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Greetings Fellow Rockhounds,

We have a lot of interesting information this month and lots of activities scheduled for the upcoming future, so let's just jump right into it.

We have finally restored electricity back to the Club Workshop after an ordeal dealing with Alabama Power, the City of Montgomery, etc. these past few months. Now the Shop needs to have a thorough cleaning as well as throwing out some old junk. We still have a few more OLD GEM SHOW DISPLAY BOXES at the shop that are free to any club member who wants them but you need to pick them up no later than the Gem Show this year. They will be discarded to the street for trash to pick them up at the completion of this year's Gem Show. Also, please look for details, Coming Soon from our Club's Workshop Manager, Ms. Leslie Amato, about upcoming classes and demonstrations at the workshop.

Our next Gem Club meeting will be on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 7pm at the Crump Community Center off Coliseum Boulevard. Please enter in the back door. We will be prepping, planning, and organizing for our Gem Show scheduled December 3, 4, and 5 2021. We will be filling the Wheel of Fortune prize bags at this next club meeting. We will have our new and improved Gem Show Flyers available for you to take and distribute. We will also have one box of yard signs for you to take one home and set in your neighborhood. I wish we could hold our traditional sandwiches and snacks fellowship during the prize bag filling like we have done in years past but due to new rules at the Crump Center we are no longer able to have snacks and refreshments at our meeting room.

We need every club member to show up at the Gem Show and to please help out in putting the show on. **It takes each and every club member** to pull this off each year and we need your help. We are returning back to our Thursday night Potluck Dinner for our Dealers after we finish setting up the show. We need everyone to bring a side dish and another item such as drinks or desserts. We will have sign-up sheets for all work activities associated with the Show, side dishes for the Dealer's Dinner, and the new club Display Cases.

Speaking of the new Display Cases, our Gem Club made a huge investment last year in building new Display Cases. So far, we have only had a handful of people sign up to actual put something in a Display Case. There are still cases available so please take advantage of this by showing off your collections, art, and talent.

Once again **It Takes Each and Every Club Member to pull this Gem Show off** and I'm sure we can count on everyone to do their part. Please help out, **WE NEED YOU!!!**

I hope to see you all at our next meeting!

Chris Rutherford, President chris-rutherford@sanderslead.com

The Clock is Ticking...can you believe we will be hosting our **51st Annual Montgomery Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show** in less than 3 weeks? There have been so many people working to make this year's Show a huge success, and it will take each and every one of us to finish seeing it through. From our Chairmen contacting the Vendors and making sure that we have a Venue to hold our Show. To the designing of our flyers and making sure those flyers get passed on to the local businesses, and the general public! To all our Amazing Members who Tumble Stones by the thousands each year, and the Members who help bag the stones for the Wheel of Fortune. To all our Members who attend our Meetings and sign-up for the various Time Slots...just to name a few...the Pot Luck Vendor Dinner Duty on set-up night...those who help work the Wheel of Fortune. Members Collecting Fees to Enter, those who do the Demonstrations, work at the Information Booth, to the Drawings for Door Prizes. All the Members helping and checking on the Vendors to see if they need anything...and the list goes on and on for 3 days. Then it's time to close the doors to the general public, assist the vendors and see them off. All with a smile on our faces and, pains in places we never knew we could have pains. Yet still with joy in our hearts knowing we were able to share what we love with thousands of people...Woo-Hoo! Job Well Done Everyone!!! Then it hits us...we still have to clean and pack away the Club and Club Member's things and stack the tables and chairs!!! That's alright...we all knew what we signed up for...because that's what the sign-up sheets are for...LOL No really...that's what the sign-up sheets are for...so everyone knows what they have signed up for...but I am sure if you are finished with what you have signed up for and you still have time on your hands...those still on clean up duty wouldn't say no to a little help.

***OH...JUST A LITTLE REMINDER: Our 52RD Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show is JUST under 1 year and 3 weeks away!!! SORRY, I JUST COULDN'T RESIST...I KNOW...I'M THE REASON SANTA HAS A NAUGHTY LIST...**

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Show!

Cyn

Happy Birthday to Our Amazing Members May your Special Day be filled with more Laughter, Love and Blessings than your Heart can hold!



November

Greg Atgee 4th, Phoenic Dale 12th Quanterium Fox 17th, Peggy Raines 18th And Sabrina Hammond 28th

December

Susan Lowry 10th, James Easterling 17th And Kayla Collar 27th

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN-UP TO WORK AT YOUR GEM, MINERAL & JEWELRY SHOW...DECEMBER 4, 5 & 6. THERE WILL BE SIGN-UP SHEETS AT OUR NOVEMBER 16TH MEETING WITH DATES, TIMES AND JOB DESCRIPTIONS LISTED. FROM THURSDAY SET-UP TO SUNDAY CLEAN UP EVERYONE IS NEEDED TO MAKE THIS YEARS SHOW A SUCCESS!!!

WORKSHOP NEWS... YOU WILL WANT TO KEEP YOUR EYES AND EARS OPEN FOR NEWS FROM OUR WORKSHOP DIRECTOR AND P.O.C., LESLIE AMATO. LESLIE WILL SOON POST UPCOMING CLASSES AND DEMONSTRATIONS TO BE HELD AT OUR WORKSHOP!!!

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