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Newsletter of the Capital Mineral Club

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Capital Mineral Club News

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The Capital Mineral Club membership meeting will be on Saturday, **September 8th 2018** at 2:00 PM at The Salvation Army Building, Concord, NH.

The speaker this month will be Dr. Carl Francis. He will talk about "Calcite". Members are encouraged to bring your calcite specimens to show members.

Thank you to Gordon and Pam Jackson for hosting the June Meeting and letting us use their house.

Editors Note:

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

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Welcome New Members

New members from the show in the next newsletter.

**2018 Club Dues are due, please send your membership dues to:
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Mineral Clubs - Meeting Dates

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

Keene: 1st Saturday of each month at Keene State College, Science Bldg. Room SCIC 126, Keene, NH – 7:00 PM keenemineralclub.50webs.com

North Shore (MA): 3rd Friday of each month, Hamilton Wenham Community House, 284 Bay Rd, South Hamilton, MA – 7:45 PM

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

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

Presidential Gem and Mineral Society: 2nd Friday of month at 7: 00 P.M. North Country Education Services Center; 300 Gorham Hill; Gorham, NH



The **May** meeting of the Capital Mineral Club was held on May 5th, 2018 at the Salvation Army Building in Concord, NH.

Meeting came to order at 2:05 PM and began with a jarring natural history presentation by Woody Thompson "Ice Age Geology of the White Mountains".

The **business meeting** was called to order at 3:30 PM with 36 members present.

Acceptance of Secretaries Report – Motion – Mike Cordero, Seconded – Barbara Mclaughlin, voted on and passed by membership.

Acceptance of Treasurers Report – Motion – Donny Divers, Seconded – Al Raine, voted on and passed by membership.

Corrections to April Minutes

Under **Field Trips** - Danny Diver should have been Donny Divers, and Danny should have been Donny.

Under **New Business** - Mary Baker should have been Pat Barker.

Old Business – Steffen Hermanns asked Charlie Forsberg about the show flyers and exit poll. Charlie has more flyers available for those that need them. He went over the exit poll again with the membership for further feedback. He is working on sourcing books and other lapidary door prizes for the exit poll. The exit poll will be a onetime event to help us get more information for future shows. The items can also be used for gifts, donations, schools, and other club uses. He has a copy of a catalog for others to view for more feedback.

Field Trips – Donny Divers discussed the clubs first trip of the year to Parker Mountain and the Greenville trip scheduled for Sunday, May 6th, 2018. He is working on a trip to the Hoyt Mine. He is asking more resources for assistance in guiding and planning trips to the upper Moats, South Baldface, and Huntington Mountain as well as other sites. Charlie Forsberg mentioned that "Rockhounding New England" has GPS coordinates to all the sites. Donny also stated he will be adding weekday trips as we move along through the year.

Bus Trip to Yale – Don Dallaire has the information but it will need to be refreshed to reflect any new pricing. It will be tabled to the next board meeting. There is a possibility we can do it this fall.

New Business – Steffen Hermanns brought up the need for a Board Meeting and Show Committee Meeting. After discussion with Gordon Jackson it was slated for May 17th, 2018 at 6:30 PM. All those interested and members please attend.

Officer Election – Tony Howd volunteered to run for Director, Michele Johnson has offered to run for Treasurer, the second auditor will be the outside accountant, and there is still an auditor position open. Further discussion on the position and by-laws will be tabled to the next Board Meeting. Additional details will be brought to the membership at the June 2nd, 2018 meeting to be held at Gordon and Pam Jackson's house. There is will be a gathering and cookout as in past years to celebrate the beginning of the collecting season.

Welcome to the new members by President Steffen Hermanns. Gordon Jackson reviewed the process for getting a badge for future meetings with new members.

New Members – Ellen Mohnkern, Bedford, NH, Louise Thompson, Wayne, ME, Michaelle, Megan and Wyatt Divers, Belmont, NH, Dennis Johnson, Webster, NH, Justin Medernach, Merrimack, NH

Door Prizes – Donated by Mike Undercofler & Pat Barker - Won by: Pricilla Eastman, Stephen Jonasch, & Don Dallaire (given to one of our junior members)

Motion to adjourn, passed by the membership.

Adjourned at 4:20 PM

At our annual BBQ and get together June 2nd, 2018 at the home of Gordon and Pam Jackson in Canterbury, NH; President Steffen Hermanns called to order a special June meeting of the Capital Mineral Club.

Meeting came to order at 1:05 PM with 38 members present.

First item on the agenda was to vote on the following new board members:

President: Steffen Hermanns

Vice President: Charles Forsberg

Treasurer: Michele Johnson

Secretary: Angela C. Pratt

Director: Tony Howd – 2-year term (Michael Cordero serving second term)

Auditor Linda Sarrette – 2-year term (Francis Gill serving second term)

Martin Kippley made the motion for the secretary to read the roll of nominations as printed on the meeting agenda as one vote. Agenda was read by President Steffen Hermanns. Motion– Lee Monchrucin, Seconded – Michael Cordero. All officers voted on and passed by the membership.

Second on the agenda to use some of our grant funds to purchase a paver at the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum for \$1,500. Paver to be engraved “Capital Mineral Club, Concord, NH”. Discussion was held, and motion was revised by Gordon Jackson to spend \$1500 on the paver if the museum opens in the fall. Don Dallaire will talk to them and see if they will hold the selected paver so the board will revisit at our next meeting. Motion – Katherine Dallaire, Seconded – Michael Cordero, voted on and passed by the membership.

Third on the agenda was to provide a \$1,000 grant to Ryan Wilkinson, UNH student to defray expenses for a field camp, check to be sent to UHN for his use as stated. Motion – Winnie , Seconded – Gordon Jackson, voted on and passed by the membership.

Show Committee – There will be a meeting at the end of June at Gordon Jackson’s home, anyone interested in helping are welcome to attend. Ellen Deusng requested that anyone interested in a case at the show please contact her.

Motion to adjourn – Martin Kippley, Seconded – Mike Cordero, passed by the membership.

Adjourned at 1:23 PM

Presentation for September meeting

Calcite

By: Dr. Carl Francis



Calcite is a very common mineral but is rather scarce in New Hampshire. Calcite is one of the most abundant minerals in all of the earth's rock types except in pegmatites.

Calcite crystallizes in the trigonal crystals and can have a multitude of different forms and twins.

In New Hampshire calcite occasionally has turned up in a few pegmatites in the Conway granites as well as other rock types in Littleton, Raymond and Westmoreland.

MINERAL OF THE MONTH CALCITE

Bring in your calcite specimens to show members.



← Rancho de Ballestero
Mun. de Playas de Rosarito
Baja, Mexico

↑ Stank mine
Barrow
Cumbria, England
United Kingdom

Minerva #1 Mine
Cave-in-Rock
← Illinois

Old Manchester Rd.
Raymond →





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Capital Mineral Club Meetings & Events	Gem & Mineral Shows
<p>September 8, 2018 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: Dr. Carl Francis Refreshments Shannon Wade</p>	<p>September 1-2, 2018 Kennebec Rocks & Minerals Gem & Minerals Show Augusta Armory, Augusta, ME</p>
<p>October 6, 2018 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: TBD Refreshments Chris Nye</p>	<p>September 8-9, 2018 Northern Berkshire Mineral Club, 53rd Annual Show Eagles Hall, 515 Curran Hwy, North Adams, MA</p>
<p>November 3, 2018 Club Meeting: 2:00PM Speaker: TBD Refreshments Mike Cordero</p>	<p>September 29-30, 2018 Franklin-Sterling Mineral Museum Gem & Mineral Show 10 Munsonhurst Rd, Franklin NJ</p>
<p>December 1, 2018 Club Meeting: Holiday Get Together 12:00– 4:00PM Chair:</p>	<p>October 20-21, 2018 46th Annual Gem & Mineral Show Bristol Gem and Mineral Club 240 Stafford Avenue, Bristol, CT</p> <p>October 27-28, 2018 2018 Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry and Fossil Show Total Sports Experience, 435 West Commercial Street East Rochester, NY</p>