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The next general membership meeting will be held

Thursday October 20, 2016 at 7:30 PM

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

October Program - Mr. Robert DePalma

A Boca Raton native, Robert DePalma is the Curator of Vertebrate Paleontology with The Palm Beach Museum of Natural History. Mr. DePalma holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology from Florida Atlantic University and a Master of Science Degree in Paleontology from the University of Kansas. He conducts frequent fieldwork and his discoveries have contributed much to the understanding of prehistoric life. Mr. DePalma will present on a variety of paleontological topics at our October meeting.

Junior Rockhounds Program

There will be no Junior Rockhound program for October due to numerous scheduling conflicts, but we'll be back in November with something exciting!

President's Message - October 2016

Greetings, Rockhounds!

I hope that everyone has come through Hurricane Matthew relatively unscathed, and that your cleanup was minimal! More than anything else, I find that this just gave me the excuse to get some projects done that have needed doing anyway, such as completely cleaning the pool deck before putting everything back in place!

As we look to the end of Hurricane Season, know what else is coming up fast? Our 50th anniversary show, just over a month away! If you are able to volunteer, please get in contact with Dianna Ray; if you are interested in doing demonstrations, talk to Kelly Azor; and if you'd like to set up an exhibit, please let KC Foster know!

Speaking of shows, I will not be at the meeting this month, as I will be representing our club at the EFMLS (Eastern Federation of Mineralogical and Lapidary Societies) Annual Convention, hosted at the Rochester Lapidary Society's show in Rochester, NY. Gale Langford, our First Vice President, will be hosting the meeting in my stead.

Also, as we near the end of the year, our Nominating Committee is working hard to prepare a proposed slate of Officers for 2017! Dianna Ray, our Secretary, has announced her intention to "retire" from her position – if you are interested in being our new Club Secretary, please see Debi Kachman, Lo Rain, or Arlene Lazzaro for more information.

Finally, as we enter the Holiday Season, we are working with the Science Center to accommodate our meeting needs, while they also hold a number of special events. Our schedules have not been finalized, but please stay tuned for updates for our November and December meeting dates.

See You In November!

Laura Simmons, President

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October Birthstone: Tourmaline

Tourmaline has become a favorite gemstone among jewelry designers and gem collectors the world over. Since it is available in a wide variety of colors, it is ideally suited to almost anyone's taste.

Tourmaline is also known for displaying several colors in the same gemstone. These *bi-color* or *tri-color* gems are formed in many combinations; gemstones with clear color distinctions are highly prized.

Tourmaline is found in many localities including Brazil, Afghanistan, East Africa, and the USA.

Alternative Birthstone: Opal

The name "opal" originates from the Greek wordopallios, which meant "to see a change in color."

Opal's characteristic "play-of-color" was explained in the 1960s, when scientists discovered that it's composed of microscopic silica spheres that diffract light to display various colors of the rainbow. These flashy gems are called "precious opals;" those without play-of-color are "common opals."

Dozens of opal varieties exist, but only a few (like Fire Opal and Boulder Opal) are universally recognized. Opals are often referred to by their background "body color"—black or white.

Opal's classic country of origin is Australia. Seasonal rains soaked the parched outback, carrying silica deposits underground into cracks between layers of rock. When the water evaporated, these deposits formed opal. Sometimes, silica seeped into spaces around wood, seashells and skeletons, resulting in opalized fossils.

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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!

Pink Tourmaline



Green Tourmaline



Opal



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Door & Monthly Prizes

Prize Drawings For This Month:

3 Herkimer diamonds
Bead bracelets
Jasper cabochon
Gemstone bead necklaces
Copper bracelet
Crystal beads
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:

Polished stones
Polished crystal sections
Stretch bracelets
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 Klein, Auction Coordinator

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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 - Jackie Tufford Fennel



October's member spotlight is on our outgoing Newsletter Editor, Jackie Tufford Fennel.

Jackie came to this area as an Adjunct Art Instructor at Palm Beach State College after earning a Master of Fine Arts degree from Pennsylvania State University. She taught for five years before deciding to turn her own artwork into a full time business.

Her exquisite artwork incorporates hand-cut stained glass and semi-precious stones. She came to GMSPB in a quest to learn more about gemstones, and soon became the Newsletter Editor. Within the past year, her art business has taken off, she got married, and she and her husband are expecting their first baby in November!

The Club recognizes and thanks Jackie for all her time and effort as our Newsletter Editor. Each month, she wrangled contributors to collect material for The Rockhound and got each issue out in a timely manner; a feat which is much more time consuming than you'd think. We wish her the best as she focuses on her new family!



Morning Sunburst by Jackie Tufford Fennel
Stained Glass and Gemstones

October Birthdays

Kelly Azor ♦ Laura Deaton ♦ Linda Hersh ♦ Ellen Jean Deborah Kachman ♦ Kathleen Krailler ♦ Arlene Lazzaro ♦ Ridley Martin Laurie Nash ♦ Oliver Nilsson ♦ Angie Sissom ♦ Cassandra Stryker



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McMow Art Glass

at the September General Meeting

September's presentation by McMow Art Glass, Inc. was well received. Phil & Taylor Materio demonstrated the cutting, fusing & slumping (melting) of art glass. They brought some beautiful pieces and discussed upcoming classes and special pricing for Club members.

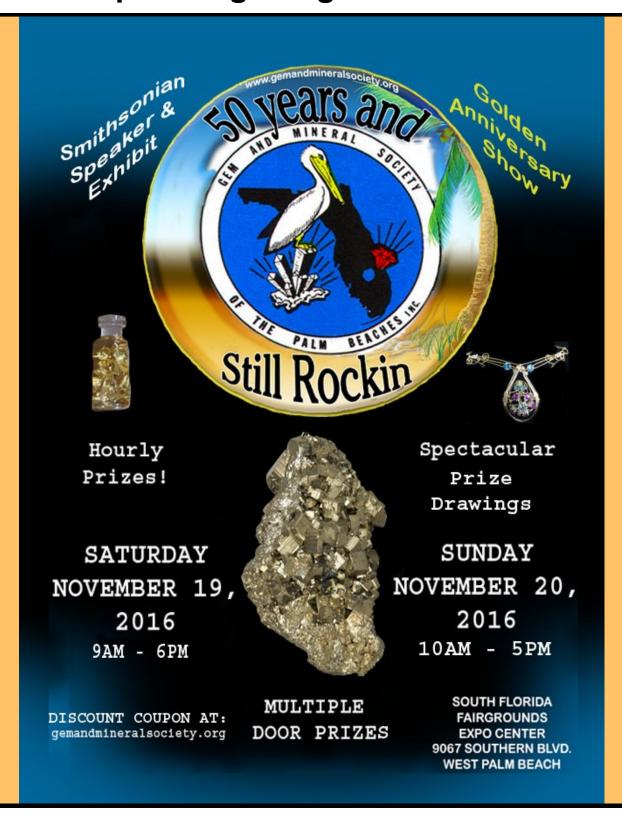
They are offering a private beginner level group class in dichroic glass on Wednesday, November 9th from 6:30-8:30pm. Special pricing (\$47.50 pp) is available at half off their regular class price, but only for a group rate of 10 students. If interested, please contact McMow directly at (561)585-9011.

GMSPB members Samantha Lazzaro and Harriet Flashenburg also offer fused glass classes at the shop. For a more intimate 1:1 learning experience, please reach out to them for scheduling. Prices and contact information for Sam and Harriet may be found in the "Available Classes" section at the back of this publication.



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Upcoming Fairgrounds Show



Coupon available at: www.gemandmineralsociety.org

Gem and Mineral Show Report

Remember to sign up to volunteer for the show! Without the show, the shop and other club perks wouldn't exist. Forms for volunteering are in the newsletter.

As part of volunteer training, Dianna Ray and Jenny Wright are requesting that volunteers be at their assigned stations at least 10 minutes before their scheduled reporting time. Also, please review the job descriptions in the newsletter beforehand.

The Christmas banquet will be held at Ellie's Diner in Delray Beach. If you volunteer for at least 4 hours, the dinner is free.

Right now we have only one vacancy for the show -- a small booth. There are several vendors on the waitlist for smaller booths and we should be able to fill that spot. We're still calling vendors to make sure they're coming. There are only a few left to call.

We may have an opportunity to be featured on an internet radio show in November.

The next show meeting is Monday, October 17th at 7:30pm at the shop.

Barbara Ringhiser Show Chairman

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VOLUNTEER TIME FOR THE ANNUAL SHOW!!!

November 19th and 20th, the weekend of our annual show, will be here before we know it!!

After all, it's our GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SHOW - the 50th!!!

That means it is time to start thinking about volunteering NOW. Here's a list of volunteer positions and the duties required. **YOU** can make a difference! Without you, our society members, it would be impossible to fill the many time periods necessary to make the 2016 show the best show yet! Over 100 volunteer shifts need to be filled.

The club cannot run without the proceeds from the show!!

PLEASE LET US COUNT ON YOU!

THURSDAY Set-up crew - NOVEMBER 17TH

Approximately 6 people are needed to move tables around and set up each booth area. We will be supervising Fair-grounds help in the placement of tables according to our floor plan. Also, we will be able to do the Society's setup on Thursday. We have hired help to do the heavy lifting, but we still need members to assist in directing helpers on where unloaded materials go at the fairgrounds. Materials such as our display cases, from the storage unit, must be loaded in the rented truck, and brought to the Fairgrounds, unloaded and set-up. We will also be setting up the flume.

FRIDAY SET/UP/SUNDAY TAKE DOWN - NOVEMBER 18th and 20th

As many volunteers as we can get are needed to set-up during the day on Friday and to take-down after the show from 5:00 PM on Sunday. Friday, the display cases need to be assembled, as well as many odds and ends jobs too numerous to go into here. On Sunday, after the show is over, everything must be packed up, loaded in the truck, and delivered back to the storage area. Again, we have hired help to do the heavy lifting, but we still need members to assist in directing helpers on where materials go to be loaded into the truck. We also will need some people to go to the storage location to direct the hired help on where to put the unloaded materials.

TICKET TAKERS, NOVEMBER 19th and 20th

Two people are needed for each 2-hour time slot. Responsibilities include taking tickets at the entrance doors, tearing the ticket in half, depositing one half in the box, and giving the second half to the guest. This position requires either sit- ting on a stool or standing. Requirements include a pleasant, friendly, helpful, courteous, and kind personality. At times, ticket takers are very busy. This is a very important position because ticket takers are the "first impression" that people get of our society.

INFORMATION TABLE-NOVEMBER 19th and 20th

Three people are necessary for each 2-hour time slot. Responsibilities include answering questions concerning the show, checking in volunteers and giving them their badges and providing information about our society's activities. Information attendants should be able to direct visitors and provide information about everything from who is in charge, to where a particular dealer is located. This position requires sitting at the information desk. The ability to be pleasant and helpful, without getting flustered, is important.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND PRIZE DRAWING - NOVEMBER 19th and 20th

Two people per 2-hour time slot are needed. Responsibilities include encouraging people to purchase tickets for the prize drawing of the many items available. It is extremely important to be friendly, inviting, cheerful, and encouraging without being insistent. This position requires some standing. The main objective is to point out the items that may be won with only a \$1.00 ticket.

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SHOW SECURITY - NOVEMBER 19th and 20th

Two to four people are needed for each 2-hour time slot. Responsibilities are to observe people, watch for those acting in a disorderly manner (for example, drunk, smoking, or shoplifting), and report it to Show Chairman, Committee Chairperson, Fairgrounds Security, or Armed Security. Show Security guards should NEVER confront or accuse anyone. They ONLY report the incident. Greeting the public in a friendly manner is also important. This position requires walking around or standing. PLEASE DO NOT SHOP OR SIT DOWN AND EAT DURING YOUR SHIFT.

DEMONSTRATIONS- NOVEMBER 19th and 20th

People are needed to demonstrate their skills during each 2-hour time slot. The area is large enough for several demonstrators to present simultaneously. This is the opportunity to greet the public and show-off by participating in beading, stained glass, wire wrapping, chain making, or any other lapidary skills. If you are interested in volunteering to demonstrate at the show, please contact demonstration coordinator Kelly Azor-Anderson at 561-635-7619.

LUNCH ON SET-UP DAY - NOVEMBER 18th

Lunch will be served to the dealers, society members, and fairgrounds workers on Friday, set-up day. We need someone who will shop for the supplies (we have a list - sandwich makings, drinks, salad, plates, utensils, donuts, coffee, etc.) Everyone makes their own sandwiches. You would be advanced funds for shopping. Serving is buffet style. We need a couple of volunteers there to oversee the buffet between 9am and 5pm - 2 hour shifts.

MINING / FOSSIL DIG/ GEODE CRACKING/SPINNING WHEEL GAME /

NOVEMBER 19th and 20th

We need the following people for each 2-hour time slot to run the mining area effectively.

Duties include:

- 2 people working together to collect money and use an IPad for credit card payments, enter inventory on an IPad and give out tickets
- 1 person to crack geodes
- 1 person for working the Spin-the-Wheel game and for keeping the table stocked with prizes. The game involves a
 table marked with squares that correspond to numbers on the wheel. The player wins the prize in the square
 matching the number on the wheel.
- 1 person to identify fossils and gemstones at the flume area. Volunteers will be briefed on what fossils and gemstones are available in the dig and mine. There will be cards available with fossil samples and rough gemstone samples to aid in identification if participants request the information.
- 1 person to help visitors select geodes.
- 1 person to fill bucket bags and fill buckets as needed.
- 1 person to keep the flume running smoothly, moving used gravel, handing out screens, etc.

This is a very active area and these volunteer positions, with few exceptions, are not sedentary positions.

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ANNUAL SHOW CONTINUED...

Please remember, if you commit to an assigned position, please perform those duties *unless asked to temporarily work in an extra busy area.*

If you really want your choice of positions, remember to contact us early, it is first come first serve.

The form can be turned in to any of the persons listed below:

Dianna Ray	Patrick Kleinkort	Barbara Ringhiser
561-707-6753	954-478-1039	561-588-5458
countrycutie29@aol.com	pkleinkort@comcast.net	bar5678@aol.com

By mail: GMSPB Volunteers
PO Box 18095
West Palm Beach, FL 33416-8095

Name:_		
	Phone:	
	Best time to call:	
Email:		
Positions	s interested in:	

(use additional sheet if necessary)

Please circle the shifts for which you are available:

Thursday, Nov. 17 (set-up)	9-11am	11am-1pm	1-3pm	3-5pm
Friday, Nov. 18 (set-up, lunch)	9-11am	11am-1pm	1-3pm	3-5pm
Saturday, Nov. 19	9-11am	11am-1pm	1-3pm	3-6pm (3 hours)
Sunday, Nov. 20	10 - Noon	Noon - 2pm	2 - 5pm (3 hours)	5pm - to take down

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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.

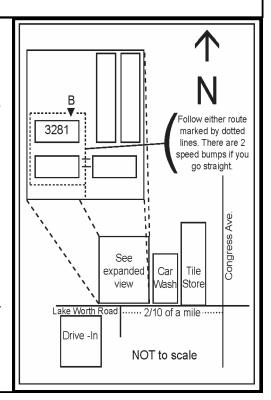
*Always call the shop steward before going to the shop to let them know you are coming! If the assigned shop steward cannot be reached, call Susan Cairl, Head Shop Steward, to arrange for open shop time.

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



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AVAILABLE CLASSES

Α	YAILADLL	CLASSES	
CLASS	INSTRUCTOR	COST	DATE/TIME/NOTES
 ♦ Introduction to Chainmail ♦ How to Use the Jumpringer ♦ Introduction to Metalsmithing ♦ Viking Wire Weave 	Laura Simmons 407/234–0444	\$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 561/644-2323	\$50 + est. \$85 materials fee (depending on cost of silver)	Contact instructor to arrange.
Cabochon sessions Six 3-hr sessions	Susan Cairl 561/293-1298	\$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 516/810-3495	\$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 561/644-2323	\$40 + \$20 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Enameling	Samantha Lazzaro 561/372-2359	\$40 + \$50 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Flat Lap	Susan Cairl 561/293-1298	\$40 + \$10 supplies fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Fused Glass (Beginner)	Harriet Flashenburg 561/733-1466	\$50 + \$50 materials fee	Four afternoon sessions Class taught in season only. Contact instructor to arrange.
Gem Tree	Dianna Ray 561/707-6753	TBD	Contact instructor to arrange.
Metalsmithing:	Arlene Lazzaro 516/810-3495	\$40 + \$15 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Non-solder Wire Work	Michelle Renné 561/644-2323	\$40 + \$15 materials fee	Contact instructor to arrange.
Wire Fan Bracelet Class	Debi Kachman 561/568-8736	\$30 + \$20-50 materials fee (depending on metal) OR supply list can be provided	Contact instructor to arrange.
Wire Sculpture Class	Debi Kachman 561/568-8736	\$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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Sunshine Committee	Lo Rain	561/827-5793
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Send comments or submissions to newsletter@gemandmineral.org

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