



The Rockhound

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The next general membership meeting will be held
Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 7:30 PM

4800 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach FL 33405 (at the Science Center)

March Program - Fossils & Fossil Hunting

Our presentation for March will be related to fossils and fossil hunting. Mr. Vince Borghese will be joining us to discuss his experiences hunting for fossils throughout the state of Florida. He will also be bringing samples from his extensive collection. Much of his collection is representative of Florida fossils, but he also has fossils from around the world. Fossil hunting has been a lifelong passion for Mr. Borghese. He found his first fossil at age eight – a brachiopod. From that moment on, he was hooked on hunting!

Although a graduate of the University of Miami, Mr. Borghese participates in fossil digs with the University of Florida. Mr. Borghese is also a member of the Florida Fossil Hunters Club out of Orlando. Mr. Borghese currently volunteers at the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium where he shows his collection to museum patrons.

Please join us for what promises to be a very informative presentation!

Junior Rockhounds Program - Microscopes

We can learn a lot about the history and properties of rock by examining it microscopically.

This month we will be bringing a digital microscope to the club and looking at some samples under magnification.

Good quality fossils such as petrified wood or bone also show interesting secrets. What do you think happens to crystals when exposed to laser light? Let's find out!! Granite and Sandstone are also interesting. Bring a crystal, metamorphic, or sedimentary rock to the meeting and let's take a closer look at it.

President's Message - March 2016

Greetings, Rockhounds!

I am sorry to say that I will miss this month's general meeting, as I will be out of state on an annual trip. Please enjoy the presentation on Fossils, and we'll see you all back next month at the usual time and place!

Very Important: You should find in your email, sent out on March 3rd, copies of several documents relating to the Club Bylaws. If you receive your Club documents (such as this newsletter) through the regular mail, you will also receive a printed copy of these documents. Please read the Cover Letter for a full summary of the procedure underway. You will have opportunities to ask questions of the Board at both the March and April general meetings, and voting will begin in April. As explained in the cover letter, two-thirds of the entire current membership (as of the renewal deadline for the year) must vote, to approve the new Bylaws.

Finally, I wanted to say that after two months in this position, I have a new understanding and appreciation of the quantity of time and effort so many people put into this club! Between the General Meetings, the Board Meetings, and the Show Meetings, there are people who prepare documents and reports, handle our banking and legal obligations, prepare food, plan programs and events, run the shop, check and process the mail, and so many more things...far too many to list. So, to each and every one of you who contribute: THANK YOU!!!

Thanks Again!

Laura Simmons, President

March Birthdays

Linda Carle ♦ Eileen Godwin ♦ Sari Goldman ♦ John Janzen ♦ Bruce Lawson
Rory Leinen ♦ Alberto Martin ♦ Janis Perryman ♦ Ruchika Ramani ♦ Dianna Ray
Sandy Shapiro ♦ Royce Sissom ♦ Richard Tracey ♦ Patti Waller ♦ Sarah Warnke
Marjory Yovin ♦ Barbara Sampson

You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old. ~ George Burns



March Birthstones

Aquamarine

The name *aquamarine* is derived from the Latin word *aqua*, meaning water, and *marina*, meaning *the sea*. This gemstone was believed to protect sailors, as well as to guarantee a safe voyage. The serene color of aquamarine is said to cool the temper, allowing the wearer to remain calm and levelheaded.

Its pale, cool color beautifully complements spring and summer wardrobes. Aquamarine is most often light in tone and ranges from greenish blue to blue-green; the color usually is more intense in larger stones. This gemstone is mined mainly in Brazil, but also is found in Nigeria, Madagascar, Zambia, Pakistan, and Mozambique.

Bloodstone

The second birthstone for March is *bloodstone*, a dark-green jasper flecked with vivid red spots of iron oxide. This ancient stone was used by the Babylonians to make seals and amulets and was believed to have healing powers — especially for blood disorders. It is sometimes called the *martyr's stone* as legend tells that it was created when drops of Christ's blood stained some jasper at the foot of the cross. Generally found embedded in rocks or in riverbeds as pebbles, primary sources for this stone are India, Brazil, and Australia.

American Gem & Mineral Society
www.americangemsociety.org

Bench Tips!

Next month we are starting bench tips. While working on a project, do you have certain tricks that make the creative process easier?

Do you have a helpful tip to share? Please let one of our club members know!

Aquamarine Rough and Polished



Bloodstone Rough and Polished





Door Prizes & Monthly Auction

Monthly Auction For This Month:

- 3 Herkimer diamonds
- Stone globe keychain
- Silver and stone ring
- A pair of earrings
- Large cabochons
- And more surprises!

Come to the meeting by 7:30 PM to get a free ticket for our great door prizes!

Door Prizes For This Month:

- Mineral specimens
- Small cabochons
- Other surprises!!!

We always appreciate your kind donations of hobby related items to use for extra door prizes and raffle items! To donate...just drop them off at a meeting!

Keith Kline, Auction Coordinator

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Sunshine Committee

Be well to Frank Nash.
Good luck to Don Chenoweth on his new home!
Many years of happiness to
Mr. Jason Fennell & Jackie Tufford!
Be well everyone!

Call **Lo Rain** and let her know who needs a little sunshine sent their way! 561/827-5793

MICROMOUNTERS

Our group *usually* meets the first Thursday of the month from 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM.

Bring a microscope, minerals, questions, and (maybe a yummy treat?). We always have lots of giveaways. We will teach you to identify minerals and how to mount micro-minerals.

Please RSVP KC Foster at 561/523-4600

Club Purpose

To associate persons of the Palm Beach area of Florida who are interested in earth sciences, to work together as an organization in the gathering, cutting, displaying, and studying of rocks, shells, artifacts, and any kind of scientific objects of interest to the individual and the organization, to promote community interest in these objects.

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Member Highlight - Jennifer Wright



A special thank you goes to Jennifer Wright who has generously given her time to be the club's chauffer for those members who can't drive. The bus went to our annual show, Christmas dinner, the shop, field trips and faithfully to our monthly meetings.

There's a smile and conversation with every trip!
Thank you Jennifer Wright for being a rock star!

A Token of Gratitude for Donations

A token of our gratitude goes to all of those who donated to shop last month.

Thank you Laura Simmons, Lee Miller, Patrick Klienkort and Jennifer Martin.

Donations for the Steak Dinner

We are looking for members to donate for the steak dinner.

We need:

Mineral specimen information and identification books

Various size rock slabs, gems and fossils

Lapidary tools

Display cases and stands

* This event is a potluck! Don't forget to bring your favorite dish to share!

Upcoming General Meeting Events

The Prettiest Green Gem and Mineral Contest

March 17, 2016 at 7:30 PM

This month's general meeting is on St. Patrick's Day!

Wear green and bring your best green specimen for the The Prettiest Green Gem and Mineral Contest!



The winner will receive a prize and get their picture in the Rockhound Newsletter!

Gem and Mineral Show Report

Don't forget to submit an entry to the **50th anniversary show logo contest**. The winning logo will be used on a free shopping bag that will be distributed to show attendees and will also be used on all show ads.

The Show Committee will pick the winner.

(Don't worry, committee members who submit entries will not be allowed to vote!!)

Entries should be received by the March General Meeting, on March 17th. The winner will be announced at the April General Meeting, on April 21st. A mineral specimen will be awarded to the winner.

Entries should be mailed to: GMSPB, Inc., P.O. Box 18095,
West Palm Beach, FL 33416

Or emailed to: vendorinfo@gemandmineralsociety.org.

All contracts to the vendors have been mailed.

We're filling a few vacancies with some new dealers.

We're going to have a speaker from the Smithsonian and also a Smithsonian exhibit at our 50th anniversary show.

Next Show Meeting: Monday, March 28th at 7:30pm at the shop

Barbara Ringhiser

Show Chairman

The Steak Dinner & Auction

April 17th, 2016

Scottish Rite Lodge in Lake Worth
2000 N. "D" St. Lake Worth, Florida 33460

Attention: We are looking for Barb-Q cooks for the steaks!
Mark your calendar for the steak dinner & auction! Members can win mineral specimens and other prizes.
Join in the fun while digging into a plate of carnivorous goodness!



Mark your calendars and save your money.

The Society will supply the steaks and you bring your own table service (plates and silverware), drinks, and a side dish to share (we suggest salads, vegetables, or dessert).

We will be serving the steaks around noon, so get there at 11:30am for a good seat! It's free for paid-up members but cost \$10.00 for a guest. The auction will follow after we finish eating.

Wire Wrapping & Wire Sculpture

Wire Wrapping & Wire Sculpture Class

Sunday March 13, 2016

10 AM – 5 PM

GMSPB Shop

Class: \$30.00 Materials: \$20.00 and

\$20.00 Copper and \$50.00 Silver

Instructor: Debi Kachman

**Please RSVP to Debi at
deborahkshop@gmail.com**



DKGiftIdeas.com

The class starts at 10:00 am.

Breaks are from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm for lunch and you should be finished by 5:00 pm.

A supply list is available if you want to bring your own wire.

You should bring your tools.

Some wire work experience preferred.

Class to be held at the Gem & Mineral Shop

at 3281 Lake Worth Road #B around back next to the office.

Sterling Silverware Jewelry

Sterling Silverware into Jewelry

Sunday, March 20, 2016

12 PM – 3 PM



Class: \$40.00 + Cost of Materials
Instructor: Nikki Jasper
**Please RSVP to Michelle Renne at
mrennefm@gmail.com**

Nikki Jasper is a new member and she will be teaching a class on how to transform old silver plate or sterling silverware into beautiful pieces of jewelry!

You can bring your own silverware but **not** stainless steel!

All tools will be supplied but you are welcome to bring your own.

Class to be held at the Gem & Mineral Shop
at 3281 Lake Worth Road #B around back next to the office.

The Great Bead Escape Retreat 2016

The Great Bead Escape!

March 30th – April 3rd, 2016

The 2016 retreat will be at the Cerveney Conference Center in Live Oak, FL.



Our retreat is about learning something new, trying something different, making some wonderful new friends, all while making beautiful jewelry. Most of our classes are perfect for the beginner or someone that wants more practice in a certain area. We will be offering some advanced classes in 2016.



You asked and we listened, you will have a choice of taking either 7 or 5 classes of your choice. Please see the registration page for complete price breakdown. We have again chosen to limit each class to only 6 students. This will guarantee that every attendee will receive personal attention throughout their retreat weekend.

www.thegreatbeadescaperetreats.com



UPCOMING FOSSIL SHOWS IN FLORIDA

TAMPA BAY FOSSIL CLUB EVENTS

**Wildlife, Past and Present with
Safari Todd's Live Animal Show!**
March 5th, 2016

FossilFest 2016
March 12th & 13th, 2016

Peace River Adventure
April 16th – 17th 2016

**Please check out this website
for further information:**
www.tampabayfossilclub.com

24th ANNUAL VENICE SHARK'S TOOTH FESTIVAL

Friday April 8th - Sunday April 10th

**Please check out this website for
further information:**
www.sharkstoothfest.com



UPCOMING NATIONAL SHOWS

MARCH

March 5th-6th - Delaware

53rd Annual Earth Sciences Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Delaware Mineralogical Society. Delaware Tech & Community College, 400 Stanton-Christiana Rd; Newark, DE.

March 11th-13th - Georgia

28th Annual Aiken-Augusta Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Aiken Gem, Mineral & Fossil Society and Augusta Gem & Mineral Society. Julian Smith Casino, 2200 Broad St; Augusta, GA

March 19th-20th - Pennsylvania

47th Annual Gem, Jewelry, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club. Athens Twp. Volunteer Fire Hall, Sayre, PA.

March 19th-20th - Maryland

52nd Annual Gem, Mineral, Gem, Jewelry & Fossil Show sponsored by the Gem, Lapidary & Mineral Society of Montgomery County, MD. Montgomery Co. Fairgrounds, 16 Chestnut St; Gaithersburg, MD

APRIL

April 1st-3rd - North Carolina

46th Annual Uniflour Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Catawba Valley Gem & Mineral Club. Hickory Metro Convention Center, I-40, Exit 125; Hickory, NC

April 2nd-3rd - Connecticut

43rd Annual Mineral, Gem, Jewelry & Fossil Show sponsored by the New Haven Mineral Club. Amity Regional Middle School, Sheffield Rd; Orange, CT

April 2nd-3rd - New York

47th Annual Gem, Jewelry, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the NY Southern Tier Geology Club. Johnson City Senior Center, 30 Brocton St; Johnson City, NY

April 2nd-3rd - Pennsylvania

Mineral Treasurers & Fossil Fair sponsored by the Philadelphia Mineralogical Society and Delaware Valley Paleontology Society. LuLu Temple, 5140 Butler Pike, Plymouth Meeting, PA

April 16th-17th - Massachusetts

16-17: Western Mass. Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show presented by the Connecticut Valley Mineral Club. NEW LOCATION: Hadley Farms Meeting House, 41 Russell St; Hadley, MA.

April 22nd-24th - Florida

Rock, Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show hosted by the Central Florida Mineral & Gem Society. Florida National Guard Armory, 2809 S Fern Creek Ave; Orlando, FL.

MAY

May 21st - Maryland

27th Annual Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Show presented by the Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Society. Rohl Armory, York Rd at I-695; Towson, MD

May 21st - Pennsylvania

1st Annual Earth Science Show & Sale sponsored by the Rock & Mineral Club of Lower Bucks Co., PA. First United Methodist Church, 840 Trenton Rd; Fairless Hills, PA.

JUNE

June 4th - Pennsylvania

2016 Spring Mineralfest – 66th Semi-Annual Show sponsored by the Pennsylvania Earth Sciences Association. Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA.

OCTOBER

October 22nd-23rd - New York

Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show & Sale and 66th Annual EFMLS Convention hosted by the Rochester Lapidary Society. Main Street Armory, 900 E Main St; Rochester, NY





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To help our members educate
 ourselves and the public
 in Earth science topics



The Georgia Mineral Society's 48th Annual Mother's Day Weekend Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, and Fossil Show



2016 Friday May 6 10 AM – 6 PM
 Saturday May 7 10 AM – 6 PM
 Sunday May 8 Noon – 5 PM



EXCITING AUCTION SATURDAY AT 1 PM



**Cobb Civic Center
 548 South Marietta Pkwy SE
 Marietta, GA**



Over 30 Dealers!

Door Prizes!

*Special Door Prizes
 for Students!*

*Win a Great Prize for
 Yourself and for
 Your School!*



Free Parking!

Free Admission!

Free Demos!



2016 EFMLS Workshops at Wildacres

*The Eastern Federation of Mineralogical
and Lapidary Societies, Inc.*

Hi Everyone!

I'm delighted to be able to share with you the dates for our 2016 EFMLS (Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies) Workshops at Wildacres plus the names of our two invited speakers-in-residence.

Session #1 will be May 9–15 (Monday-Sunday) and will feature a return engagement by renowned glyptographer (gem carver) Helen Serras-Herman. She's an excellent and passionate speaker and warm and lovely individual who will be "on the mountain" with her husband Andy.

Session #2 will be September 5–11 (Monday-Sunday) and will feature a return engagement by renowned mineral collector and dealer Alfredo Petrov. He's an interesting fellow who spends his time traveling between Japan, the United States, Europe and South America either selling minerals at important mineral shows or hunting for mineral treasurers.

A listing of our spring 2016 classes and their descriptions will be in the December issue of EFMLS News which was sent to all clubs yesterday and will be uploaded to the EFMLS Wildacres website shortly. The fall class schedule will be available in the January EFMLS News and on the website sometime in December.

Please check out the website at: www.amfed.org/efmls/.

Help us spread the word!

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at one or more of the exciting and always wonderful EFMLS Workshops at Wildacres.

- Steve Weinberger

Please check out the website at: www.amfed.org/efmls/

Contact Carolyn Weinberger to sign up.

Carolyn Weinberger:

efmlswildacres@gmail.com

2016 SFMS Workshops



SFMS
Southeast Federation of
Mineralogical Societies, Inc.



Hi Everyone!

Please check out the workshops being held by the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies at both William Holland & Wildacres for 2016.

William Holland Schedule 2016

June 5th - June 12th

Beading -Becky Patellis

Casting - Bill Harr

Faceting - Tom Mitchell

Mineral ID - Scott Forward

Polymer Clay - Sandra Davis

Wire I - Sandy Bergquist

Cabochons - Dave Bergquist

Chainmaille - Kathy Morris

Gem Trees - Jerri Heer

Opals - Carl Talbott

Silver II - Nancy English

Wildacres Schedule 2016

August 22nd - August 28th

Fused Chain Maille - Roy Deere

Metalwork Special Projects - Jeff Sheer

Beading - Advanced

Mineral ID - Travis Paris

Chasing & Repousse - Tom and Kay Benham

Display Case - Danny Griffin

Deep Relief Wood Carving - Clancy Smith

Metal Clay 1 - Katie Baum

Gourds - Pat Davis

Beginning Wire - Rowan Rose

September 19th - 25th

Chain Maille 1-2 - Roy Deere

Gem Identification - Teresa Polly

Casting - Bill Harr

Flint Knapping - Michael Miller

Wire for Beaders - Leslie Wayment

Faceting - Tom Mitchell

Silversmithing - Pattie Appleby

Scrimshaw - Rich Williams

Cold Connections and Enameling - Debora
Mauser

Chasing & Repousse 2 - Tom and Kay Ben-
ham

Metal Clay 2 - Katie Baum

**For further information, please check out the website at:
www.amfed.org/efmls/.**

SHOP TALK

Open Shop Schedule

Open shop fees: \$5 for 3 hours, or \$7 for over 3 hours.
No charge to visit the shop to use the library.



Cabbing Open Shops

Monday afternoons (starting August 3) 10:30am-5pm, Samantha Lazzaro*
Tuesday nights 6-9 PM - Shop Steward, Laura Simmons*
Thursday afternoons 12:30-3:30 PM - Shop Steward, Dennis Rietwyk*
Friday nights 6-9 PM - Shop Steward, Susan Cairl*

Metalworking/Enamel Open Shop

Metalworking open shop is usually scheduled for the 3rd Sunday of each month from 10 AM - 4 PM.
Metalsmithing, Chainmail, Jumpringer & Viking Wire Weave open shops
contact Laura Simmons at 407/234-0444.

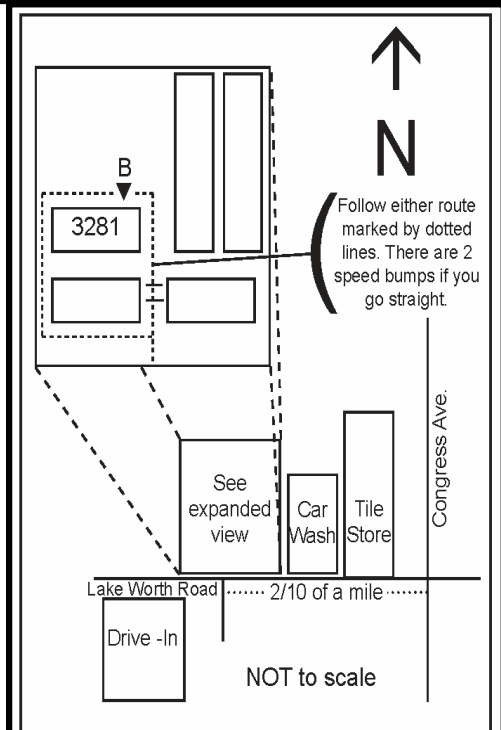
***Always call the shop steward before going to the shop to let them know you are coming! If the assigned shop steward cannot be reached, call Susan Cairl, Head Shop Steward, to arrange for open shop time.**

SHOP REPORT

Special bulletin: We have an Intarsia machine and Flat Lap available for use at the shop! To use these machines, members must be certified to use the cabbing equipment in the shop. Just ask the shop steward on duty to get the machine out for you. Some additional instruction will be given by the shop steward.

- ◆ Please remember to sign a new liability waiver on your first visit to the shop and get a copy of the new shop rules.
- ◆ When visiting the shop for any reason, always sign in and out of the log book and fill in all information completely including date, times, reason for visit and any fees paid.
- ◆ Drinks and food are allowed in the shop, but please clean up after yourself and do not leave food or wrappers in the shop.
- ◆ Feel free to bring a project to work on, socialize, use the library, or watch a tutorial on the TV...just have fun!

The street address of the shop is:
3281 Lake Worth Road, Suite B, Lake Worth, FL 33461



March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 BOARD MEETING 7:30 PM @ Shop	3 Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis	4 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	5
6	7 Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	8 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	9	10 Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis	11 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	12
13 WIRE WEAVE CLASS 10AM-5PM Debi Kachman @ Shop	14 Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	15 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	16	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY CONTEST MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30 PM @ Science Center	18 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	19
20 SILVERWARE JEWELRY 12PM – 3PM Michelle Renne @ Shop	21 Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	22 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	23	24 Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis	25 Good Friday	26
27 	28 Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha SHOW MEETING 7:30 PM @ Shop	29 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	30	31 Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis		

★★CALL BEFORE GOING TO OPEN SHOP!!

Always call the shop steward before going to the shop. Open shop sessions may be cancelled or changed due to scheduling conflicts.

If the assigned shop steward cannot be reached, call Susan Cairl, Head Shop Steward, to arrange for open shop.

April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	2
3	4 Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	5 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	6 <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">BOARD MEETING 7:30 PM @ Shop</div>	7 Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis	8 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	9
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17 <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">STEAK DINNER 11:30AM Scottish Rite Lodge, Lake Worth</div>	18 Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	19 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	20	21 Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis <div style="border: 2px solid orange; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30 PM @ Science Center</div>	22 Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	23
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AVAILABLE CLASSES

CLASS	INSTRUCTOR	COST	DATE/TIME/NOTES
◇ Introduction to Chainmail ◇ How to Use the Jumpringer ◇ Introduction to Metalsmithing ◇ Viking Wire Weave	Laura Simmons	\$30 + \$10 materials fee \$10 + \$5 materials fee \$50 + \$30 materials (copper) or \$60 materials (silver) \$30 + \$15 fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Art Clay Silver	Michelle Renné	\$50 + est. \$85 materials fee (depending on cost of silver)	Contact instructor to arrange.
Cabochon sessions Six 3-hr sessions	Susan Cairl	\$75 + \$20 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Cold Connections Class Series: ◇ Explosion Pendant ◇ Fold Forming Bracelet w/Beveled Stone Setting ◇ Scrapbook Bracelet (rivets) ◇ Metal Etching & Air Chasing Bracelet ◇ 3D Pendant w/Druzy Stone Slice NEW!	Arlene Lazzaro	\$40 + \$35 materials fee \$40 + \$35 materials fee \$40 + \$35 materials fee \$40 + \$40 materials fee \$40 + \$40 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Embellished Multi-Metal Jewelry	Michelle Renné	\$40 + \$20 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Enameling	Samantha Lazzaro	\$40 + \$50 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Flat Lap	Susan Cairl	\$40 + \$10 supplies fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Fused Glass (Beginner)	Harriet Flashenburg	\$50 + \$50 materials fee	Four afternoon sessions Class taught in season only. Contact instructor to arrange.
Gem Tree	Dianna Ray	TBD	Contact instructor to arrange.
Metalsmithing: ◇ Alien Prong Ring	Arlene Lazzaro	\$40 + \$15 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Non-solder Wire Work	Michelle Renné	\$40 + \$15 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Wire Fan Bracelet Class	Debi Kachman	\$30 + \$20-50 materials fee (depending on metal) OR supply list can be provided	Contact instructor to arrange.
Wire Sculpture Class	Debi Kachman	\$30 + \$20-50 materials fee (depending on metal) OR supply list can be provided	Contact instructor to arrange.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Junior Membership—\$10.00
(Under age 18)

Single Membership—\$20.00
(Over age 18)

Family Membership—\$30.00
(Includes 2 adults and children under age
18 in a single household)

*Membership expires on December 31st
each year and is due by the end of
February of the new year.*

To renew your membership, make your
check or money order to:

Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm
Beaches, Inc. and mail to:

Membership Coordinator
Gem & Mineral Society
P.O. Box 18095
West Palm Beach, FL 33416-8095

NAME TAGS

Available from:
Ace Marking Devices (\$12.00)
3308 S. Dixie Hwy.
West Palm Beach, FL 33405
561/833-4073

SHOP FEES

Up to 3 hours shop time - \$5
Over 3 hours shop time - \$7

SEE CALENDAR FOR OPEN SHOPS

SHOP STEWARDS

Head Shop Steward:
Susan Cairl 561/293-1298

Laura Simmons 407/234-0444
Dennis Rietwyk 561/255-0292
Samantha Lazzaro 561/372-2359

Shop Phone:
561/585-2080

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Show Chairman*	Barbara Ringhiser

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Jr. Rockhound Program	Larry Deaton
Librarian	Shop Steward on Duty
Programs	Jennifer Martin
Raffle Coordinator	Keith Kline
Refreshments	Arlene Lazzaro
Sunshine Committee	Lo Rain
Social Events	Debi Kachman

*Denotes a Voting Member of the Executive Committee.

WEBSITE

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Link to our smile.amazon.com account:
[http://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-6196330](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-6196330)

The Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches, Inc. is a 501 (c) (3) corporation and a member of the Eastern and Southeastern Federation of Mineral and Lapidary Societies, and is affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies. Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month except for December, which is held on the second Thursday. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the former Garden Club building (across from the Science Center), 4800 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach, FL 33405.

Send comments or submissions to newsletter@gemandmineral.org