



GEM SCOOPS



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Speaker: Bob Turner, Rockhound

Ponderings

From the Podium

Finally, some cool weather! By that comment you probably realize that it is Friday as I write this and I am once again late in getting it to Fred. For those of you who were not able to make it to last month's Annual Picnic, you missed some good "vittles." Ted's turkey was up to its usual tasty culinary reputation and, if I do say so myself, the ham was pretty cotton-picking good also. Veggies, salads (including delicious fresh cantelope) and desserts rounded out the menu. A good time was had by all of the 16 or so attendees.

By now you should have all received a missive from our Field Trip Chairman, John Palmer, regarding a planned outing in search of Georgia garnets. Please respond to John so he can finalize the planning for this get-together. On the subject of outings, it looks like the weekend of 7-9 October is going to have a little something for everyone. The SFMS announced a "Rock Swap and Dig" at Graves Mountain, near Lincolnton, Georgia from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on each of those three days. I have more information for those who might be interested.

In the opposite direction, almost due north of here, the GPAA is having a "Gold and Treasure Show" at the WNC Ag Center at 1301 Fanning Bridge Road in Fletcher, N. C. Fletcher is located just south of I-26 between Hendersonville and Asheville. The show

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society will be Wednesday, September 21, starting at 7:00pm at the Clemson -Central Library, 105 Commons Way, Central.

Lifelong **Rockhound Bob Turner** who has collected minerals and fossils from all over the US will show us many items from his collection and relate how and where he found them. Part of his display will include florescent minerals. Refreshments will be served at 7:00 p.m. and the meeting will start at about 7:15 p.m.

Visitors are always welcome.

hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. If you are interested in gold or gold prospecting and have never attended one of these shows you should give this one serious consideration.

This month's program sounds as though it should be fun. I had an enjoyable conversation with Mr. Bob Turner and am looking forward to meeting him in person and listening to his adventures and viewing some of his hard-won specimens. I've been told that he will have some items for sale. Speaking of sales, don't forget that we will have our monthly Raffle for choice mineral specimens. You might want to bring a little extra cash because we will also be Auctioning off those items of prospecting equipment that were so generously donated by Vi Wolfe, one of most faithful long-time members. You'll have to outbid me on a couple of them!

See you at the meeting,

Larry

Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society Minutes of General Meeting August 17, 2011

The meeting for August was a Picnic at the Amenities Shelter at the Summit Subdivision in Seneca. Only about a dozen members were present to participate in the Ham and Turkey dinner prepared by President Larry Boller and Ted Wallenius. The other members present brought assorted covered dishes and desserts. We were disappointed by the small turnout.

This summary Minutes was prepared by the Editor.

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**NEXT MEETING
October 19, 2011**