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Peridot- Birthstone of the month

Presidents Notes - by Del Glasner

Hoping our Governor thinks it ok for our Aug 15 & 16 show to go on. We should find out on July 24

It's so hot this time of year that most clubs don't have field trips and the virus has shutdown rock shows and museums I was thinking of a "Five Minute Stop Field Trip". Consisting of a car caravan to rock & fossil sites where we can: Pull over to the side of the road, Step out and pick up a rock, Return back to the air-conditioned car, Go to the next spot and so on. This also might be good for those that cannot scamper up a hillside or hike to a site. Let me know what you think.

Birthstone for August –



Peridot

Called “the extreme gem” by the Gemological Institute of America, Peridot is born of fire and brought to light, one of only two gems (Diamond is the other) formed not in the Earth’s crust, but in molten rock of the upper mantle and brought to the surface by the tremendous forces of earthquakes and volcanoes. While these Peridots are born of Earth, other crystals of Peridot have extraterrestrial origins, found in rare pallasite meteorites (only 61 known to date) formed some 4.5 billion years ago, remnants of our solar system’s birth. Peridot in its basic form, Olivine, was also found in comet dust brought back from the *Stardust* robotic space probe in 2006, has been discovered on the moon, and detected by instrument on Mars by NASA’s *Global Surveyor*. Ancients believed, quite accurately, that Peridot was ejected to Earth by a sun’s explosion and carries its healing

power. [www.gia.edu][www.gemselect.com][en.wikipedia.org][www.peridot.com]

Next meeting : Our August 4th Club meeting will be will be our last one before our show. Sign-up sheet to help with the show will be available. We need your help.

Location:

Hope Community Church of God

3247 Bert Kouns Industrial Loop

(west of mansfield rd and west of Walker rd on the south side of road)

Time:

5:30pm gathering, Meeting starts at 6:30pm

Coffee is available

Yard signs will be available to take home advertising our show.

Bring your show and tell

Member Photos –

Del Glasner





Mike Clark



Lyn Simms



Classroom/Shop:

Shows (check to see if shows are not cancelled before going)

Aug

8-9—GONZALES, LOUISIANA: Annual show; Baton Rouge Gem & Mineral Society; Lamar Dixon Expo Center-Trademart Building, 9039 S. Saint Landry Ave; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, children (5-13) \$3, \$1 off admission for scouts in uniform, free admission for military personnel with ID; Vendors selling gemstones, minerals, fossils, lapidary equipment, win a beautiful 23 x 9-inch amethyst cathedral, drawing tickets are \$1 a ticket or 6 for \$5; contact Wanda Gawarecki, 5191 Hwy 19, Ethel, LA 70730; Email: mercymom3@gmail.com; Website: www.brgemandmineral.org

15-16—BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA: Annual show; Arklatex Gem & Mineral Society; Bossier City Civic Center, 620 Benton Rd.; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$4, free admission for children under 6 years of age and students with identification; Dealers offering custom and unique jewelry, beads, gems, minerals, fossils; educational exhibits, demonstrations, and speakers; activities for children; contact Del Glasner, P.O. Box 6633, Bossier City, LA 71171, (318) 517-7372; Email: larockclub@gmail.com; Website: larockclub.com

22-22—SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS: Show and sale; Southwest Gem and Mineral Society; Wonderland of the Americas Mall, 110 and Loop 410 at Fredericksburg Road; Sat. 10-5; free admission; contact John Speck, 9515 Potters Point, Helotes, TX 78023, 2105961611; Email: jspeck2@att.net; Website: <http://www.swgms.org/>

29-30—FORT WORTH, TEXAS: Annual show; Fort Worth Gem and Mineral Club; Will Rogers Memorial Center, 3401 W Lancaster; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$6, seniors, military, and students \$5, free admission for children 12 and under; Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Bead and Jewelry Show and Sale (Rescheduled from earlier date, due to restrictions related to COVID-19 pandemic), silent auction, and activities for children; contact Janice Craddock, PO Box 123975, Fort Worth, TX 76121; Website: <http://www.fortworthgemandmineralclub.org/show.html>

September

18-20—DENVER, COLORADO: Annual show; Greater Denver Area Gem and Mineral Council; Denver Mart, Expo Hall, 451 E 58th Ave; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$7, seniors \$5, teens (13-19) and military personnel \$3 (three-day passes: Adults \$15, seniors/teens/military \$10), free admission for scouts and leaders in uniform and children under 13 when accompanied by an adult; Exhibits presented by individuals, groups, and institutions, dealers, demonstrations, speakers; contact Nancy K Kimber, 9960 S. Sylvester Road, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129, (303) 807-8919; Email: nkk9960@hotmail.com; Website: <https://www.denvermineralshow.com/>

18-20—LINCOLN, MISSOURI: Annual show; Mozarkite Society of Lincoln, Inc.; Mike Hare Memorial Field, in the area of the community water tower; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-3; free admission; Silent auctions daily with proceeds to local scholarships; contact Kelly Blum, 26875 Carefree Lane, Warsaw, MO 65355, (816) 835-2044; Website: Mozarkite.com

October

10-11—TEMPLE, TEXAS: Annual show; Tri-City Gem and Mineral Society; Frank Mayborn Civic and Convention Center, 3303 N. 3rd Street; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, youth (13-17) \$2, free admission for children under 13; 51st Annual Show and also 2020's South Central Federation Convention and Meeting, with 13 vendors, and various activities for participants; contact Lois Ruth Rolston, 106 Ottoway Drive, Temple, TX 76501; Email: rolston@hot.rr.com

23-25—AUSTIN, TEXAS: Annual show; Austin Gem and Mineral Society (AGMS); Palmer Events Center, 900 Bartons Springs Rd; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$8, seniors and military personnel \$7, children ages 13-18 \$2 (good for all three days), and free admission for children 12 and under; Dealers offering a variety of rocks, gems, minerals, fossils, a fluorescent mineral and club member collection displays, demonstrations in faceting, cabbing, wire wrapping, and jewelry making, activities for children; contact Laird Fowler, 6719 Burnet Ln, Austin, TX 78757, (512) 458-9546; Email: showchairman@austingemandmineral.org; Website: www.agms-tx.org

November

6-8—HUMBLE, TEXAS: Annual show; Houston Gem and Mineral Society; Humble Civic Center, 8233 Will Clayton Parkway; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; 8.00 adults, seniors. Children 10 and under free; More than 40 dealers selling minerals, fossils, agates, beads, meteorites, gemstones, jewelry, and lapidary materials, supplies; educational displays, including a fluorescent display; demonstrations, and activities for children.; contact Scott Singleton, Show Chairman, 10805 Brooklet, Houston, TX 77099, (281) 530-0942; Email: show@hgms.org; Website: hgms.org

Websites that may be of interest:

Rock and Gem Magazine

<https://www.rockngem.com/category/trade-tools/>

Biggest sunken treasures ever found

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eRqOJnOZGV0>

Good-by Diamond Pacific

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r5STSi8qqBY>

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