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ArkLaTex Gem & Mineral Society
Minutes for October 3, 2017

Meeting opened by Del Glasner with pledge being recited.

Del brought up ideas that need to be discussed for next show. Advertising needs to be increased so we can get more attendance. At this year's show we had 625 adults on Sat and 345 on Sun. Also discussing vendor issues is needed. We will table this discussion and have a committee meeting for anyone interested in helping with the yearly show. An idea was brought up by Nina Hustus to have a drawing for a paid week of class at William Holland School for all who volunteer for each 2 hour shift.

Field trips were discussed. Last field trip was to North Sulfur River. Two members were in attendance. Items from the trip were on display for members to look through. Nina Hustus, Lyn Simms and Trudy Carr gave an update on their recent trip to William Holland Lapidary School last week. All 3 brought their items that they made for all to see.

Treasurer, John Autry, gave current balances. Suggestion for a future field trip to Perot Museum was discussed.

Locations for upcoming meetings were discussed. It was decided that we would meet at Hope Community Church for our November meeting. Our Christmas meeting will be at Country Tavern. At our December meeting we will have an auction. We are going to limit items up for auction to 1 per family. We will have items for a silent auction and a sealed bid auction.

Del brought up the need for other stewards to volunteer to open the shop on weekends. Laura McWilliams, Nina Hustus and Lyn Simms volunteered for volunteering. Calendar of dates are attached to minutes.

Nominations for all positions were discussed for nomination at the November meeting. Nominations are as follows: President—Nina Hustus, Marjorie Thomas, Vice President—Del Glasner, Secretary—Sharron Thomas, Treasurer—John Autry, Board Members—Laura McWilliams, Nina Hustus, Lyn Simms, Lauren Brown, Tom Stringfellow. An email will sent out to all members to solicit more nominations. 15 members present.

Submitted By
Sharron Thomas
Secretary

NEXT MEETING

New meeting location for November 7 because Historical center will be closed due to repairs.

Hope Community Church of God located at 3247 Bert Kouns

(this is where we had our Christmas party in Dec last year)

Gathering 5:30pm Board meeting 6:00pm Meeting starts 6:30pm

Refreshments by: Jenny Moore Door Prizes by: Sara Wallace

Program: Rock Identification and Election Of Officers

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Shop proposed open Dates 11:00-5:00

Please confirm via club Facebook page comments

Date: Sat. Oct 21 Steward – Laura McWilliams

Sat. Oct 28 Steward – Nena Nustus

Sat. Nov 18 Steward –Laura McWilliams

Sat. Dec 9 Steward – Nena Nustus

Sat Dec 16 Steward – Laura McWilliams

Shows and Events

Nov 3 & 4

The 6th annual Louisiana Native American Art Fest will be held on November 3 - 4, 2017. There will be lots of vendors with wood products, regalia, arts, knives, gourds, turtle shells and turtle jewelry, homemade jams and jellies, pepper and other handmade items. There will also be foods of all kinds from cracklings, Indian tacos, Indian fry bread, hot tamales (pork and chicken) and much more.

North Toledo Bend State Park
2907 N Toledo Park Rd
Zwolle, LA 71486

[South Central Federation of Mineral Society's Annual Show hosted by The Houston Gem and Mineral Society](#)

NOV 10-12—HUMBLE, TEXAS: Annual show; Houston Gem and Mineral Society, Humble Civic Center; 8233 Will Clayton Parkway; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Admission \$8, Children under 10 free; SCFMS Show with activities and exhibits; contact Stephen Blyskal, 20403 Coleridge Ln, Richmond, TX 77407, (832)-264-1278; e-mail: steve.blyskal@gmail.com; Web site: hgms.org

Dec 5 Arklatex Gem & Mineral Society Annual Christmas Party 6:30pm

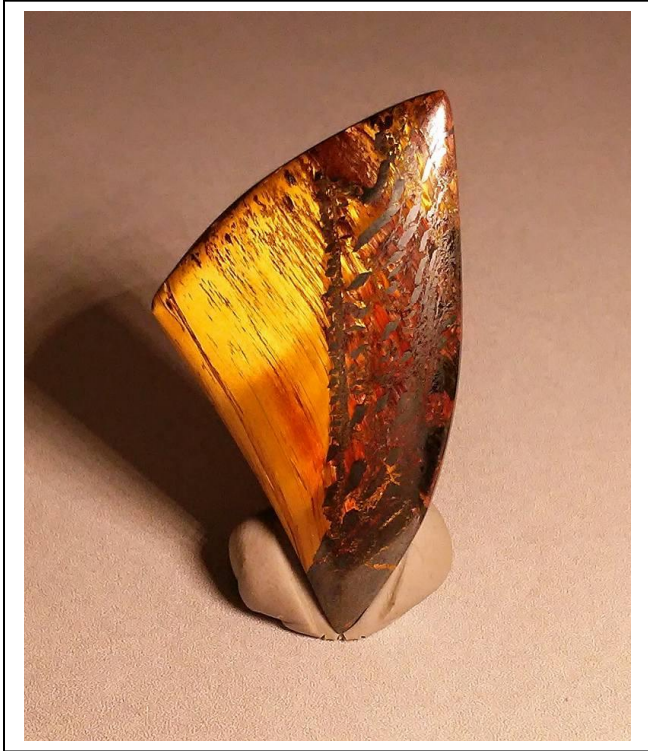
Location :

DEC 9-10—LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA: Annual show; DeRidder Gem and Mineral Society, West LA. Forestry Assoc. Bldg.; 276 H. M. Stevens Blvd.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$2, Children 12 and under free; Hands on demonstrations, knapping, faceting and cabbing. Hourly door prizes and Grand prize on Sun. at 4 PM.; contact Adam Valin, (337)-585-3693; e-mail: deridder.rockngem@gmail.com; Web site: rockngemswla.com

DEC 18-19—MESQUITE , TEXAS: Annual show; Dallas Gem and Mineral Society, Dallas Texas; 1800 Rodeo Drive; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$8, Seniors \$8, Children \$3; There will be fluorescent displays, kid's mine and wheel of fortune, lapidary equipment and jewelry supplies, wire wrapping, stone polishing, knapping demonstrations, and you'll get to open your own geodes. ; contact Diana Case, 7522 CAMPBELL #113-196, DALLAS, TX 75248, (469)-688-4057; e-mail: case53d@yahoo.com; Web site: <http://www.dallasgemandmineral.org/>

[Member Photos below of Nina Hustus from William Holland class creations](#)





Upcoming Classes

Wax Carving – Nov 4th

Wax Carving and Casting – Dec 2

Websites to look at:

Perfect Buttons

<https://video.search.yahoo.com/search/video?fr=vo-yhp-ch&p=perfect+cabochons+how+to#id=2&vid=73757e25ab593a50967a57257434d449&action=click>

Class Cabochons

<http://beadmixerstyle.blogspot.com/2014/05/tutorial-make-your-own-glass-cabochons.html>

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