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President's Message

Greetings Fellow Rockhounds,

It is October and we are still waiting on that cool autumn weather to arrive. It will be here before we know it. The Alabama National Fair was going on through the 17th of October and our Gem Club is sponsoring the gems, jewelry, fossils, specimens, and beading competition in the Creative Living Center. We mentioned this during our last club meeting and I hope our club members took advantage of the competition and entered something.

Our next Gem Club meeting will be on Tuesday October 19, 2021 at 7pm at the Crump Community Center off Coliseum Boulevard. Please enter in the back door. Club Member Mr. Gary Chinberg will bring a couple of display boards of arrowheads, spear points, etc. and speak about the artifacts and how to identify and age them based on their composition and design. Gary has also offered to look over any artifacts anyone would like to bring and he will help to identify them. So please feel free to bring anything from your artifacts collection.

The annual Gem Show is coming up in less than two months on December 3, 4, and 5 2021 at the Garret Coliseum. We will be returning to our normal Gem Show routine with a Dealer's Dinner after Thursday night set-up. We will have sign-up sheets at our next club meetings so we can volunteer to help out. When you join our club, each member agrees to help out and volunteer during the Gem Show. It takes each and every club member to pull this off and I am sure we can count on everyone to do their part. We will need everyone to bring something for Dealers Potluck Dinner, and then volunteer to work at least one shift during the Show. Please help out, we need you.

I hope to see you all at our next meeting!

Chris Rutherford, President

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September Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President, Chris Rutherford.

No guests were present. Chris recognized long time member David Grant who was present after a long absence.

Iris delivered the treasurers' report which was turned over to the secretary for filing.

Terry Fetzer said all of the tables the coliseum could handle had been filled and deposits were in for the upcoming December show. He was still waiting for the official change of hands on Garrett coliseum before we could pay our fee for its usage.

Everyone was reminded of The "Best of Fair" competition and encouraged to enter their display. The club sponsors a 100 dollar prize for first place.

David Sherrod said he had reattached the power line mast but there was still confusion on what needed to be done and whether it would actually meet specification for reestablishment of power. David Grant who is an electrician said he would check it out and advise us on what needed to be done.

The club then participated in a game of "Name That Rock" David Sherrod provided the lapidary material with rough slabs and polished cabochons. A sheet with information on the specimens was provided to each member with the member getting the most correct answers, getting first choice from the door prize stash. John Martin was declared winner with 16 of 25 correct.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Secretary,

David Sherrod

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Our Program for October...

Club Member, Mr. Gary Chinberg, Artifacts, How to Identify and Age Them Based on Composition and Design!!!

Mr. Gary Chinberg will be our guest speaker at the October Meeting. He will be bringing a couple of display boards of arrowheads, spear points, etc. as well as speak about the artifacts and how to identify and age them based on their composition and design.

Gary has also offered to look over artifacts anyone would like to bring and he will help to identify them.

So please feel free to bring anything from your artifacts collection.



October Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Our Amazing Members

May your Special Day be filled more with Laughter, Love and

Blessings than your Heart can hold!

Jasmine Edwards 6th, Mel Barkley 9th, Kaitlin Lauritson 12th Candy Rutrheford & Tod Jordan 18th, Linda Boyd 28th & Joe Cooper 29th

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The Fair is Sadly Over and it is time to pick up any items you have entered so...

PLEASE NOTE... IF YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS AT THE FAIR YOU MUST PICK
THEM UP OR THEY WILL BE DISCARDED!!!
SO GO BY AND PICK THEM UP!!! BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!!!
PICK UP DATES AND TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS...
PICK-UP AFTER THE FAIR

Monday, October 18th, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm Tuesday, October 19th, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Wednesday, October 20th, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm **All items that are not picked up by Wednesday, October 20th at 2:00 pm will be discarded.** October 2021 Pg 4

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN-UP TO WORK AT <u>YOUR</u> GEM, MINERAL & JEWELRY SHOW...DECEMBER 4, 5 & 6.

DATES, TIMES AND JOB DESCRIPTIONS WILL BE LISTED. FROM THURSDAY SET-UP TO SUNDAY CLEAN UP EVERYONE IS NEEDED TO MAKE THIS YEARS SHOW A SUCCESS!!!

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