# Newsletter

# Lodestar



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# **President's Report**

From May 2021:

#### THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE PRESIDENT

I try to live every day with a positive attitude, give more than I receive, teach where I can or inspire when I can't, offer kind words, a smile...

With the last year and a half I think the isolation has gotten to me. My normal upbeat sunny disposition has turned to something else. Today, if you're like me you need some encouragement. I want you to NOT GIVE IN OR GIVE UP! There are things we all need to be reminded of. Someone around us is in need. Ask for help when you need it. Get up and get outside, help a friend or family member do something they've been putting off, volunteer at your local soup kitchen, do ANYTHING that gets you out of your own head and helping someone else. Bottom line is we all need to feel needed, be a part of something larger than ourselves. Remember we reap what we sow... What are you sowing today?

Now go...

Lick some rocks.

Melissa Hill Rader Mississippi Gem and Mineral Society 2021 SFMS president



#### **Editor's Note**

Hello rockhounds!

Happy Independence Day, as we celebrate Forth of July with either staycations, or picnics and fireworks! Stay safe as you enjoy the holiday your way!

Many people are still at different levels of comfort with the Covid, face masks, and distancing, so go at your own pace, and remember to try not to judge others.

I hope you take the time - to read our monthly newsletter. You may also submit... If you miss the deadline, your submission will be posted in the next issue.

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.

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.

As always each Club is responsible to submit their show, if they want 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.

Rock On, Lori Heinemann SFMS Lodestar Editor

# **Committee Reports**

#### **Education**

William Holland SFMS Workshop

June SFMS Workshop. Cancelled

All instructors and students have been

Notified of cancellation. Some students

Were issued a refund and several students

Transferred deposit to SFMS Wildacres Workshop. Thank you to Cindy, Claudia and Barbi for their speedy handling of refunds and transfers of students' deposit.

Wildacres SFMS Workshop info may be viewed on website.

SFMSWORKSHOPS.COM. I talked with the manager at Wildacres and they are doing

Extra cleaning of accommodations along with changing from family style food service.

Wildacres is working hard to make the

August and September workshops safe and worry free so students can attend and have a fun time in their classes.

August 23-29 September 13-19

Wire. Gem ID

Southwest Silver. Leather Work
Mixed Metal. Mixed Metal
Special Projects. Gem Trees
Casting. Casting
Filigree. Chain
Inlay

Registration is underway and we would love for you to join us in the mountains of NC

For some Lapidary fun.

If you have and questions please contact Lisa Roberts Education Chair at <a href="mailto:antleycreations@yahoo.com">antleycreations@yahoo.com</a> or call 423-494-7096. Please do not call Wildacres for info about Workshop.

Claudia Erwin will be our Registrar.

Contact info for Claudia at registrarwildacres@gmail.com or call 865-973-1933

We look forward to seeing you at the SFMS Workshop at Wildacres 2021.

Lisa Roberts

**Education Chair** 

thank you

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#### **Safety**

As a repeat from last month's article: if you have not had your jab (as the Brits call it), please do so. It is part of your responsibility as a result of being free. And your freedom, may impact others, so there is a responsibility.

OK, how many of you folks have seen a dramatic increase in violence now that the pandemic is somewhat waning? In the upstate of South Carolina, it seems a lot of folks are extremely short tempered and all seem to try to settle a discussion very quickly with some sort of weapon. One guy was shot in the back while bush-hogging a field. Wow, hot weather and the apparent contagion of short temper is bothersome. Maybe they need a hug from a guy with a badge.

Anyway; as I have droned on and on about be aware of your surroundings; it now seems that extra caution is needed. In the upstate, the drivers seem to be practicing to move to Atlanta and do the inter-state race. Hope they make it.

As many of you remember, we had a substantial loss of chain link fencing last November. The fence folks have told me the last 3 weeks, we will be there Monday, well they were not specific on which Monday, So I guess by the time they show up, the trees will have gotten thick enough that the crumpled fence will not be seen, Ha

OK, back on being safe in your activities. Summer time requires adequate hydration and wearing the proper attire to avoid sunburn. I have gotten into the habit of early morning harder work and then a nap in the afternoon. Really good plan and if you have some ice cream after the nap, even better. Barb has found Carb Smart Ice Cream by Breyers makes a very good snack.

The Company is trending toward more folks in the office and that is bothersome. We have too many folks that refuse to take the vaccine and our office was reconfigured to contain more folks so social distancing is tough. So, no mandate of get the vaccine or hit the road, so hopefully the Delta Variant will by-pass us. As above, get the jab.

Our sympathies go out to those folks impacted by the apartment collapse in Surfside, FL. A true disaster. The debris pile looks like several places recently on TV that have been bombed or hit by an earthquake. Being prepared for something similar to that is not possible, unless you move out.

I will close on that, thoughts and prayers to all suffering due to that or other personal loss. Be safe and hug your family.

So be safe and careful.

Bob Green SFMS Safety Committee Chair

#### **AFMS Bulletin Editor Contest**

#### 2022 BULLETIN EDITOR'S CONTEST

With the AFMS annual convention and show occurring earlier than ever, this time scheduled for **January 29, 2022 in Tyler, TX**, it is time to set an early deadline for bulletin editor's contest submissions for the 2022 contest. The deadline for submittal to the **2022** SFMS contest is **October 10, 2021**. With the compressed time, entries for the 2022 contest shall be you're your bulletins published from January 1 through September 30, 2021. This date is according to the AFMS contest and their submittal schedule. The deadline will allow SFMS editors to consider entries from each month in 2021 through September. I realize this notice is tight, but it is the best that we can do to meet the AFMS submittal deadlines given the upcoming holidays. This information will be placed on the SFMS web site. Please visit the AFMS web site link (the SFMS website is under construction) for the bulletin editor's contest for much information and rules (<a href="http://www.amfed.org/editor/BEAC/contest.htm">http://www.amfed.org/editor/BEAC/contest.htm</a>). The same rules apply as last year. The number of category entries allowed per club continues to be set at <a href="httpee entries per category">httpee entries per category</a>. Each of the three entries must have been written by different authors. The only categories this rule does not apply to are the individual bulletin categories including 'New Editor', 'Mini Bulletin', 'Small Bulletin', and 'Large Bulletin'. These bulletin categories will remain at one entry per editor per category per club.

Remember, to qualify for the 2022 contest, your entry must have been published exclusively for your club newsletter or bulletin initially during 2021 through September. If you have any questions, please do contact me. I look forward to receiving your entries. Please send in your submissions to the following address by the deadline:

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Email: asgardsgc@earthlink.net

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# DMC Field Trip Report

Field Trip Information

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]

DMC Field Trips are Cancelled for 2021. The schedule is moving forward one year, for those Clubs participating in the DMC Field Tripsl

I hope everyone is healthy and safe as we enter this new year. COVID-19 vaccines are providing some post-COVID optimism. We are nearing a time when we can share field trips with one another again.

Unfortunately, even with vaccines available, it appears that the virus may still be a problem this year. Until we know for certain that we can gather together safely, we must approach the situation with great caution.

So in the interest of safety, I am moving the entire DMC schedule forward by another year.

All trips scheduled for 2021 are moved to 2022, 2022 to 2023, 2023 to 2024, and 2024 to 2025.

The new schedule is posted on the SFMS website here: http://www.amfed.org/sfms/\_dmc/dixie-pro-posed-ft.htm

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Many thanks to all of the clubs who continue to support the DMC Field Trip Sharing Program as we work our way through this.

Stay healthy, stay safe.

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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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# SFMS Rockhound Round-Up

**Rockhound Roundup 2022 - Save the Date** 

See the Show section of this newsletter bulletin, for information on our next Rockhound Round-Up.

# 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  $1^{st}$  quarterly meeting of 2019, then a presentation was provided at the  $2^{nd}$  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.

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## 2020-2021 Club and Show Insurance

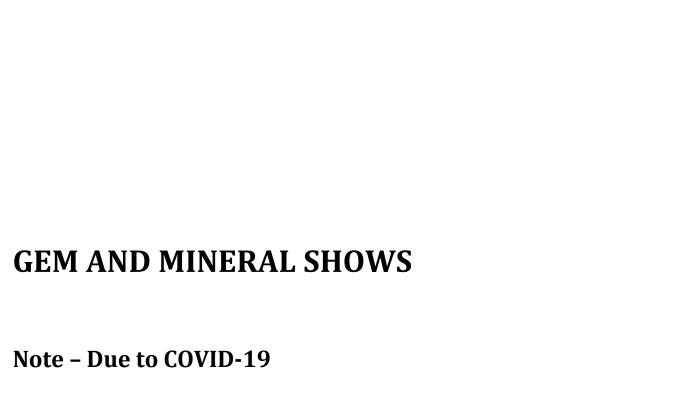
Club Officers / Insurance Liaisons,

My name is David Liles. I am serving as the Southeast Federation of Mineral Societies (SFMS) Assistant Treasurer and am the Insurance Liaison for 2021. SFMS makes available liability insurance to SFMS member Clubs and Societies. Participation is optional. The insurance covers activities such as field trips and shows. As liaison I am responsible for organizing and coordinating the purchase of insurance by participating clubs with the Federation's insurance carrier. The insurance form for 2021 is on the SFMS Website, should your club opt in for insurance and want to get the application done now.

The deadline for completion of the forms and the remittance of payment is March 1, 2021. The address for remitting forms and payments is on the forms. If you are new or did not participate last year and would like coverage, please contact me. If you participated last year and are not participating this year please contact me as well.

Thank You,
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July 2021



#### July 9 - 11, 2021; Marietta, GA

#### 52nd Annual Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, and Fossil Show The Georgia Mineral Society

Fri: 10 AM to 6PM; Sat: 10AM-6PM; Sun: Noon-5PM Cobb County Civic Center 548 South Marietta Parkway Marietta, GA 30060

The Georgia Mineral Society's 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, and Fossil Show – July 9, 10, and 11, 2021 – 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 SILENT AUCTIONS throughout the weekend!!! FREE Admission! FREE Parking! Over 30 Dealers! Door Prizes! SPECIAL Door Prize for Students! Win a Great Prize for Yourself and for Your School!

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GMS Website: <a href="http://www.gamineral.org">http://www.gamineral.org</a>

July 2021

# August 6 - 8, 2021; Augusta, GA



#### **November 19 - 21, 2021; Columbia, SC**

The Columbia, SC Gem & Mineral Society will hold it's 2021

53rd Annual Gem, Mineral, & Jewelry Show

Fri Nov. 19, 10:00 - 6:00;

Sat. Nov. 20, 10:00 - 6:00;

Sun. Nov. 21,12:00 - 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.

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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# January 14 - 16, 2022; 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. 14-16, 2022

Fri. & Sat. ~ 10 a.m. -to- 5 p.m.

Sunday  $\sim 12$  Noon –to– 5 p.m.

#### \$2.00 ADMISSION

AGES 12 AND UP

**Fun for All Ages** 

#### February 18 - 20, 2022; Live Oak, FL

#### SFMS ROCKHOUND ROUND-UP - 2022

Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies (SFMS) 4th 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: February 18th, 19th, and 20th, 2022.

Save the Date.

Where: Spirit of Suwannee Music Park

3076 95th Drive, Live Oak, FL 32060

(386) 364-1683 www.musicliveshere.com

More details to follow...

All buying is open to the general public.



Information on belonging to the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies?



# AFMS Code of Ethics

(http://www.amfed.org/ethics.htm)



I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without the owner's permission.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations of rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind - fences, signs, buildings.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires in designated or safe places only and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks or other water supply.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

I will cooperate with field trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or Federation officers, Bureau of Land management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use "Good Outdoor Manners" and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public "Image" of Rockhounds everywhere.

#### SFMS—Your Regional Rockhound Connection

Over 8,800 Rockhounds belong, in our SFMS region...



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...



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#### SFMS—Your Regional Rockhound Connection

Bringing at least 10 States together...



Who are the contacts 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:

- 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



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

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