



# The Rockhound

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The next general membership meeting will be held  
**Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 7:30 PM**

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

## April Program - Show & Sell - Bring Your Wallets!

There will be no educational program at the April meeting. Instead, the club will hold a Show-&Sell for meeting attendees. This is an opportunity for club members to sell pieces they have created, or items from their collections. It's also a wonderful time for club members who host classes to display their work. Nothing like a beautiful example to spark an interest in learning a new technique!

Vendors should plan to donate an item with a \$10 value to the club. Show-&Sell tables will be available in the room where the food is served as that is where the lighting is best. Members should plan to eat in the Discovery Classroom. Set-up may begin at 6:30pm and should be finished by 7:30pm.

**PLEASE be set-up by 7:30pm! For security purposes, the room will be locked at that time.**  
Jennifer Martin will be at the museum by 6:30pm to check in the vendors and collect the donations.

## Junior Rockhounds Program - Metal Detectors

Metal detectors can be used to find buried treasure, lost jewelry, and dropped coins. They are also used at airports and government buildings to keep bad guys from sneaking weapons like knives and guns where they don't belong. This month, we are going to build a simple metal detector to illustrate how they work. Here are a few videos that explain some of the principles behind metal detectors: [how to make an electromagnet](#) [more detail on electromagnets](#). For the more adventurous types, try googling "beat frequency oscillator metal detector" on how to build a more advanced type detector.

## President's Message - April 2016

Greetings, Rockhounds!

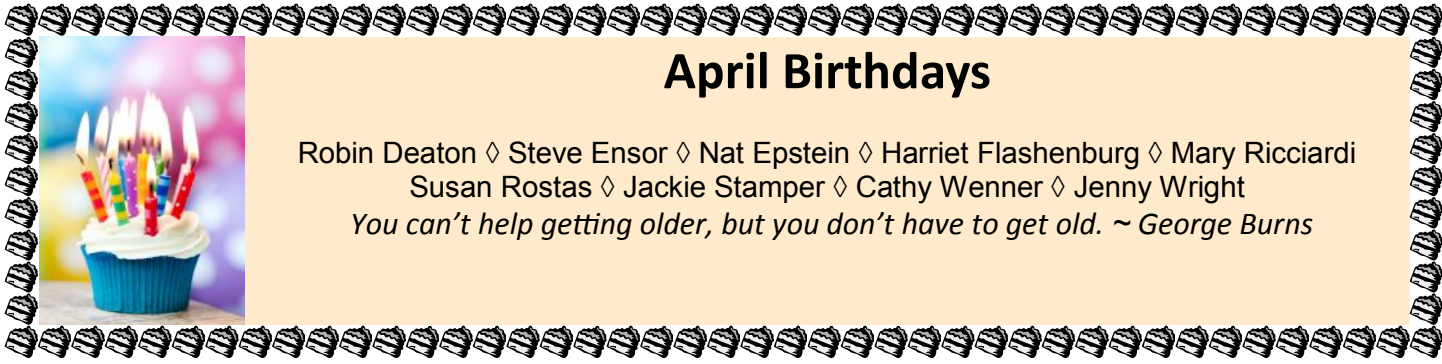
We have a lot of things going on, and events coming up! Don't forget, our **Annual Steak Dinner and Auction is coming up on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**. Don't forget to bring a food item to share, and if you have any hobby related items cluttering up your homes that you'd like to donate for the Auction, you can even bring them the day of the event!

**Also, as our Hostesses will be unavailable for our next General Meeting on Thursday, April 21, so our refreshment break will also be potluck.** If you are able, please bring a snack item to share. Our program will be the Spring Show and Sale, just in time for Mother's Day gifts (and Father's Day, if you like to plan ahead!). Please see additional details elsewhere in the Rockhound.

**Speaking of the General Meeting, the membership will have another chance to ask questions about the proposed Bylaws.** Voting will begin at the meeting via paper ballot, but you may also vote electronically (an email with instructions will be sent when voting begins) if you are unable to attend.

As a reminder, two-thirds of the entire current membership (as of the renewal deadline for the year) must vote favorably, to approve the new Bylaws. Therefore, your vote is important! If you need help casting your vote, please ask for assistance. Voting will continue until either two-thirds of the membership votes to approve, or in excess of one-third of the membership votes NOT to approve. If we have not reached one or the other of these benchmarks within approximately two weeks, a member of the Board may reach out to you asking you to please cast your vote. Finally, the Board spent a lot of time drafting these Bylaws, and we recommend that you vote to approve them. If you would like to offer constructive feedback, please do so in whatever way is comfortable to you. Thanks again to everyone who helps make this Club great!

*Laura Simmons, President*



## April Birthdays

Robin Deaton ♦ Steve Ensor ♦ Nat Epstein ♦ Harriet Flashenburg ♦ Mary Ricciardi  
Susan Rostas ♦ Jackie Stamper ♦ Cathy Wenner ♦ Jenny Wright

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

# April

## April Birthstones

### Diamond

Adopted from the Greek work *adamas*, meaning "invincible," diamonds come in a wide range of colors such as black, blue, green, pink, red, purple, orange and yellow. The color is dependent upon the type of impurities that are present in the stone. For instance, yellow stones have minuscule traces of nitrogen while blue ones contain boron. The diamond is the traditional birthstone of April and holds significant meaning for those born in that month, thought to provide the wearer with better relationships and an increase in inner strength.

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[www.americangemsociety.org](http://www.americangemsociety.org)

*Other sites also say that Sapphire and Opal are April birthstones. However, the diamond seems to be the most consistent.*

### 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!

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

### Diamond Rough



### Diamond Polished





## Door Prizes & Monthly Auction

### Monthly Auction For This Month:

- Carnelian pendant
- Gemstone globe keychain
- Polished Turquoise
- 3 Herkimer diamonds
- Silver/stone ring
- 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
- Assorted 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*

## Sunshine Committee

The sun is shining on everyone this month.

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 - Michelle Renne'



Michelle Renne' has been a member since 1984! She has been President 3 times and many other Board positions over the years. She got into rocks, fossils, jewelry, glass, painting, pottery, etc. when she was 4 years old. Her dad was in the Navy and they traveled a lot so she was always collecting things. It drove her mom crazy but those passions have stayed with her. Her FAVORITE is FOSSILS!!! She helps wherever and whenever she can. Children are important to her since they are our club future. She may be blonde but she isn't dumb! Even though she has 3 jobs, she finds time for her rocks, fossils and jewelry. Teaching and learning keep her young.

## Upcoming Fairgrounds Show Coupon

**The Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches, Inc.**  
 Is proud to present our  
**GOLDEN 50TH ANNIVERSARY !!!**  
**Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, Bead and Fossil Show**  
*Featuring special exhibits, speakers & prize drawings!*  
**November 19—20, 2016**  
**South Fl. Fairgrounds/ Expo Center East**  
**9067 Southern Blvd. / West Palm Beach, FL 33411**

ADULTS \$9  
 2-DAY PASS \$12  
 CHILDREN  
 UNDER 12 FREE

**Saturday 9AM to 6PM**  
**Sunday 10AM to 5PM**  
[www.gemandmineralsociety.org](http://www.gemandmineralsociety.org)



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**GEODE CRACKING**  
**FREE PARKING**  
**DOOR PRIZES**  
**DEMONSTRATIONS**  
**SCHOLARSHIP FUND PRIZE**  
**DRAWING**  
**SPEAKERS**  
**FACE & ROCK PAINTING**  
 Proceeds from this event support  
 GMSPB INC (a 501(c)(3) Corp.)

ROCK

## Gem and Mineral Show Report

The winner of the logo contest is Debi Kachman.

She will be presented with an award at the general meeting on April 21st.

The club will have tables at the Frank Cox show on April 16 at the fairgrounds to promote the club and our show.

The installation banquet will be held on December 10th at Ellies diner in Delray.

If you work four hours in the show the dinner is free.

Otherwise the banquet is \$15.

So far we have two speakers confirmed for the show.

They are Vince Vorghese and Dr. Robert DePalma.

Vince spoke at our meeting last month and Dr. Depalma will be a speaker later this year at a general meeting.

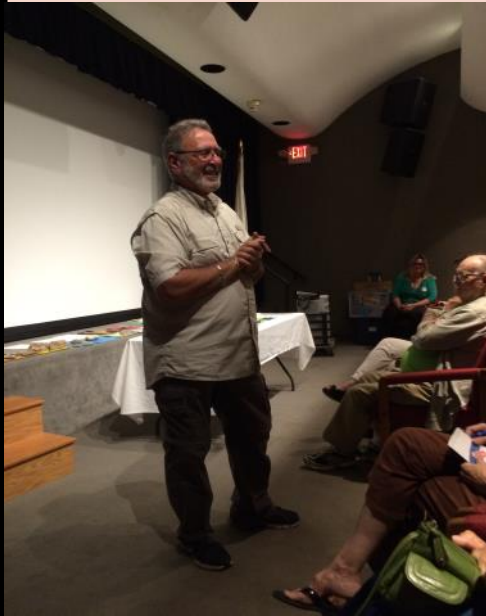
The storage clean up was held on April 10.

**Next Show Meeting: Monday, April 25th at 7:30pm at the shop**

*Barbara Ringhiser*

*Show Chairman*

# Fossils and Fossil Hunting at the General Meeting



Presented by Mr. Vince Borghese who was fascinating and informative!



It was wonderful to see so many people getting involved wearing green and voting for our Prettiest Green Gem and Mineral Contest!

The winners were Laura and Danielle Deaton!

Thanks Arlene for the tasty snacks!



## Dino-Fest 2016 at the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium

A day long celebration of Dinosaurs!  
March 26th, 2016 10am - 4pm

Michelle Rennè, Debi Kachman, Laura, Danielle, and Dr. Larry Deaton were there to represent the Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches and promote our Jr. Rockhounds. They had lots of great things going on such as a Hunt for dinosaur eggs, dig for fossils, create your own dinosaur and learn about the quest for fossils with paleontologists Robert DePalma, Greg Erickson and Scott Williams.

Other activities include Dinosaur Tooth Plaster Molds, Amber Soap Making, Archaeology and Paleontology Labs, Animal Encounters, Petting Zoo, Face Painting and more!



# The Steak Dinner & Auction

April 17th, 2016

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

**Attention: Well done steaks! Only if you want a WELL DONE steak - Call Debi**

**Also anyone willing to help set-up, show up by 10:30**



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. Lapidary donations welcome.



## Sterling Silverware Jewelry

### Sterling Silverware into Jewelry

Sunday, April 24, 2016

12 PM – 3 PM



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

## Wire Wrapping & Wire Sculpture

### Wire Wrapping & Wire Sculpture Class

Tuesday April 26, 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.

## Learn To Set Your Cabochons!



**Basic Metalsmithing Class**  
**Sunday, May 1st, 2016**  
10 AM – 5 PM, GMSPB Shop

Class: \$50, Materials: \$30 for Copper, or \$60 for Silver

**Instructor: Laura Simmons**

Please RSVP to [Laura@AstralisArts.com](mailto:Laura@AstralisArts.com)

Fabricate a bezel setting for a cabochon stone, using basic metalsmithing techniques in copper or silver. Class includes a demonstration and hands-on use of several torches and a discussion of the different high temperature solder types. Students will leave with a finished pendant or ring.

Stones will be provided, or bring your own that you'd like to set. Please, for this basic class, limit your selection to a round or oval, flat backed cabochon of approximately one inch across. Larger stones may require an additional materials fee, and smaller stones are more difficult for beginning fabrication.

There will be a break for lunch; either bring your own, or pick something up nearby.

Also available on request...classes may be scheduled during existing open shops (please be aware other activities will be going on in the shop) or at other times upon mutual agreement – instructor is available throughout the week.



## Silversmithing Class

**Beginner Class** - Saturday, July 9th  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Advanced Class** - Sunday, July 10th  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm



Classes: \$30.00 + \$60.00 Materials  
Instructor: Jack Stamper  
**Please RSVP to Jack Stamper at**  
[mstam82594@aol.com](mailto:mstam82594@aol.com)

Long time member, Jack Stamper, will be having another silversmithing class.

He has taught several other classes to members over the years and as a patient, experienced teacher makes it easy!

Only 5 people per class.

All tools will be available for each student.

**Bring your own opti-visor or reading glasses.**

You will make (2) pieces – a ring and another advanced technique piece. Class to be held at the Gem & Mineral Shop at 3281 Lake Worth Road #B around back next to the office.

## Peace River

Peace River is a wonderful place to hunt for your own land and marine fossils! The best months to visit are April, May and June when the water levels are low.

Also, Tampa's fossil club planned the **Tampa's Peace River Adventure** on April 16th-17th.

Check out their website for further information:

[www.tampabayfossilclub.com](http://www.tampabayfossilclub.com)

Join Tampa's members or plan your own fun fossil-filled weekend!

### **Things to Bring:**

Towel, bathing suit, long sleeve top, change of clothes, body wash / shampoo (optional)

Beach / dive type booties or old sneakers and socks

1 gal. FRESH water (to rinse after well water shower)

Home Depot type apron

Sun glasses with strap, hat with tie-down, waterproof sun block

"D" rings to attach polypropylene ropes to equipment (8 is good)

5 gal. bucket or similar or cooler with LARGE wheels

Bait bucket

Foam garden kneeling pad

Fabric garden gloves

Small baggies, plastic boxes or containers, larger baggy for wet clothes

Colander, square river sifter, trowel, small shovel

Beach / sand scooper

Water, lunch, paper towels, etc.

### **Location:**

#### **DeSOTO COUNTY PARK**

West on I-70 to Arcadia then north on of I-17 about 7 miles north of Arcadia.

There was a sign for Brownville Road. Follow that to the entrance on the left side BEFORE you cross over the Peace River!

It has overnight camping facilities, boat ramp, shallow areas when the water level is low, public bathroom with a shower (well water!)

## UPCOMING NATIONAL SHOWS

### 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





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# ROCK SHOW



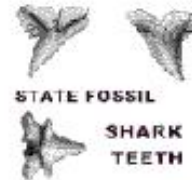
*To help our members educate  
 ourselves and the public  
 in Earth science topics*



## 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/](http://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/](http://www.amfed.org/efmls/)**

Contact Carolyn Weinberger to sign up.

**Carolyn Weinberger:**

[efmlswildacres@gmail.com](mailto: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.sfmsworkshops.com/schedule2016.htm](http://www.sfmsworkshops.com/schedule2016.htm)**

## 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.

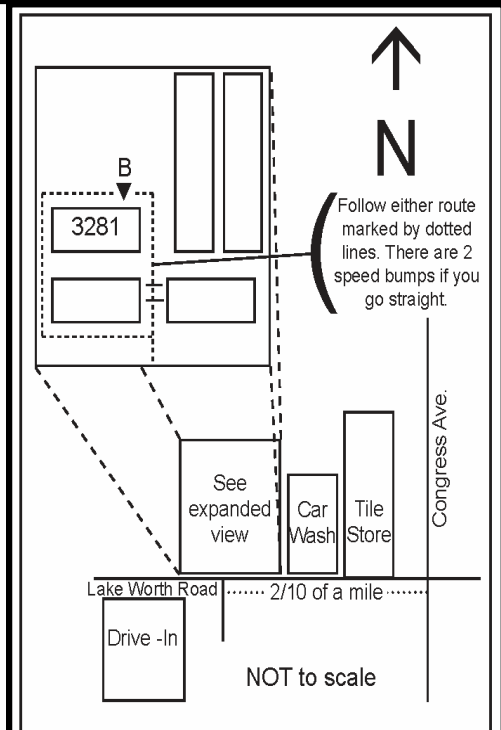
**\*Always call the shop steward before going to the shop to let them know you are coming! If the assigned shop steward cannot be reached, call Susan Cairl, Head Shop Steward, to arrange for open shop time.**

## 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



## April 2016


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	<b>5</b>  Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	<b>6</b>  <b>BOARD MEETING</b> <b>7:30 PM</b> <b>@ Shop</b>	<b>7</b>  Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis	<b>8</b>  Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	<b>9</b>
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<b>17</b>  <b>STEAK DINNER</b> <b>11:30 AM</b> <b>Scottish Rite</b> <b>Lodge, Lake</b> <b>Worth</b>	<b>18</b>  Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM General Work Samantha	<b>19</b>  Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Laura	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis  <b>MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b> <b>7:30 PM @</b> <b>Science Center</b>	<b>22</b>  Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>  <b>SILVERWARE CLASS</b> <b>12PM - 3PM</b> <b>Nikki Jasper</b> <b>@ Shop</b>	<b>25</b>  Open Shop** 10:30AM - 5 PM Laura  <b>SHOW MEETING</b> <b>7:30 PM @</b> <b>Shop</b>	<b>26</b>  <b>WIRE SCULPTURE CLASS</b> <b>10AM-5PM</b> <b>Debi</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>  Open Shop** 12:30-3:30 PM General Work Dennis	<b>29</b>  Open Shop** 6-9 PM General Work Susan	<b>30</b>

### \*\*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.

# May 2015

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## \*\*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.

## 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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