

# News from the Littleton Gem and Mineral Club!

## September Program Speaker: Joe Dorris

Time and Place: (same as always)

7:30 PM, Columbine Hills Church, 9700 Old Coal Mine Avenue, Littleton, CO 80123

Please note, the meeting this month only is the **4<sup>th</sup> Friday, September 22**, so that we can go to the Denver show the week before.



## Club Booth Volunteers

For our club booth at the upcoming Denver Rock Show, Sept 15-17, Nancy says we still need booth volunteers in the afternoons...



### Open slots

Friday 1 – 3	Saturday 12 – 2	Sunday 2 – 4
Friday 3 – 6	Saturday 2 – 4	
	Saturday 4 – 6	

Once I have the schedule filled in as much as possible, I will send an email to the volunteers to confirm their times. Thank you for helping at the club booth!

~**Nancy Kimber**, [nkk9960@hotmail.com](mailto:nkk9960@hotmail.com)

## Show Volunteers

Regina says: I will be checking in dealers at the club show on Thursday, and could use more assistants. I have a few people signed up, but more hands will make it easier. This is a mostly sitting job that just requires attention to detail. If anyone can come to the Mart for a few hours any time between 7:30 AM and 4:00 PM I would appreciate hearing from you. You can contact me by email ([raumente@aol.com](mailto:raumente@aol.com)) or phone ([505-604-9585](tel:505-604-9585)). Thanks for your attention!

~**Regina Aumente**, Dealer Chairman, Denver Gem & Mineral Show

## Last Field Trip of the Year:

### **Saturday, Sept 30, LGMC Honey Bee/Queen Bee Club Claim.**

Trip leader Jim Hooten ([303-770-7177](tel:303-770-7177) / [jahooten@msn.com](mailto:jahooten@msn.com)). Amazonite, smoky quartz, fluorite, etc. Meet at **9:00 AM** at Community Center in “downtown” Harris Park. Cars will then caravan from there to the collection site. Easy walk from parking area. Map at May meeting. Directions: To get to Harris Park, take U.S. Hwy 285 southwest from Denver approximately 30 miles. Go thru Conifer, then Pine Jct., then about another 4 miles until you come to a stop light at the junction of State Road 43 (can only turn right—north). Turn north onto State Road 43 (may also be called 43A), and drive about 10 miles to Harris Park. The only potentially confusing point is where Road 43 turns to Road 47, maybe 6-7 miles up the highway. Just stay on the primary paved road (keep to right) and it will take you to Harris Park. The Community Center is the only “large” building around. Everything else is individual homes/cabins.



Dist = 50 mi.    4WD = Opt    Kids = OK    Tools = D (for digging!)

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## President's Message



Hello fellow club members and rock enthusiasts! We are rounding the corner on 2017 but we are heading for the best part. As fun as digging and rock hunting is for most of us, the next four months hold a lot of excitement as well. The big show for the year is next week, the 15<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>. Remember that the contest for the best mineral purchased amount has changed to under 20 dollars. **Joe Dorris** has agreed to be the speaker at our September club meeting September 22<sup>nd</sup>, don't miss that one. Faceters and Cabbers meet as usual on the third Tuesday of the month, that will be September 19<sup>th</sup>. In November we hold our club silent auction and meeting. If you didn't find any nice specimens during the summer digs this is another good place to look! And December is of course the Christmas celebration with dinner and gifts from Santa. More on that later!

No, I didn't forget October. **James Hagadorn** will be the speaker at our October club meeting. Also this is the month that we seriously start the search for the next round of club officials. We will have a sizeable turn over this year. We all enjoy, (LOVE), what the club does throughout the year and it is a great feeling to participate in the organization and function of the club. Think about how you can volunteer or perhaps serve on the club governing board. I will be looking for nominations for a number of positions in the next 3 months, and voting will happen at the Christmas meeting. Some of the volunteer positions needing to be filled are: Refreshments chairperson and Newsletter Editor. And it is probably time to start someone in training for the Club Field Trip organizer to apprentice under **Jim Hooten** in 2018. We will be voting for a President Elect for 2018, (we already have a president for 2018, **Travis Leach**). And we will need to fill at least one trustee position, 2 years. Stay tuned for a complete list, and I of course will be out recruiting. Shop smartly at the Denver Gem and Mineral show, and most of all have a great time!

~**Charlie Wall**, LGMC 2017 President

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## Stuff'n the [grab] bags



Picnic time was again a great, fun gathering, with lots of excellent food. After eating we filled 500 grab bags for the show again this year.

There were a few challenges with the beg stuffing this year, though, which we successfully improvised around. One big one was the surprise that the Parks Department had upgraded the shelter's picnic tables with ones bolted to the floor! This presented a challenge for us since we could not pull the tables together to line up all the "stuffers" in a group. Volunteers rose to the challenge in passing the partially filled bags across the gap between tables. That worked great. Thanks.

We also inserted a card in each bag to announce that the bag had been donated by the Littleton Gem and Mineral club. It also listed our web site URL. For those who did not get to see them, I'll have some at the next meeting for you to see.

Several people brought donated specimens for future grab bags and I want to thank them, although I did not get names of everyone who donated. So, I'll just say a grateful "Thanks!" for the club.

If anyone needs any grab bag supplies, let me know ahead of time and I'll see that they get to the next meeting. Call me (720-851-8510) or send me an email (jkleber@att.net).

~**John Kleber**, the Bag Beggar

**Pictures!** Some pictures from recent club events in the newsletter below. If your pictures are not included in this edition, send them along, and I can add them to the next edition.



Also, LGMC member, **Carol Nielsen-Alt** is compiling our pictures for a Shutterfly album. You can send pictures to Carol and I at [cjcomputer@aol.com](mailto:cjcomputer@aol.com), and [stevecableisthinkingofyou@gmail.com](mailto:stevecableisthinkingofyou@gmail.com)

## Pictures from the Picnic

Sent by Larry Havens



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# Denver Gem & Mineral Show Mini Report–Sep2017



## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary GOLD & SILVER Show

The Denver Gem & Mineral Show is only a few short weeks away. The dates are September 15th - 17th. The theme is **GOLD AND SILVER**, in honor of this being the 50th anniversary show. The location is the usual Denver Mart, 451 E. 58th Avenue (exit 215 on I-25). The Show Chair is **Lesley Sebol**, 720-999-1372 or [lesleysebol@gmail.com](mailto:lesleysebol@gmail.com).

We hope that club members are making final plans for the show. There is so much to plan for. If you are exhibiting, perhaps you are putting the final touches on that display. Are you entering a specimen found this last year for the Prospector Trophy? Are you helping with your club's display for the show? Have you decided on the specimen you are entering in the Species competition? Have you selected the specimen type you will search for at the show to complete your collection? Perhaps you will comb the dealers' booths for a specimen worthy of competition but yet in your price range. So much to think about.

Don't forget the Silent Auction is returning to the Saturday night dinner and awards ceremony. The auction will be organized and operated by Mindat.org, a non-profit organization. Proceeds from the auction will benefit Mindat.org. The Saturday night event is open to the public and is free. However, if you wish to enjoy the Western Barbecue buffet, you will need to purchase a \$1 ticket at the Information Desk in the front lobby of the Mart. Only 150 tickets will be sold. Buy your tickets early.

We hope that every club member is volunteering for the show in some way. The Show Committee has several open positions at this time. These are Signs, Show Pin, Ribbons, and Tear Down. Some persons have stepped up to cover these positions for this year but a more permanent chair is needed. **Ron Snelling** is assuming the Buildings and Grounds responsibility, **Nick North** is covering Ribbons, Dan Wray will be the lead for Tear Down, **Katherine Brannan** along with Nick North and **Bruce Sales** will handle Signs. **Mike Dempsey** is in charge of the Public Sector. **George Daggett**, a member of the Guild, is now the Grab Bag Chair. **Anita Colin**, a Flatirons member, is now the Volunteers Chair. All of these persons could use our help. We thank them for volunteering for these responsibilities. Everyone should know that the show is an all-volunteer event. Yes, it is a little bit of work, but look at the reward! Without the Denver Gem & Mineral Show, the local activities for our gem, mineral, and fossil hobbies would be dullsville.

Don't forget the Show Committee is producing a 50 Year Retrospective about the show. It will be a 100 plus page booklet all about the 50 years of the show. The booklet will be highlighted with pictures of all kinds, stories about unique happenings, exhibits from the past that make you wonder where they are today, humorous incidents, names of many of the people who were involved with the show, brief club histories, and so much more. Everyone will want a copy.

Respectfully submitted, **Judy Knoshaug**, Show Committee Secretary

# Selected upcoming LGMC and Earth Science Events

Sept 7 The Friends of the Colorado School of Mines Geology Museum's "First Thursday" lecture series will begin a new academic year on 07 September 2017 on the CSM campus in GRL-201 (the large conference room across the hall from the Geology Museum, 1310 Maple Street, Golden, CO 80401.) Socializing begins at 6:30 PM and the lecture will start at 7:00. Admission is free and all are welcome.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Edward Metz, M.D., speaking on: Silicosis--An Age-Old Disease of the Mining Industry

Sept. 8-16 **Colorado Mineral and Fossil Fall Show**,  
Crowne Plaza Hotel - Airport, 15500 E. 40th Ave. Denver, CO.  
See flyers on the next 2 pages.

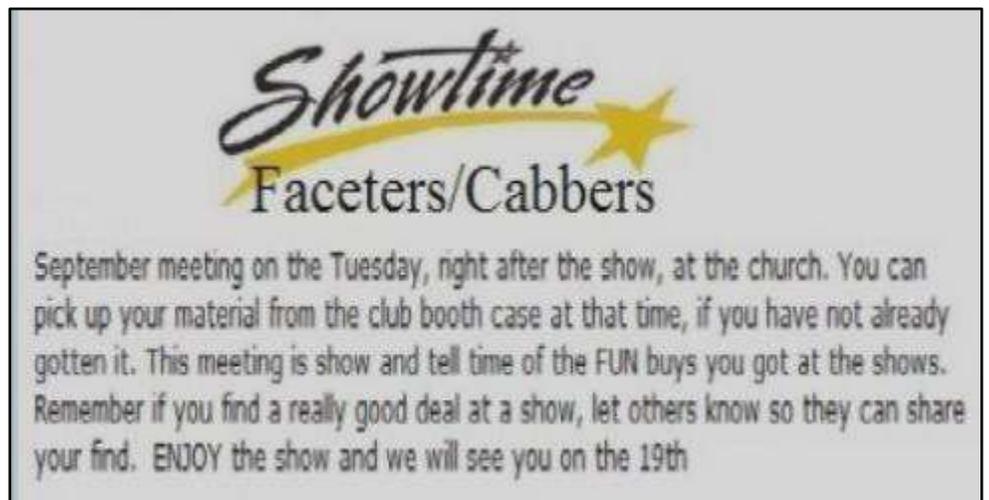
Sept. 9-17 **Denver Coliseum Mineral, Fossil, and Gem Show**, Denver Coliseum;  
see <http://www.coliseumshow.com/>

Sept. 13-16 **Denver Fine Mineral Show**, Denver Marriott West, 1717 Denver West Blvd.;;  
see <http://finemineralshow.com/denver/>

Sep 15-17 Fri – Sat, **50<sup>th</sup> annual Denver Gem and Mineral Show**,  
Denver Mart, 451 E 58<sup>th</sup> Ave., Denver, CO.  
**Gold and Silver** is the 2017 show theme, marking the 50th Anniversary of the Denver Gem and Mineral Show. See <http://www.denvermineralshow.com/>

Tue Sep 19 **Faceters and Cabbers**  
7:30 PM,  
Columbine Hills  
Church, 9700 Old  
Coal Mine Ave,  
Littleton CO

See announcement  
to the right =>



Fri Sep 22 First **LGMC Chapter Meeting** of the fall. Speaker: Joe Dorris  
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7:30 PM, Columbine Hills Church, 9700 Old Coal Mine Avenue, Littleton, CO 80123.

Sat Sep 30 Last Field Trip of the Year.  
See announcement on Page 1

For more info about our field trips and events, see our website, <http://littletongemandmineralclub.com/>

# Colorado Mineral & Fossil Fall Show

## **NEW LOCATION**

**Crowne Plaza Hotel & Convention Center  
15500 E. 40th Avenue, Denver, CO 80239  
( I-70 & Chambers Rd.)**

**September 8 - 16, 2017**

**Monday thru Saturday 9AM - 6PM, Sunday 10AM - 5PM**



Rhodochrosite & Quartz, American Tunnel, Silverton, Colorado  
Photo by Jeff Scovil

**Minerals, Fossils, Jewelry & More  
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(Need to be present to win)**

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# Colorado Mineral and Fossil Show / Free Lecture Series

## Aspen Theatre - Across From Vail Ballroom

Tuesday September 12, 2017

*Time of Lectures: Aspen Amphitheater (Across from the Vail Ballroom)*

11:00 AM - John Curchin "Meteorites: Fossils of Rocks, Gems and Minerals From Outer Space"

1:00 PM - Paul Melville - "Rum Jungle" Australia

3:00 PM - Stanley L. Korzeb - "Silver mineralization of the Oro Fino Mining District, Deer Lodge County, Montana"

Wednesday September 13, 2017

11:00 AM - Mel King - "Sunken Treasures"

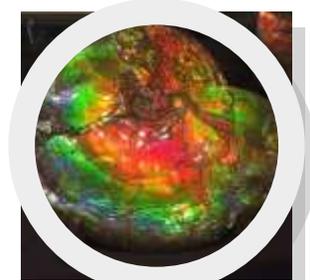
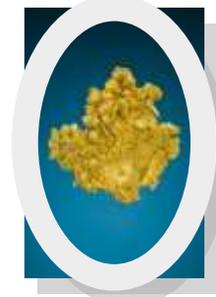
1:00 PM - Scott Kleine "Silver and Gold from Nevada"

3:00 PM - Neil Larson - "Ammonites Shell Shocked! the story of ammonite predation and survival in the Cretaceous"

*Read more about the talks and Bios from each speaker*

[WWW.ROCKYGEMS.COM](http://WWW.ROCKYGEMS.COM) *Click here*

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# Club Announcements



## Welcome to our new members:

Joyce Roth, Raju & Sajita Sitaula, Rob & Cindy Tucker

**Moving?** Change of Address, Email or Phone Number? Ready to go paperless?  
Please notify [Ian Duncanson](#) of any changes at [idunc@q.com](mailto:idunc@q.com) or 303-798-9174.

**Club Vests** Show your club support at the meetings and other events! [Ian Duncanson](#) has club vests available for sale. Price includes vest, sewed on club patch (on back) and a club pin

\$18 for small and medium sizes

\$19 for large and X-large sizes

\$20 for XX-large and XXX-large

*Do you know someone who could use some sunshine?* Nobody knows everybody. If you know of a club member or family who is having a health problem or other problem, and who could be encouraged by receiving a thinking-of-you card, please let us know so that we may encourage them. Send a note to our sunshine coordinator and let her know, [Lynette Warren](#), [flywithle123@comcast.net](mailto:flywithle123@comcast.net).

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Thank you to everyone who contributed to the newsletter!

Would you like to be the next newsletter editor? I have done it for 2 years soon, and I am ready to let another person enjoy doing this. I should not be a greedy pig to do this forever. My favorite part: No public speaking is involved. If you can send e-mail and do some word-processing, you can do it! ~[Steve](#)

### 🌀 2017 Board of Trustees 🌀

President	<i>Charlie Wall</i>	303-933-0368
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Trustee (2 year term 2016 & 2017)	<i>Bill Jones</i>	303-503-6288

### 🌀 Chairpersons & Appointed Officers 🌀

Trustee-at-Large	<i>Lou Conti</i>	303-797-3205
Trustee-at-Large	<i>Dale Gann</i>	720-981-5526
Trustee-at-Large	<i>Jim Hurlbut</i>	303-757-0283
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" "	<i>Mike Snively</i>	720-981-0752
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Denver Council Representative	<i>Nick North</i>	303-840-1177
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" "	<i>Mike Snively</i>	720-981-0752
" "	<i>John Kleber</i>	720-851-8510
Mineral Study Group	<i>Bob Zartman &amp; Nick North</i>	303-973-0405

**Meetings:** The Littleton Gem & Mineral Club meets the third Friday of each month, September through May, at the Columbine Hills Church, 9700 Old Coal Mine Avenue, Littleton, CO 80123. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and the meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. All meetings are open to the public. Club and section meetings may deviate from their regular schedules due to holidays, shows, inclement weather, etc.

The Littleton Gem and Mineral Club is affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, The Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies, The Colorado Federation of Gem and Mineral Societies, and the Greater Denver Area Gem and Mineral Council.

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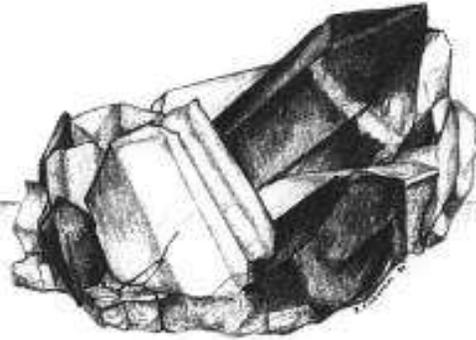
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