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	NEXT MEETING: March 18, 2013 TIME: 7:30 PM LOCATION: CLEAR LAKE PARK BUILDING 5001 NASA ROAD ONE SEABROOK, TEXAS
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The PROGRAM FOR MARCH...

The program for March will be presented by Mr. Franklin Roberts regarding "Use of Radiation Detection Gear in the Search for Radioactive Minerals" or "Economic Exploitation of the Minerals of the Llano Uplift"

Show and Tell - Members who are attending the field trip to the Coal Creek Quarry are asked to bring samples of their finds to share with members.

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MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2013 MEETING
OF THE CLEAR LAKE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

The meeting was opened by the president of CLGMS at 7:30pm with the “call to order” followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the US. The membership was asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes of the January meeting and none were offered. Trina Willoughby and Loyce Pennington then presented Loyce’s outgoing Treasurer’s report and passed the official books to Trina Willoughby. First time visitors were then recognized and welcomed.

A moment of silence was then observed in memory of Al Pennington who had expired on January 28, 2013. Al was very important to the club in many ways and will be sorely missed. Our Vice President, Sara Chelette, offered to put together a memorial poster about Al for display at our Annual Show on Feb. 23-24.

Committee Reports:

- Library – Shannon Oliver brought a sample selection of the club’s library to the meeting and urged the members to check them out.
- Community Benefits – President Annabel Brownfield read a letter of thanks from the Armand Bayou Elementary School for the Clubs donation of earth science books.
- Education – Ed Tindell discussed the March 16 field trip to the Cold Creek Serpentine Quarry near Fredericksburg, TX. The group will meet at the Wal-Mart on Rt. 290 east of Fredericksburg and leave promptly at 9:30am for the quarry. There is a \$10/person admission fee, and all participants must sign a liability release. Ed then spoke about the types of minerals which can be collected at this site. Ed recommended that participants bring a magnet as well as the usual rock collecting equipment, and wear comfortable walking shoes as the site covers a large area. Ed announced that our speaker for the March 18 monthly meeting would be from the Cold Creek Quarry and would speak in detail about the geology of the area. Further information about the trip is available through emails from Ed, so anyone interested should be sure to send Ed an email asking to be added to the field trip email distribution list.
- Equipment – Jim Wines described the status of club lapidary equipment for use in demonstrations at the annual show.
- Membership – Mike Flannigan announced that annual dues are now due and that he anticipated a number of renewals, as well as new members, would be received at the show Feb. 23-24.
- Annual Show – Jim Wines indicated that 9 new dealers have been recruited and that all tables have been filled. Volunteers are still needed to help with the truck loading Thursday evening, the unloading and set up on Feb. 21, the take-down after the show, and to man the membership and information tables, and to staff the admissions booth during show hours.
- Refreshments – David Tjiok asked members to help themselves to refreshments during the break.
- The proposed budget for 2013 and which was distributed at the January meeting was then presented for a vote, and was approved by a majority of the membership.
- Workshops – The club has scheduled the following workshops:
 - Saturday, March 16, Wire Wrap Class with Charlie Timme
 - Saturday, June 1, (Open to suggestions, such as beading, cabochons, use of club equipment, rock/mineral identification, etc.)
 - Saturday, Sept. 14 (Open to suggestions)

Presentations:

Both Trina Willoughby and Annabel Brownfield displayed a number of specimens from their rock collections, including a magnificent sample of serpentine similar to those which those going to the March 16 field trip may expect to find.

Door prizes were then drawn and the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ben Duggar
Secretary Pro Tem

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The biggest news lately is our Annual Show. I hope many of you were able to attend. I want to thank all the members who volunteered and stepped in to make the show successful. We plan to have a Show Wrap-Up Meeting in the near future to review the results of this year's show and plan the show for 2014.

We have some vacant positions in the club and we need someone to volunteer to fill these vacancies. They are Secretary, Newsletter Editor and Web Master. The responsibilities of the secretary are to take the monthly meeting minutes and also to attend any board meetings and prepare those minutes as well. The newsletter editor publishes the monthly newsletter and the Web Master maintains our web site. If you have expertise in these areas and are willing to volunteer your time, please let me know.

The first workshop of the year will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2013, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Clear Lake Park Building located at 5001 Nasa Parkway, Seabrook, TX. If you are interested in attending, please contact me at annabel55@comcast.net or 281-486-1866. RSVP soon as space is limited.

We have two other workshops scheduled this year. One on Saturday, June 1 and another on Saturday, September 14. The topics could be beading, cabochons, rock/mineral identification or club equipment and its use. Please let me know what topics you prefer.

Mike Flannigan, Membership Chairperson, gave me some interesting information I thought I might pass on. Currently, we have 72 members. Here are previous membership counts:

2012 – 61

2011 – 79

2010 – 85

2009 - 82

As always, please let me know your comments or suggestions regarding the club.

Annabel Brownfield
President, CLGMS

CLUB WORKSHOPS

The club will sponsor a wire-wrap workshop on Saturday, March 16, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. held at the Clear Lake Park Building. The fee is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members. RSVP Annabel Brownfield, annabel55@comcast.net or 281-486-1866. RSVP soon as space is limited.

Future workshops will be held on Saturday, June 1, and Saturday, September 14, on such topics as beading, cabochons, rock/mineral identification or club equipment and its use.

Field Trips (2013) by Ed Tindell

Think about Field trips for year 2013



Thanks,
Ed Tindell 2012 CLGMS Field Trip Coordinator
a.k.a. "The Official Cat Herder"

A field trip is scheduled for March 16 (rain date March 30) to the Coal Creek serpentine quarry near Llano, TX for serpentine, chromite, asbestos, peridot, arrow heads and lots of other cool rocks!

Upcoming Programs

The April monthly meeting will be a Swap Meet. Get your items ready for sale.

.SCFMS and MEMBER CLUB GEM SHOWS			
March 16-17 Live Oak, TX (San Antonio) Southwest Gem & Mineral Society, San Antonio Event Center	April 13-14 Abilene, TX Central Texas Gem & Mineral Society, Abilene Civic Center	April 19-21 Alpine, TX Chihuahua Gem & Mineral Society, Alpine Civic Center	April 20-21 Waco, TX Waco Gem & Mineral Society Extraco Events Center
April 27-28 Lubbock, TX Lubbock Gem & Mineral Society, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center	May 25-26 Fort Worth, TX Fort Worth Gem & Mineral Society, Will Rogers Memorial Center	August 10-11 Baton Rouge, LA Baton Rouge Gem & Mineral Society, Bossier City Civic Center	August 17-18 Bossier City, LA SCFMS Convention & Show Ark-La-Tex Gem & Mineral Society, Bossier City Civic Center
August 24-25 Jasper, TX Pine Country Gem & Mineral Society, Events Center	September 14-15 Arlington, TX Arlington Gem & Mineral Society, 1010 Event Center	November 8-10 Humble, TX Houston Gem & Mineral Society, Humble Civic Center	March 15-16, 2014 Pasadena, TX Clear Lake Gem & Mineral Society, Pasadena Convention Center

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Meeting 3rd Monday of the Month – 7:30 P.M.
 Clear Lake Park Building
 5001 NASA Road One, Seabrook, Texas



Member of:

Next Annual Show
 March 15-16, 2014
 Pasadena Convention Center

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<http://www.clgms.org>



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MEMBER: American Federation of Mineralogical Societies and South Central Federation of Mineral Societies			
PURPOSE: To promote education and popular interest in the various earth sciences; in particular in those hobbies dealing with the art of lapidaries and the earth sciences of minerals, fossils and their associated fields			
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		Bobbie Lefabvre	Shannon Oliver
	Newsletter Editor	(Vacant)	
Annual Show 2013.....	Jim Wines	Library.....	Shannon Oliver
Const & bylaws.....	Sara Chelette	Membership.....	Mike Flannigan
Community Benefits.....	Nancy Duggar	Publisher.....	Mike Flannigan
Historian.....	David Tjiok	Refreshments.....	David Tjiok
Publicity.....	Bobbie Lefabvre	Education/Field Trips.....	Ed Tindell
Membership Dues Jan. to Dec. 2013: Adult \$10:00, \$5.00 per additional adult at same address, Junior \$5.00, \$2.50 per member with adult at same address, Family Dues \$20.00 (4+) at same address. Send Dues to CLGMS, PO BOX 891533, Houston, TX, 77289			
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