

# GEM SCOOPS



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Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society

September 2013

## PDGMS Meets at OLLI Building

### President's Message

Welcome back everyone to the new academic year! There is news as our meeting place has changed. From now on, we meet at the Clemson Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), 578 Issaqueena Trail, near the Patrick Square Subdivision.

Our program this year begins with a lecture about the geology of Acadia National Park in Maine. Specifically, at 7 PM on Tuesday, September 17, Richard Warner will speak to us on "Bedrock and Glacial Geology of Acadia National Park, Maine". The abstract of the talk is:

The first national park in the eastern United States, Acadia National Park, is an incredibly beautiful site on the east coast of Maine. It was created in 1919 and exhibits all three rock types: igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic. Dr. Warner, Professor Emeritus, will take us on a photographic tour highlighting the processes and results of continental glaciation that scoured the landscape over twenty five thousand years ago, creating U-shaped valleys, glacial lakes, and other spectacular geological wonders.

After the talk, we hope to continue our conversations on the con-

### OCTOBER MEETING

The next meeting of the PDGMS will be on October 15th at the OLLI Classroom building.

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

**WHEN:** September 17, 2013, 7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** The OLLI Classroom Building (This is a new meeting location. Please See the Map inside, Page 3.)

**TOPIC:** Bedrock and Glacial Geology of Acadia National Park, Maine.

**SPEAKER:** Richard Warner, Professor Emeritus

Dr. Warner, will take us on a photographic tour highlighting the processes and results of continental glaciation that scoured the landscape over twenty five thousand years ago, creating U-shaped valleys, glacial lakes, and other spectacular geological wonders. Russ Ligeikis will bring refreshments and visitors are always welcome.

struction of a storage shed for our lapidary equipment and the possibility of teaching night lapidary arts classes at OLLI.

Robert

**OUR NEW MEETING PLACE**  
Charles K. Cheezem Education Center, Patrick Square, Clemson, SC.

The PDGMS will continue to meet in the OLLI Education Center this fall. See the map on the next page for directions. The new meeting location has plenty of parking space and lots of outside lighting that will be important this winter.

There are several classrooms in the Education Center and we expect to start offering jewelry making and lapidary classes as soon as we can get things arranged.

**Minutes of General Meeting**  
Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society  
June 18, 2013

**Location:** Charles K. Cheezem Education Center, Patrick Square, Clemson, SC.

**Attendance :** Packed House

Carol Lund welcomed guests to the event. She introduced Ted Wallenius who provided a brief presentation about the Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society including the history and mission of the organization along with the

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**Patrick McMillan gestures during his talk to a packed audience at the June meeting of the Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society.**

**June Meeting Minutes (Cont)** benefits of membership. PDGMS brochures, photos, and specimens where on display for attendees to examine.

Carol introduced the speaker, Dr. Patrick McMillan, Director of South Carolina Botanical Garden and host of Emmy award winning TV show "Expeditions with Patrick McMillan".

Dr. Patrick McMillan provided a presentation on the natural history

of The Blue Ridge Mountains. It was titled "The Blue Ridge Mountains: What Shapes This Crucible of Life." Of particular interest was how the geology of the area affected other life forms.

After his talk and a question and answer session, Carol presented Dr. McMillan with a Certificate of Appreciation, Honorary Membership to the Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society, and an amethyst specimen

discovered and donated by John Denny.

A reception followed with refreshments provided by Michelle, Viola, Robert, and OLLI, and partially catered by 1826 on the Green.

Minutes submitted by  
Aubrey Miller

## **UPCOMING SHOWS IN THE SOUTHEAST REGION**

**October 4-6, 2013 — Dallas NC:** 35th Annual Gaston Gem, Mineral & Faceters Club Show. Hours: Friday and Saturday 9am to 6pm; Sunday 9am to 5pm. Gaston County Park, Hwy 279, Dallas Cherryville Hwy, Dallas, NC. Just ½ mile off route 321. FREE ADMITTANCE... Minerals and fossils from around the world, cutting material, quality gemstones, wire wrapping, settings, geodes, jewelry. A realworking SLUICE with all kinds of goodies. Hourly raffles for prizes.

**November 22-24, 201 — Columbia, SC:** The Columbia SC Gem and Mineral Society will hold its 46th annual gem, mineral and jewelry showm at Jamil Temple, 206 Jamil Road, Columbia, SC 29210 (Exit 106A off I26). Hours: Friday 10am to 7pm; Saturday 10am to 6pm; Sunday Noon to 5pm. 24 Retail Vendors – jewelry, beads, loose stones, fossils, gold, silver and tools for sale. Admission is \$5 for adults, children sixteen and under are free with adult. All military and their dependents are free. Grand Prize Award – Tourmaline/Topaz specimen from Pakistan (Est. \$450) donated by PAK Designs Publicity – Sue Shrader ashraider@mindspring.com.

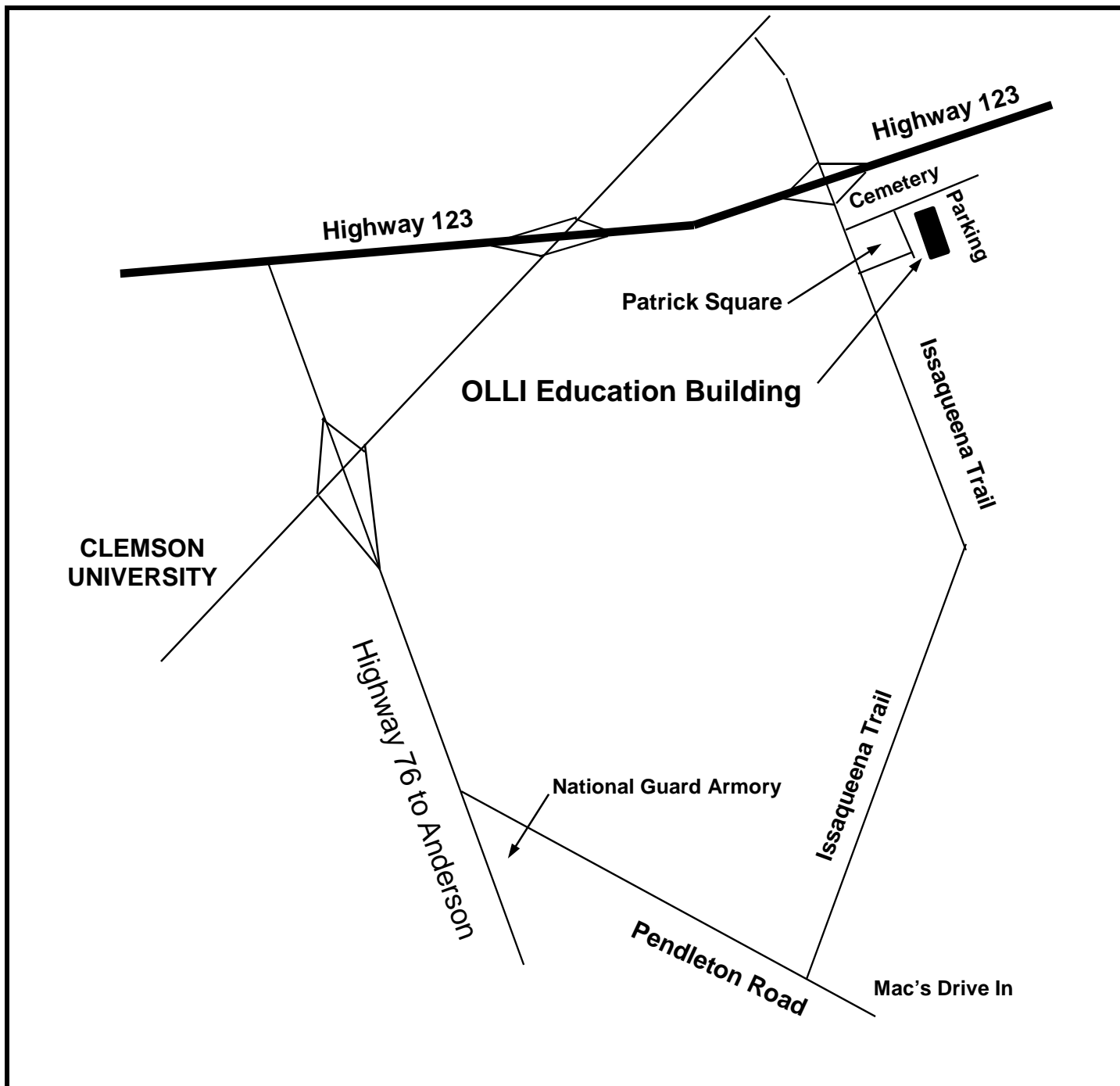
# Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Clemson University

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## New PDGMS Meeting Location Charles K. Cheezem Education Center, Patrick Square, Clemson, SC.



## Membership Application Form

Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society

John Ishler, Treasurer

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Please print:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Residence Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Spouse's First)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Individual membership \$15.00; Family membership \$20.00. (Please Circle which and amount enclosed.)

If Family membership, please print children's names below:

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The Pendleton District Gem and Mineral Society serves refreshments at 7:00 p.m. and the meeting is called to order at 7:15 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The club meeting location is in the Osher Life Long Learning Institute (OLLI), Cheezem Education Center, Patrick Square, 578 Isaqueena Trail, Clemson, SC. The society is affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies and the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

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