
Littleton Gem and Mineral Club

January 2018 Newsletter.

Happy New Year!

The January program will on **Meteorites**, by **Dan Wray**, Friday, Jan 19th, same time and place as usual, 7:30PM, at the Columbine Hills church. Hope to see you there.



Letter from the President

Hello Littleton Gem & Mineral Club Members and Rock-hounding Enthusiasts,

I hope you all have had a fantastic start to 2018! For those of you I haven't met yet, I am Travis Leach. I graduated from the Colorado School of Mines in 2009 and am currently working at the Cumberland/Elmwood Mine in Middle-Tennessee as a Mining Engineer. My girlfriend, Stacey, and I have been members of the Littleton Gem and Mineral Club since 2014 and we've loved every minute of it. I'm excited for another year filled with new friendships, continuing to learn about geology, and having tons of fun along the way. I've been less visible at club meetings in the last half of 2017 due to my temporary position in Tennessee, but I assure you I am still around! I also encourage you to Google the Elmwood Mine and check out some pictures of specimens from this world-renowned locality for Calcite and Barite on Sphalerite.

I am very honored to be elected as Club President for 2018. Over the past year as President-Elect, I have learned about the dedication required to run this club from the 2017 President, Charlie Wall, and have experienced the continued passion and dedication to our club shared by every board member. Over the coming year I'm going to work on expanding our club's digital component, which will include a greater presence on social media to advance efforts recruiting and participating in local gem and mineral shows.

Welcome to the 2018 Littleton Gem and Mineral Club! We will have another schedule packed with plenty of amazing field trips, fascinating gem and mineral shows, and fun-filled member events!

Sincerely Yours, **Travis Leach**

Christmas Party Pictures

kindly sent by Larry Havens

Please be sure to see the many additional pictures that will be posted on the LGMC Shutterfly site, <https://lgmc.shutterfly.com>



SANTA THANK YOU FROM MAXINE

Santa, "THANK YOU" for being there for our Littleton Club Christmas party. You brought me a gift in your sleigh and gave it to me at this party. You asked me not to open it until Christmas morning and I was GOOD because I did not peek or open it until then. This gift had a card attached that said, "This is a small token of appreciation for all the things you do for the club" and it was signed by you.

Now Santa, I don't know who is telling you all this but I want you to know something. I get so much enjoyment from being involved and doing things for our club. Yes, they take time but giving my time does not compare to the good feelings I have by 'doing'. The friendships that have been made have been tremendous and these friends will be with me forever.

Santa will you PLEASE say "THANK YOU" to the elf that gave you this gift to bring to me, tell them "I LOVE IT" and Santa, give them a BIG HUG from me.



Selected upcoming LGMC and Earth Science Events

Tue Jan 16 **Faceters and Cabbers Meeting**, 7:30, Columbine Hills Church

This is a group of Littleton Club members who are interested in the art of lapidary and all members are invited to visit or join this group. If you are interested or think you may be interested in faceting, cabbing, silver work or most arts of the Lapidary world this is where to come. We discuss different material used in lapidary, show new finds of 'rock', see pretty stones or jewelry made by members etc. If you are interested, want to learn or are having problems with a project there are members who are willing to help you, teach you and/or get you started with the fun of lapidary art.

Fri Jan 19 **LGMC Chapter Meeting**. Speaker, Dan Wray, Meteorites.
7:30pm, Columbine Hills Church, 9700 Old Coal Mine Ave, Littleton CO

Sat Jan 20th **Board Transition Meeting**, 12 noon, Wall's home, 7351 Sheridan Ct, Littleton, CO, 303-933-0368

Wed Jan 24 **Mineral Study**, at Larry Havens home, on Mexican Minerals from Sonora, the Baja and Sinaloa. This is a group of club members who try to recognize what different minerals look like. We pass-around minerals from our collections, if we have any on the topic of the month. And/or we look at the minerals that other people show, and try to learn more about them. All are welcome. You can call Larry at 303-757-6577 for directions if you need them.

Feb. 23-25 Fri-Sat-Sun, Denver Gem and Mineral Guild, **Jewelry, Gem, and Mineral Show**. Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Exhibits Building, 15200 W. 6th Ave. Golden CO; 10-6 Fri. & Sat., 10-5 Sun.; free parking and admission

Jun 20-22 Regional Convention of the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Rapid City, SD

Club Announcements

Welcome to our new members:

Lisa and **Brian Klingbeil**

Member News:

John Revis is in the hospital with pneumonia. We pray he has a SPEEDY recovery and is feeling better soon.

Moving? Change of Address, Email or Phone Number? Ready to go paperless?

Please notify **Ian Duncanson** of any changes at jdunc@q.com or 303-798-9174.

Do you know someone who could use some sunshine? Send a note to our sunshine coordinator and let her know, **Lynette Warren**, flywithle123@comcast.net.

LGMC Summary Minutes, Board Meeting

November 20, 2017

Location: The Church

Called to order at 7:01 pm

In Attendance: **Charlie Wall, Larry Havens, Travis Leach, Lesley Sebol, Jim Hooten, Nick North, Ian Duncanson, Maxine** and **Keith Sheel**.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved with motion from Ian Duncanson and second by Travis Leach.

Treasurer's Report: For the period 10/1/17 to 10/31/17 – Income from dues received, and proceeds from sale of donated equipment; expenses: club prospector display, newsletter, prizes for best of show purchases (over and under 20.00).

Motion to accept treasurer's report by Ian D.; second by Travis L.; motion carried.

Reminder: Any club member may ask the Secretary to see the treasurer's report at any regular club meeting.

Old Business

- At the April Board meeting **Dale Gann** asked the Board to consider purchasing 1 or 2 corded microphones for the church. Charlie Wall has talked with Dale Gann, and action is still pending Dale's research into models and prices.
- The club saw has been transferred to **Michael Taubr**.

New Business

- The Sheels reported on complex legal activity regarding Peg 1 & 2 claims.
- Membership:
- New member application from **Lisa** and **Brian Klingbeil**, child – Aidan, was reviewed and approved.
- Christmas Party plans were finalized. Lesley Sebol suggested that the board might seek out some kind of performing group to be the highlight of the evening. Noting the activities already scheduled, and the little time left to find such a group (most such groups are usually booked by this time), the suggestion was noted and should be considered earlier next year.
- Recruiting: **Ron Wankner** and **Dan Lovitt** have accepted the posts of Pres.-Elect and 2 year Trustee, respectively.
- New Newsletter Editor still needed
- Field trip leaders still needed; refreshment assistants needed
- Need Program Director.

Programs: January - TBD

Field Trips: no more trips for this year.

Mineral Study: January 24 at Larry Havens home (Mexican Minerals from Sonora, the Baja and Sinaloa).

Next Board Meeting: Saturday, 1/20/18 at the Wall's home for Board transition dinner and meeting.

Adjourned 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

~**Larry Havens**, Secretary

I need to stop being the newsletter editor now. Would you be interested to help the club as the next newsletter editor? If so, you can let me know.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the newsletter!

~Steve

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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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