

Tar Heel Tailings

A newsletter for Gem and Mineral enthusiast in and around the Raleigh, North Carolina area.

Special Interest Articles:

- Prez Sez
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- Lapidary Equipment For Sale
- Field Trips

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Prez Sez

Let us celebrate the completion of the 39th Annual show with a Pot Luck meal. The program will be discussion of the show – what was accomplished and how it can improve.

The drawing for the two chances to win a free class at either Wildacres or William Holland will occur in May. Many thanks to all who volunteered at the show!

Back on the agenda is the new website design. We have another prospective designer (a club member). I will talk with him soon.

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SFMS Workshops

By Cindy Reed

Hi, I'm Cindy Reed, the director for the William Holland SFMS workshop. I've had many people tell me that they don't know anything about the Federation workshops and that their clubs don't promote them. So, I'm asking for your help.

One of the new services we are offering this year is online payment by credit card. I'm attaching the registration form, a list of classes and the online payment form.

The June session at William Holland is coming up fast. We still have openings in most of the classes. And, we have several new offerings this year. Kay & Tom Benham will be

teaching their tool making class - first time offered at the school. Leslie Wayment is teaching Wire 4 Beaders, another new offering. We're bringing back Jr.

Rockhounds with a mineral collection/ID class with Scott and Denise Forward and Sandra Bergquist is teaching a wire/chain class for Jr's.

Wild Acres is offering a Meteorite Symposium during both of their weeks. Leslie Wayment is teaching Wire 4

Beaders in session 3 and Dave Wayment is teaching Intarsia. There is a self-help beaders class in session 3 - bring your own projects and supplies - It's always fun to bounce ideas off friends. Did you see Tom Benham's article in Lapidary Jeweler Jewelry Artist about making your own jewelry bench. Danny Griffin can show you how it's done during session 3.

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.tarheelclub.org

Program & Refreshments

REFRESHMENT SCHEDULE:

Coordinator: Need Volunteer

April Pot Luck

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

April Show Wrap-up

Remember, the club will reimburse you for up to \$75 (bring your receipts to the treasurer).

Show Treasurer's Report

Dealer total deposits \$17,685.00

Geodes
Cash 4,066.00
Square 2,220.68

\$6,286.68

minus
start-up 310.00

Sub total \$5,976.68

Hospitality \$1,227.00
minus
Start up 60.00

Sub total \$1,167.00

Silent Auction \$853.95
minus
Start up 85.00

Sub total \$768.95

Sale
Graves Machine \$175.00

Total \$25,772.63

Money made was not profit, but all the money that came in. When all the bills come in, I will give out the money cleared or (profit).

Thanks,
Corinne Hummel
Treasurer, Tar Heel Gem and Mineral Club, Inc.

April B-Day Members

- Paula Beavdoin
- Bob Bendelow
- Chad Carabello
- Kimberly Cathey
- Pat Chapman
- Hilton Freed
- Robert Neyland
- Lana Sargent
- Tom Todaro
- Charles B. Weil



Membership applications may be mailed to:

Tar Heel Gem & Mineral Club, Inc.
Attention: Treasurer
10609 Chelsea Drive
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Tar Heel Gem and Mineral Club, Inc. - March Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Mar 17th, 2015

Attendees = ??

Opening of Club Meeting:

Cyndy called the meeting to order at 7:37

New Business:

No first time visitors this meeting.

Birthday babble - Joe Stephens spoke about his beginnings in rock hounding.

John Nigro had an announcement. Guilford County Technical College is giving a talk on April 17th, "Killer Rocks from Outer Space. Google the college, it will be a great talk! It's about an hour and a half from Raleigh.

Field Trips:

Shirley mentioned a field trip to Amelia, Virginia on April 25th. This is a go-on-your-own trip and there will be a small fee. Children are also invited. Google the site for more information.

Programs:

Julie Neiderkorn talked about upcoming programs. Next month will be the potluck after a quick wrap up on the show.

In May, Chris Tacker will be coming to give a talk about diamonds found in NC. If you saw the article in the newsletter, you know this will be a great presentation.

Later in the year, Gary McCutcheon will be doing a presentation on how to file a claim in the western states.

Gem Show:

Cyndy talked about sign up lists for the show and when the show dates were.

Show is March 27-29. Thursday set up is at 5PM until whenever. On Sunday the show ends at 5PM and then the break down and cleanup begin.

There will be a pick up from our storage area on Thursday

Prez Sez

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New on the agenda is one piece of planning for the 40th Annual show April 1, 2 & 3, 2016. This is our T-shirt buying year as we purchase shirts every five years. Be thinking about a color and design/wording. Here is the scheme for the last few years – turquoise for 2011, navy for 2006. We tend to stay away from Duke & Tarheel blue and State red for

SFMS Workshops

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If you would like to know more about any of the classes, visit

<http://www.sfmsworkshops.com/> or follow us on facebook.

the 26th at 3PM to collect grab bags and everything else we need for the show. Several people volunteered to help.

Jack Fried showed everyone how to properly fill a grab bag with a variety of stones and about a half pound of rocks.

Club members began filling grab bags and stamping the post cards.

Over 600 grab bags were made tonight and we now have a new total of 929 grab bags!

Door Prize:

The winner of the door prize was Richard Pyhtila, and he chose some faceting rough.



Close of Meeting:

The meeting was adjourned at 9PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Walt Milowic,
Secretary, Tar Heel Gem and Mineral Club, Inc.

obvious reasons. Another question - we have quite a few left from 2011. Do we want to purchase this quantity again?

Come enjoy the meal and discussion.

See you all on Tuesday.

Cyndy Hummel

President, Tar Heel Gem and Mineral Club, Inc.

Show Chairperson

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Southeast-Federation-of-Mineralogical-Societies/317959434999844>

Thanks for your help in spreading the word.
Cindy Reed

SFMS Workshops for 2015

Session 1, William Holland, 6/7-13/15

Cabocons	Pat Davis	*Channel Inlay (Adv)	Dave Wayment
Casting	Bill Harr	Tool Making	Tom & Kay Benham
Chain-Maille-Beg & Int.	Kathy Morris	Jr. Rockhounds	Scott Forward
Faceting—Beg. & Int.	Bill Roberts	Jr. Wire & Chain (12-18 Year Olds only)	Sandra Bergquist
Glass Fusing	Rich & Linda Dillon	Opals	Sarah Lee Boyce
Silver I	Nancy English	Wire for Beaders	Leslie Wayment
Seed Beads	Barbara Green	Wire—Beg & int.	Rowan Rose-Morgan

Session 2, Wild Acres, 8/17-23/15

Session 3, Wild Acres, 9/21-27/15

Chain-Maille	Roy Deere	*Advanced Beading	Self Study
Beg. Flint Knapping	Michael Miller	*Adv. Flint Knapping	Michael Miller
Gem ID	Teresa Polly	Cold Connec. & Enamel	Debora Mauser
*Metalwork Special Proj.	Jeff Sheer	Jewelry Bench Building	Danny Griffin
Meteorite—Symposium	Various Speakers	Meteorite—Symposium	Various Speakers
*Silver Filigree	Shannon Stafford	*Soldered Chain-Maille	Roy Deere
Wire Wrap—Beginners	Rowan Rose-Morgan	Opal Crafting	Don McLamb
Stakes & Hammers	Annette Gibney	*Intarsia	Dave Wayment
Stone Carving	Tom & Kay Benham	Wire 4 Beaders	Leslie Wayment
		Silver Beginners	Pattie Appleby

* *Advanced Class*

(Non SFMS/AFMS Members Add \$50 to all Tuition Fees) Please mail application and fees (or \$50 Nonrefundable deposit*) to:

SFMS William Holland Workshop
Rosemary van Wandelen

William Holland Registrar
3051 Keyport St
Deltona, FL 32738-5356
386-860-5586 Home
386-479-1509 Cell
alternate Email: sfms.wh@gmail.com (call for details)

(* At Education Committee's Discretion)

SFMS Wildacres Workshop
Paula Griffin

Wildacres Registrar
PO Box 430 Double
Kingston, TN 37763
865- 248-8393
865- 406-8801
Email: waregistrar2015@gmail.com

This year we can accept credit card payments online. Ask your Registrar for more information.

This is a wonderful perk of belonging to the SFMS. Join in and support your Federation.

2015 SFMS WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM					
WILLIAM HOLLAND June 7-13, 2015		WILDACRES August 17-23, 2015 September 21-27, 2015			
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY, USE NO ABBREVIATIONS					
(Student #1)					
Name _____		M	F		
Club (spell out) _____					
Address _____		(Apt) _____			
(City) _____		(ST) _____	(Zip) _____		
Email _____					
Phone _____		Cell _____			
American Federation Region _____					
Can you walk up a flight of stairs? Y N Do you use a Walker Y N Cane Y N Wheelchair/Scooter Y N Age group <70 >70 Do you smoke? Y N Do you need a handicap room? Y N Are you an early riser or a night owl?					
Dietary Considerations or Allergies? _____					
Emergency Contact _____					
Phone _____		Cell _____			
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY, USE NO ABBREVIATIONS					
(Student #2)					
Name _____		M	F		
Club (spell out) _____					
Address _____		(Apt) _____			
(City) _____		(ST) _____	(Zip) _____		
Email _____					
Phone _____		Cell _____			
American Federation Region _____					
Can you walk up a FLIGHT of stairs? Y N Do you use a Walker Y N Cane Y N Wheelchair/Scooter Y N Age group <70 >70 Do you smoke? Y N Do you need a handicap room? Y N Are you an early riser or a night owl?					
Dietary Considerations or Allergies? _____					
Emergency Contact _____					
Phone _____		Cell _____			
Student	1 st Choice	Taken Before?	2 nd Choice	Taken Before?	
		Y N		Y N	
		Y N		Y N	
Accommodations Single Double Roommate _____ Day Student Campground (William Holland)					
(Non SFMS/AFMS Members Add \$50 to all Tuition Fees) Please mail application and fees (or \$50 Nonrefundable deposit*) to:					
SFMS William Holland Workshop Rosemary van Wandelen William Holland Registrar 3051 Keyport St Deltona, FL 32738-5356 386-860-5586 Home 386-479-1509 Cell Email: sfms.wb@gmail.com		SFMS Wildacres Workshop Paula Griffin Wildacres Registrar PO Box 430 Kingston, TN 37763 865-248-8393 865-406-8801 alternate Email: wacregistrar2013@gmail.com			
Tuition Cost per Person Double Occupancy \$370 Single Occupancy \$330 Day Student \$200 Campground \$320 (call for details)		Tuition Cost per Person Double Occupancy \$370 Single Occupancy \$330 Day Student \$200			
(* At Education Committee's Discretion)					

Lapidary Equipment for Sale

I have three items of lapidary equipment I would like to sell. If there is someone in the club who would like to get into cutting with a small investment, I have a slab saw with automatic drive for \$200, a Raytech cabbing machine for \$200, and a Raytech faceting machine for \$300. I would also take \$600 for everything if someone wanted all of it. Anyone

interested can contact me by email at ralnc@bellsouth.net or by phone at 919-610-1970.

I will be glad to donate a percentage of the proceeds to the club if the stuff sells.

Many thanks,
Hal McKinney



Field Trip Information

By Shirley Green

Morefield mine in Amelia, Virginia

When:

Saturday, April 25, 2015, 9:30 am to 5 pm.

Where:

13400 Butlers Rd., Amelia, Virginia 23002

Admission Price:

Ages four through grade 6: \$8 dollars each

Grades seven through grade 12: \$10 each

Adults \$12 each

Additional Fees To Go Inside Mine: only to see & photograph, not to dig.

Requirements:

You must wear hard top shoes, Tennis shoes are good if you don't plan go down in the mine... no flip-flops or sandals allowed.

Collecting:

Their website says to bring a picnic lunch and come spend the day with them. The price that you pay is for 1 five gallon bucket of material. (Bring your own bucket.) You will need to bring a Ziploc bag or several Ziploc

bags to put your smaller finds in. There will be an opportunity for adults to go inside the mine and there is an extra fee for this see the attachment to this email for the details or see web site. Be sure to bring the required items (as for quarry dig) if you want to go inside the mine.

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT I KNOW HOW MANY PLAN TO ATTEND AS I HAVE TO LET SAM (Mine Owner) KNOW! Please email Shirley (DON'T REPLY TO MARY) at: richard60green@yahoo.com.

This mine is really fun to go to and I hope a lot of people will plan to attend. The Amazonite they mine there is a beautiful turquoise color!

Contact Information:

The website is www.morefieldgemmine.com
1-804-561-0344 office number.

Sincerely,

Shirley Green

Field Trip Coordinator

919-848-1085

2015 Show Pictures



UPCOMING SHOWS

April 30 - May 3, 2013: Spruce Pine, NC – 3rd Annual Spring Grassy Creek Gem and Mineral Show. Parkway Fire and Rescue Department at 12966 Hwy. 226 South, Spruce Pine, NC, halfway between US 19E and the Blue Ridge Parkway (exit 331). There are 30 dealers who have all kinds of gemstones, mineral specimens, jewelry, beads, fossils, and lots more. Mine tours available. Admission is FREE. Parking is FREE. Hours are from 8 to 6 all days. Contact Donna Collis: 828 765 5519; collisdonna@yahoo.com for information.

May 8 - 10, 2015, Franklin, NC - Gem & Mineral Society of Franklin, NC. Fri. & Sat., May 8th & 9th, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sun., May 10th, 10:00 AM- 4:00PM; Carpenter Community Center, 1288 Georgia Rd. (US441), Franklin, NC. No admission charge, rough and finished gemstones and jewelry, minerals and local crafts. Contact: Norm Holbert, 828 634-0350, normholbert@comcast.net

Vugsites The following are some links to Web-Sites that may interest some of our members:

<http://www.amfed.org> / <http://www.amfed.org/sfms> These are the official sites for the organizing body that the Tar Heel Gem & Mineral Club is founded under. I would strongly urge all members to check them out on a regular basis.

http://www.amfed.org/sfms/lodestar_newsletter.html The SFMS Lodestar Newsletter

<http://www.carolinageologicalsociety.org/CGS/Home.html> This site provides numerous downloadable field-trip guide books, maps, and charts of the Carolinas. It will prove to keep any avid rock hound busy for years. Great Site!

http://www.ncminerals.com/ncmineralswebsite_files/page0011.htm And while we are on the subject, try this link. Its titled: Links of Interest to Rock hounds in NC. It will take you to a list of links for North Carolina gems and minerals.

<http://www.rocksforkids.com/> Just like the name says, a nice place to steer the younger members.

Information & photographs of over 6300 specimens from the Glenn & Martha Vargas Gem & Mineral Collection.

<http://www.rockhoundlounge.com> Scott Laborde, a club member maintains his own web site that might be of interest to people collecting in and around Wake County.

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/29726500/ns/technology_and_science-science This site highlights a half dozen of the most recent significant fossil finds.

<http://appmodo.com/13971/mole-quest-for-the-terracore-gem-app-review-for-the-iphone-and-ipod-touch/> If you have an iphone or an ipod touch, this rock-hounding may be the game for you.

http://diamonddanpublications.net/index_files/page0009.html Diamond Dan's Mini Miner's Monthly

I would like to encourage all members of the THG&MC that maintain their own presence on the internet to send me a link to their site to be published in future Vugsites so that other club members may learn and enjoy the craft, the art, the interests that many of us have in common.

Park in the Cates Ave. Parking Deck off Jensen Dr. Enter Thompson Building directly across from the parking lot.

Our Next Meeting is

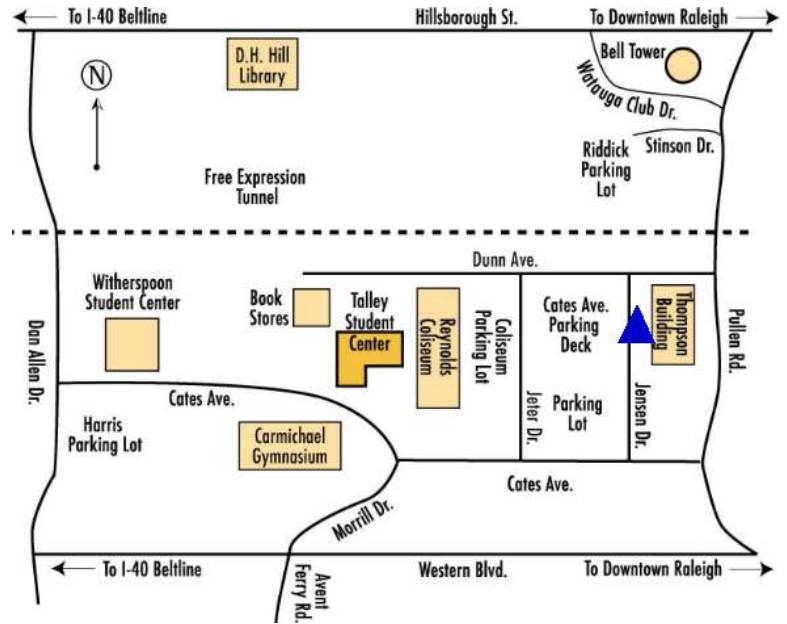
April 21, 2015 @ 7:30PM

Thompson Building / NCSU Campus.

About Our Organization...

The Tar Heel Gem and mineralogy, paleontology, Mineral Club, Inc. was earth sciences, and formed in 1974 as a lapidary techniques, nonprofit educational organization for people among the general public. who enjoy the lapidary The club pursues these arts, earth sciences, and goals through related subjects. The main publications, meetings, objectives of the club are lectures, field trips, to investigate, preserve, exhibits, demonstrations, and other activities. rocks, minerals, and precious stones, and to promote interest in

Come and be a part of the Fun!



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