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Newsletter of the Capital Mineral Club
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The CMC will meet Saturday, April 14th at 7:30 PM (Please note we are back to evening meetings) at the Salvation Army Building on Clinton Street in Concord, NH. There will be a Board Meeting at 6:00 pm preceding the regular meeting.

The Club would like to thank Gordon & Pam Jackson for hosting yet, another great workshop in March.

Our speaker for April is Ted Johnson, he will present a talk about mineral collecting in southern California.

Refreshments will be provided by Terry Crowell & Annette Comeau

Mineral of the month will be minerals of Southern California. Bring what you have for display

Editors Note:

The **deadline** to get info to me for publication will be the **3rd Saturday** of every month

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... If submitting material to the newsletter the editor requests that it be sent in Microsoft Word format. This will help in getting the newsletter together.

Friends & Family,

It is with great sadness that I tell you that Ernie passed on Friday, March 16th at 8:45 P.M. His wish was to come home and that was achieved on Thursday afternoon. By the way, he looked "smashing" in those red sheets. Ernie was surrounded by loved ones in his home and had all the comfort measures that hospice care affords. Vera was at his side and I know that brought him much peace. He slipped into a coma on Friday and left his dear ones that evening. He fought a hard battle and was optimistic throughout the tough fight. He will be remembered fondly by many. Memorials may be sent to the house for a fund to be determined at a later date.

Vera & the family covet your prayers at this most difficult time. Thank you to all of you who have been such a wonderful support through this whole ordeal. Just remember Ernie's incredible smile and love of life.

Love and Hugs, Vera

Deer Hill Mineral Collecting Site Update from the Forest Service

Deer Hill Mineral Site CE	- Recreation management - Minerals and Geology - Forest products	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 05/2007	Expected:08/2007	10/2007	Rodney Wilson 603-447-5448 (120) rmwilson@fs.fed.us
Description: This project will include small permanent openings in the forest canopy and clearing of about an acre of the forest. The openings will be used for recreational mining to replace exhausted adjacent openings within the Deer Hill Mineral Site.					
Location: UNIT - Saco Ranger District. STATE - Maine. COUNTY - Oxford. Deer Hill Mineral Site, Town of Stow, Maine.					



These are the minutes of the March 10th, 2007 meeting of the Capital Mineral Club. The meeting was held at Gordon & Pam Jackson's home in Canterbury. It was the club's sixth annual workshop meeting. The meeting called to order at 1220 hours

Secretaries report accepted as published

Treasurers report read and accepted and sent to the auditor.

No correspondence was received

Committees: Extensive discussion about our options for the scholarship program with a vote due at the April meeting. Decided to have a ballot format like before to vote for the scholarship proposals presented..

Nominating committee: Request was made for people interested in being on the nominating committee. (President's note: still waiting for help on a nominating committee)

Field Trip Committee: Discussion about Field trip to New York and to Roxbury CT. More to follow.

Sick Call: Several club members facing challenges. Club extended best hopes to those involved.

Old Business: none

New Business: Motion made and seconded to award honorary membership to Vince Valade.

Motion made and seconded to delay seating of new officers until October meeting so that new officers don't need to start term until after the mineral show.

Request for help filling vacant club officer's positions was presented to the membership. (President's Note: Still looking for interested person to take over secretary's position in Vince's Absence Please get involved if you can.)

Meeting adjourned and we enjoyed great food and folks at Pam and Gordon's house.

respectfully submitted.

Scott Higgins

Acting Secretary

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Mineral Clubs - Meeting Dates

Saco Valley Gem and Mineral Club: 3rd Thursday of each month at the Tin Mt. Conservation Center, Albany, NH – 7:00 PM

Keene: 1st Saturday of each month at Keene State College, Bldg. 18, Keene, NH – 7:00 PM

Nashua: Last Wednesday of each month at the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Nashua, 47 Grand Ave., Nashua, NH – 7:00 PM

North Shore (MA): 3rd Friday of each month, St. Paul Episcopal Church, Washington St., Peabody, MA – 7:30 PM

Boston Mineral Club: 1st Tuesday of each month, Harvard University Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA – 7:30 PM

Southeastern NH Mineral Club: 2nd Wednesday of each month, St John's Methodist Church, 28 Cataract Ave., Dover, NH – 7:00 PM

Scholarship Proposal Ballots

Please Print Your Name and Check Off One Choice

I _____ cast my vote for the following Scholarship Position:

_____ Position number 1, Expand the existing Scholarship guidelines to include a wider range of applicants to be eligible. This position was posted in the February newsletter.

_____ Position number 2, Keep the existing Scholarship guidelines that restricts the applicant’s eligibility. This position was posted in the March newsletter.

I _____ cast my vote for the following Scholarship Position:

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Please return these ballots by the May meeting, or bring them with you to the May meeting. All valid ballots will be counted at the business meeting. Please remember that only currently paid up members over the age of 18 are eligible to vote. If you have not paid your dues by the May meeting your vote will not count.

If you are mailing in your vote please mail to:
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CAPITAL MINERAL CLUB MEETINGS & EVENTS

APRIL 14, 2007 @ 7:30PM

Speaker: Ted Johnson, Collecting in southern California
Terry Crowell & Annette Comeau - Refreshments

MAY 12, 2007 @ 7:30PM

Speaker: TBA
Bill Brown - Refreshments

2007 Club Field Trips to be announced soon.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2007 @ 7:30PM

Board Meeting @6:00; Club Meeting @7:30

SEPTEMBER 29 - 30 2007

Capital Mineral Club's Annual Gem and Mineral Festival

Gem & Mineral Shows

April 14-15, Portland, ME - Maine Mineralogical & Geological Society Annual Gem & Mineral Show. University of New England Gymnasium, Portland, ME.

April 21, Dover, NH - Southeastern New Hampshire Mineral Club presents the 3rd Annual Rock, Gem and Mineral Show. Dover Veterans Community Center, 156 Back River Road, Dover, NH.

May 5-6, Topsfield, MA - North Shore Rock & Mineral Club presents the 44th Annual Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show. Topsfield Fairgrounds, Route 1 North, Topsfield, MA.

May 11-13, Augusta, ME - 18th Annual Maine Mineral Symposium. The Senator Inn, Western Ave., Augusta, ME.

June 23-24, Gilsum, NH - Gilsum Recreation Society presents the 42nd Annual Rock Swap & Mineral Show. Gilsum Elementary School and Recreation Center, Route 10, Gilsum, NH.

September 29-30, Concord, NH—44th Annual Gem and Mineral Festival presented by the Capital Mineral Club, Sat. 9 – 5, Sun., 10 – 4, Everett Arena, Concord, NH, Adults – \$4.00, 12 and under free. **This is a new Venue Location**