## New Member Welcome letter





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Welcome to the Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club (TGRC), the area's largest and oldest lapidary club.

The Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club was incorporated in 1966 by men and women seeking to promote the interest and education in the study of geology and paleontology, lapidary arts, crafting of gemstones, jewelry making and working with metals.

We are happy you decided to join our club. First, do we have your correct email address? We do as much as we can with emails for newsletters and other mailings. This keeps membership costs down and is a fast way to reach all members.

Our newsletter, *Rocky Reader*, comes out the first of every month and is emailed to every member. If you do not receive it, check your spam folder. If it isn't there, contact one of the club officers or moderators so we can verify we have your correct email.

Valuable information, schedules of events and timely updates can be found anytime at our website, <a href="www.rockyreader.com">www.rockyreader.com</a>. The TGRC business meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month at 7pm at our Tremainsville Road craft center. We often feature guest speakers and auctions at our meetings.

Our various groups are a great way to learn about your favorite rock and gem interest. We have:

- Beaders
- Extreme Beaders
- Faceting
- Gem crafting
- Glass crafting
- Metal crafting
- Mineral collecting

For information on when these groups meet, refer to the Calendar of Events on our website.

Our major event is *Treasures Unearthed*, the annual rock, gem and jewelry show held each September in Bowling Green, OH. *Treasures Unearthed* is the area's biggest and best show, which dates back to 1972. It is also this Club's primary source of funding that directly benefits every one of our members. Each member is asked to volunteer a few hours of their time to help at the show. It is simple, fun and your way of supporting the club, plus a great way to meet other members. Learn more about this from *Rocky Reader* and at the monthly Club meetings.

Finally, if you have any questions, please ask. We are dedicated to helping you enjoy your TGRC membership. You can contact any board member or email to: admin@rockreader.com

**Best Regards** 

Diane Bieber President