1	Patti Appleby
Intarsia	Bill Boggs
Wire 1	Gene Sheridan
Silver 2	Dale Koebnick
Faceting	Linda Searcy

[sfmsworkshops.org](http://sfmsworkshops.org) for info on 2020 classes, any maybe a few more will be added, I have had some requests

thank you

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## Safety

Greetings all, fall must have passed, it must have been between 2:00 and 3:00 one day early in the month of November. Now we are winding somewhat haphazardly into winter. This has been a strange year weather wise. Anyway, hope all are safe and have enjoyed the arrival of Christmas in the stores, some even before Halloween. Too early, however, everyone needs to make money and the pot everyone is chasing has limited resources and definitely when the credit card maxes out.

Anyway, this time of the year can truly be hazardous to your health. As with last month's warning about hypothermia to the craziness of the drivers as they try in vain to get somewhere quickly. This time of the year, fires tend to occur more often, because of the cold weather. We have been lucky in the upstate, we have missed the ice storms for several years. And I find it amazing, some folks drive faster in bad weather, so they try to get home quicker, unfortunately the ditches are calling some of them. Several years ago, we got passed by a guy, black ice present and he promptly ran into a ditch, wondering what happened I am sure.

I have already had my first sniffly occasion, which for me is about 6 weeks early. Fortunately most of the folks around me have not caught the thing. As with an earlier article this year, your best prevention from the flu and colds is to wash your hands with soap and water and spend about 30 seconds doing it properly. Sleeping in the yard and being wet does not bring on colds and the flu. Contact with the remnants of someone's sickness does. Door knobs and the like are bad. On a cruise about 4 years ago, the note on the restroom door asked you to open the door using a paper towel. The Norovirus is extremely contagious and makes your cruise extremely unpleasant.

Now, outdoor activities can be fun, and if you do these safely, they are even more fun. A twisted ankle that you get on a hike or hunting trip can make for a long unpleasant day and maybe even longer. And be safe hunting. Several years ago, on one of the programs highlighting survival approaches, a man bought a pistol and was using it without understanding its function. As usual, with a person not reading the directions or taking the required training, he shot his own thumb. Fortunately, the TV crew filming the activities had wisely brought along an Emergency First Responder crew. They took him to the hospital, he lost part of his thumb and was chided by the reporter on the program, to obtain the necessary training before proceeding with his survival approach.

Those folks whose last words are something like; "betcha you can't do this!" should be avoided. As should toxic folks around you as again noted in an earlier message this year. And I know all of you have subjects you avoid in your get togethers. Politics, religion, even football can lead to nasty discussions. And as an older guy told me a long time ago. "Yeah, I don't like him, I just can't remember why". Harsh words cannot be recalled, so unless you really feel compelled to nail old what's his name; be kind and enjoy the best parts of the season. Winter festivals, like the open markets in Germany are very enjoyable. You can buy gifts, enjoy the sights and sounds of the season and have a pleasant quality time with your family, spouse or significant other.

So, be safe, enjoy the season and look forward to the coming year. And plan on learning a new skill next year.

Bob Green  
SFMS Safety Committee Chair



# SFMS Rockhound Round-Up

Welcome all SFMS Clubs to the 2020 Rockhound Roundup!

The next SFMS Rockhound Roundup will be held in the same location, the Suwannee River Music Park in Live Oak, Florida. The dates are March 6-8, 2020. We are fortunate that the venue allows us to use their overflow field for free! Based on our observations and recommendations from participants at the 2019 event, we've made some changes.

1. To counter the extreme heat, we've moved the date to March 6-8th. Our date options were limited because of the venue's schedule, and we did our best to avoid conflicts with any SFMS club level events. We are, unfortunately, conflicting with the Suncoast Club Show, for which we apologize. With 72 clubs in the Federation, it was inevitable that we would have some issue.
2. Because we are holding the SFMS Executive Meeting during the event, we will be holding it Saturday Evening so that participants won't have to choose between the Roundup or the Meeting.
3. We will be holding a SFMS Social Friday evening to foster the Interclub connections for which this event was originally organized.

We hope that all clubs will distribute this information to their members to encourage even more people to setup their own tailgates at this event. Please print copies of the information and/or distribute it by email to your entire membership. Last year we had participants from at least five of our states. We want this to be an annual event that grows each year. Please encourage your members to join us if possible. We found that with the minimal fee of \$25 per booth, we were able to cover all costs for the necessary amenities at the venue. Those who came last year expressed very positive comments about the Roundup. Please join us next year!

If you have any questions,

Please don't hesitate to contact me by phone, text or email. You may have to leave a message, but I WILL respond!

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# SFMS Benefits of Belonging

The Benefits of Belonging to the SFMS started at the Cracker Barrel session of the 2018 Annual Meeting. The efforts of the 10 points were further discussed at the 1<sup>st</sup> quarterly meeting of 2019, then a presentation was provided at the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly meeting. A new presentation was provided at the recent 2019 Annual Meeting, where some changes were made to consolidate, and narrow the points down to 9, instead of 10 points. Going forward updates provided will be entitled SFMS Benefits of Belonging.

For more information, please be sure to read the President's Message provided by Reggie Bolton!

Together the SFMS and your clubs can work together to share and exchange information, as the changes unfold. Please see where you can help to expand on, and provide as much information on all of the benefits of belonging points.

For a listing of the original 10 points, which will soon be updated, please see the last page of this newsletter.

Look for updates and on the SFMS Benefits of Belonging points here in future newsletter editions.

## 2020 Bulletin Editor's Contest

With the AFMS contest occurring in October 2020 in conjunction with the SFMS Annual Meeting and Convention in Knoxville, TN, it is time to set a deadline for bulletin editor contest submissions for the 2020 contest. The deadline for submittal to the **2020 SFMS contest is January 3, 2020**. This date has been dictated by the AFMS and their submittal schedule. The deadline will allow SFMS editors to consider entries from each month in 2019. I realize this notice is tight, but it is the best that we can do to meet the AFMS submittal deadlines given the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. As such, the SFMS 2020 contest will consider November and December 2018 (the 2019 contest only considered through October 2018) and January 2019 through December 2019 entries. Confusing, I know. You are not the only one who was confused. Please visit the SFMS web site link for the bulletin editor's contest for much information and rules ([http://www.amfed.org/sfms/bulletin\\_contest.html](http://www.amfed.org/sfms/bulletin_contest.html)).

Remember, to qualify for the 2020 contest, your entry must have been published exclusively for your club newsletter or bulletin during November or December 2018 through December 2019. I look forward to receiving your entries. Please send in your submissions to the following address:

SFMS Bulletin Editor's Contest  
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North Charleston, SC 29418  
Email: [asgardsgc@earthlink.net](mailto:asgardsgc@earthlink.net)  
Cell: 843-276-4016

# GEM AND MINERAL SHOWS

## December 6, 7, & 8, 2019; Hudson, FL

Withlacoochee RockHounds  
45<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem Show

Our Annual Gem Show is held at the Veterans Memorial Park in Hudson, Florida during the first weekend of December, from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM, with setup for vendors on December 5th. It is a beautiful venue with a large indoor facility and loads of parking.

The building houses a gymnasium with double basketball courts and several adjacent rooms, including a full kitchen. All vendors will be set up in the gymnasium, there will be no outside vendors or tailgating.

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## December 14 & 15, 2019; Franklin, TN

DEC 14 AND 15, 2019 (SAT& SUN) FRANKLIN, TN EARTH TREASURES SHOW

2nd weekend each December Gem, Jewelry, Mineral, Fossil Show & Sale  
Mid-Tennessee Gem & Mineral Society Saturday: 9 AM TO 6 PM Sunday 10 AM TO 5 PM  
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.

ADMISSION: Adults \$5 (2-day pass \$7), Students 18 and under \$1.00, Children under 12 with adult free

Over 30 Dealers plus classes, speakers, exhibits, demonstrations, silent auction, and door prizes hourly. Show features handmade silver, stone, and Native American jewelry, lapidary and faceting rough, slabs, fossils and mineral specimens, supplies, tools, and more.



For additional information and maps visit [www.MTGMS.org/show.htm](http://www.MTGMS.org/show.htm) Show contacts: Linda Cartwright, Show Chair ([show@MTGMS.org](mailto:show@MTGMS.org)) or Steve Henegar, Dealer Chair ([show@MTGMS.org](mailto:show@MTGMS.org)) Email: [show@MTGMS.org](mailto:show@MTGMS.org)

Classes at the show: All classes are on Saturday 12/14 and start at 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Class information will be updated closer to the show.

For more information on the classes send email to: [classes@mtgms.org](mailto:classes@mtgms.org)

## January 10 – 12, 2020; Largo, FL

**Pinellas Geological Society, Inc.**  
Presents the:  
**44th Annual Gem, Mineral  
and Jewelry Show & Sale**  
Join Us at the  
Central Park Performing Arts Center  
105 Central Park Drive, Largo, FL  
Jan. 10—12, 2020  
Fri. & Sat. ~ 10 a.m. –to– 5 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 12 Noon –to– 5 p.m.  
**\$2.00 ADMISSION**  
AGES 12 AND UP  
**Fun for All Ages**

## January 18 – 19, 2020; Deland, FL

Tomoka Gem & Mineral Society  
45th Annual Jewelry, Gem, Mineral, and Fossil, Show & Sale  
Saturday 10am-6pm / Sunday 10am-5pm

Volusia County Fairgrounds (Tommy Lawrence Arena)  
3150 E. New York Ave  
Deland, FL 32724  
¼ mile east of I-4 at Exit 118A, Rt. 44

Hourly Drawings, Silent Auction, Grand Prize Drawing, Coquina Kid's Table, Demonstrations. Slabs, beads, tools, jewelry, specimens, fossils by 50+ vendors. Free Parking.  
\$4.00 Adult, 12 and under free, \$1 off coupon on website.

Contact Show Chair: Mary DeJan 386-871-6221 or [tomokagmsvendor@gmail.com](mailto:tomokagmsvendor@gmail.com).  
Website: [www.tomokagms.org](http://www.tomokagms.org)

## February 22 – 23, 2020; Jackson, MS

**Mississippi Gem and Mineral Society**  
**61<sup>st</sup> Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show**  
**Mississippi Trade Mart on the State Fairgrounds**  
**Jackson, Mississippi**  
**Saturday, February 22, 2020 (9 am to 6 pm)**  
**Sunday, February 23, 2020 (10 am to 5 pm)**

**Admission:**  
**Adults \$6 Students \$3**  
**Scouts & Leaders in Uniform \$2**  
**Children 5 & under—Free**  
**MGMS website: [www.missgems.org](http://www.missgems.org)**

- ★ Over 25 dealers of gems, fossils, minerals, jewelry, lapidary tools, beads, and more
- ★ Demonstrations of lapidary art including flint knapping, cabochon cutting, and jewelry making
- ★ Exhibits and educational opportunities by colleges and state organizations
- ★ Children's activities (adults are welcomed too)
- ★ Touch and See Table
- ★ Displays by MGMS members of their own collections or lapidary work
- ★ Hourly door prizes, and a "GRAND PRIZE" drawing.

**March 6 – 8, 2020; Live Oak, FL**

## **SFMS ROCKHOUND ROUND-UP - 2020**

Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies (SFMS)  
2nd annual Rockhound Round-Up.

**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-fashion Rock-Swap.

**When:** March 6th, 7th, and 8th, 2020.  
Save the Date.

**Where:** Spirit of Suwannee Music Park  
3076 95th Drive, Live Oak, FL 32060  
(386) 364-1683 www.musicliveshere.com

**How Much:** **For Buyers Only:** the only cost is the Admission Fee for the Park.  
If you have a few rocks in your pockets, you may be able to 'Swap' also.  
Buying is open to the general public, and all are welcome to shop No club affiliation needed.

**For Sellers:** \$25.00 for a 10' x 20' 'booth' to be a Vendor, plus the Park Admission.  
The \$25.00 is for the 10 foot by 20 foot vendor booth, for all three days.  
Place your reservation with the SFMS Contact. Separate email sent with pplication.  
Vendors MUST submit Application and Payment by a deadline to be established.

- à Bring rocks you might want to swap with, remember this is a Rock-Swap!
- à Bring Cash, etc. (The Campground does have 2 ATMs on the premises.)
- à Vendors may or may not accept credit / debit cards, and may or may not have service.
- à Bring flyers for your shows in the Spring or for the next season!
- à Learn more about us, and the Benefits of Belonging to the SFMS!
- à Rock and Roll with us all weekend!

All buying is open to the general public.

## March 6 – 8, 2020; St. Petersburg, FL

50<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show and Sale

THE SUNCOAST GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

Fri: 1 PM to 6PM; Sat: 10AM-6PM; Sun: 10am-5PM

Donations Adults \$5.00, Students with parents or ID \$4.00, under 6 free. Good for all three days. Website flier, Tampa Bay Times ad, Military ID \$1 off adults.

\*\*\*NEW LOCATION\*\*\*

Banquet Masters 13355 49<sup>th</sup> St N, Clearwater, FL 33762

GRAND DRAWING AT END OF SHOW!

\$1.50 GRAB BAGS, FREE PARKING

12+ Dealers

Assorted gems, rocks & minerals, jewelry, tools & equipment for sale by vendors and SGAMS.

Silent Auctions all day long.

Club display cases and exhibits.

Refreshments available.

Show contact: Bill Schmidt, Show Chair, 727 822-8279

Email contact: [SGAMSGemshow@gmail.com](mailto:SGAMSGemshow@gmail.com)

Club web page: <http://www.sgams.com/Shows/show.html>

## May 8 – 10, 2020; Marietta, GA

52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mother's Day Weekend Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, and Fossil Show

The Georgia Mineral Society

Fri: 10:00 AM to 6PM; Sat: 10AM-6PM; Sun: Noon-5PM

The Georgia Mineral Society's 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mother's Day Weekend Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, and Fossil Show – May 8, 9, and 10, 2020 – Cobb Civic Center, 548 South Marietta Pkwy., SE, Marietta, GA 30060. Show Hours: Friday – 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Saturday – 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Sunday – noon – 5 p.m. EXCITING AUCTION Saturday at 1 p.m.!!! FREE Admission! FREE Parking! Over 30 Dealers! Door Prizes! SPECIAL Door Prize for Students! Win a Great Prize for Yourself and for Your School!

Website – [www.gamineral.org](http://www.gamineral.org)

Email – [mayshow@gamineral.org](mailto:mayshow@gamineral.org)

## Member Classified Advertising

I would like to sell ALL of my rocks, display cases and some other just rocks we have collected through the years.

Sincerely, Margaret Good. (Lives in TX) Email is [mgpoet@vetrizon.net](mailto:mgpoet@vetrizon.net)

Who are the Officers and Directors for the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies?



## 2019 SFMS Officers

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### SFMS—Your Regional Rockhound Connection

Would you like to become involved, please contact us...



Rock On!

Who are the Committee Chairs for the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies?



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### SFMS—Your Regional Rockhound Connection

Over 70 Rockhound Clubs belong, in our SFMS region...



What are the benefits of your local club belonging to the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies?

## The SFMS is your link to resources and connections!



The association with SFMS spans:

- ◇ from your local club and area
- ◇ to the regional level
- ◇ and even expands nationally!

The Lodestar will be providing brief synopsis of what the SFMS offers (or will offer in the future) for each of the 10 points. Please review the President's Message and articles submitted for details.

This issue of the Lodestar is highlighting one (or more) of the below Benefits of Belonging to the SFMS.

### *10 point benefits of SFMS:*

- I. Programs and Archives
- II. Mayo Educational Foundation
- III. Club Development
- IV. Interclub Connections
- V. Federation Sponsored Club Insurance
- VI. Field Trips
- VII. Youth Program and Support
- VIII. Lapidary Education
- IX. Competitive Cases and Judges
- X. National Affiliation



The 10 Points Benefits of Belonging is a live document (will ever change and improve) and of which - will call for action items and others to assist! Please consider helping to make a difference and volunteering...



### **SFMS—Benefits of Belonging**

Future 10 Points Benefits of Belonging to the SFMS will be provided in the upcoming SFMS Lodestar newsletters.

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