



The Rockhounder

July-August 2019

The purpose of the Gem, Lapidary, and Mineral Society of Montgomery County MD, Inc. is “to increase knowledge and popular interest in earth sciences, geology, mineralogy, paleontology, lapidary arts, and related subjects.”

NOTE: Please send any submissions for the September issue of The Rockhounder to Editor Olivia Luzier at editor@glmsmc.com by Monday, August 26, 2019.

Regular Meeting Announcements

Steven Calamuci, Vice President

September Speaker Information:

Speaker: Dave Tiktinsky

Title of Talk: “Namibia and Tsumeb”

Next month’s speaker is Dave Tiktinsky with his presentation on minerals of Namibia and the world-famous Tsumeb mining district! Dave will share pictures, specimens, and stories from his trip to Namibia and the wealth of minerals there! The last time Dave did this presentation, it was one of the most well-attended meetings of the entire year!

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/984241208329511/>

Next Regular Meeting:

Date: Monday, Sept. 9, 2019 **Time:** 7:30 PM

Place: Rockville Senior Center,
1150 Carnation Drive, Rockville, MD

Next Board of Directors Meeting:

The Board of Directors will meet at **7:30 PM on Monday, Sept. 16, 2019** at the home of Holly Heighes. Board members are expected to be there. Any member is welcome to come, but please let Holly know if you plan to attend.

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President's Message

Ken Reynolds

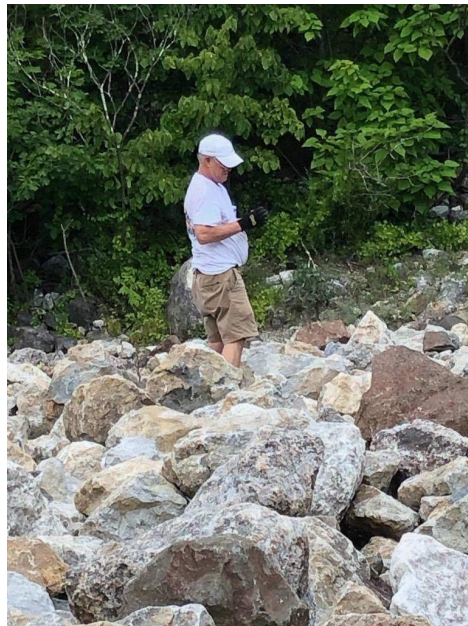
Hello Rockhounds,

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and our two months off from the club! I'm looking forward to getting back to our meetings and can't wait to hear stories of your mineral collecting and purchases you may have made during our time off. I thought it would be fun to bring something you have acquired in your time off for our club show-and-tell for the September meeting.

For my rockhounding adventures in my time off, I visited Franklin, New Jersey. (Surprise, surprise! Who would've expected that?) I've added pictures of the Buckwheat Dump and myself under a black grill cover, looking for fluorescent minerals. It was about 95° that day and let me tell ya, I felt like I was in a pizza oven under that grill cover! Needless to say, I didn't stay long!

I hope you all enjoy the rest of your summer and hope to see you September 9th for our club meeting!!!

Ken Reynolds, President





GLMSMC Regular Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2019

Karen Lottes

Meeting called to order at 7:45 PM by Ken with approximately 55 in attendance (48 regular members and 7 FRA members).

May meeting minutes approved without changes. May Board minutes also approved without changes.

FIELD TRIPS: We have a field trip on June 29 to Middleburg Quarry/National Limestone. This could be the last time we can visit this quarry. Meet at 9:00 AM with a signed and dated waiver. Last month's Vulcan Manassa/Vulcan Stafford Quarry trip went well. There are some free rocks from that field trip if anyone wants to take some.

FRA: Special goodbye to Jennifer, who has been with the FRA from the beginning—10 years! She started the group exhibit for the show so everyone would have an opportunity to exhibit. Jennifer was awarded the Advisor's Award and was given a certificate and many gifts. Good luck for the future and we hope to see you back!

AUCTION: We will be having another auction for this meeting and since we have so many new people who may not know how the auctions work, we wanted to go over the rules so everyone knows what to expect. All auction lots start with a silent auction. If there is more than one bid, then it goes to a live auction. Once the auction goes live, we need people not to crowd around. Club auctions are cash only.

Germaine said she sent some of the books she acquired at the last meeting's auction to the Culver City California Club for their fundraising auction.

TREASURER'S REPORT: We have made the down payment for next year's show and will be paying rent for the meeting room. Also, the club has proposed replacing the plastic tablecloths with blue cloth tablecloths, like the one on the auction table.

TRAILER: Joel, with Jonathan's help, has sealed the vents around the trailer and it no longer leaks!

MEMBERSHIP: We would like to welcome three new member families: Kevin May and Leslie Slaby, Monika and Markus Pohlmann, and Dan and Linda Kohn.

Katie Seitz made a donation for a door prize specimen of a Tourmaline-Mica combination from Quebec to the club.

PRESENTATION: John Weidner gave a comprehensive presentation on garnets. Garnets actually comprise many different minerals, but they generally have the following qualities: they are dense, stand out from the matrix, can be any color, have roughly equal sides, no cleavage, and have a hardness of 6.5 to 7.5. The best known garnets are Spessartine, Almandine, Pyrope, Grossular, Andradite, and Uvarovite.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM.



Show Table from June 10th Regular Meeting

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NAME	SPECIMEN	LOCALITY
Jeff Cessna	Garnet	Franklin, NJ
“ ”	**Willemite Calcite, Banded	Buckwheat Dump, Franklin, NJ
Gary Leaman	Garnet	Vietnam
Diane Leaman	Garnet in matrix	St. Martin
David Tiktinsky	Garnet	Haddane, CT
Dave Hennessey	Melanite Garnet	Mina Ojuela, Mexico
Doug Baum	Grossularite Garnet	Merelani, Tanzania
Ken Reynolds	Melanite Garnet	Franklin, NJ
Dave Fryauff	**Calcite (FL)	Vulcan Manassas, VA
Alana Hulse	Star Garnet	Unknown
Joel Rosen	Red Grossular	Tonghsi, Figiar Province, China
Pam Ogasawara	Garnet necklace & Turtle	Unknown
George Durland	Andradite	Franklin, NJ
“ ”	Rhodonite, Franklinite, Andradite in Calcite	Franklin, NJ
Richard Ernst	Almandine	Cotrary Creek, VA
Pat Repik-Byrne	Garnet xls in schist	Wrangell, Alaska (from the Dave Ballard Collection)
Jerry Gunkel	Shell	Philippines
Dan Kohn	Garnets & Wild Acres	Unknown & Wildacres
Linda Kohn	Wildacres Cab	Wildacres
King Stablein	Almandine Garnet xls	NC, SD, VA
Steve Hatleberg	Andradite Garnet	Unknown
Germaine Broussard	Raw and cut Garnets	Unknown
Mary Beth Mason	Chinese Soap Stone Carving	Purchase from NJ church bazaar

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NAME	SPECIMEN	LOCALITY
Katie Seitz	Septarian Geode with maybe gypsum?	Unknown
Don Greaves	Stromatolite	Nevada
Chris Luzier	Megalodon tooth	Bone Valley, FL
Leigh Broadhurst	**Garnets	Montgomery County
Jonathan Harris	**Grossular	Hunting Hill Quarry
“ ”	**Almandine	Vulcan Dale Quarry, Chester, VA
“ ”	**Almandine	Cockeysville, MD
Chuck Mason	Almandine	Montgomery County, MD

Door Prizes:

Show Table: Garnets in Specular Hematite, Champion Mine, Marquette County, Michigan

Won by Dave Fryauff

General: Drusy Quartz on Bluelace Agate, Ysterputs Mine, Karasburg District, Karas Region, Namibia, Africa

Won by Priscilla Quackenbush



Message from Our Membership Chair

Doug Baum

2019-2020 Membership Dues:

\$20 Family, \$15 Single

Checks made out to GLMSMC

Send self-addressed envelope to receive membership cards before September meeting.

Mail payments to Doug Baum

GLMSMC Membership Chair

11205 Golden Meadow Court

Germantown MD 20876

Email any questions dbaum18@aol.com

Article of Interest

Andy B. Celmer

Patricia found this on her Facebook page. She has posted it to the club's Facebook page. It's the Periodic table with sample elements. Many sites have this for sale.

HERITAGE PERIODIC TABLE DISPLAY at \$79.00:

<https://jinniestore.com/product/heritage-periodic-table-display/>



Upcoming Shows

Desautels Symposium

Mark Your Calendar
63rd Annual

Paul Desautels Micromount Symposium

October 11, 12, and 13, 2019
Friends School of Baltimore
5114 N Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21210

Giveaway Tables, Silent Auction
Voice Auction, Sales, Mineral Talks
Trading, Lots of Friends

---- Hall of Fame Inductions ----
Anne Cook, Cleveland
Jesse Cope Green 1817 – 1920

For program and registration forms email
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Upcoming Shows

Central PA Rock and Mineral Club's 53rd Annual
GEM MINERAL & JEWELRY SHOW
September 15 and 16, 2018
Sat. 10 am-6 pm Sun. 10 am-5 pm
Harrisburg Consistory
2701 North Third Street, Harrisburg, PA
(Across the street from the Zembo)
Admission \$6.00
\$100 discount on each of two adult admissions with flier
Children 12 and under and Scouts in uniform free with paying adult

If you are planning a trip and want to know what clubs you might be able to visit, it would be worthwhile to visit the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies website. Check out their newsletter archives at <http://www.amfed.org/news/default.htm>.





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