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President's Report

From the May Newsletter Bulletin:

Hello All,

I hope everyone is keeping well during this trying time.

The next SFMS meeting that was to be held at William Holland, last I had heard, has been cancelled for the safety of our membership.

Looking forward, I believe there may be effect ways to hold our final meeting of the year over a digital platform. I will update everyone if that becomes a viable option.

I want to stress that keeping everyone safe and healthy is my top priority.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Jesse Griffin
Knoxville Gem and Mineral Society
2020 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. If you miss the deadline, your submission will be posted in the next issue.

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.

I've requested the Board Members, Committee Members, and the State Representatives contribute to the SFMS monthly bulletin. The request was posted in the quarterly and annual committee reports. In mid May, I've sent a request to our Secretary to get the word out further. We are looking forward to more submissions from our BOD, Committees, and State Representatives, for your reading pleasure in future months.

I notice some Clubs are able to continue with their shows. For all future shows, please check with the Club to ensure their show is able to open. Future shows may have restrictions for a while, depending on their local area guidelines – please plan accordingly. We all look forward to the time when this pandemic is in the past and the shows go on as scheduled.

Some clubs have held their meetings via Zoom (virtual meeting on the internet) as early as April. Other clubs have suspended meetings. Some clubs have a small percentage of opportunities open in their club-houses. The limited space available for keeping the required distancing will delay the activities, rock-hounding, and fellowship fun.

As always each Club is responsible to submit their show, if they to be listed in the SFMS Lodestar. We are all volunteers, and you'll need to provide all the details in a word or Open Office document. You may submit a .png, .gif, or .jpg if the ad is quarter page size – to allow the information to fit.

Please stay healthy, busy, and at home... and, masks are not just a suggestion in most places.

Be patient, Stay cautious and help prevent a second wave of this virus.

Keep washing your hands...

Rock On,
Lori Heinemann
SFMS Lodestar Editor

Second Vice President's Report

State Directors Election

Alabama has a new State Director

Ballots were sent out and returned with Chris Rutherford getting all positive votes. Therefore as SFMS 2nd Vice president I declare that Chris Rutherford is now the State Director for the State of Alabama. I would like to thank Phil Kaiser for his many years as Alabama State Director.

Dennis Buchanan
SFMS 2nd Vice President

Secretary's Report

Greetings Fellow Rockhounds!

As we adjust to our changing circumstances; masks, quarantine, social distancing and more, the SFMS is struggling along with you. We are trying to keep functioning, striving to be relevant to our membership and keep our meetings going in a manner safe to our leaders and members. The coming years will continue to challenge all of our clubs, some more than others. The SFMS wants and needs to help all of you as much as possible as we keep seeking ways to deal with Covid 19 and its ramifications in our world.

Like every other organization in the country, the SFMS is facing unprecedented circumstances to function from day. According to our Bylaws, we are supposed to conduct meetings several times each year. These meetings have not been possible both because of the wide dispersal of our directors, and the lack of meeting venues. Because of the pandemic situation, we are looking for other options for holding meetings. We've decided to follow the AFMS and EFMLS by holding virtual meetings. Because we are chartered in North Carolina, we've examined the regulations in that state regarding virtual meetings. The relevant portions can be found here below:

“Virtual Meeting Laws of North Carolina:

North Carolina generally **permits corporations, and nonprofits** to conduct remote and virtual meetings. Remote meetings contingent on an organizations articles of incorporation, charter, bylaws.

(b) Unless the articles of incorporation or bylaws provide otherwise, the board of directors may permit any or all directors to participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through the use of, any means of communication by which all directors participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting. A director participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

[NC § 55A-8-20. Regular and special meetings”](#)

With the assistance of EFMLS President David Nock and another of his members, Chris Conlon, we have already held our first Zoom meeting on September 20, 2020. There were 16 attendees. This first meeting was not intended to cover a whole lot, but more to get our feet wet so that we can be prepared to handle our Annual Meeting in the same way. We did not assemble reports or other documents for this Executive Meeting and only had a few organizational agenda items.

The primary decision made was to piggyback our Annual Meeting to the AFMS Annual Meeting which was originally scheduled along with ours during the Knoxville Gem and Mineral Society Show in October. Because of our success with this first short Executive Meeting, we believe we can conduct our necessary business for an Annual Meeting in the same manner. Unfortunately, we do not have the normal 60 day time frame to notify everyone, but will do our best to make sure the registration and login information is available to all. You’ll find an article with the registration link and meeting info later in this issue of the Lodestar.

The beauty of this virtual meeting is that there is no travel, hotel, meal or meeting room arrangements with which we have to deal. That is the purpose for having 60 days notice. We hope that everyone will forgive this short notice, and be accepting of it as a necessary sign of our changing times.

Stay safe,

Sincerely,

Jerri Heer
SFMS Secretary
(419) 344-9999

Committee Reports

Education

2020 , year of Covid-19 continues to

Cancel our SFMS Workshop schedule and other rock hound activities including Gem and Mineral Shows hosted by member clubs of the Southeast Federation.

It is with sad heart that I have to announce,
Both the August and September workshops
At Wildacres have been cancelled.

Good Health to everyone.....

Hope to see everyone back at the SFMS
Workshops in 2021.

UPDATE – Due to COVID-19 - the 2020 Classes scheduled for William Holland are Canceled

UPDATE – Due to COVID-19 - the 2020 Classes scheduled for WildAcres are Canceled

Lisa Roberts
Education Chair

thank you

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thank you to Cindy Reed Registrar 2020sfms.wh@gmail.com

2020 Annual Meeting

SFMS Annual Meeting, October 17, 2020

This has been an interesting year for all of us. The SFMS has been struggling with how to maintain our required meetings and functions in light of the safety protocols and limitations thrust upon us by the COVID-19 Pandemic. In consideration for the health and safety of our leaders and members, and as allowed by law in our chartering state of North Carolina, we have decided to hold this year's Annual Meeting through a virtual platform: Zoom.

The meeting will be held during the same weekend as the AFMS Meetings, also held through Zoom. Our meeting is scheduled on October 17, 2020, at 8:00am EST. This is immediately prior to the AFMS meeting which starts at 10:00am. Because we are required to verify quorum prior to the meeting, you must pre-register for "attendance".

The link is below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcocOigrzgoHdwh56QwXKLeW-FWQEbRwjf8>

When you login, you will need to enter your name and email address. You will be notified that your registration is pending through that email, and again when you are approved. We will need to verify your club, and/or position and whether you are approved to vote and therefore part of our quorum. You must be an SFMS Officer, State Director or Club President our Alternate to vote. You will then receive a link and phone numbers to "attend" the Virtual meeting.

YOU **MUST** PREREGISTER TO ATTEND!!!!

If you have any questions, please contact Jerri Heer, SFMS Secretary: jheerx6@aol.com or 419-344-9999

2020 SFMS Election Slates

SFMS Elections

We have two elections which must be handled at our Annual Meeting. Normally, we should be providing 60 days notice to allow members to proffer add ins. Even within the short time frame we have, we will still be allowing nominations from membership and the floor during the Meeting. The current slates are as follows:

SFMS Officer Election

President: Melissa Hill (1 year)
1st Vice President: Dennis Buchanan (1 year)
2nd Vice President: Open (1 year)
Secretary: Jerri Heer (2 years)
Treasurer: Barbi Beatty (1 year)
Assistant Treasurer: David Liles (2 years)
Editor: Lori Heinemann (2 years)

MAYO Director Election

William Waggener
Wayne Dodd
Jerri Heer
Janet Steeper

Since we are having a virtual meeting this year, it will be much easier for each club to have representation at the meeting. No travel involved! Just use your computer and the link provided to pre-register. SFMS Annual Meeting, October 17, 2020 at 2 pm. More info elsewhere in this issue.



2nd Vice President Position - We Need You!

The SFMS has its officer election coming up this October. The only position we have yet to fill is for 2nd Vice President.

The primary duty of the 2nd Vice President is to coordinate and liaison with the State Directors who in turn coordinate and liaison with the individual clubs within a state. This person also assists with election of a new state director when there is a new vacancy. Typically, after a year in this position, the 2nd VP, moves into the 1st Vice President position.

The 1st Vice President fills in for the President when necessary and assists him or her as needed for SFMS tasks. After a year as 1st VP, the normal progression is to move into the President position and finally the Immediate Past President.

So if you are interested in getting involved in your regional Federation, consider throwing your hat in the ring for 2nd Vice President. We Need You!

2020 SFMS Workshop Scholarship Drawing

This is the 4th year of the SFMS Workshop Scholarship Drawing, which will be held at the 2020 SFMS Annual Meeting. This drawing is to raise funds to provide scholarships to the SFMS Workshops held at William Holland and Wildacres each year. The scholarships are won by member clubs of the SFMS, and it is up to the winning clubs to decide how to award the scholarship certificates. The certificates may only be used at SFMS workshops, not the regular sessions held at William Holland.

To raise the funds for the scholarships we ask the member clubs and individual members to help in two ways. First, we need prizes for the drawing. We ask that the donated prizes have a value of at least \$25 and be hobby related. It could be a mineral specimen, a finished piece of jewelry, a new book about some aspect of the hobby, a new tool or just about anything you can think of.

All prizes should be mailed to Dave Wayment, PO Box 780791, Sebastian, FL 23978. Each member club will receive acknowledgement if it donates a prize, or if a member of that club donates a prize. Each prize should be identified, including the value of the item, who made the item if it is hand made, and who donated the item and their club membership. Photographs and descriptions of all prizes will be posted on the SFMS website and published in the Loadstar.

Second, we need to sell tickets for the drawing. THE DRAWING IS FOR THE DONATED PRIZES NOT SCHOLARSHIPS. Each Treasurer of the club has been provided with drawing tickets. They do not have a drawing date on the tickets so we can use the same batch of tickets every year without having to reprint them. The tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets to one person for \$20. If any Treasurer needs more tickets, please call Dave. In the past we mailed tickets to each club, but only about 20 clubs have chosen to participate in selling the drawing tickets

Each club's treasurer, or another member chosen by the club, should be in charge of selling the tickets, collecting the funds, and returning the ticket stubs and monies to Dave Wayment at the same above address. The drawing for the prizes will be held at the Annual Meeting this October before the banquet. We will need the ticket stubs, etc., returned no later than September 30, 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact Dave Wayment, SFMS Workshop Scholarship Committee Chairman, at 772*532*6432

David Wayment
Workshop Scholarship Chairman

DMC Field Trip Report

Field Trip Information

Dixie Mineral Council (DMC) will share more after their field trip.

DMC field trips are open only to members of clubs that are members of the SFMS DMC field trip sharing program. SFMS club members are bound by the AFMS code of ethics, but the general public is not, and could jeopardize access to a collecting location. So unless the property owner has invited non-SFMS attendees, the general public is not allowed on DMC field trips.

Clubs interested in the SFMS DMC field trip sharing program can learn more about the program and download a membership application form from the DMC pages on the SFMS website:

<http://www.amfed.org/sfms/dmc/dmc.htm> -- Lori Carter, sfms-dmc@amfed.org

Please reply by e-mail to:

sfms-dmc@amfed.org

World Wide Web site for the DMC is:

<http://www.amfed.org/sfms/dmc/dmc.htm>

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



Dixie Mineral Council Field Trips

The Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Inc



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DMC Program of the SFMS Field Trip Committee
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SFMS Rockhound Round-Up

Rockhound Roundup 2021 Update!

We've had a number of inquiries about next year's Rockhound Roundup. Although the possibility still exists that the Covid Pandemic may still affect this event, we wanted to get it lined up, with the hope that a vaccine will have been disseminated by then, making such events more likely. The fact that it is outdoors, makes it less hazardous as a whole in any case.

Therefore, we have tentatively booked the weekend of March 12-14, 2021 for next year, still at the Suwannee Music Park in Live, Oak, FL. We will discuss and vote on this at the upcoming SFMS Annual Meeting, held by Zoom on October 17, 2020.

As soon as the event is officially approved, we'll get vendor applications out to the clubs, posted on the web, and into this newsletter. Fingers crossed, everyone!

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

Jerri Heer
SFMS Secretary
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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 1st quarterly meeting of 2019, then a presentation was provided at the 2nd 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.

We are seeking to receive and provide more information, and have the individual clubs with strengths and expertise assisting other clubs.

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.

GEM AND MINERAL SHOWS

Note – Due to COVID-19

Many shows may be canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, please check with the local club, and / or check their website, before you plan to attend – as most all shows are canceled.

October 9 - 11, 2020; Huntsville, AL - **Canceled**

The Huntsville Gem & Mineral Society's
Annual Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show

October 9-10, 2020 – 10 AM to 6 PM

October 11, 2020 – Noon to 5 PM

featuring

Extravaganza Kids' Area!

Crystal Building, Mineral Classifying, Fossil Dig, Scavenger Hunt
Mining Flume (panning for gems), Fluorescent Room,
Plus the 18 Regular Vendors

Wide array of Gemstones, Fine Gold & Silver Jewelry, Beads, Displays,
Lapidary Supplies & Demonstration, Hourly Door Prizes, Raffle!



Free Parking

Joyce Community Building
2180 Airport Road SW
Huntsville, AL 35892

Admission

\$3 Donation at the door
\$1 Students – Children under 3 free!
\$3 Weekend Pass (3 Days)!

November 7 – 8, 2020; Plant City, FL

HOT ROCKS, COOL GEMS AND FABULOUS JEWELRY

61st Annual
TAMPA BAY MINERAL
AND SCIENCE CLUB SHOW

NOVEMBER 7-8, 2020
Saturday - Sunday 10am-5pm

- GEMS & MINERALS • FOSSILS • JEWELRY
- TOOLS AND LAPIDARY SUPPLIES • BEADS • JEWELRY-MAKING SUPPLIES



THE CLUB WILL FOLLOW CDC COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOL:
MASKS ARE REQUIRED. TEMPERATURE SCREENING WILL APPLY. ATTENDEES WILL HAVE FULL ACCESS TO
HAND-SANITIZER STATIONS. VENDOR TABLES WILL BE SPACED TO PROVIDE SOCIAL DISTANCING.
TRAFFIC PATTERNS WILL BE ENCOURAGED.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL EXPO HALL 303 N. LEMON STREET, PLANT CITY, FL 33563

ADULTS: \$5 TEENS 12-16 & STUDENTS WITH ID: \$4 ACTIVE MILITARY: \$4 KIDS UNDER 12: FREE (WITH PARENT)
\$1.00 OFF ADMISSION - UP TO 4 PEOPLE - WHEN YOU PRESENT THIS FLYER AT THE DOOR • FREE PARKING!

For more information, visit us at tampabayrockclub.com

November 14 – 15, 2020; Melbourne, FL

Canaveral Mineral & Gem Society 47th Annual Parade of Gems Show & Sales

40+ Dealers displaying & selling Jewelry, Gems, minerals, Fossils, Tools, Rocks, Slabs.
Demonstrations; Hourly Prizes: Grand Prize.
Children's Mineral discoveries.

Melbourne Auditorium
625 East hibiscus Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32901

More Info; www.canaveral-mgs.com

Don McLamb
2020 Show Chairman
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November 27 – 29, 2020; Mobile, AL

November 27 - 29, 2020

Mobile, AL

26th Annual Mobile Rock and Gem Society Show

Friday, November 27: 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Saturday, November 28: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Sunday November 29: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Friday & Saturday FREE admission after 5 PM

ABBA Shrine Center, 7701 Hitt Rd, Mobile, AL 36695

Many Wonderful Door Prizes; Admission: \$4.00; Children 12 and under FREE with Adult

Raffle tickets \$1.00, You do not have to be present to win.

Drawing on Sunday 11/29/2020, 4:00 PM

30+ Vendors, Jewelry, Rocks, Gems, Minerals, and Fossils from around the world.

Silent Auction, bid, bid again, WIN, New Auction every hour.

See our website: mobilerockandgem.com

FREE PARKING

January 8 – 10, 2021; Largo, FL

Pinellas Geological Society, Inc.

Presents the:

**45th Annual Gem, Mineral
and Jewelry Show & Sale**

Join Us at the
Central Park Performing Arts Center

105 Central Park Drive, Largo, FL

Jan. 8—10, 2021

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

February 27, 2021; Lakeland, FL

2021 Annual show;

Imperial Bone Valley Gem, Mineral & Fossil Society;

First Presbyterian Church; 175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr.; Sat. 9-4:30;

adults \$3, students, children and teachers free; door prizes, Spin & Win Mineral Wheel, kids' Treasure Dig, demonstrations, educational displays, silent and Chinese auctions, dealers with rocks, minerals, fossils, jewelry, gifts, hobby supplies, lapidary demonstrations, wire wrapping, cabochon making;

contact Kim Price, (863) 412-9156; e-mail: IBVGMFS@gmail.com; Web site: www.bonevalley.net



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



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SFMS—Your Regional Rockhound Connection

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



Rock On!

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2020 Annual Meeting Host: Knoxville Gem and Mineral Society - _____, 2020 More details to follow in the coming months.

SFMS—Your Regional Rockhound Connection

Bringing at least 10 States together...



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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

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