

TAR HEEL



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MARCH 2023

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 Regular Meetings: Second Tuesday, 7:00 PM
 St. Aloysius Catholic Church
 921 2nd St. NE Hickory, NC
 Annual Dues: Family, \$25; Individual, \$18;

The purpose of the Club is to increase the individual’s knowledge of the earth sciences and to aid in the development of lapidary and related arts and skills; to promote fellowship and exchange of ideas; to hold exhibitions, contests, lectures and demonstrations for educational purposes; to help interest more people in the gem and mineral hobby; and to capture and preserve the beauty of nature, the arts, and the works of man.



Happy St Patrick’s Day

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President's Report

It is with a sad heart that I must inform the club that I have been diagnosed with liver cancer. In view of that, I am resigning as President of the club. I will still plan to be as active as possible, and come to as many meetings as I can, but in all fairness to the club, I must make this decision as I am not sure what I will be able to do in the near future. I have just found out, and my doctor is advocating surgery as soon as possible. We are awaiting word from the surgeon in Winston now.

I will try to keep all informed of my progress.

Please keep Janice and I in your prayers as we face this bump in the road.

Harry

Our March Program

The program for March is "Fabulous Feldspar" by Tracy Jeffries.

Rick Glover



Congratulations!! Warren Hollar ...

... was presented with a certificate of appreciation from the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies for Judging in the Editor's Contest for 2022.

Daniel Coleman



Daniel Coleman presented a short history of his life and how he became interested in geology and how he became a full/part time prospector in North Carolina. The large quartz plate in the above photo was his first find. Daniel found it in his back yard in Iredell County. He now leads field trips on Saturdays to the 16 acres he has secured from the Emerald Hollow Mine that is located where the public is not allowed on the back side of Emerald Hollow Mine. On Sundays, he leads field trips to the 16 other sites he has secured across NC. Each Monday, Daniel posts the next weekend's digs on his Face Book page "Digging with Daniel". He has a lot of photos posted of what is being found at all the sites.

Thanks, Daniel, for your presentation on prospecting for minerals in North Carolina.

February Minutes

CVGMC minutes for February 14, 2023

The January 10, 2023 meeting of the CVGMC was called to order by Vice-President Joan G. at 7:00 PM.

Visitors – None

Program: “NC Mineral Prospecting” by Daniel Coleman

Minutes: A motion was made by Larry H. and seconded by Richard A. to accept the February 14, 2023 minutes. Motion was passed by the Club.

Treasurer Report: Bank balance was reported.

Education Committee:

- 1) Ridgeview Elementary Monthly Birthstone -Amethyst with George M.
- 2) Hiddenite Center Museum - Warren H. advising them arrange exhibits. 4487Three-year plan.

Show Committee:

1. 2023 Spring Show is scheduled for March 24-26, 2023. We are planning on putting on a full show with exhibits, door prizes, Mini Mine, Children’s Table and more.
2. The Club will need many volunteers to run the show, please volunteer. More information to follow.
3. We have 33 vendors signed up for the show.
4. Contact George M. if you want to have a display case. His phone number is on the Tar Heel Rockhound banner.
5. This will be the last year of sending out postcards to people. An email account has been setup for future notifications for the customers. cvgmc.show@gmail.com

Field Trip Report: None

Old Business: EFMLS presented Warren H. with a certificate of thanks.

New Business: A recommendation by Warren H. to have the Board of Directors to look into approving up to \$3,000.00 for the exhibit area and exhibits. To have the Exhibit Coordinator, with approval of the Show Chairperson expend the funds.

Announcements:

Closing of Business: The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dean Russell, Secretary

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Each CVGMC Member has six Club Member Show Passes available to them to give out to family or friends for free admission into the CVGMC 53 rd Annual Show, March 24-26, 2023. Each Club Member Show Pass must be signed by the Club Member to be valid. If the pass is not signed by a Club Member, the free admission will not be allowed. Each Club Member Show Pass is good for one adult admission and can only be used once for the show. If CVGMC receives more than six signed passes from a Club Member, the member will be charged \$6.00 for each additional pass received. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Show Chairperson, Dean Russell at (828) 303-1448.



CVGMC is having its 53rd Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, & Jewelry Show, March 24-26, 2023 at the Hickory Metro Convention Center. The hours for the show are: Friday & Saturday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. We will have 33 vendors, selling a variety of gems, minerals, fossils, jewelry, gem trees and equipment.

Enclosed in the *Tar Heel Rockhound* are six (6) CVGMC Member complimentary passes for you to hand out to friends and family for the show. Please follow the instructions at the bottom of the complimentary pass page.

Please check out the show's Facebook page:

Catawba Valley Gem & Mineral Club, Inc. Annual Show

"Gems and Minerals of North Carolina".

The theme for this year's show is "Gems and Minerals of North Carolina"

If you are interested in presenting a display case to exhibit at this year's show, please contact George Max at (828) 328-9107 or maxmahickory@gmail.com to reserve a case(s) by March 5, 2023. That way I can have the floor plan done by March 8th for the Fire Inspector and the Hickory Metro Convention Center.

Just a reminder, this will be the only show CVGMC sponsors in 2023.
See you at the show.

Keep on Rockin',
Dean Russell
CVGMC Show Chairperson

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Club Meeting

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