

ROCK PICKENS

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

May

May & June's Club meetings at the Canton Library are **cancelled due to Covid 19**. The Library has advised us that it will be closed until until at least July 1. In the meantime we are initiating something new for us, Zoom meetings. The Zoom app can be downloaded free on your Google play store. We are sending an e-mail with the link to attend the meeting and the password you will need. This first Zoom Meeting is scheduled for next Wed., May 13th, at 6:00 PM. Stay safe!



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PLEASE NOTE

Club Dues are:
\$15.00 Single Membership
\$25.00 Family Membership

No meeting at the Canton Library in May. Zoom Meetings slated for May and June! Stay tuned for more

information including show updates.

Any suggestions for field trips? If we travel in our own vehicles and stay safe distances from each other we should be able to go on some field trips during this time of social distancing. What do you think? Email us at wdellie@gmail.com

Rock & Mineral Shows

54th Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse Show -

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/>

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

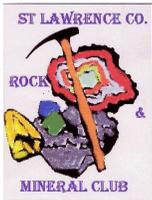
Start Date: 7/25/2020
End Date: 7/26/2020
Hours: Sat 10:00 - 6:00; Sun 10:00 - 4:00
250 N Bloomfield Rd
Greater Canandaigua Civic Center
Canandaigua, NY
Website: <http://FLGMFC@icloud.com/>

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.stlawrencecountymineralclub.org/>

Freeport Gem & Mineral Show -

Start Date: 8/29/2020
End Date: 8/30/2020
Hours: Sat 10:00-5:00 Sun 10:00-4:30
130 E Merrick Rd
Freeport Recreation Center, Freeport, NY



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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

Freeport Gem and Mineral Show -

Start Date: 10/24/2020
End Date: 10/25/2020
130 East Merrick Road
Freeport Recreation Center
Freeport, NY
Website: <http://www.kaleidoscopegemshows.com/>

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
Nasser Civic Center
Corning, NY
Website: <https://www.facebook.com/Finger-Lakes-Gem-Mineral-Fossil-Club->

The Metaphysical Corner

Get out your Black Tourmaline to keep you protected

Get your chakras sparkling clean with the Black Tourmaline crystal, a big-time energy purifier in the world of healing crystals. Like a daily disinfectant for the soul, the Black Tourmaline crystal cleanses the aura of icky thought patterns keeping you up at night. Wherever you happen to be on your spiritual journey, Black Tourmaline is an excellent crystal for everyone because it's the bodyguard stone that provides protection and elimination of negative energy. Wear it as jewelry, keep it in your car, place it all over the

house, near computers. Seriously, just put it everywhere because this all-around energy cleanser is a must-have for every gemstone collection.

Black Tourmaline Meaning

This mysterious and alluring stone represents the black color ray, an absorbent shade that draws in all other colors of the spectrum. In ancient traditions, black stones symbolize darkness as place of initiation and change that comes from confronting your biggest fears. In today's world, phobias are a part of everyday life, so it's no surprise that anxiety has become the common cold of garden-variety mental troubles.

While the Black Tourmaline crystal meaning isn't typically thought of for this, it's one of the most powerful and effective crystals for anxiety. If you find yourself being swept away by the storm clouds of fear, feel instantly calm and relaxed by holding a Black Tourmaline crystal stone in each hand. Here's some good advice--Keep calm and carry Black Tourmaline with you everywhere you go. The security guard of healing crystals, this protective stone is another essential component to your healing crystal first aid kit.

Black Tourmaline Healing Properties

The Black Tourmaline crystal stone is also one of the most powerful minerals for absorbing electromagnetic radiation, which makes it excellent for placing near computers and other electronics. It's also a decorator's dream with an intense black color that makes a striking statement piece in your home décor and also goes with everything. An excellent addition to the Feng Shui of your home, Black Tourmaline crystal properties serve as a powerful energy protector that's magnified even more when placed in each of the four corners of a room or property. Another way to incorporate the Black Tourmaline crystal healing properties into your life is by placing a stone in a small bowl of water and leaving it in the main living areas of your home. This daily ritual helps keep your space cleansed and harmonized by using Black Tourmaline to ward off negative energy in your environment. Because of its powerful ability to [clear negativity](#)

Black Tourmaline is a key component in everyday cleansing rituals. Enhance its energy purification powers when you combine Black Tourmaline with sea salt in a negativity removal jar. Black Tourmaline is also a powerful protector against energy vampires, helping to put boundaries between yourself and others. Black Tourmaline jewelry worn on the body is a reminder that there's a line that can never be crossed, which keeps bad energy from getting into your psyche.



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Wear Black Tourmaline jewelry or carry it in your pocket or purse so you don't pick up on other people's toxic energy, making it your own. It's one thing to be compassionate and caring but it's the danger zone for your soul when you take on someone else's drama. Black Tourmaline is also associated with the [root chakra](#), the energy center that keeps us feeling grounded and secure. The energy of the planet is chaotic but with the Black Tourmaline stone in your life, always feel firmly anchored to the earth and its healing vibrations.

Black Tourmaline works like a sponge, soaking up all the negative energy that surrounds it. That's why it's important to cleanse your stones on a daily basis in order to access its full healing potential. Start by smudging the stone with sage and then take its energy to another level by placing it in a glass bowl filled with spring water and adding a few drops of Crab Apple Bach remedy. Let the stone sit for 24 hours in a process that helps cleanse and clear the Black Tourmaline so that it can get back to work for you and your intention.

Go deep with the Black Tourmaline crystal when you incorporate its powerful and protective energy into your meditation practice. First, quiet the mind with a few deep breathes, inhaling peace and stability and exhaling chaos and confusion. Once you've achieved a state of peaceful contemplation, set an intention for your stone and let it work for you whenever you call on it for support. Every time you feel a need for an all-over spiritual cleanse, look to the Black Tourmaline in your life as a reminder of the true desires of your heart.

Keep Black Tourmaline close by and shower the spirit with its pure and radiant vibes!

Notes from the Prez

Greetings all! Hope this finds you in good health, and warm – it's a little cold outside today – good collecting weather! Speaking of which, our field trip coordinator, Gary Garlough, has cooked up seasons' opener trip to Macomb where we will be able to collect white quartz crystals. Scheduled date is Sat., May 16th. Let's plan on meeting at McDonalds parking lot in Gouverneur, 9 am that morning. Contact either me or Gary to [sign up](#) and I will forward details about social distancing protocols and more to participants. Must be current member to attend for insurance purposes.



This is a place where virtually anywhere you stop to dig or paw around you are able to pick up something of interest. The more I go there—the better I like it!

Mention was made earlier in the newsletter of utilizing the app "Zoom" for club meetings, because the Canton Library's closure lasts until at least July 1st. I myself was admittedly skeptical at first -- until Madam Secretary Joanna downloaded the app, no cost, from the Google Play Store. We used it for a family get-together having 13 participants and found it to perform better than Skype did for us. All persons were visible on the screen at the same time and when an individual was speaking their "box" became outlined thereby making it easy to see who was talking. Up to 100 people can be on board at once; time is 40 minutes – just right for us. This first Zoom Meeting is scheduled for next **Wed., May 13th at 6:00 PM**. Necessary password and link is below.

Join Zoom Meeting copy to URL

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71157621408?pwd=Y2NHcUFwV1VUNW9tcGd4ZHFQQmw3QT09>

Meeting ID: 711 5762 1408

Password: 3mE41e

R.e. "Showtime 2020". I believe that even with a late August show date that there is too much uncertainty involved to proceed with our show, given the 1.5 - 2 yr. projections for this CV19's duration. Just can't afford the worry, the possibility of drawing folks in from outlying areas thereby risking re-insertion of the CV19 pathogen and attendant viral resurgence, etc. I am unwilling to take chances with public health and especially with club members' safety. Accordingly, I have taken preliminary steps to cancel this years' show, regretfully. –Bill--