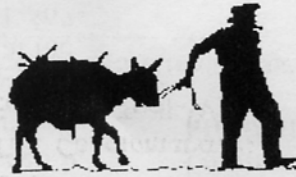


UPCOMING SHOWS



April 26th and 27th

Earth Science Association, Gem and Mineral Show
Franklin, NJ

June 22nd and 23rd

Celinka Gem and Mineral Show
Stony Brook University – Student Activities Center
Stony Brook, NY

July 26th and 27th

Gem and Mineral Show – Mattituck High School
Main Rd.
Mattituck, NY

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THE CONGLOMERATE

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Next Meeting - April 21st

We will be showing a video from EFMLS, "Gemstones of America", narrated by Efrem Zinbalist, Jr. Learn how crystals are formed and why they are so rare. See how gems are mined and crafted. Go into the vaults of the Smithsonian.

As always, refreshments will be served.

Last Meeting

Gary Vorwald give a very informative PowerPoint presentation- "What Fossils Can Teach Us".

Club Shirts still available

Club shirts with embroidered logo are available for sale to Club members. The cost is \$20 each with sizes available from medium to 2X. Please see Roberta Besso.

The Franklin, NJ Trip is cancelled

Due to lack of adequate response, the Club will not be sponsoring a bus to this event in April.

We need your input

We are looking into having a class in the near future on making dichroic glass. Since an outside expert in this area would teach it, we need to know the number of people willing to make a firm commitment to attending such a class. Please sign up at the next meeting or call Elaine Casani (631-567-3342).

Club Events - Mark Your Calendars

- *Annual Picnic* - Saturday, July 12th at Heckscher State Park
- *September Meeting* - We are collecting items for an auction. Please bring specimens to the Club meetings.
- *Franklin Gem Show* - If we get enough interest, the Club will sponsor a bus trip to this event in September.
- *Annual Club Gem Show* - Saturday and Sunday, December 13th and 14th at Stony Brook University.

New Club Members

Charles and Catherine Parker - Bay Shore
William and Mindy Newton - St. James
Tom and Elizabeth Smith - Amityville
John and Mary Ann Tammaro - West Islip

Lecture of interest

At the April 25th session of its "Science Open Nights", Stony Brook University will have Dr. David Krause (Anatomical Sciences) speak on "*Madagascar's Buried Treasure: New Discoveries of Dinosaurs and Other Fossils*". The talk will be held in Room 001 ESS Building at 7:30pm. Following the lecture, there will be refreshments, discussion and demonstration material.

For more info:

<http://pbisotopes.ess.sunysb.edu/openight/>

