



Ark-La-Tex Gem and Mineral Society
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THE GEM CLUB

The Ark-La-Tex gem and Mineral Society was officially incorporated in Louisiana as a 501C3 non-profit educational organization in April 1971 by a small group of 6 members interested in the lapidary arts. Our members include a dedicated group of lapidarists with strong yet varied interests in stone and gem cutting, faceting, flint knapping (making tools, arrowheads, etc. from rocks), gem and mineral hunting (rock-hounding), and fossil hunting.

The goals of our organization are to create and stimulate interest in the study of gems, minerals, fossils, beading, geology, and the lapidary arts. The organization sponsors gem, mineral, and fossil hunting field trips, lectures on the lapidary arts, demonstrations, and workshops for the membership and the community. Club members have volunteered as judges in the Bossier Parish Science Fair and awarded prizes to deserving projects in the earth sciences. A Kids' Rock and Mineral Scavenger Hunt at our annual gem, mineral, and jewelry show is also educational fun. In addition, members have taught jewelry making courses at the Bossier Parish Community College, for those interested in the lapidary arts, and hope to do so again.

The club hosts our annual jewelry, gem and mineral show with special exhibits, demonstrations, kids' games, and dealers with fine jewels, gems, minerals, fossils, etc. to be purchased. In addition, it is able to provide speakers and demonstrations on the earth sciences and lapidary arts for local schools, scout troops, and other organizations upon request.

To find out more about us, check out our website: www.larockclub.com, or email us at ArkLaTexGMS@gmail.com. Also, please like us on Facebook: **ArkLaTex Gem & Mineral Society** (Club information is also here.)

Regular Activities

The ArkLaTex Gem & Mineral Society hosts monthly educational and business meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. Since the location of these meetings is **subject to change**, please go to our HOME page at larockclub.com and scroll down to the EVENTS for current meeting information. Guests are welcome to visit our meetings to see if they would be interested in joining.

Once a year, usually in December, we hold our regular meeting at a local restaurant or park for food and fellowship. Members are kept informed of the local and national lapidary news as well as club activities and field trips in which the club plans and participates. The club publishes a monthly emailed newsletter (The Rock Rattler) for its members on current events, member projects, and other items of interest to the club.

The club has purchased and renovated a mobile home in Haughton to serve as a studio for the members. This structure houses a full array of lapidary equipment for member use for a small maintenance fee, as well as for lapidary classes of all kinds taught by our more experienced members. There is also an out building at this location which serves both as a saw shop for slabbing larger rocks, and for storage. Finally, We schedule numerous field trips throughout the year to hunt rocks, minerals, gems and fossils.

How to Become a Member

Membership is open to interested adults and children, subject to approval. There are three membership options available:

Individual Membership	\$15/Year
Couple Membership	\$20/Year
Family Membership	\$25/Year

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Name (s) _____

Address _____

Renewal? Yes / No _____ Phone #'s _____

Membership Option: Individual: _____ \$15.00
(Check One)

E-Mail _____

Couple: _____ \$20.00

Family: _____ \$25.00

Or Come to a meeting and pay in person!!
6:30 on the 1st Tuesday of each month

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You will be notified of our
membership's approval within 30
days of receipt of this application.

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