



Ark-La-Tex Gem and Mineral Society
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Bossier City, LA 71111

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And

South Central Federation of
Mineralogical Societies

THE GEM CLUB

The Ark-La-Tex gem and Mineral Society was officially incorporated in Louisiana as a 501C3 non-profit educational organization in April 1971 by a small group of 6 members interested in the lapidary arts. Our members include a dedicated group of lapidarists with strong yet varied interests in stone and gem cutting, faceting, flint knapping (making tools, arrowheads, etc. from rocks), gem and mineral hunting (rock-hounding), and fossil hunting.

The goals of the organization are to create and stimulate interest in the study of gems, minerals, fossils, beading, geology, and the lapidary arts. The organization sponsors gem, mineral, and fossil hunting field trips, lectures on the lapidary arts, demonstrations, and workshops for the membership and the community. Club members have volunteered as judges in the Bossier Parish Science Fair and awarded prizes to deserving projects in earth sciences. They have also taught jewelry making courses at the Bossier Parish Community College for those interested in the lapidary arts and plan to do so again.

The club also hosts the annual jewelry, gem and mineral show with special exhibits, demonstrations, and dealers with fine jewels, gems, minerals, fossils, etc. to be purchased. In addition, it is able to provide speakers and demonstrations on the earth sciences and lapidary arts for local schools, scout troops, and other organizations upon request.

To find out more about our club feel free to check out the website: www.larockclub.com, or send us an email to larockclub@gmail.com. LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: ArkLaTex Gem & Mineral Society

Regular Activities

The Ark-La-Tex gem and Mineral Society hosts monthly educational and business meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at the Bossier History Center adjoining the Bossier Central Library on Beckett St. at 6:30 PM. Once a year we hold this regular meeting at a local restaurant or park for food and fellowship. Members are kept informed of the local and national lapidary news as well as club activities and field trips in which the club plans and participates. The club publishes a monthly newsletter (The Rock Rattler) for its members on current events and items of interest to the club. The club has recently purchased and is renovating a building in Haughton, which will house a full array of lapidary equipment for members to use, as well as for lapidary classes of all kinds to be taught by experienced members. We schedule numerous field trips throughout the year to hunt rocks, minerals, gems and fossils.

How to Become a Member

Membership is open to adults and children with an interest in earth science and lapidary arts, subject to membership approval. There are three membership options available:

Individual Membership	\$15/Year
Couple Membership	\$20/Year
Family Membership	\$25/Year

Guests are welcome to visit our meetings to see if they would be interested in joining.

Name (s) _____

Address _____

Renewal? Yes / No _____ Phone #'s _____

Membership Option: Individual: _____

(Check One) \$15.00

Couple: _____

\$20.00

E-Mail _____

Family: _____

\$25.00

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Or Come to a meeting and pay in person!!

6:30 on the 1st Tuesday of each month

Bossier Parish History Center, 2006 Beckett St.

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You will be notified of our membership's approval within 30 days of receipt of this application.