



The Rockhound

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President's Message

Hello Rockhounds and a Happy New Year!

Well the holiday season is now behind us, as is the annual show and it is time to begin working on the year ahead. One of the items we wrapped up last month was the election and installation of the club officers for 2018. The only change to the slate was for the position of President, formerly held by Laura Simmons, and now held by myself. As we all know, Laura has led us through two annual shows, numerous monthly events, and a time consuming rewrite and vote on our club bylaws. An outstanding effort by Laura and all those involved, including all the members voting in the campaign. These same bylaws mandate that she must step down due to term limits and that has led to, well, me. Thank you Laura for all you have done and all you will do in the coming years. I would also like to thank all the returning officers for their past and present service and all the members of the club who generously give their time and ability to make this an exciting and educational experience for all who participate.

Coming up this month for our monthly meeting, one of our Vice Presidents, Jennifer Martin, has invited a speaker from the Historical Society. Also this month, coming up on the 14th, is the next Picnic at TY Park from 10am to 4pm. There will be more information on the picnic later in this issue of the newsletter. Come join us for an afternoon of food, raffles, bingo, and of course, rocks, to buy, sell, or trade with the members of the Gold Coast and Miami clubs.

So now, in closing, I would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve. I know that there are those of you that I may not have met so please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and your family. And with that I will say "Keep lookin' down" for rocks, of course!

Lee Miller

Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 18
7:30 pm

4801 Dreher Trail North
West Palm Beach FL 33405
at the Multi-Purpose Center

January Meeting:

January's presenter will be a representative from the Historical Society of Palm Beach County.

The society's mission is to collect, preserve and share the rich history and cultural heritage of Palm Beach County.

Please join us to learn more about our local history.

More information on the museum may be found at www.hspbc.org.

Junior Rockhounds

This month, the Junior Rockhounds will be continuing their exploration of the rocks and minerals of Florida with an exciting hands-on activity!



JANUARY

Birthstone: Garnet

The word "garnet" comes from the 14th Century Middle English word "gernet" meaning dark red. The word is derived from Latin "granatum" which means seed, and is called so because of the gemstone's resemblance to the beautifully red seeds of the pomegranate.



Garnet is actually the name of a group of minerals that comes in a rainbow of colors, from the deep red of the Pyrope garnet to

the vibrant green of Tsavorite. Some rare garnets are even blue, colorless, or—most rare of all—change colors in different lights. But the most common color is a beautiful range of reds, from rust colored to deep violet-red.

The garnet is a very durable gemstone (6.5-7.5 on the Mohs scale) found all over the world, including Wyoming, Czech Republic, Greece, Russian, Tanzania, Madagascar, Sri Lanka and India.



The folklore on garnet is extensive. Legend has it that the garnet can bring peace, prosperity and good health to the home. Some even called it the

"Gem of Faith," and it's believed that to those who wear it and do good, more good will come. (Conversely, it was also said to bring very bad fortune to those who commit bad acts while wearing it.)

The garnet also symbolized deep and lasting friendship. With that legend in mind, give a garnet to someone whose friendship you deeply value.

No matter why or how you wear garnet, this beautiful gemstone is perfect for those who share January birthdays and get to start each New Year with a sense of goodwill, happiness, and purpose.

-from americangemsociety.org

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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December 2017 Business Meeting Minutes

The meeting, held on December 13, was opened at 19:40 by President Laura Simmons. Birthdays were announced.

Jenny Wright gave the Treasurers report. She reported the total for end of month November as \$54,232.35.

Members expecting the newsletter by mail will receive their copies soon. Members are asked to send a photo and description of their pet to editor Laura Phillips for the Rockhound of the Month feature.

Richard Tracy is actively working on an improved website which should be available soon.

Susan Cairl discussed the shop and available classes. There is some new equipment in the shop. All members are invited to the shop, but they should call before coming. The membership drive for 2018 is on. Membership monies will be due after December 31. Membership rosters are available.

Jennifer Martin plans to play Charlie Brown's Christmas during the social part of meeting. The January program will feature a speaker from the Palm Beach County Historical Society. There is a field trip scheduled in February to the Palm Beach Historical Society. It is located in the old courthouse building in West Palm Beach. The club's Facebook page has 179 photos from the show. The Natural History Museum has a small storefront in the Wellington Mall. They are doing free workshops this Saturday. Participants can dig and identify specimens.

Debbie Kachman gave the Social report. There will be a TY Park Picnic on Sunday, January 14, 2018 starting at 10 AM. Please don't bring any glass. You can bring your own chairs and picnic tables. Donations are needed for the raffle. The annual steak dinner is scheduled for April 15, 2018 at the Scottish Rite Club.

Walter Triche discussed the results of the annual show. Not all of the statistics are in yet. The banquet for the installation of officers will be on December 16 at Atlantis Country Club starting at 6 PM. The cost for volunteers at the show is \$10; everyone else pays \$20. Seats are still available. Lo Rain Dudley reminded members about the centerpiece contest. If members would like to participate in the gift exchange, please mark their gifts for either male, female, or either. Lo Rain will be selling slabs at 50% off.

Laura Simmons reminded members to use Amazon Smile.

The nominating committee asked for any nominations from the floor, but none were offered. The slate of officers was reviewed. The only new position holder is Lee Miller for president. A motion and a second from the floor was made to vote the slate as presented. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 20:11.

Field Trip!

**Saturday, February 24
10:00 AM**

**Richard & Pat Johnson
Palm Beach County
History Museum
300 N. Dixie Highway
West Palm Beach**

Admission is FREE!

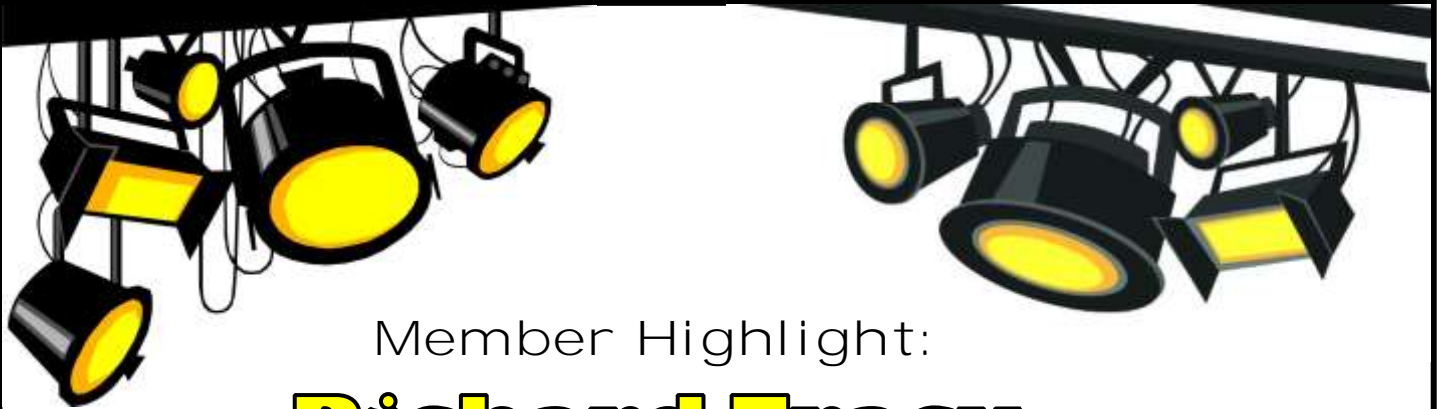
Special guided tour for GMSPB member starts at 10:15.

"From spears and pioneers to hurricanes and famous names, you will love exploring the past at the Richard and Pat Johnson Palm Beach County History Museum! Our curatorial team strives to create the finest exhibitions, featuring interactive displays, vivid imagery, and stories of Palm Beach past and present."

Special exhibit on display during our visit:
Shipwreck: Discovering Lost Treasures!

For more information: www.hspbc.org

Please RSVP to Jennifer Martin
Rid808@yahoo.com - put "History Museum Field Trip" in the subject line.



Member Highlight:

Richard Tracy

This month's spotlight shines on Richard Tracy, our new webmaster.

Richard was born in New Jersey but his family relocated to Florida when he was young. He is a chemist by profession. He retired from a company in South Carolina that provided chemicals to schools and other labs for research.

He has done some rock hunting in the mines in North Carolina and with his grandson at Rucks Pit.

He is specifically interested in the structure of minerals and hopes going forward to include this subject on our website.

We look forward to visiting the new and improved website.

TY PARK Tri-Club Picnic and Rock Swap & Sale

Sunday, January 14 from 10:00AM-4:00 PM
Pavilion #9 at TY Park (see map)

- ◆ Relax and mingle with members of the Palm Beach, Gold Coast, and Miami clubs
- ◆ Bring a **potluck dish** to share, your **table service** and **drinks** (no glass containers)
- ◆ Bring **items to donate** to Raffles and Bingo, which pay for pavilion
- ◆ Arrive around 9:30-10:30 if you wish to set up a table to sell club related items (no charge), just bring **table** and **chairs**
- ◆ Lunch begins at 11:30
- ◆ Volunteers are needed to help set-up, sell tickets, call bingo, and clean-up.
- ◆ For more info, call Sean Branigan at 954/592-1503 or KC Foster at 561/523-4600

DIRECTIONS: From I-95 go West on Sheridan Street. Go North (right turn) on North Park Road. The Park entrance will be on the right (east) side. *Park admission is \$1.50 per person.*





SUNSHINE REPORT

We are almost through January with our resolutions in tow.

Thank you for all the wonderful centerpieces at our Christmas dinner, they all were beautiful.

Thank you also for all the donations, Laura Simmons and Dan Jacobson.

We want think of Mary Ricciardi, as she would like to hear from you, 561-228-7664. She is recovering in a rehab facility.



Deniz Kilic and Martin Runcal of Delray Beach

Tom Peterson and Janet Vodvarka from Wayland Massachusetts



Jake Britt

Rick Call

Margo Gilson

Shir-lee Rosenberg

Martin Runcal



"My you live long enough to see Amazon delivering on the moon!" —Author Unknown

LEARN GLASS-BLOWING!

**Benzaiten Center for Creative Arts
1105 2nd Ave. South
Lake Worth, FL 33460**

Benzaiten is starting two new glassblowing classes for students looking to build the necessary skills to create their own works of art. All the basics will be covered but these classes provide a more complete understanding of the glass-making process. The classes are more in-depth: looking at different forms and applying color; exploring and adding handles & surface decorations as well as learning to work larger.

**Call David Peterson to schedule
561.508.7315**

Remember GMSPB members get half-price on classes!





Chiquita and Gracie

These two cuties belong to Laura Phillips, your newsletter editor.

The Chihuahua is Chiquita. Laura adopted her when she was four months old. She is a big personality packed into a tiny, 6.5 pound dog. She is fiercely protective of her mom! But after she knows you for a few minutes, she's your best friend in the world.

Gracie is the Toy Poodle. She was rescued from a puppy mill where she was used for breeding. She clearly had lived in a cage her whole life at that point, and was not well socialized. She's a sweetie, though, she's a little teddy bear to snuggle up with.



Chiquita and Gracie sit with your newsletter editor as she assembles the Rockhound every month. But their very favorite thing to do is to go to the dog park on the back of Laura's motorcycle. That's the photo on the left. Laura's husband adapted a doggy car seat into a carrier for the motorcycle. They are strapped in and secure, and they get a lot of attention from people driving by.

Do you have a pet that we could feature next month? Please send a picture and a little information to Laura Phillips at laura@ahphillips.com.

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WILDACRES SPRING CLASSES – MAY 21 – 27, 2018 – SPEAKER-IN-RESIDENCE: BOB JONES

Class & Instructor	Description
Beaded Bezel Mia Schulman	Instead of using metal to set your cabochons, we will set them by using rows of small beads. The end result is a striking piece of jewelry suitable for any occasion. 2-day class offered first semester and no prior experience necessary.
Knitted Wire & Bead Bracelet Mia Schulman	Don't worry; you don't have to know how to knit. These bracelets are stunning and people are always surprised when told they are knitted. 2-day class offered second semester. No prior experience necessary.
Cabochons – Basic Bernie Emery	Learn to transform a piece of rock into a shiny, well-formed cabochon. You will learn the use of the trim saw as well as basics of grinding, sanding and polishing. Slabs are provided or students September use their own with approval of the instructor. Please bring an apron and safety glasses. 2-day class offered first semester. No prior experience necessary.
Cold Connections I Morning Sherrod	This class will start with basic skills such as the proper use of a jeweler's saw, hammering, patterns, doming with dapping blocks using a die cutter, and how to anneal metal. We will be using copper, brass, bronze, and silver to add color and character to your jewelry. Connections will be accomplished using rivets, jump rings, and wire. We will also learn about patinas and etching. After the mandatory projects are finished, you will be challenged to use your imagination to construct projects of your own under my supervision. This will be a fun class with finished pieces to take home. It will also provide a framework for more advanced projects. All materials and use of my tools for projects are included in class fees. I will have materials and kits for purchase if you want to purchase to take home. If you are not a beginner, I will have more advanced projects available. Please be patient and considerate of your fellow students as everyone may be at a different skill level. No prerequisites necessary. 2-day class, first semester.
Cold Connections II Morning Sherrod	I am excited you are joining me in an advanced metal working class. We will be etching, texturizing, setting cabs, and using prongs, tabs and sandwiching techniques. Also we will be sweat soldering metals together. I will first go over the techniques you will need for the projects, and demonstrate as needed. You will be challenged to create your own work. I'm there to assist you with your project. Everyone will be on different projects. Beginners are welcome!!! I will work with you to get you up and hammering. This is a laid back class. I want you to have fun and enjoy what you are doing. You may bring your own cabochons to work with if you want. I will have extra tools, cabs, metals, kits for you to purchase to take home if you want. Looking forward to meeting you and having a fun filled two days. Prerequisites. 2-day class, 2nd semester.
Cabochons - Intermediate Bernie Emery	Learn to cut different shapes and the techniques needed to do so. Slabs are provided or students September use their own with approval of the instructor. Please bring an apron and safety glasses. Prerequisite: Students must have prior experience with cabbing and use of the trim saw. 2-day class offered second semester.
Electro-Etching - Beginner Micah Kirby	Description coming next month
Electro-Etching - Intermediate Micah Kirby	Description coming next month
Faceting Steve Weinberger	Students will learn to cut and polish a 57-facet round brilliant gemstone. In addition, they will learn how to identify well-cut stones, select rough material and see whether or not they enjoy this fascinating aspect of the hobby. Students are asked to bring an Optivisor (#7 or #9) and an apron. 4-day class. No prior experience necessary.
Loop and Loop Chains - Beginner Chuck Bruce	Students will learn the ancient technique of fusing fine silver jump rings and linking them together into a chain. We will explore 2 different patterns - Roman Fold-over and Single Fold-over (Foxtail) and students should be able finish a bracelet and pair of earrings in each. (These ancient beautiful designs are quite different from chain maille). No prior experience is needed. 2-day class offered 1st semester.
Loop and Loop Chains - Advanced Chuck Bruce	Students will learn the ancient technique of fusing fine silver jump rings and linking them together into a chain. We will explore 2 different patterns - Double Fold-over (Foxtail) and Sailor's Knot; students should be able to finish a bracelet and pair of earrings in each. (These ancient beautiful designs are quite different from chain maille). No prior experience is needed, but Semester 1 helpful. 2-day class offered 2nd semester.
Silversmithing - Basic Richard Meszler	Have fun learning the basics of working silver sheet and wire to fabricate jewelry. The projects will introduce you to annealing/bending/shaping/texturing metal, soldering, piercing and polishing. Students will receive a kit containing the necessary metals and supplies to complete these projects as well as a detailed written step by step description of each project. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary
Silversmithing - Intermediate Richard Meszler	Continue your education working with metals by doing a more complex project. You will learn to make a bezel setting & bail into which you will set a cabochon to make a pendant. Students will receive a kit containing the necessary metals and supplies to complete this project as well as a detailed written step by step description of each project. Prerequisite: Basic silversmithing experience including soldering. 2-day class offered 2nd semester.
Viking Knit Val Johnson	You will learn a technique used nearly 1300 years ago by ancient people to weave a silver rope. Viking knit is also called trichinopoly chain and was used to make bracelets, trim on clothing and many other decorative objects. Once you learn the skill it is very easy and uses few tools and supplies to create stunning chains. Student will complete a bracelet in single stitch. 2 day class offered 1st semester.

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2018 EFMLS Wildacres Registration

PLEASE, ONLY one person per form per session

CHECK ONE: May 21 - 27: _____ Fall: September 3 - 9: _____

Please fill out a separate registration form for each person attending and return to SUZIE MILLIGAN, 931 Carmichael Rd; Owego, NY 13827-3320. **No registration will be accepted prior to January 1, 2018.** (To make it easier for the registrar and others, please do not change or revise this form. You September photo-copy it as needed.) Please write legibly!

For Office Use Only	
ID #	_____
Date Rec'd	_____
Amt. Paid:	_____
Ck #:	_____
Amt. Paid:	_____
Ck #:	_____
Paid in Full:	_____

Name (as you wish it to appear on your name badge): _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone number with area code: _____ e-mail: _____

Club/Society Affiliation: _____

Fee for each session is \$425.00 per person. Deposit is \$215 per person, payable with registration. Make checks payable to "EFMLS". Balance of fee is due 30 days prior to start of session. No postdated checks will be accepted.

Cancellation policy: If unable to attend, fees paid will be refunded if notification is given prior to one month before the session begins. No refund will be made after that date.

Circle appropriate responses:

Have you been to Wildacres before? Yes _____ No _____ Is your Club paying your tuition? Yes _____ No _____

Name of roommate: _____ (If none, one will be assigned).

Are you: Male _____ Female _____ (No single rooms are available). Are you a smoker? Yes _____ No _____
(No smoking is allowed in any building)

Do you have any physical handicaps and / or special dietary needs? Yes _____ No _____
If YES, please explain on reverse side.

Class Pre-registration

See EFMLS Newsletter or Website (efmls-wildacres.org/) for class offerings.

You will either be able to take one 4-day class or two 2-day classes. All participants must take classes.

Which of the classes being offered would you like to take? **Please indicate at least 3 choices** in order of preference for each semester. You will be preregistered for classes based on your choices, but no class placement is guaranteed. Should your preferred class be unavailable for any reason you will be preregistered for another of your choices. If no alternate class preference is indicated we will pre-register you in a class of our choosing, based on availability.

1st Semester or 4 day classe choices

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

Second Semester

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

(No registrations accepted prior to January 1, 2018)

Mail to: Suzie Milligan, 931 Carmichael Rd; Owego, NY 13827-3320

If you have any questions, please contact either

Suzie Milligan, Registrar at <smilligan@stny.rr.com> or 607-687-5108 or
Pamm Bryant, Director at <pjbryant6@juno.com> or 804-457-4698

SHOP TALK

Open Shop Schedule



Open shop is available for members use only, but visitors are welcome to stop by during open shop hours. Open shop fees are \$5.00 for the first 3 hours and \$7.00 for time over three hours.

Important! Members must complete a 6 class Certification Class before using the cabbing equipment. This class runs for six consecutive weeks for 3 hours each week to provide safety instructions and cabbing techniques. If you received training elsewhere, you will still need to demonstrate your proficiency before using shop equipment. For information on cabbing certification please call Susan Cairl @ 561-293-1298

Open Shop Hours:

- Mondays 10:30am - 5:00pm, Samantha Lazzaro, Shop Steward - 631-764-6556
- Tuesdays Evenings by Appointment - Laura Simmons, Shop Steward - 407-234-0444
- Thursdays 12:30pm - 3:30pm, Dennis Rietwyk, Shop Steward - 561-255-0292
- Fridays 6:00pm - 9:30pm, Susan Cairl, Shop Steward - 561-293-1298

“Stuff Happens” so please call first to verify the shop will be open as scheduled. If the assigned shop steward cannot be reached, call Susan Cairl, Head Steward, to confirm.

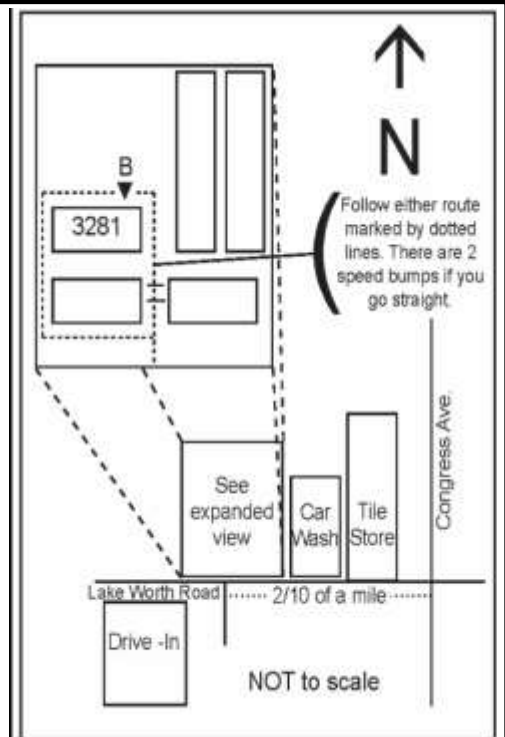
Shop Report

Open shop is available for lapidary, metal work, enameling, fused glass, classes and to use the library. You must be certified to use the kiln! For kiln certification and classes, please call Samantha Lazzaro.

At the present time, kiln use is limited to Monday Open Shop Hours. For beginning silversmith classes, please call Laura Simmons. Additional classes will be announced as they become available. When visiting the shop please know:

- ◆ You will be asked to sign a one-time liability waiver and be given a copy of the shop rules
- ◆ Always sign in and out of the log book and complete the information on the sign in sheet
- ◆ Drinks and food are permitted in the outer room only
- ◆ There is no fee to use the library or reference videos available in the shop

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



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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 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.
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.
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: ◇ Alien Prong Ring	Arlene Lazzaro 516/810-3495	\$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

2017 OFFICERS

President*	Laura Simmons	407/234-0444
1st Vice President*	Barbara Ringhiser	561/379-4307
2nd Vice President*	Jennifer Martin	561/281-5466
Secretary*	Lorna Hayes	561/389-8584
Treasurer*	Jenny Wright	561/634-1427

2017 DIRECTORS

Head Shop Steward*	Susan Cairl	561/293-1298
Membership*	OPEN	
Newsletter Editor*	Laura Phillips	561/523-3594
Member-at-Large*	Lo Rain Dudley	561/827-5793
Show Chairman*	Walter Triche	561/628-1031
Webmaster*	Richard Tracey	561/318-6891

COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE

Hostess	Samantha Lazzaro	561/372-2359
Jr. Rockhound Program	Mitchell Turk	561/506-4655
Librarian	Shop Steward on Duty	
Programs	Jennifer Martin	561/281-5466
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