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S.A.M.S. Monthly Meeting

July 11, 2022 7pm at the LDS Church



President's Message

Kenneth Casebeer

Hello, From the land of oxy, for July, 11, a low key discussion of Cherokee money and important rock sites. I will preside over the discussion, Please bring any Cherokee stuff for the Rock of the Month.

For the business meeting we will continue discussing preferences. Some interesting suggestions.

For the field trip, the end of the month starts the

Spruce Pine shows and trip. I propose finding **a** convenient day for us to coincidentally go to the Fireman's outside and first show. Other shows start earlier around Franklin. Zoning out for now.

Please note that the July meeting is the second Monday of the month since the first Monday is July 4th.

July Birthdays

Jackie Schieb

July 2

Directions to LDS Church 3401 Sweeten Creek Road, Arden, 28704

I-40 to Sweeten Creek Rd: At Exit 51, take Sweeten Creek Rd. (25A) south 5.4 miles to church on Rt. just past B.B. Barnes Garden Center & Rosscragon Rd. May be slow at rush hour.

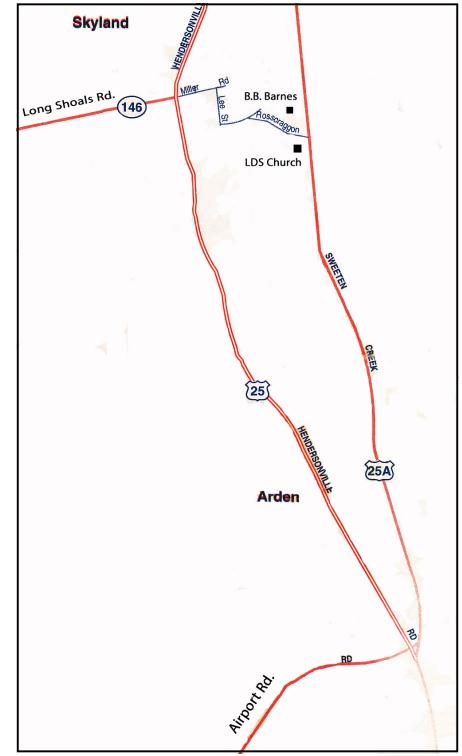
I-40 to Hendersonville Rd: At Exit 50, take Hendersonville Rd. (25) south 5.2 miles to Long Shoals Rd. but turn left at light onto Miller Rd. Stay on road 0.5 miles as it changes names to Lee St. and then Rosscragon Rd. Turn right at Sweeten Creek Rd. and then an immediate Rt. into church parking lot.

From south on Hendersonville Rd. (25) north: Turn right onto Sweeten Creek Rd. (25A) and go 1.6 miles north to church on left just before Rosscragon Rd. and B.B. Barnes Garden Center.

I-26 south of I-40 to Long Shoals Rd: Take Long Shoals exit off I-26 (Exit 37) and go east to Hendersonville Rd. Continue straight across Hendersonville Rd. onto Miller Rd. Stay on road 0.5 miles as it changes names to Lee St. and then Rosscragon Rd. Turn right at Sweeten Creek Rd. and then an immediate Rt. into church parking lot.

From south on I-26 to Airport Rd: Take I-26 Exit 40 to Airport Rd. and go east to Hendersonville Rd. Continue straight across Hendersonville Rd. onto Sweeten Creek Rd. (25A) and go 1.6 miles north to church on left just before Rosscragon Rd. and B.B. Barnes Garden Center.

Turn into the church parking lot from Sweeten Creek Rd. and enter church via the main entrance.



Southern Appalachian Mineral Society GENERAL MEETING June 6, 2022

The Southern Appalachian Mineral Society held its meeting in the Conference Room at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints at 3401 Sweeten Creek Road, Arden 29704.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by President Ken Casebeer. 12 members were present.

Ken announced the next meeting will be on July 11, 2022 due to the July 4 holiday being on our regular meeting date.

He also passed out some papers for us to write down activities we would like for the club to do.

Reminder that nominations for Officers and Board Members will be needed by the August meeting.

Consider all positions for Officers and Board

Members to be open for nominations. Business meeting ended at 7:12.

Ken introduced our speaker, member Mike Knapp talking about opals. He also brought several display specimens of opals from various locations. Opals are not considered a mineral because they do not have a crystalline structure.

They are very sensitive to heat, and can break if given a sharp blow.

Program ended at 7:50 pm.

Winners of the door prizes were: Kimberly Dasko - slab with green stripe Joe Enderle – 2 selenite roses Seth Woodall – moonstone with tourmaline from Ray Mine Ken Casebeer – calcite George Schissler – fossil coral, FL/GA border

Respectfully submitted, Kathleen Munroe Secretary

UPCOMING SHOWS

July 20 - 24—FRANKLIN, NORTH

CAROLINA: Annual show; Echo Valley Gem Show ; Echo Valley Showplace (across from GLW), 6456 Sylva Rd.; Wed. 10-5:30, Thu. 10-5:30, Sat. 10-5:30, Sun. 10-3; Free Admission; Dealers from around the world selling extraordinary mineral, fossils, cabochons, slabs, rough rock, jewelry, beads, crystal ; contact BJ; Email: mbellpoint@gmail.com; Website: www.bellpointpromotions.com

July 29 - 31—FRANKLIN, NORTH

CAROLINA: Show and sale; Franklin NC Gem & Mineral Society; Robert C. Carpenter Community Building, 1288 Georgia Road, 98 Hyatt Road; Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; \$3.00 Adults; 12 & Under FREE; Gold & Silver Jewelry, Rough and cut gemstones, Repairs, Fine jewelry, Beads, Findings, Specimens, Demonstrations, Door Prizes given hourly each day; contact Linda Harbuck, (828) 524-3161; Email: lindah@franklin-chamber.com; Website: www.visitfranklinnc.com

July 31 - August 7—SPRUCE PINE, NORTH

CAROLINA: Annual show; Parkway Fire and Rescue; Grassy Creek Mineral & Gem Show, 136 Majestic View; daily 9-6; Free admission and parking; contact Donna Collis, (828) 765-5519; Email: collisdonna@yahoo.com; Website: www.grassycreekgemshow.org



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