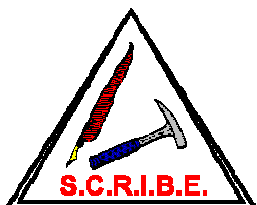


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Bring canceled stamps to the meetings to support the Federation program providing scholarships to Federation workshops at William Holland in Young Harris, Georgia, or at Wild Acres in North Carolina. For every 100 stamps, your name goes into a drawing for a chance to win a scholarship.

Working at club function earns points toward a chance to win a scholarship to William Holland, Stewart and Shirley Roberts Award is for JGMS members with less than 2 years membership. The Bill and Maurine Meadows Award is for JGMS members with over 2 years membership.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



For those that wanted more classes, your wish has been granted. There are so many classes this month, it'll be standing room only. I'm giving 3 myself and they're all full. We even had two last minute classes added to the schedule, just in time for the meeting. Job well done to all of the volunteering instructors for making it happen. For all those taking these classes, a great way for you to give back to the club is for you to eventually start to teach some classes. Not only will you create the chance for more people to attend classes but you'll be able to give some of the other instructors a break once in a while.

The last sale at Mary Chambliss went very well. A huge thank you for all those that arrived very early to help set up and for everyone that attended the auction afterwards to make it a great success.

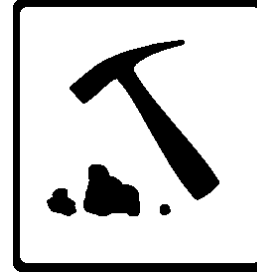
Not all the high quality donations from Mary Chambliss were sold at the rock sales. A lot of the nice material was donated to our Silent auction. There were many very nice specimens sold during our August silent auction. Unfortunately, Mary donated so much stuff that we weren't able to put it all out. This means that about 1/3 of the material was saved back for the next silent auction to be held in the spring of next year.

I'm very excited about our upcoming Rock Show in September. There will be lots of opportunities for members to volunteer there time and talents. Make it a priority to sign up for as many of the functions as possible. Your participation and enthusiasm will help ensure that this Rock Show will be bigger and better than last years.

Thank you for this month go out to Mickey Cecil for the hours spent on figuring out our current expenses and rough budget. To Lynn Due for consistently providing the sign up services and doing an excellent job of keeping track of everyone points for the yearly scholarships. To Jacki Jordan for busting her hump to make our class sign up process seem like it takes care of it's self. To Tom Frame for keeping in touch of all the dealers and coordinating our upcoming show. To Karyn and Jeff Bee for boosting up and strengthening our refreshments and door prize efforts. And to all other volunteers that fill every position that comprise the Board and committee positions and Instructors that keep us learning. Thank you, thank you!

VR- Jason Hamilton

EDITORS PEBBLES



Things are getting exciting at the editor's desk. I am always concerned that there will not be enough material to fill up the newsletter. Thanks to many of you, I have plenty for this issue, and overflow material for coming newsletter. Please keep the paragraphs and articles coming.

Because this newsletter cannot be published until the meeting minutes are available, it usually does not get out until mid month. Hence field trips for the last half of the month and first half of the coming month will be included.

For a long time, we have been sending out news letters to people who are behind in their dues. In an effort to trim our costs, I have deleted names from the distribution list of people who are more than three months behind in their dues. Look in the upper right hand corner of the mailing label to see when your dues are due. If this is in error, please contact Amy Johnson to get this corrected.

Hey – start talking up the JGMS Rock and Jewelry and Mineral show at the Morocco Temple on Sept. 26-28. It would be great to have a large crowd. I am sure we will all be remembering Mary. Her spirit will still be sitting at the front gate

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MINUTES OF THE JULY '08 MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society was held at the Riverside Christian Church, 2811 Riverside Ave., Jacksonville, Florida on August 7, 2008. President Jason Hamilton opened the meeting at 7:33 pm and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. He welcomed 12 guests. There were 86 members and 13 juniors present.

MINUTES: The minutes were accepted as presented in the newsletter seconded and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Harriet Rose) July deposits \$1607 and expenses \$ 2021.09.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Amy Ellis led the Jrs. in an activity.

MEMBERSHIP: 8 new members.

LIBRARY: (Lynn Hoffman) No report.

SOCIAL CONCERNS: Linda Cook sent a letter giving a health update and hopes of returning soon to JGMS meetings. David Tuttle is still in the hospital with an aggressive form of leukemia. He is in good sprits and joking. He is currently in isolation at Baptist Hospital (Downtown). While in isolation he can not receive visitors and has requested calls to be limited due to them being so abundant.

FAIR: (Craig Hamilton) The fair dates are Oct 29th-Nov 9th. Entries for the fair will be accepted Saturday Oct, 25th from 9-1. There needs to be at least 20 entries for the competition. Please remember that all parts of the entry must have been made at the workshop. That includes any part of the piece including cabs and beads. These can not have been bought. See the web site for more information.

<http://www.jacksonvillefair.com/pb/4d-gems.html>.

CLUB SHOW: (Tom Frame) A sign up sheet for taking cases to the show was passed around. Those willing to help out with set up should meet at the workshop at 12 on Thursday, September 25th to move cases over. Set up will be on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. The show hours are Friday, September 26th from 1-6 and Saturday and Sunday from 10-6. Volunteers will also be needed for security, tickets and the membership table.

FIELD TRIPS: (Mickey Cecil) In August (16th) the DMC trip will be to the Crabtree Emerald Mine in NC for in matrix, emerald crystals, black tourmaline, garnet, golden beryl, and green beryl. That same weekend there will be a JGMS trip to Summerville, Ga. for lace agate in the morning and afterwards to the Southeast Gem & Mineral Show, Cartersville, GA. That Sunday there will be another collection trip in the area. In September (27th) the DMC trip will be to Chunky Gal, NC. In October Graves Mtn. will be open October 3-5, 2008 and the Hogg Mine Rock Swap, Smith's Crossroads, GA will be on Nov 1, 2008. See the web site for more information.

SCHOLARSHIP: (Linn Dew) No report.

STAMPS: (Jacki Jordan) Keep them coming in. Two big bags have been given to Jim recently.

EDUCATION (Jacki Jordan) No report.

REFRESHMENTS: (Karyn Bee) Refreshments and supplies were provided by Peter Cho, Cheryl Ashley, Mary Lou Roberts, Mike and Carole Thomas, Karen Boger, Alice Fletcher, Frances Siver, Cindy Cascini, and Don and Adeline Wanamaker. A BIG thanks goes out to Cindy Cascini who gave a bag full of gifts for the pebble pups.

WORKSHOP: (Doug Kryszak) No report.

COMMUNICATIONS: The next JGMS Board meeting will be August 21 from 7:30-9:30 at the work shop. We will be discussing the By-laws and Articles of incorporation and a first draft of the JGMS SOP's. * Robert Bailey will be giving a cabbing certification class for instructors. This will enable cabbing instructors to approve members to become certified independent cabbers and take advantage of the USA (Unscheduled Shop Attendance) program

PROGRAMS: (Cheryl Ashley) No report.

OLD BUSINESS: By-laws are to be finalized at the next Board meeting and SOPs are due this month. REMINDER this was the last month for tailgating.

NEW BUSINESS: Mickey has been putting together a club history and is looking for a copy of the minutes from 1998, 1999, 2000 and Aug and Dec 07. *The proposed budget was handed out to members in attendance at the beginning of the meeting. Biggest part of bringing the budget together was thanks to Mickey. The proposed changes to the budget were briefly reviewed. Please review for the next meeting and bring questions for discussion. *Also everyone please review the information regarding Bill 554 on the web site.

This bill would make it illegal to collect fossils on public lands and would place the burden of proof on the collector to show that fossils were not collected on public lands. Everyone needs to contact their congressman to let them know to vote against this bill.

SHOW AND TELL: Daniel B. Miller, Jac Shacter, Ron Shacter, Jason Hamilton, Marvin Palmer, Alice Fletcher, Karen Carter, Jeri Frantz, and Heather Ferman, all shared their wonders with us. Door Prizes were given out. A silent auction was held. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
Christina Jacobs

Social Concerns

Lenda Cook is undergoing treatment for cancer. We are told her spirits are up. Give her a call!

David Tuttle is at Baptist Medical Center Downtown undergoing chemotherapy for his recently diagnosed leukemia. He will be using many units of blood, so a blood account for David Tuttle has been set up at the Florida Georgia Blood Alliance. Not only will this help replenish the blood supply for the community, but it will also help offset 20% of the cost of each unit. Anyone can donate regardless of one's blood type; but you may want to review the "who can donate" list at <http://www.fgba.org/donating/faqs.html>. All Florida Georgia Blood Alliance will accept donations to his account. Here is the link to the donation centers. http://www.fgba.org/donor_centers/locations.html When you go, tell them that you are donating for David Tuttle - Account Number 6234.

While he is in the hospital, his therapy will eliminate his ability to fight infections , so visitors will not be allowed, but cards and calls are welcome.

In memory of Mary Evelyn Chambliss October 10, 1948 - July 5, 2008



Mary's involvement with the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society was "multifaceted". She attended field trips and meetings, worked the fairs, outfitted the picnics, exhibited her collection of rocks and minerals and gifted many of her pearls and treasures. Her official duties over the years included being field trip co-chair with Charlie Broome, angel program chair, JGMS treasurer, and JGMS president. For the past 8 years, Mary chaired the annual club show committee while battling her cancer and was always present at her show "desk". She will be deeply missed as a dedicated member, enthusiastic rockhound, and loyal friend.

August Rock and Mineral Sale

I have acquired 20 crates of rocks and minerals that have been in Suddath Storage for over 50 years. I will offer these for sale on two Saturdays, August 16th and August 23rd from 10:00AM 'til 2:00PM. The sale will be conducted at my home; 4385 Shawnee Street, Jacksonville 32210 in Old Ortega.

Directions: Go south on Highway 17, one mile beyond Roosevelt Mall. Take first left after the bridge onto Shawnee Street. I am the last house on the right. Look for the 1966 VW Bug in the drive way.

Hope to see you there! Dana Brooks 904-388-5130

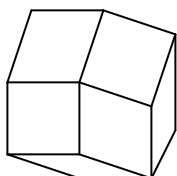
August Birthdays

Shirley Boss	8/14	Cheryl Lewis	8/26	Jacob Shacter	8/28
Dana Brooks	8/1	Cassie McCauley	8/16	Cindy Snodgrass	8/20
Linn Dew	8/19	Geneva Rentz	8/7	Shelley Zimmerman	8/16
Kate Hord	8/23	Angelic Saballos	8/5		
Michael Johnson	8/31	Tara Servos	8/3		

MINERAL OF THE MONTH

By David Tuttle, JGMS Member

Sodalite, Lazurite, Lazulite



Several years ago at one of our Christmas parties several people asked if the bolo that I was wearing was Lapis. It was Sodalite that my dad had made and given me. This got me to thinking what the difference was in Lapis and Sodalite, hence this month we'll see. It's strange that Lazurite and Lazulite are so close in spelling and confusion as to which is which but are quite different. Sodalite and Lazurite are very close in every aspect on the other hand. Most of this will be comparing Lazurite and Sodalite with a little on Lazulite.

Both Lazurite and Sodalite are Silicates, Sodium Aluminum Silicates, with the only difference in being that Sodalite has Chlorine and Lazurite has Sulfur. In the complex chemical formula Chlorine and Sulfur are the only differences.

Lazurite -- $\text{Na}_4\text{Al}_3(\text{SiO}_4)_3\text{S}$

Sodalite -- $\text{Na}_4\text{Al}_3(\text{SiO}_4)_3\text{Cl}$

The hardness of Lazulite is 5 to 5 ½ and has a specific gravity of 2.4 while Sodalite is 5 ½ to 6 on the mho scale with an s.g. of 2.2. Both are in the Isometric crystal family and crystal form of dodecahedron. Both have the distinctive blue color with Sodalite being a little more translucent. Lazurite is lighter, softer and has a finer grain.

Sodalite develops in nepheline syenite pegmatites. It forms only in Silica poor igneous rocks that have a high soda content in the presence of chlorine bearing water or in contact with metamorphic Limestones. Lazurite forms in association with contact metamorphic rocks.

Lazurite gets its name from the Arabic "lazaward" meaning heaven. Lazurite is the gemstone name for Hauynite. Sodalite gets its name from the Soda content. Pure Sodalite is colorless and impurities give it the colors of blue, green, pink, and yellow. "What," you ask, "is Lapis Lazuli?"

"Well," says I, "It's a mixture of Lazurite, Calcite, Pyrite and Diopside."

So the next show you go to and someone has Lapis for sale, look for any of those minerals in the piece. Sometimes you will find Calcite in Sodalite. Be sure to take a loop with you since there should be traces of some of these minerals in Lapis. It's personal preference, which is the prettiest Lapis, one with a lot of Pyrite or a little Pyrite.

Lazurite occurs rarely in the U.S., California and Colorado have had some. Russia and Chile have good material but the best comes from Afghanistan. Sodalite is found in Ontario, B.C., Brazil, and South Africa. Sodalite Fluoresces yellow to orange.

Lazulite is a phosphate of Magnesium, Iron and Aluminum. $(\text{Mg,Fe})\text{Al}_2(\text{PO}_4)_2(\text{OH})_2$ is the chemical formula and you can see if you compare it to Sodalite and Lazurite, it's quite different. The color is very near and because the name sounds nearly the same it's often used intermixed with Lazurite. It has a hardness of 5 ½ and an s.g. of 3. The crystal are monoclinic and usually bipyramidal. It occurs rarely and some good specimens have been found in Lincoln County, Georgia, at Graves Mountain. It is also found in California, Sweden and Austria.

It forms in plutonic or metamorphic rocks, in association with Quartz and Muscovite schists. It also occurs in areas of massive hydrothermal replacement deposits with high temperatures with Hematite and Topaz being nearby.

This material was taken from Dana's Manual of Mineralogy 16th edition and How to know the minerals and rocks. By Richard M. Pearl

Unity and Learning

A trip to William Holland

By Jason Hamilton

Each year the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society holds drawings to award scholarships to attend workshops to Wilde Acres or William Holland. This year I was lucky enough to be drawn in the Instructor's scholarship drawing. To qualify for this drawing, you must teach a minimum of 9 hours. A secondary attribute to receiving this scholarship is to expand the skills and abilities of the instructor and forward these skills and abilities on to the students of our society.

It was my pleasure to attend William Holland this year. I attended South West Silver Jewelry with Dan Haga. Every time I attend William Holland, my goal is to increase my abilities and skills so that hopefully I can bring new talent to the members of JGMS. This year was no exception. Not only was I able to master the use of paste solder but I finally gained a true understanding of fire scale. Ok so that doesn't sound that impressive to you but what a lesson for me to learn. Those are the things that impressed me the most. I also learned a few secrets about determining ring and bracelet sizes, the art of stamping, techniques and uses of pre soldering, differences in soldering on charcoal, fire brick and magnesium block and advantages to each and a multitude of styles for creating true South West style silver jewelry.

In the coming months I will be giving a class in creating stamps from common broken tools and nails and a class in creating South West Silver Jewelry. Each of these classes will be yet another level to the learning of the members to JGMS.

The side story to attending William Holland are the bonds made from making friends and the socializing that comes from the number of people all interested in the skills of the lapidary arts. If you ever have the chance to, please make an effort to attend. You will forever be changed from the experience and you might just learn something as well.



The Long Field Trip

By

Lenda Cook

JGMS Member

Originally printed in Jax Gems, February 1995

As a resident of one of the best beach fossil locations in Florida, I have lived a long field trip. At least 3 or 4 morning each week I watch the sunrise and then pick up ancient Mako teeth, pieces of fossilized ivory, recognizable by the cross-hatch marks, whale ear bones and teeth, horse teeth, various vertebrae and many strange and wonderful bits and pieces of the past. I also try to get out a few afternoons and collect even more.

Because these treasures are tuned up by winds and tides, the possibilities are unpredictable. Some days fossils are plentiful. Most of the material was originally dredged up from the deepening of the St. Mary's River for King's Bay Submarine Base. I am amazed that wonderful fossils are still turning up after all these years and so many searchers.

The mammoth and mastodon remains, horse teeth, giant armadillo scutes, and sloth and beaver teeth date to the Pleistocene which began 1.8 million years ago and lasted until 10,000 years ago. During this time, glaciers of the Ice Ages formed and melted, changing the coastline as many as 30 times. At the lowest point, the ocean dropped 100 meters below its present level and the peninsula of Florida was twice as wide.

Since most of North America was uninhabitable and Florida temperatures were only a little colder than today's because of the surrounding sea stored heat and acted as a buffer, grassy savannas and lush vegetation provided a home to many mammals. Life was also abundant in the seas.

The Pliocene began 5 million years ago and lasted 3.2 million years. Some of the fossils found at Fernandina are even older and the large carcharodon meglodon teeth date back to the Miocene, which lasted from 24.5 million to 5 million years ago when Florida was beginning to emerge.

So the long field trip continues. I want to finish this so that I can hit the beach with my old canvas bag. I can barely wait to see what wonders the last high tide has brought.

Reference: *Florida's Fossils* By Robin Brown



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JGMS 2009 Proposed Budget

During the September 4th Club meeting, we will be voting on this budget.

JGMS Revenue & Expense

	Current Finances	Proposed Budget	
Expenses			
Bulletin - Office Supplies	300.00	300.00	
Bulletin - Postage	1,080.00	1,080.00	
Bulletin - Printing	1,662.00	1,662.00	
Bulletin Total	3,042.00	3,042.00	
Scholarship Awards	1,550.00	1,550.00	
Church Rent	840.00	840.00	
Field Trips	0	100.00	Increased 100.00
Insurance	670.00	670.00	
Membership	260.00	450.00	Increased 190.00
Miscellaneous	300.00	0	Saved 300.00
Executive expenses	900.00	900.00	
Programs	600.00	600.00	
Refreshments	500.00	500.00	
Social Concerns	200.00	200.00	
Treasurer	100.00	100.00	
Youth	200.00	200.00	
Total Non-Workshop	6,220.00	6,110.00	Saved 110.00
Workshop - Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Workshop - JEA	900.00	900.00	
Workshop - Maintenance	300.00	200.00	Saved 100.00
Workshop - Rent	8,664.00	8,664.00	
Workshop - Supplies	1,300.00	500.00	Saved 800.00
Total Workshop	12,164.00	11,264.00	Saved 900.00
Total Expenses	21,426.00	20,416.00	Saved 1,010.00
Revenue			
Angels	1,600.00	1,600.00	
Auctions	1,866.00	1,866.00	
Classes	5,500.00	7,680.00	Increased 2,180.00
Membership	5,270.00	5,270.00	
Club Show	8,000.00	8,000.00	
Total Revenue	22,236.00	24,416.00	Increased 2,180.00
Transfers to Money Mkt.	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Ending Balance	-3,190.00	0.00	Increased 3,190.00

Printing cost for field trip flyers and waivers

The cost of printing/creating the new membership packets has increased. More expenses are on the horizon with the impending approval of the new Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

Miscellaneous expenses from now on will fall into appropriate areas of the budget.

Work shop expenses have dropped since the move.

Work shop supplies were higher since the move. As time passes, these expenses have dropped and are projected to fall.

Increasing tuition from \$2 to \$3 an hour

\$1 fee added to Silversmithing class. Fee will pay for consumables

Cut backs from current operations, increasing tuition from \$2 to \$3 an hour and adding a \$1 fee for Silversmithing per class will let us break even and help close the gap on the work shop paying for it's self.

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DMC Program of the SFMS Field Trip Committee
An Official Field Trip of the
Henderson County Gem and Mineral Society (Hendersonville, NC) (HOST)
An Official Field Trip of the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society
9:00 a.m. until dark, Saturday, August 16, 2008
Crabtree Emerald Mine
Grassy Creek Township, N.C. (Near Little Switzerland)
FEE AREA

The Henderson County Gem and Mineral Society will be hosting a trip to the famous Crabtree Emerald Mine on August 16th, 2008. The dig will begin at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning and continue until dark. The property managers (The M.A.G.M.A. Club) will have a backhoe on site turning over the dump piles to make collecting more productive for those who attend. All who attend will be required to fill out a liability release form upon arrival.

Collecting: Emeralds in matrix, emerald crystals, black tourmaline (schorl), garnet, golden beryl, green beryl, fluorite (rare). Cost: \$30.00 per person, children 12 and under are free.

Facilities: There will be porta potties on site for the dig.

Food: bring food and plenty of water to drink.

Tools: Sledge hammers (small and large), 1/4" sifting screen, buckets, shovel.

Directions: From Interstate 26 West in Asheville, North Carolina, take Exit 9, Burnsville/Spruce Pine exit, (Hwy.US 19 North), turn right towards Spruce Pine. Drive 25.4 miles to Crabtree Road, turn right, drive 4.7 miles to McKinney Mine Road, turn left, drive 2.3 miles to Chestnut Grove Road, turn left, bear left around the church, drive 1.0 miles to Emerald Mine Road, this road will turn to Gravel, follow 1.2 miles to the mine on the left.

Contact: Rick Jacquot: rick@wncrocks.com
Rick Jacquot, 828-683-1048

"Field trips are open to all members of associated clubs of the DMC program of the SFMS Field Trip Committee and to all members of SFMS member clubs who have provided their membership with SFMS liability insurance. Because of insurance requirements, members of the GENERAL PUBLIC are NOT invited on this or any DMC program field trips!"

DMC Program / SFMS Field Trip committee's purpose:

To collect field trip information from it's member societies; schedule and coordinate field trip dates; disseminate field trip information to all member clubs so that each member society may publish this information as one of their "official" scheduled field trips.

Please reply by e-mail to:

dmc@gaminal.org

World Wide Web site for the DMC is:

<http://www.gaminal.org/dmc.htm>

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"Earth first...we'll collect on the other planets later."

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An Official Field Trip of the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society
August 16-17, 2008

WHEN: Saturday, August 16, 2008

MEET: Summerville-Lace Agate 9:30am-12:00pm
From Summerville, Ga. follow US 27 South for 2.20 miles. The site will be on the right (west) side between the county owned waste dumpsters and the US Forestry office. Coming north from the Rome area, the site will be on the left (still west) side of US 27, and approximately 3.0 miles beyond the intersection of Gore Subligna Rd.

If there is interest, we can also go to at a nearby crinoid fossil location or the Mary Hill Jasper location.

After collecting, we will stop for lunch and then head to:
Cartersville, GA- Southeast Gem & Mineral Show, Cartersville, GA
Holiday Inn, I-75 Exit 293 and 411 NE, Cartersville, GA 30120
<http://mzexpos.com/southeast.htm>

This is mainly a rock and mineral show, but it will have gems and jewelry also.

If the Tellus Museum has reopened, I will schedule a visit. Tellus will have a display at the show. <http://www.tellusmuseum.org/index.htm>

INFO: **Please call Mickey Cecil by August 13th if you wish to attend. If I do not hear from you, you can assume that arrangements have been changed.**

BRING: Hat, sunscreen and fluids to drink. Bring scratching tools, rock hammer, safety eyewear, bucket and paper for specimens. Change of clothes and boots in case of bad weather and/or excessive heat.

SPECIAL: THIS IS AN ACTIVE QUARRY. NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED ANYWHERE NEAR ANY OF THE MACHINERY ON THE PREMISES. ANY VIOLATION OF THIS RULE JEPORDIZES THE FUTURE OF THIS SITE.

MOTELS: Check out this website for motels in the Cartersville area.
<http://hotel-guides.us/georgia/cartersville-ga-hotels.html>

WHEN: Sunday, August 17, 2008

WHERE: Another collecting site near the Cartersville area. Again we will collect for a couple of hours. Announcement will be made at the August meeting.

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 6:30 – 9:30 Competitive Exhibiting Robinson	12 6:30 – 9:30 Competitive Exhibiting Robinson	13 6:30 – 9:30 Competitive Exhibiting Robinson	14 6:30 – 9:30 Beading Ashley OPEN Cab/Silver Mattison	15 6:30 – 9:30 OPEN Cab/Silver Mattison	16 9-2 Beg Cabbing Bee
17	18 6:30 – 9:30 Hackin' Wackin' & Yakin Applegate 6-9 Open Silver Jacobs	19 6:30 – 9:30 H,W & Yakin Applegate CS & G Bailey 6-9 Open Silver Jacobs	20 6:30 – 9:30 Hackin' Wackin' & Yakin Applegate 6-9 Open Silver Jacobs	21 6:30-9:30 Cabbin, Slabbin' & Gabbin Bailey BOARD MEETING 7:30PM	22	23 9 – 2 Cabbing Bee 9:30 - 12:30 European 4 in 1 Ellis
24	25 6-9 Beginner Silver Hamilton	26 6:30 – 9:30 Cabbing Frame 6-9 Beginner Silver Hamilton	27 6-9 Beginner Silver Hamilton	28 6:30-9:30 Cabbing Frame 6-9 Stamping Hamilton	29 6-9 Stamping Hamilton	30 9:30 – 2:30 Scrap Casting Hamilton
31	SEPT 1	2	3	4 Club Meeting 7:30	5	6

ANYONE INTERESTED IN FACETING *AND/OR* INTARSIA CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER PLEASE EMAIL/CALL ME WITH YOUR NAME – CLASS(ES) AND CONTACT INFORMATION BY AUGUST 20TH NO ONE WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS CLASS THAT DOES NOT RESPOND AS REQUESTED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH

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