

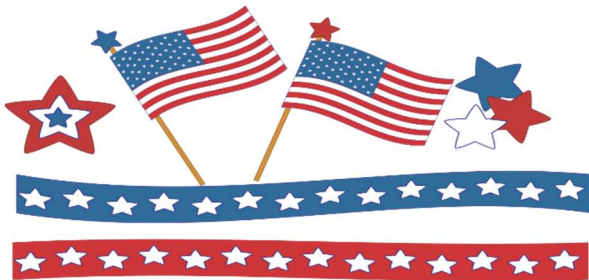


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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB Date: July 2020

July

July's Club meeting at the Canton Library is **cancelled due to Covid 19**. The July Zoom Meeting is scheduled for Wed., July 8th at 6:00 PM. Stay safe!



President: William deLorraine
Vice President: Roy Rosenbarker
Treasurer: Phoebe Rogerson
Secretary: Joanna deLorraine
Field Trip Coordinator: Gary Garlough
Webmaster: Glen Simonelli

Effective January 01, 2020 – January 01, 2022

www.stlawrencecountym mineralclub.org

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Mail checks for annual **dues** 8/ 2019 – 8/ 2020 to:

William deLorraine, President
1 Indian Head Trail
Gouverneur, NY 13642

Club Dues are:

\$15.00 Single Membership

\$25.00 Family Membership

FIELD TRIPS:

Email us at wdellie@gmail.com with suggestions for future field trips.

Rock & Mineral Shows

54th Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse Show – (Cancelled)

Start Date: 7/11/2020

End Date: 7/12/2020

10:00 AM daily - Adults \$7.00 – kids under 12 free

575 State Fair Blvd

Center of Progress Building New York State Fair
Syracuse, NY

Website: <http://gmss.us/>

(Cancelled)

Herkimer Diamond Gem Show & Festival

Start Date: 7/18/2020

End Date: 7/19/2020

135 Cemetery St

Herkimer County Fairgrounds

Frankfort, NY 13340

Website: <http://www.herkgemshow.com/>

Quartz Fest - 7/25/2020

Start Date: 7/25/2020

End Date: 7/26/2020

Hours: Sat 10:00 - 6:00; Sun 10:00 - 4:00

250 N Bloomfield Rd

Greater Canandaigua Civic Center

Canandaigua, NY

Website: <http://FLGMFC@icloud.com/>

St Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club Show

(Cancelled)

Start Date: ~~8/22/2020~~

End Date: ~~8/23/2020~~

Adults \$2.00 kids 12 and under free

90 Lincoln St

Canton Recreational Pavilion

Canton, NY 13617

Website:

<http://www.stlawrencecountym mineralclub.org/>

Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Soc. Show & Sale

Start Date: 9/19/2020

End Date: 9/20/2020

258 Titusville Rd

Gold's Gym Family Center

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

site: <http://www.kaleidoscopegemshows.com/>



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GemStreet USA

Start Date: 11/13/2020

End Date: 11/15/2020

Hours: Fri/Sat 10:00-6:00 Sun 11:00-5:00

5600 McKinley Pkwy

Erie Fairgrounds-Grange Bldg.

Hamburg, NY 14075

Website: <http://www.gemstreetusa.com/>

Crystal Fest Fall Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show

Start Date: 11/14/2020

End Date: 11/15/2020

Hours: Sat 10:00-6:00 Sun 10:00-4:00

100 Civic Center Plaza

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Corning, NY

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/Finger-Lakes-Gem-Mineral-Fossil-Club->

The Metaphysical Corner

Black Obsidian Stone...

Cleanses Negative Psychic Smog From
Aura

Written By Liz Oakes

Black Obsidian Stone is a powerful cleanser of psychic smog created within your aura, and is a strong **psychic protection stone**.

This stone has powerful metaphysical properties that will help to shield you against negativity.



Natural Black Obsidian Stone

It has a good action to cut or sever ties, to break negative attachments to people with whom you have been close. Pieces of these stones that had a shiny surface were used in the past as a tool for scrying.

It an excellent crystal to use when you have been doing spiritual or healing work, as it has a strong action to ground you to Mother Gaia.

MEDIAVINE This black stone is excellent to assist you to release disharmony that has built up in your day to day life and during work on yourself, including resentment of others, fear and anger.

What Is Obsidian Stone?

Obsidian forms from molten lava that cooled so quickly that there wasn't enough time for individual minerals to grow and crystallize into a rock. It is a type of volcanic glass, and is found in a number of places worldwide.

There are a number of different variations of this volcanic glass, and it comes in a range of types and colors. This includes the gorgeous rainbow obsidian specimens, that are quite beautiful.

Obsidian rock may also be green and purple, brown, blue and green, but the black varieties are what I am concentrating on in this article, as they have some powerful metaphysical properties.

Snowflake Obsidian is the black and white stone, **Apache Tears** are also in this family, and they are closely related with some excellent qualities.

While the different types of this crystal have different metaphysical properties, all sorts or colors have excellent healing attributes.



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The black stones have an excellent spiritual grounding vibration and also have a **strong psychic protection** energy.

Why Would You Use It? Black Obsidian Properties

There are a number of reasons why you might choose to use Black Obsidian including:

- The vibration of the stone may aid you to **contact your spirit guide**, as they have a powerful action to aid spiritual communication.
- They are excellent grounding stones, and their energy works by helping you to move any excess energy down via the earth star chakra to Mother Gaia for grounding.
- Their resonance within the base or root chakra is very strong, and they have a powerful vibration that aids you to ground yourself.
- For many centuries they have been used successfully by crystals gazers and shamans to make contact with the spirit world.

Minutes from the June 3rd Zoom Meeting:

Bill welcomed everyone. 14 Members attending were Bill, Joanna, Phoebe, Roy, Dennis, Mark, Anna, Rich, Mike, Barb, Bob, Lori, Noah and Diane. The Treasurer's report was given by Phoebe. There has been little or no activity with the show being cancelled. Still one outstanding check that was written to Potsdam. Joanna read the minutes from the May meeting. Noah made a motion to accept the minutes; Phoebe 2nd. Gary did not attend the zoom meeting for a report on field trips. Bill had not heard from him by e-mail. We

picked a date for a Gardenscape field trip. Sat. June 27th. Bill noted another spot to go sometime might be intersection of Rt.58 and Rt.3 near fine for large feldspar and fluorite, we have never been there. Joe Boula is supposed to respond to Bill about collecting at Benson Mines. Roy noted that a big excavator 500 would be good out there. Ask the caretaker for approval. He has a small backhoe too. Noah mentioned that he had stopped at ZCA Pierrepont Mine. He contacted Gary and they dug outside for serpentine and sphalerite. Roy said there are pyrite crystals there too. Mike Whitton let us know that the Syracuse Gem Show has been cancelled also. We talked about having a field trip in August and or picnic in lieu of the show. As far as the vendor registration fees paid in advance all agreed to just not refund the money now but instead keep and apply towards next years' 2021 show. Bill said the IRS tax filing for the club has been completed. We notified Hurlburt's Table Rental about "no show" this year. Bill called the manager of Gouv. Minerals who said they are going to refresh the pile at Harrisville this year. They have gone to two shifts now at the Talc Mines. Mark talked about Dr. Lupulescu's virtual mineralogical tour of the Albany Museum and other videos that we could watch at our meetings or anytime. Bill proposed to give each manager that let us in for field trips a shopping bag with the club logo.

Next Club Zoom Meeting is Wed. July 8th @ 6:00. Invitation to come soon



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Notes from the Prez



Hi folks; I thought you might be interested in the following I received from Diane Beckman of the NY Mineralogical Club. It comes right after our Zoom meeting so perhaps might make a good transition:

The next meeting of the New York Mineralogical Club will be on July 8, 2020 at 7pm EST via Facebook Live when we will present:

HOW MINERAL MYTHS HAVE SHAPED THE WORLD.

Crystal Suh and David Bagnera will give this virtual, afterhours talk at the Mardani Fine Minerals gallery of New York City.

EVERYONE is welcome to 'attend'.

Event

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/267077027828539/>

Minerals have been fundamental to the advancement of mankind by playing obvious roles in industry, technology, and lapidary art. Often taken for granted is the ancient lore that first defined their utilization, a foundational aspect to their initial collection and

popularization. Focusing on the history of a handful of mineral species, we will explore how mineral lore and human fixation has impacted mankind.

Our collecting trip to the Gardenscape Quarry was well attended and went without a hitch. Good weather prevailed and no flooding in the bottom of the pit as had been the case at times in the past. Alas, crystal collecting wasn't as hot as the temperatures that day although a few lucky collectors managed to find some nice vugs. Jerry Curcio checked out the Peabody Road which was in the process of being rehabbed, blasted, etc. Evidently, he found some nice calcite crystals there! Joanna and I went back for a look-see but by the time we surveyed the road sure looked as though the prime boulders and rubble had been loaded out by the highway crew. Shucks! The manager of the Gardenscape quarry advised me that in "about a month" they will be firing another shot in the bottom of the pit so as soon as he alerts me as to when that is --I will be in contact with you. Keep your fingers crossed for some new collecting opportunities!

This just in: [Herkimer Diamond Gem Show & Festival: \(Cancelled\)](#)