



# DOPS AND DIGS

## OCTOBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 20th, 2009.

We meet at Friendship Christian Church, located at 285 Tallassee Road, Athens GA.

The church is located about 0.6 miles northwest of the Athens by-pass, on the left side of Tallassee Road.

The business part of the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

We will be discussing more details for the fall show at Sandy Creek. The date has been set for November 7th. Please come prepared to tell Grace what you will be doing so she can get it to the newspapers. Also she will need to know how many tables and chairs each of you will need.

We need rock/fossil items for the rock/fossil dig in the sandbox and items for grab bags. If you have anything to donate, bring it to the meeting or contact Jim Maudsley or Donna Book.

Our October program will be presented by Gilles Allard Professor of Geology at the University of Georgia.

The topic is "Mineral resources, your daily life, and environmental concerns"

This talk will include population problems, consumerism, and how we go from mapping to refining copper with all the steps in between. It is a summary of his life as an economic geologist.

## LAST MONTH

There were seventeen members and two guests present at the September meeting. During the business portion of the meeting we discussed details of the Sandy Creek show. Kodi Book gave the treasurer's report.

For Show and Tell Pat and Jim Goodrich told about their trip to Russia. Jim also brought some lab grown titanium crystals.

Kallie brought a donation of pottery pieces for the sand box at Sandy Creek. Susan brought some crystals from Diamond Hill that she had cleaned. Colin one of our guests brought an artifact to be identified which was an axe head. Lydia brought in specimens she found in Madison county. Anna told us about finishing gemology classes a couple of months ago. Walt told us about a mineral called Coltan that is used in cell phones and laptops. This was a very interesting meeting!

# Please Bring Your Stamps!

Ruth Long, Our Stamp Chairperson, sends out a reminder to all members to bring stamps that have been collected for the scholarship fund.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

### Anna Rice- Bowman GA

## Reminder- Dues are due!

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pat Goodrich	October 09
Susan Richardson	October 13
Kim Cochran	October 21



## ROCK, GEM, AND MINERAL SHOWS



**October 16-18, 2009, Franklin, NC - Gem & Mineral Society of Franklin and the Franklin Chamber of Commerce.** Annual Leaf Looker's Gemboree. Hours: 16th & 17th, 10:00 A.M.-6:00; 18th, 12:00 Noon-5:00 P.M. Call 1.800.336.7829 for further information.

**Oct 16-18--KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE:** Show; Knoxville Gem & Mineral Society; Kerbela Temple, 315 Mimosa Ave.; Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 11-5; adults \$4 (weekend pass \$7), children under 12 free; mineral identification Sat.; contact Jim McCutcheon, 1519 W. Woodshire Dr., Knoxville, TN 37922, (865) 966-5468; e-mail: [jdmccut@tds.net](mailto:jdmccut@tds.net)

**Oct 16-18--TAYLORSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA:** Carolina Gem & Mineral Rock Swap; Western Piedmont Mineral & Gem Society; Taylorsville Lions Club Fairgrounds; 170 Fairgrounds Rd.; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 12-5; free admission; inside and outside show, camping available, unlimited parking; contact Tom Winslow, 2843 Devonshire Rd., Newton, NC 28658-9799; (828) 302-1714; e-mail: [TomWinslow@Charter.net](mailto:TomWinslow@Charter.net)

**Oct 24-25--TAMPA, FLORIDA:** 50th annual show and sale; Tampa Bay Mineral and Science Club; Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 U.S. Hwy. 301 N; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; adults \$5, students (K-12) \$4, children under 5 free with adult; contact Tony Carrino, 3124 Partridge Point Trail, Valrico, FL 33596, (813) 482-7774; e-mail: [tcarrino@verizon.net](mailto:tcarrino@verizon.net); Web site: [www.tampabayrockclub.com](http://www.tampabayrockclub.com)

**October 31 – November 1, 2009, Stuart FL– St. Lucie County Rock & Gem Club.** 31st Annual Rock & Gem Show. Martin County Fairgrounds, 2616 SE Dixie Hwy. (A1A). Hours: 10:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M. both days. Discount coupon at [slcrockandgem.org](http://slcrockandgem.org). Contacts: Dennis Ponte at 772.288.9296 or Norm Holbert at 772.873.0787.

**November 13-15, 2009, Pascagoula, MS – Mississippi Gulf Coast Gem & Mineral Society.** 19th Annual Magnolia State Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show. Civic Center Building, Jackson County Fairgrounds. Hours: 13th & 14th, 10:00 A.M.–6:00 P.M.; 15th, 10:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M. Contact: John Wright, 3304 Nottingham Rd., Ocean Springs, MS 39564 or 228.875.9192.

**November 13-15, 2009, Louisville, KY – KYANA Geological Society.** Annual Mineral, Fossil, Gem, and Rock Show. Resurrection Lutheran Church Gym, 4205 Gardiner View Ave. Hours: 13th, 10:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.; 14th, 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.; 15th, 12:00 Noon – 6:00 P.M. Contact: Mike Whitehouse, 4304 Winter Park Dr., Louisville, KY 40218; 502.905.4988, or [kyanageo@gmail.com](mailto:kyanageo@gmail.com).

**November 21-22, 2009, West Palm Beach, FL – Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches.** 43rd Annual Gem, Jewelry, Mineral & Fossil Show, Americraft Expo Center at the South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd. Hours: 21st, 9:00 A.M.– 6:00 P.M.; 22nd, 10:00 A.M.– 5:00 P.M. Contacts: Barbara Ringhiser at [bar5678@aol.com](mailto:bar5678@aol.com) or 561.588.5458/Ellen Jean at [ellenjean24@aol.com](mailto:ellenjean24@aol.com) or 931.372.8236.

**November 27-29, 2009, Mobile, AL – Mobile Rock and Gem Society.** 15th Annual Jewelry, Gem and Mineral Show, Greater Gulf State Fairgrounds, Cody Rd and Zeigler Blvd. Hours: 27th, 2:00 PM.– 7:00 P.M.; 28th, 9:00 A.M.– 6:00 P.M.; 29th, 10:00 A.M.– 5:00 P.M.; Contact: Jerry Shirey, 2911 Pretty Branch Drive W., Mobile, AL 36618; 251.786.4777,

### GENERAL INFORMATION

*The Athens Rock and Gem Club is a non-profit organization. Its objective and purpose is "to promote the recreational, educational, and scientific aspects of lapidary arts, rock and mineral collecting, and earth sciences, for adults and children".*

*Meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month, excluding July and August. Locations of the December (Christmas party) and June (picnic) meetings are announced.*

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### THE ATHENS ROCK AND GEM CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's names: \_\_\_\_\_

Ages, Schools: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Addresses: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupations, hobbies, interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdays/ Anniversary (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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Renewal Dues    Single - \$15.00    Family of Two - \$17.50    Family greater than Two - \$20.00

Make check payable to: Athens Rock and Gem Club

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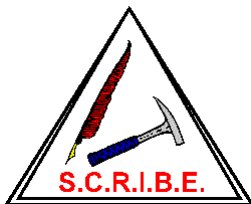
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