

EFMLS NEWS

Information for Members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies



TO HICKORY WE WILL GO – 2020 EFMLS CONVENTION

The Catawba Gem and Mineral Club invites all delegates and guests to their 50th annual Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Show to be held in association with the annual EFMLS Convention in Hickory, NC March 27-29, 2020.

The show will be held at the Hickory Metro Convention Center at 1960 Avenue Drive, SE, exit 125 from I-40 east/west. Friday and Saturday show hours are 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Sunday show hours are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Over 24 quality vendors will have an array of merchandise that includes minerals, fossils, meteorites, finished and unfinished jewelry, and more...hourly door prizes are offered as well as demonstrations of faceting/cabbing/wire wrapping, kiddie mini-mine, hands on exhibits for children, educational tasks for school groups—competitive and non-competitive exhibits will be shown for the public's education. The special-feature exhibit will be The First Gold Rush in North Carolina.

EFMLS Convention Hotel: the Hampton Inn is well suited since it is adjacent to the Hickory Metro Convention Center and a walk of one to two minutes. It is located at 1956 13th Avenue Drive, SE. A block of rooms has been set aside for convention delegates at \$119 plus tax. Mention that you are with the EFMLS Convention when calling 1-828-624-2000.

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See page 4 for important information regarding your club's Insurance renewal and, for those eligible, the deadline for expense reimbursement.

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President's Message

by David Nock, President



Once upon a Halloween.... Me, Socko, & my friend Kev
You might remember the MTV Show,
"Beavis & Butthead"

"Trick or Treat? Treat! Hope you like ham! The Story of the Ham and Pan"

Since the fall season is full of traditions, stories and legends, I wanted to share a story told to me by Lori Carter of the Southeast Federation's Dixie Mineral Council. There are many variations of this story but the message is the same. I think this is a story fitting for our Federation, but I also think you may also find it fitting for your Mineral Society.

"A husband and wife were in their kitchen preparing a ham dinner. Both of them had their own piece of ham and the wife proceeds to fry the ham in a large pan. The wife cooks the first piece of ham and sets it aside when done and then cooks the other piece of ham. As the wife was cooking the second piece of ham, the husband asked why she cooked the one piece separately and then cooked the second piece when the pan was large enough to cook both at the same time. She said, "That's the way my mom always prepared the ham." The husband asked, "Why did she cook them separately?" The wife didn't know.

Later, the wife called her mom to find out why she didn't cook both pieces of ham at the same time. Her mom said, "Because that was the way my mom prepared ham."

The wife's grandma passed away several years earlier, but her Grandpa was still living. She called her Grandpa and asked, "Grandpa, why did Grandma cook both pieces of ham separately?" He was silent as he thought for a moment. Then he replied, "Because we only had one small pan."

This is the "trick" part!

The takeaway? Why do we do things the same old way when resources avail themselves to make our organizations stronger, more efficient and grow?

Always sincerely,

David

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No email? No problem!-Please call or write. (see left)

2020 EFMLS Web Site Competition

Did someone mention a web site competition! Who doesn't love a competition measuring yourself up against others to find the best of the best! If you don't yet have a web site perhaps this is the perfect opportunity to create one!

Moving forward in this age of technology and having an eye catching, up-to-date web site has become a critical component for all organizations. In many instances, new members make first contact with us through our club sites. A positive first impression of your site will make visitors want to engage in membership. One by one these new members grow our clubs bigger and stronger.

This competition is aimed at helping mineral societies keep their web sites current, fashionable, and easy for visitors to navigate. If your club's web site "rocks" please, encourage your webmaster to enter the contest. Let's make this contest the best one yet, have fun with it!

Entrants can find the guidelines and entry forms at <https://efmls.org/website-contest>. Any inquiries about the contest, guidelines entry forms as well as your completed forms can be emailed to [pacutgarnet at gmail.com](mailto:pacutgarnet@gmail.com).

All entries need to be submitted by January 8th, 2020. Late entries will not be accepted.

*by Allison Pacut
pacutgarnet at gmail.com*

FROM THE EDITOR

It is an honor to serve as your new editor. Carolyn Weinberger was the dedicated editor of *EFMLS News* for many a moon. Despite some formatting issues (to be resolved by next issue), I will try to live up to her standard of excellence in this issue, my first as editor, and those to follow. Hope I didn't miss anything.

Thanks to David Nock for voluntarily doing the issues since Carolyn's last.

The deadline for *EFMLS News* will remain the same – the first of the month before publication (example: information for the December issue is due on November 1, etc.).

Important to remember is all EFMLS member clubs are entitled to have their show or swap listed in the "Visit a Show" column. If your club would like to have your show and/or swap listed, send the information to Mary Bateman, *EFMLS News* Editor, 52 Harrison Street, Morristown, NJ 07960, or e-mail to efmlsnews.editor@gmail.com.

This month continues the "Federation Eternal." If a member of your club passes, please send me a brief notice so he/she can be included in the column (see page 11).

New items of importance in this issue are:

- information and forms for the upcoming EFMLS convention in Hickory, NC, March 27-29, 2020 (page 1)
- deadlines for payment of insurance dues and reimbursement for eligible EFMLS expenses (page 4)
- 2020 Website Competition (page 3)

Coming new in November:

- deadlines coming up and those for contests and other items for the convention
- the first in a series on EFMLS committees—what they are about, what they do, who are the members of the committee, how to contact the chair, how clubs can participate, etc. The first will be the Uniform Rules Committee.

Wishing you all a Happy Halloween.

*by Mary Bateman, editor
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REMINDERS FROM THE TREASURER

INSURANCE RENEWAL – Due Mid-November

A reminder to clubs that choose to participate in the EFMLS Insurance program, insurance renewal forms and payments will be due by mid-November. Rate negotiations are ongoing and forms are in the process of being updated. Information will be mailed in late October to club treasurers. How much a club pays for insurance is based on a club's total membership, both juniors and adults, as of October 1st. When sending your renewal forms to the EFMLS Treasurer, be sure to include the name of the person preparing the form and their contact information (e-mail address, phone number) in case there is a problem with the form.

Note: The annual membership renewal information and form will be mailed in early January, 2020 and in the January, 2020 EFMLS News.

2018-2019 EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT DUE BY OCTOBER 25

If you are an EFMLS officer, committee chairman, or are entitled to reimbursements for expenses incurred November 1, 2018 through October 31, 2019, please be sure to submit them to the Treasurer by October 25th. If you have any questions regarding expense reimbursements or how much was budgeted, please contact the Treasurer.

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EDDIE WINS FOR GOLD

GOLD

Gold is the color of victory
The color of happiness,
The color of kings and queens,
The best heart in the world.

Gold is the color of a perfectly roasted
marshmallow,
The sound of trumpets when kings approach
The taste of caramel filled chocolate,
The color of hidden treasure waiting to
be found.

Poem by Eddie G.

EFMLS Nominating Chair, Katie Collins,
presented Eddie G. with two trophies for
his award-winning junior poetry article "Gold".

Eddie won second place for his article in the AFMS Editors' contest for Junior Poetry and the Trophy Award in the EFMLS BEAC Competition. Eddie and his family are members of the Lapidary & Mineral Society of Central Connecticut.



"Eddie, you are Gold!" Congratulations!

SAFETY MATTERS – A Difficult Topic

It is a difficult topic to talk about, especially in polite society. It's rife with uncomfortable situations. It's dripping with implications. It's also lifesaving. What is it? It's sweat, or rather perspiration.

Our bodies sweat, pardon me, we perspire for numerous reasons. But they all lead to the same result, we lose valuable water, salt, and various other chemistries.

There are times we don't know we are perspiring, such as after we have been swinging the 15 pound sledge hammer for a while and the perspiration starts entering our eyes causing us to lose the ability to see what we are trying to hit with the hammer. So, what do we do then? We wipe our brow, dry our eyes, and go back to swinging. We have, after all, a good measure of passion in our hobby.

It's usually a while later when we decide we are thirsty and take a break to replenish ourselves with a drink of water, but by then, we are already dehydrated. When we are thirsty, we are already dehydrated. Our body is already unbalanced by lack of precious water.

I'd like to make a case for drinking water before we are thirsty, making a case for drinking as we go, rather than waiting till we feel thirsty. When we anticipate engaging with an activity likely to cause perspiration, I'd like to make a case for keeping handy a bottle, a cooler, a thermos, an ice chest, a Thermos, an insulated bag or whatever containing a sufficient quantity of bottled water. If one is to perform the perspiration-causing activity indoors, perhaps displaying a reminder sign nearby with the single salient words "Drink Water" would be in order. That might remind us to frequently utilize nearby sources of drinking water.

Keeping our bodies hydrated is important for just about everything we do - thinking, digesting, cardio-vascular activity, movement and joints, and so on. If we are unbalancing our bodies with lack of water, we are making whatever activity with which we are engaging that much more difficult. For our bodies' sake, drink up!

One other important consideration is what we drink. While soda, soft drinks, pop, coffee, energy drinks, tea, alcohol-including drinks, all contain water, they also contain other chemistries, chemistries which affect our bodies. Pure water is hard to beat for optimum performance in most situations. For one thing, the other drinkable options have additional chemistries, ones which alter how we process the drink. They add work to process. Water is simpler. When thirst calls, water answers.

Before thirst arrives, please drink up and replenish your body. Keep your body at optimum operational levels. Drink and be cool.

Safety is more than wearing.

Ellery Borow, Safety Chair

SAFETY MATTERS - Is Safety Enough?

A question, if I may. Do you think just wearing eyeglasses is enough to protect your eyes? The answer is well, maybe, maybe not.

There is a discussion going around -- does wearing seat belts while driving one's car make one feel safer or perhaps more confident about the driving? And, if one is feeling safer more confident, is it possible that with such feelings, might one drive faster or perhaps not as cautiously because of using the

aforementioned seat belts? There is a discussion in safety circles as to whether or not the potential of additional risk taking might mitigate a portion of the safety from use of the belts. Again, this is not a discussion as to whether or not to wear seat belts. Seat belts are well documented as to their benefits in saving lives and reducing injury in motor vehicle accidents. This is instead a discussion as to the idea that, in addition to the belts, we should consider how we feel about relying on them to get one out of trouble if it should happen upon us. In other words, seat belts are not the whole answer, they are a compliment to all of our good driving practices.

Oh, and of course, there are folks who will not change their driving habits one single iota while wearing their seat belts. They will remain as cautious and risk averse as is their usual nature. They will as usual mind the speed limit, will drive just as carefully in the snow even though they have snow tires, and will be just as cautious in every respect.

So, where do safety glasses enter his discussion? When one is wearing their safety glasses, are ones hammering actions more dramatic on the chisel? Is one as careful as usual about other people in the area while chisel chips are flying? Might one be as fussy about large flying shards while striking a rock directly with the hammer? Safety shoes, might wearing safety shoes cause one to be less careful of their footing? One may still lose their footing even while wearing the best of boots. Gloves, gloves should not be counted on to fully protect ones hand during a hammer's mis-strike. Ones fingers may still suffer a hurtful pinch right through a heavy glove.

The take away is to remain mindful even though one is wearing or utilizing every item of safety gear available. Try not to let using safe gear override one good safety practices - you can do this.

Ellery Borow, Safety Chair

2020 EFMLS CONVENTION (continued from page 1)

Hickory is in the foothills region of North Carolina between the piedmont and mountain sections – a medium sized town with a diverse economy, a liberal arts four-year university, and an ideal location which is equidistant from Charlotte (a major financial and travel hub), Winston Salem (with a major university and tertiary medical center), and Asheville (historic and a favorite destination of many tourists).

EFMLS Convention Schedule of Activities:

Friday, March 27	4:00 PM	Cracker Barrel @ Hampton Inn Center
Friday, March 27	7:00 PM	Annual business meeting @ Hickory Metro Convention Center (cash bar at 6:30)
Saturday, March 28	8:00 AM	EFMLS Editors and Webmasters Breakfast @ Hampton Inn (\$5.00)
Saturday, March 28	1:30 PM	EFMLS Auction @ Hickory Metro Convention Center
Saturday, March 28	7:00 PM	Awards Banquet @Hickory Metro Convention Center (Pulled pork BBQ, BBQ chicken, and Salmon/potato salad/baked beans/cold slaw/apple cobbler with ice cream ...\$35) (Cash Bar at 6:30)
Monday, March 30	8:30 AM	Field trip to Propst Farm for Sapphires. Meet in Lobby of the Hampton Inn \$20.00 dig fee payable at site.

Registration Forms are on pages 7-9 and can also be accessed on the new EFMLS web site at EFMLS.org .

Larry Huffman, CVGMC EFMLS liaison

ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM



70th EASTERN FEDERATION CONVENTION Hickory, NC March 27-29, 2020

Primary Registrant (Registration will be recorded under this name—please print name and title as you want them to appear on your name badge.)

Name _____

Title _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Federation or Club Affiliation _____

Check all that apply:	AFMS Officer _____	Delegate _____	Judge _____
Demonstrator _____	EFMLS Officer _____	Alt. Delegate _____	Competitive Exhibitor _____
Dealer _____	Past President _____	Editor _____	Noncompetitive Exhibitor _____

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES	NUMBER	AMOUNT
Attendance at EFMLS Cracker Barrel, 4 PM, Friday, March, 27 Hampton Inn Meeting Room	_____	N/A
Attendance at EFMLS Annual Meeting, 7 PM, Friday, March, 27	_____	N/A
EFMLS Awards Banquet, 7 PM, Saturday, March, 28 @\$35.00 Pulled Pork BBQ, BBQ Chicken, & Salmon, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Apple Cobbler & Ice Cream Cash Bar starting at 6:30	_____	_____
EFMLS Editor's Breakfast, 8 AM, Saturday, March, 28 @\$5.00 Hampton Inn Meeting Room	_____	_____
Convention Registration Fee @ \$5.00 (Show Admission)	_____	_____
Field trip on Monday 3/30/2020 Meet in lobby of Hampton Inn 8:30 am. Propst Farm for sapphires. \$20.00 dig fee. Pay at site.	_____	_____ N/A _____
Total Amount Enclosed	_____	_____

ALL TICKETS WILL BE IN YOUR Delegate Bags
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club
Please send this form and remittance to: Terry Russell,
5254 Olde School Drive, Hickory, NC 28602

Deadline for receiving REGISTRATION forms March 1, 2020

Convention and Show Host: Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club



50th Annual Show, March 27-29, 2020

Hickory Metro Convention Center, Hickory, NC

Application for Competitive Exhibit

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Federation or Club Affiliation _____

Please indicate:

Exhibitor Group: Master ____ Advanced ____ Novice ____ Jr. ____ Soc. ____ Jr. Soc. ____

Exhibit Division ____ Exhibit Class _____ If Junior, give birthdate: _____

Please supply the following information to aid us in planning your exhibit space.

I will use my own case, YES ____ or NO ____ . Case style: UPRIGHT ____ OR SLANT FRONT ____

Case Exterior Dimensions: _____ WIDTH x _____ DEPTH x _____ HEIGHT

Subject of Exhibit: _____

CERTIFICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL ADULT AND JUNIOR EXHIBITORS: I hereby certify that all material exhibited in competition by me is my own personal property and that all lapidary and jewelry work (except minor findings or where otherwise allowed by the rules) was completed by me. I have read the current rules and agree to abide by them.

SECURITY AND LIABILITY: The Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club will house all exhibits in a building with a security system and will take reasonable precautions to protect the property and person of each exhibitor. However, it is mutually agreed that the Federation, member societies, their members, their officers or authorized agents will not be liable to any exhibitor for any damage or loss to his person or property from any cause. The exhibitor expressly waives all claims for loss, damage, or injury. Submission of the signed application for exhibitor space constitutes acceptance of all rules and regulations as outlined.

I agree to leave my exhibit on display until the show closes on Sunday, March 29, 2020.

EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

EXHIBITOR'S SOCIETY: _____

I hereby certify, as an officer of the above-named society, that the exhibitor is a member in good standing of the society and, to the best of my knowledge, is eligible to exhibit in the stated classification according to the rules.

SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

CERTIFICATION FOR SOCIETY (GROUP) AND JUNIOR SOCIETY (GROUP). I hereby certify, as an officer of the above named Society, that the materials and/or workmanship exhibited are the property of this Society or the personal property of at least 5 members of the Society and no more than 20% of the material or workmanship exhibited are the property of any one member, and that the lapidary and jewelry exhibited are entirely (except for minor findings or where otherwise allowed by rules) the work of members of this Society. It is agreed that the exhibit will remain on display until the show closes on Sunday, March 29, 2015. I further agree to the Security and Liability statement, as listed above.

SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

Use one form for each exhibit. All exhibits may be set up from 2:00-9:00 PM Thursday, March 26, 2015 and must be complete and ready to be judged by Friday, March 27, 2020 at 9:00 AM. Cases may not be taken down until 5 PM on Sunday, March 29. Please return forms to: George Max 2020 13thSt NE, Hickory, NC 28601

DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING EXHIBIT FORMS IS March 1,2020

2020 Annual EFMLS Convention

Convention and Show Host: Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club



50th Annual Show, March 27-29, 2020

Hickory Metro Convention Center, Hickory, NC

Application for Noncompetitive and Shared Exhibits

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Federation or Club Affiliation _____

ENTRY STATUS: Individual _____ Shared (Partial) _____ Club _____

Please supply the following information to aid us in planning your exhibit space.

I will use my own case, YES _____ or NO _____. Case style: UPRIGHT _____ OR SLANT FRONT _____

Case Exterior Dimensions: _____ WIDTH x _____ DEPTH x _____ HEIGHT

Subject of Exhibit: _____

Will you bring specimens for a shared case? Provide detail (number of specimens; approximate space needed, etc.)

SECURITY AND LIABILITY: The Catawba Valley Gem and Mineral Club will house all exhibits in a building with a security system and will take reasonable precautions to protect the property and person of each exhibitor. However, it is mutually agreed that the Federation, member societies, their members, their officers or authorized agents will not be liable to any exhibitor for any damage or loss to his person or property from any cause. The exhibitor expressly waives all claims for loss, damage, or injury. Submission of the signed application for exhibitor space constitutes acceptance of all rules and regulations as outlined.

I agree to leave my exhibit on display until the show closes on Sunday, October 18, 2020.

EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE (individual or shared displays)

CLUB OFFICER SIGNATURE & TITLE (club displays)

PRINT NAME: _____

EXHIBITOR'S SOCIETY: _____

Use one form for each exhibit. All exhibits may be set up from 2:00-9:00 PM Thursday, March 26, 2020 and must be complete and ready to be judged by Friday, March 27, 2015 at 9:00 AM. Cases may not be taken down until 5 PM on Sunday, March 29. Please return forms to: George Max 2020 13thSt NE, Hickory, NC 28601

DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING EXHIBIT FORMS IS March 1, 2020

GREETINGS FROM THE KANAWHA ROCK & GEM CLUB!

The Kanawha Rock and Gem Club has been around for almost 50 years. The need of an organization was felt after a small group of people interested in the hobby of working with and collecting rocks made a trip in May of 1972 to hunt coral agate in the Lewisburg area of West Virginia.

Since that time our club has gone through good times when membership was well over 150 to bad times when it looked like we would fold. But we are a tough lot and still standing tall.

Today our club is very active and growing. At every monthly meeting our Junior Geologists spend an hour with their leader, Sue Williams, learning about geology, paleontology, minerals, and the lapidary arts while earning badges from the AFMS for their accomplishments.

While the Junior Geologists are meeting it is social time for the adults. We swap stories and specimens, buy and sell and brag about our recent finds. Karen Gorby makes sure we never get hungry and we always have plenty to eat and drink.

Next comes the business meeting where upcoming events and club happenings are discussed. We always have a presentation, after the business meeting, scheduled by our Vice President Linda Johnston. This year some of the things we have learned about are Ancient Moundbuilders in our area and the artifacts that have been found, Ordovician Fossils of the Cincinnati region, Tombstones, Materials, history and Fabrication, the History of Chain Maille, holistic crystals, and much more. All presented by experts in their field. After the presentation the meeting is called to a close, but it's not over yet. We have a Post Meeting Project, or PMP. Every month a member volunteers to teach other members a skill that can be completed in a short amount of time. It is usually jewelry making, but we have also learned about flint knapping, identifying minerals or discussing tools.

We have a good camaraderie within our membership, and we like learning and doing things together. Especially with our field trips and formal classes.

This year we have traveled to Kentucky in search of Agates in Estill in April, to Maysville to find Ordovician fossils in May, and to Mammoth Caves in August for an overnight camping trip. We have been to a local museum to learn about ancient cultures, and to Pittsburgh, PA to visit the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. We really like to go places with over 8 trips so far this year, and 3 more planned.

Our classes are taught by a professional or by a member, and sometimes both! Our members teach chain maille, flint knapping, and the cabochon making classes, we call it 'Slabs to Cabs'. We have professionals to teach Dichroic Fused Glass, Wire Weaving, and others. Franko, of Franko Wire Wrapping and a member of our club, teaches our wire wrapping classes.

The Kanawha Rock & Gem Club also gives to the community by making presentations to public schools, private schools and groups of home-schooled children. We teach the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts about the Mohs Hardness Scale. We do community outreach programs for libraries and other public programs with simple lapidary projects that the makers can be proud of.

The Annual Rock, Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show and Sale on the 3rd weekend in October is our only fundraiser. We bring in vendors from across the country to sell and display crystals, mineral specimens, jewelry, fossils, and lapidary services. That's only to keep the parents busy while the kids are having fun making crafts, sifting through our Mini-Mine, scavenger hunting and cracking geodes. Our guests can also pan for gold and learn soapstone carving and watch demonstrations of cabochons being made and wire wrapping and flint knapping.

Come and visit! We'd love to meet you.



Place - Organ Cave, Ronceverte, WV - Left to Right - 1st row Finley S., Kylee S., Susie Lamb, 2nd row Sidney S., Debbie Klimek, Colton K., Linda Johnston, 3rd row Nancy Campbell, 4th row Bob Campbell, Karen Gorby, Amie Kauf. The last names of the children do not appear for safety reasons.

*Susie Lamb
Kanawha Rock and Gem Club
Charleston, West Virginia*



Luis Gonzalez, Gem & Mineral Society of Lynchburg left the earth on 7/19/19. “It is with a sad heart that I send this to you as the founder of the GMSL has passed. Luis was the founder of our society and an avid rock hound and business man.”

- Steve Gordon, Editor/Past President

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VISIT A SHOW

October 4-6 – Annual Show, Central Florida Mineral and Gem Society, Florida National Guard Armory, 2809 S Ferncreek Ave., Orlando, FL. CONTACT/INFO: Gordon Oakley, 407-592-4358, www.cfmgs.org

October 5 – Annual Show, Pennsylvania Earth Sciences, Macungie Memorial Park, Poplar Street, Macungie, PA. CONTACT/INFO: Pete Stoeckel, 267-772-0627, <https://www.facebook.com/events/314092412814506>

October 11 – Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Society Auction, Oella, MD. INFO: chesapeakegemandmineral.org

October 19 – Annual Show and Auction, The Saco Valley Gem and Mineral Club, Albany Town Hall, 1972 B NH Rt 16, Albany, NH. CONTACT/INFO: Jonathan Herndon, 197 Rice Hill Rd. Freedom, NH 03836, <https://www.sacovalleygemandmineralclub.org>

October 19-20 – 47th Annual Kanawha Rock & Gem Club show and sale, South Charleston Community Center, 601 Jefferson Road, South Charleston, WV. CONTACT/INFO: Robbin Maxwell, 304-695-1586, <https://www.kanawharockandgemclub.org> or <https://www.facebook.com/Kanawha-Rock-and-Gem-Club-222696581100304>

October 19-20 – Bristol Gem & Mineral Show/Swap, Beals Community Center, 240 Stafford St., Bristol, Ct. INFO: <https://bristolgem.org>

October 26 – The Rock and Mineral Club of Lower Bucks County Show/Swap, Ultravioletation Show, First United Methodist Church, 840 Trenton Road, Fairless Hills, PA. CONTACT/INFO: Lee McIlvaine, 217-713-8020, <https://sites.google.com/view/lowerbucksparocks/shows>

October 26-27 – Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry and Fossil Show & Sale, Total Sports Experience, 435 West Commercial Street, East Rochester, NY. INFO: <http://www.rochesterlapidary.or/show/> or <https://www.facebook.com/ROCGemShow>

October 26-27 – Annual Mineral Show, Rhode Island Mineral Hunters, Inc., Community College of Rhode Island, 400 East Ave., Warwick, RI. INFO: <http://rimh.us>

October 28-29 – 55th Annual Atlantic Coast Gem, Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show hosted by the Gem Cutters Guild of Baltimore. Howard County Fairgrounds, West Friendship, MD. INFO: gemcuttersguild.com