



# Rocky Trails



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## EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Greetings,

How many of you knew there was an operating diamond mine in North America? On a recent trip to Canada I was surprised to find out that Da Beers had opened a mine in northern Ontario. It just goes to show that there are still great discoveries to be made. Read about the new mine in this issue of the Rocky Trails.

Even though this hasn't been a terribly hot summer, I for one will be glad when the temperatures cool off. Last weekend Angela and I stayed at a campground in Canaan Valley, West Virginia, and woke up to a glorious temperature of 48 degrees. The mountains are great this time of year. Speaking of mountains, there two good gem shows, one in Asheville and one in Hendersonville, during the Labor Day weekend. A family could easily go to both during the same trip.

This may sound like a broken record, but just in case you didn't know, our club has moved our workshop to a storage building in West Columbia (Ample Storage). This is a temporary location and may still need some preparations to make it ready for use. Please inquire with Gary Hert if you would like to use the facility. If you know of any potential locations for a more permanent shop, please inform one of the club's officer!

Welcome to all the new members to our club. We invite you to become officers in the club. We have many positions that will be available in the coming year. If you have friends who would like to join the club, there is an application form on our website.

Ron Ahle, editor

## NEXT MEETING

**August 19, 2019**

### PROGRAM:

Show and Tell from William Holland & Wild Acres

Bring Jewelry and other items that you have made in the lapidary schools.

### REFRESHMENTS

The Wenzel Family

### DOOR PRIZES

Susan Bloodworth

## SUNSHINE

John Narung fell off a ladder and broke his leg in several places, requiring surgery. He is up and mobile and recovering well. Call or write him at 207 Weddell St. # 2-A Columbia, SC 29223

Club meetings are at The McKissick Museum at USC. Parking is available beside the museum where Bull St. runs into Pendleton St. See map on page 4. If you are unable to use the front steps of the McKissick Museum, there is an elevator on the ground floor down the hall from the parking lot. If you need to use the elevator call 803-261-9317 to have the door on the street level by the parking lot opened.



## Ontario's First Diamond Mine Officially Opened by De Beers Near Attawapiskat

August 1, 2008 in **Ontario Mining Association**

*This article was provide by the [Ontario Mining Association](#) (OMA), an organization that was established in 1920 to represent the mining industry of the province.*

The De Beers Canada Victor diamond mine is not only officially open but the process plant is officially operating 12% above its nameplate capacity at about 8,200 tons of kimberlite daily. At the opening ceremony held on July 26, 2008 at the mine site, which is located about 1,070 kilometers north of Toronto, General Manager Peter Mah told participants "today, we have officially reached full production at the Victor Mine." He said about 330,000 carats of diamonds have been produced from the one million tons of ore processed to date.

"To mark this historic achievement of bringing the Victor Mine into production, Cree drummers and dancers will perform," said Mr. Mah. "We are Ontario's first diamond mine and we should celebrate the hard work and dedication that everyone has put into this diamond dream. I especially want to thank the Elders (16 Elders from the Attawapiskat First Nation were at the event) for their wisdom, guidance, experience they share and knowledge."

A combination of De Beers corporate officials, suppliers, politicians, including Ontario Minister of Northern Development and Mines Michael Gravelle, First Nations representatives, other dignitaries and media arrived at the remote site 90 kilometers west of Attawapiskat on nine different flights to celebrate the opening of the Victor Mine with employees. While building the \$1 billion mine was a tremendous engineering feat, organizing and coordinating the opening must be viewed as an outstanding logistical achievement.

The Ontario Mining Association, which had the privilege of being at the launch of a member company's new mine, congratulates De Beers not only for the successful opening of the Victor Mine in Ontario but also for the official opening of the company's Snap Lake diamond mine in the Northwest Territories one day earlier on July 25.

De Beers Canada President and CEO Jim Gowans thanked the organizers and expressed great pride in this mine starting official operations. "Thank you for sharing in this wonderful day for my company and I want to thank our shareholders for their faith in making an investment to bring this dream to reality." Several De Beers head office and De Beers Canada officials were on hand including Nicky Oppenheimer, Chairman of De Beers Group, Jeremy Wyeth, Senior Vice President De Beers Canada and former OMA Chairman, and Ingrid Hann, Vice President Human Resources for De Beers Canada.

Before the official opening ceremony, visitors had the opportunity to enjoy presentations on environmental practices at the mine, the geology of Victor and neighboring kimberlite pipes, the accommodation and facilities at Victor, which people in the tourism trade would consider one of the largest hotels in Northern Ontario, along with tours of the open pit mine and the processing plant. One special feature of the tour was the teepee on site, which has been built by Victor employees to use for ceremonial and spiritual purposes. Participants were able to enjoy some goose and herbal tea and learn a bit about the culture and cuisine of First Nation communities in the area. Also, high quality diamonds from the Victor Mine were on display including some which were four to seven carats in size.

The Victor Mine has a close relationship with First Nation communities. Approximately 140 people, or 40% of the Victor workforce, are Aboriginals. Much of the official ceremony was carried out in both English and Cree languages. The value of First Nations contracts with the Victor mine is more than \$165 million. Jonathan Oppenheimer, Chairman of De Beers Canada, related a bit of De Beers history going back to 1888 and its roots in South Africa.

“The Victor project has been a complicated one and a difficult one,” said Mr. Oppenheimer. “At De Beers, we believe in longevity and we believe in building significant relationships with our communities. We need to think what it means to be integrated into the community and develop a relationship that builds trust and a sense of partnership. We have to create a lasting and sustainable contribution to the communities where we operate and I believe the Victor Mine is a model for how mining should take place in Northern Ontario.” Gareth Penny, Managing Director De Beers Group, said lessons from the Victor Mine on community relations will be used in the development of future De Beers mines in other parts of the world.

Timmins, which is about 500 kilometers south of the Victor Mine, is a base for much of the mine’s activities and logistics. In recognition of this, Timmins Mayor Tom Laughren, officially declared July 20 – 26, 2008 De Beers Diamond Mine Week. “We’d like to thank the City of Timmins for recognizing the hard work of all our team members, our employees and our partners for bringing Ontario’s first diamond mine into production,” said Rachel Pineault, Director of Human Resources and Aboriginal Affairs for the Victor Mine.

The Victor Mine is expected to produce 600,000 carats of diamonds annually for 12 years. During its construction and early production phases, the mine’s workforce surpassed four million hours worked without a loss time injury. The mine is expected to have a positive impact on Ontario’s Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of \$6.7 billion and a \$4.2 billion GDP contribution to the economy of Northern Ontario.

## Social Media Helps our Club Stay Social!

Join us on Facebook, our social media outlet, to learn about activities of the club and to share your club-related experiences. From any Facebook page (not Google), you can search for "Columbia Gem and Mineral Society" to access the club page. Once you get there, you can click on "Like" this page and set your preferences for notifications under the "Following" button. Share the CGMS Events and Posts with your friends! Add photos of club-related topics! Use this page to share your rock and lapidary interests. Anyone can post on our page, just keep it gem and mineral relevant (no profanity or off-topic posts please). Enjoy, this is one way members of our club can stay connected. To access our web site, just type "CGMS.ROCKS" in your internet browser or you can search for Columbia Gem and Mineral Society in Google.

The Club's website is: [www.cgms.rocks](http://www.cgms.rocks)

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

### July 15, 2019 General Meeting of Columbia Gem and Mineral Society, Inc.

The Columbia Gem and Mineral Society, Inc. held the monthly club meeting on the 3rd Monday, July 15, 2019, at the McKissick Museum at 816 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29208 on the USC campus.

7:30 **President:** Jimmy Armstrong called the meeting to order. Jimmy thanked all for coming and greeted guests. Jimmy thanked Fred Meetze for contributing door prizes, and thanked Tom and Elizabeth Daniel for the refreshments.

**Membership:** Sheila Frame announced that the club now had 119 members: 101 adults and 18 children. **Newsletter:** Angela Valvasori said that the newsletter would soon be out on email. She reminded members that there would be a field trip on July 19, 2019, to Diamond Hill to dig for quartz and amethyst. Angela also reminded members about the MAGMA in Franklin, NC, where there would be a Walking Round-up the week of July 21-28. She noted that there would be a show in Franklin July 24-28.

**Programs and Classes:** Sue Shrader passed around sign-up sheets for refreshments and door prizes. Sue said C.C. Murray would give a tour of the Geology Museum in the McKissick Library. Sue also announced that the Western (Greenville) Gem and Mineral Club would be holding an auction on August 12, 2019. She informed members that there would be a Lunch and Learn on July 24. Sue told all that there were free magazine on the front table. Sue introduced Ron Clamp, Master Stone Carver, as the evening's guest speaker.

Since there was no further old or new business, the members voted to adjourn for drawing door prizes and for the program.

Respectfully submitted by  
*Susan Bloodworth*

**CGMS Lapidary Workshop**

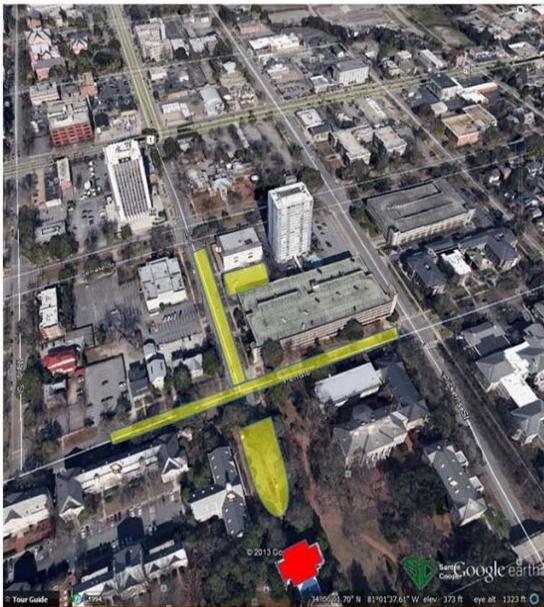
Call or email Gary Hert at 803-794-9362 or [gchert@hotmail.com](mailto:gchert@hotmail.com) to use the rock saws and capping machines.

**The Columbia Gem and Mineral Society Lapidary Workshop**

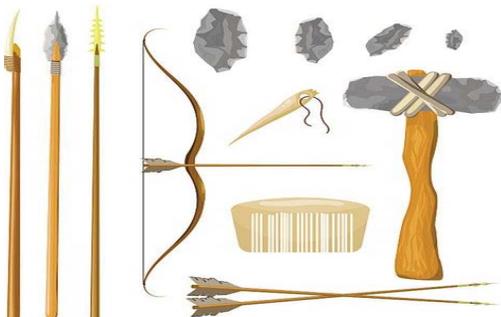
The lease on the club's lapidary workshop expired at the end of May. May 18, the club lapidary workshop was packed up and the equipment moved to a storage building in West Columbia. The club has rented a large storage room and a small room as a temporary location. The storage unit has electricity and is climate controlled. It can be used both as storage and a temporary location for lapidary work until a permanent location is found.

**New Location Needed**

The club is seeking a new location for the workshop. A long term lease or purchase is desired. If you have any suggestions please contact one of the Executive Officers.



**Yellow shaded areas =suggested parking**      **McKissick Museum (in Red)**

**McKissick Museum****McKissick Museum:**

[www.artsandsciences.sc.edu/mikissickmuseum](http://www.artsandsciences.sc.edu/mikissickmuseum); phone 803.777.7251; College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Carolina; 816 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29208

**Natural Curiosity:** The University of South Carolina and the Evolution of Scientific Inquiry in the Natural World...Ongoing, 3rd Floor, South Gallery  
Explore your own "natural curiosity" in this exhibit that highlights not only the treasures of nature, but also the evolution of the field of natural history. Beginning soon after UofSC was founded as South Carolina College, professors and students alike collected samples of animal, vegetable, and mineral to study and grow their understanding of the world around them. Today, visitors can still learn from these real and authentic objects or use newly installed touchscreens to dive deeper into the collections and explore the Historic Southern Naturalists. Where will your natural curiosity take you? *The Natural Science collections which started with Thomas Cooper now include the J. Harry Howard gemstone collection as well as mineral specimens such as those collected by Lawrence L. Smith and Burnham Colburn and the world-renowned Richard B. Dominick Butterfly and Moth Collection.* For more information on McKissick's collections, contact Christian Cicimurri, Curator of Collections at [cicimurr@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:cicimurr@mailbox.sc.edu) or 803-777-2823

**South Carolina State Museum**

<http://scmuseum.org/events/upcoming-events/>

301 Gervais Street  
Columbia, SC 29201  
803-898-4921

**Second Shift Twosdays:** Every Tuesday from 5 – 10 p.m., General admission is 2 for \$10

The museum is open late every Tuesday. Explore four floors of permanent and changing exhibits, planetarium shows, 4D Theater films, night-sky viewing in the Observatory and more.

**Boeing Observatory Public Solar Observing Times:**

Mon. to Fri: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday: 1 to 5 p.m.

**Night Observing:** until 10 p.m. during Second Shift Tuesday each week.

**Meteorite Showers**

<https://www.amsmeteors.org>

**Southern Delta Aquariids**

**Active from July 21st to August 23rd , 2019 Peak Night July 29 & 30**

The Delta Aquariids are another strong shower best seen from the southern tropics. North of the equator the radiant is located lower in the southern sky and therefore rates are less than seen from further south. These meteors produce good rates for a week centered on the night of maximum. These are usually faint meteors that lack both persistent trains and fireballs.

**Perseids**

**Active from July 13th to August 26th , 2019 Peak Night August 11 & 12**

The Perseids are the most popular meteor shower as they peak on warm August nights as seen from the northern hemisphere. The Perseids are active from July 13 to August 26. They reach a strong maximum on August 12 or 13, depending on the year. Normal rates seen from rural locations range from 50-75 shower members per hour at maximum. The Perseids are particles released from comet 109P/Swift-Tuttle during its numerous returns to the inner solar system. They are called Perseids since the radiant (the area of the sky where the meteors seem to originate) is located near the prominent constellation of Perseus the hero when at maximum activity.

## EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

### July 22, 2019 Board Meeting of Columbia Gem and Mineral Society, Inc.

The Columbia Gem and Mineral Society met on the 4th Monday, July 22, 2019, at Grecian Gardens at 2312 Sunset Blvd., West Columbia, SC 29169. Attending: Ron Ahle, Angela Valvasori, Sheila Frame, Jimmy Armstrong, Jim Cobb, Dan Elswick, Sue Shrader, and Benira Sutphin. At 7:00 **President:** Jimmy Armstrong called the meeting to order and thanked all for coming. Jimmy said that he would be going to Franklin to buy geodes since Gary Hert had scheduling complications.

**Vice President:** Ron Ahle announced that Dixie Mineral would be changing rules for field trips. The club discussed these changes and their concerns. Angela Valvasori noted that we had our scheduled field trip for Dixie Mineral coming up this year, December 20, 2019. Jimmy Armstrong said he would discuss field trip date with Dave Hanes. Members discussed possible field trips: Cunningham and Cross Mines.

**Membership:** Sheila Frame said that the club now has 119 members: 101 adults and 18 juniors.

**Programs:** Sue Shrader said that C.C. Murray would be giving a tour of the geology museum at the McKissick Library. Sue said she tried calling David Shelly for a program with Lunch and Learn. Sue said she was hoping to have some of the club's artisans share what they created at workshops. She would also try to contact Jim Hird for a program on copper mining and Joe Wilkinson for a program on proper documentation for specimens and artifacts. Club members all discussed how great Ron Clamp's presentation had been on Stone Carving.

**Show Committee:** Sharon Sterrett said she already had commitments from 10 vendors for our show. Sue Shrader gave options for Web Banner advertising options. Angela Valvasori asked if there was a show budget. Sue said she would provide a show budget, except the cost of billboards. Sue said we would need to decide by the end of August about the cost of emails, mailing, and billboards. Sue moved that the Board accept Option 3 for \$944.00 for advertising and promotion for the CG&MS Show. Angela Valvasori noted that the cost for the same advertising had only been \$691.00 the previous year. Board Members voted to accept Option 3 for Advertising and Promotion for the show. Sharon Sterrett noted that the cost for security had not increased; however, the club would need to pay for 2 additional hours.

Sue Shrader passed around a flyer about Western Carolina's Gem and Mineral Club's Up-Coming Auction.

**Workshop:** Ron Ahle brought up the club's need for a permanent workshop and said that an acre in Hopkins with a building with 1,100 square feet might be available. Jimmy Armstrong said he would contact the property owner to ask about price.

Since there was no further new or old business, board members voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by  
Susan Bloodworth

### Field Trip to Graves Mountain

October 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Graves Mountain, Lincolnton, GA Rock Swap & Dig

Collecting Rutile, Kyanite, Lazulite, Iridescent Hematite, Pyrophyllite, Pyrite, Ilmenite, Fuchsite, Barite, Sulfur, variscite, woodhouseite, crandallite, strengite, phosphosiderite, cacoxenite, blue quartz, quartz crystals, etc.

The caretaker in charge of Graves Mountain, Clarence Norman Jr., has announced plans to hold a three day dig and rock swap on the Mountain during April and October. He will have the mountain open to collecting from 8 am to 6 pm each day. All participants must stop at the welcome table in the Hospitality tent to sign a liability release and make a small contribution to defray the cost of opening the mountain and providing port-o-lets. There will be several golf cart type, four wheeled vehicles available to transport those participants who have trouble walking long distances. The dig will cease and everyone is expected to be off the mountain by around 6 pm each day. Participants will be allowed to park in a designated area on the mountain.

**Rock Swap and Hot Food/Drinks:** Junior will set aside an area in the upper parking lot for tables to be setup for daily rock swaps. Anyone who would like to setup a table(s), please contact Junior at the phone numbers listed below. Hot food cooked on the grill, cold drinks and chips will be available for purchase on the mountain during all three days of these events.

Contact Information:

Clarence Norman Jr. (Junior) - 706-359-1544 (his business) or 706-401-3173 (his cell)

**DIRECTIONS:** From Columbia, take I-20 east to the exit for Washington, GA SR 78 (SR 10, SR 17) and turn left. Travel north to Washington, turn right onto SR 378 and drive 11 miles to the Graves Mountain area. The entrance to Graves Mountain is on your right about 8/10 mile past the Lincoln county line sign. - The entrance is a paved road that goes through a gate and up a hill. Please park along the access road and then proceed to the "Welcome Tent" at the end of the pavement to obtain a liability release form and to make a donation for the portable bathrooms, etc.

**THESE DIGS ARE OPEN TO ALL  
NO NEED TO SIGN-UP, JUST SHOW UP FOR ALL "ROCK SWAP AND DIGS"!**



Rutile



Lazulite



## Dixie Mineral Council Field Trips

The Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Inc



The Friendly Federation - Founded in 1976 to serve  
DMC Program of the SFMS Field Trip Committee  
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An Official Field Trip of the Rome Georgia Mineral Society (Rome, GA) (HOST)  
An Official Field Trip of the Columbia Gem and Mineral Society

**Sunday, September 22, 2019**  
**9:00 AM EST**  
**Summerville, GA**

**TRIP:** This location is a small, family owned quarry that has been a popular location for local clubs for many years. There will also be an optional side trip to a location close by where a variety of cutting material will be for sale.

**COLLECTING:** This location is known for its colorful lace banded chert/agate. Most of the material is loose and ranges in size from pebbles to boulders. Some of the material is good for lapidary use and some of it is more suitable for specimens.

**BRING:** Rock hammer, small sledge, chisel, scratching tools, buckets, and a spray bottle with water to wet the rocks so you can see the color better. You may also need sunscreen and gloves, plus a dolly is recommended for hauling out large rocks and heavy buckets.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** This is an active quarry. STAY AWAY from all heavy equipment, high walls, ponds, and quarry machinery.

**TERRAIN AND ACCESSIBILITY:** There are flat areas and areas with loose rock. People with mobility issues may have some difficulty navigating over and around boulders. There may also be soft, muddy areas if it rains before or during the trip. Collecting area is within 100 yards from where we park.

**CHILDREN (Yes):** Children are allowed but they must have adult supervision at all times.

**PETS (Yes):** No pets allowed.

**FACILITIES:** There are **NO** facilities at either location. Food and restrooms are several miles away.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** There are many hotels in Rome, GA, which is approximately half an hour away from the collecting site.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Rome Georgia Mineral Society members will be available to answer questions about the location. There will also be a table with examples of collecting material, water, and snacks.

**DIRECTIONS AND WHERE TO MEET:**

Mount Berry Mall, Rome, GA  
Mall Parking Lot near Zaxby's

**CONTACT:** Dori Madden 706-767-5759 Bob Madden 706-853-1748

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**AREA SHOWS**

**August 30- September 2—Raleigh, NC:** Annual show; Treasures of the Earth, Inc.; North Carolina State Fairgrounds, 1025 Blue Ridge Rd; Fri. 12-6, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5, Mon. 10-4; adults \$5 (tickets are good for the weekend), and free admission for youth 16 and under; vendors offering mineral specimens, rocks, fossils, lapidary jewelry, crystals, demonstrations, remount of stones and repairs; contact Ellen White, PO Box 59, Gloucester Point, VA 23062, (804) 642-2011; Email: Ellen@treasuresoftheearth.com; Website: <http://www.TreasuresOfTheEarth.com>

**August 30 - September 2....2019 Hendersonville, NC**  
**Henderson County Gem & Mineral Society** 38th Annual Gem & Mineral Spectacular  
Special Feature "Fossil Extravaganza"  
Admission \$5.00 adults; children under 12 FREE  
Fri, Sat, Sun 10-6; Mon 10-5  
Whitmire Activity Center 301 Lily Pond Rd Hendersonville, NC 28739  
For more info check our website: [HCGMS.com](http://HCGMS.com)




**11th Bi-Annual**  
*Asheville, North Carolina*  
**Gem, Mineral and Fossil Show!**  
**September 13th - 15th, 2019**  
Rocks, Gems, Crystals, Minerals, Fossils,  
Artifacts, Meteorites and More! 



**Hours: 9am – 6pm Friday and Saturday**  
**9am – 4pm Sunday**

**Free Admission**  
**Rain or Shine**  
**Food and Drinks**  
**Available Daily**

**For more information,**  
**contact Rick at:**  
**828-779-4501 or email**  
**rick@wncrocks.com**

**Directions: Take Exit 33 off of**  
**Interstate 26 East. Turn left (West)**  
**on Brevard Road/Hwy. 191. Drive**  
**3.5 miles to Clayton Road on the**  
**left, turn left and drive 2/10ths of a**  
**mile to the entrance to Camp**  
**Stephens on the left. If coming West**  
**on I-26, take Exit 37, go left under**  
**interstate, turn right onto Clayton**  
**Road, the camp will be on the right.**  
**Look for 'GEM SHOW' signs.**  
**Address: 263 Clayton Road, Arden,**  
**North Carolina.**



### Launch of American Geode's gem, mineral, fossil show page!

American Geode's gem, mineral, and fossil show page will be #1 on Google, Yahoo, when people search for gem, mineral, fossil shows. No log-in, signing up, or passwords. American Geode wants EVERYBODY, from academics, to college students, to interior design professionals to come to your shows and to buy at your shows. American Geode works with more diverse crowd than just serious mineral collectors.

Even if your club does not host shows, please visit American Geode for shows to visit when you are traveling on vacation or traveling for business!

<http://www.americangeode.com/shows/>

The Columbia Gem and Mineral Society is an organization of persons associated together to promote popular interest in and to provide means for the exchange of knowledge of the Earth Sciences – Geology, Mineralogy, and Paleontology – and of the related Arts – Lapidary and other. The Society is a member of the Southeast Federation Mineralogical Societies Inc. and affiliates of the American Federation of Mineralogical Society Inc.

### 2019 OFFICERS and COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

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**CGMS Website**

***Please visit our Website:***

<http://www.cgams.org>

Webmaster: Mike Montebello

**Monthly Meeting**

Except for January, the meetings are held the third Monday of each month at the McKissick Museum's Auditorium, on the USC campus. Socializing and refreshments at 7:00 pm; Meeting at 7:30 pm. Please enter from the Horseshoe entrance.

**Executive Board Meetings:**

Except for January, the meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at Grecian Gardens, 2312 Sunset Blvd., and West Columbia. Meal is at 6:30 pm. Meeting is at 7:00 pm.

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