



# The Rockhound

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## President's Message

Greetings Fellow Rockhounds!

Well, it has been pleasant winter so far with only a few days of heavy coat weather. Our neighbors to the north are having a tough time of it in some areas and we wish them an early spring. Apparently Punxatawney Phil and leading meteorologists had differing forecasts for the remainder of this winter season. On the home front, I've seen some of our seasonal members at the general meeting and in the shop and we offer them a warm welcome back.

Speaking of members, if for some reason any of you have not sent in your membership dues for this year we would ask that you do this now. Susan Cairl is our Acting Membership Coordinator and she would be glad to accept payment at the monthly meeting, by mail, and at the shop as she is also the Head Shop Steward. Thank you Susan!

At the last general meeting we enjoyed the presentation by members of the Palm Beach Historical Society. As a follow up to that, Jennifer Martin, our 2nd Vice President and the one who also plans our programs, has scheduled a field trip to the Historical Society for this month. This will take place on February 24th at 10:00 am at the Palm Beach County Historical Society. This is an excellent chance to learn more about this great area that most of us call Home!

The presentation for the general meeting on the 15th will be on how to pick the best specimens during our rockhounding trips. I know this will help me because I usually try to pick up everything that shines and haul it all home!

Taking a look at other ongoing projects, Richard Tracy, our new Webmaster, is working diligently on rebuilding our website. I believe he is getting close to having everything updated and installed so that it will be easier for those who have input for the site can get it there without getting a headache or causing anyone else to get one!

Thank you Richard! And in the shop, Susan Cairl is replacing some of our worn out equipment, thanks to donations from local collections.

I could go on and on about all that is happening and those who are making it happen. Our next general meeting is on this coming Thursday night at 7:30 PM at the Multi-Purpose Center where all this and more will be discussed. Please come and join us for an evening of fun, prizes, and refreshments and of course, rocks, minerals and fossils. Bring a friend or neighbor and keep looking for Rocks!

—Lee Miller

## Membership Meeting

Thursday, February 15 at 7:30 pm

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

## February Program: Diamond Dan

February's presenter is Darryl Powell AKA "Diamond Dan". Dan grew up in Wayland, MA, and was introduced to gems and minerals by a grade school teacher. He was immediately hooked! He has been collecting since the 5th grade. He is the Spiritual Life Director at John Knox Village, a retirement community in Pompano Beach, and is married 30 years with three children. His special interest is signed antique mineralogy books. Darryl will be presenting on how to choose the best pieces for your collection. See you all at the meeting!

## Junior Rockhounds

Agatized coral is the state stone of Florida! Bring any specimens that you have so we can study, share and compare!





# February



## Birthstone: Amethyst

Amethyst is purple quartz and is a beautiful blend of violet and red that can be found in every corner of the earth. The name comes from the Ancient Greek, derived from the word “methustos,” which means “intoxicated.” Ancient wearers believed the gemstone could protect them from drunkenness.

Amethyst, as previously mentioned, is composed of quartz, which is the second most abundant material found in the Earth’s crust. Amethyst gets its color from irradiation, iron impurities and the presence of trace elements. Its hardness (a 7 on the Mohs scale) is the same as other quartz, which makes it a durable and lasting option for jewelry.



While amethyst is most commonly recognized to be a purple color, the gemstone can actually range from a light pinkish violet to a deep purple that can read more blue or red, depending on the light. Sometimes, even the same stone can have layers or color variants, so the way the gemstone is cut is important to the way the color shows in a finished piece.

Amethyst often occurs in geodes or in the cavities of granitic rocks. It can be found all over the world, including the United States, Canada Brazil and Zambia.

The amethyst is not only the February birthstone, it is also used to celebrate the 6th and 17th year of marriage.

Amethyst, the gemstone believed by ancient Greeks and Romans to ward off the intoxicating powers of

Bacchus, also was said to keep the wearer clear-headed and quick-witted. Throughout history, the gemstone has been associated with many myths, legends, religions, and numerous cultures. English regalia were even decorated with amethysts during the Middle Ages to symbolize royalty. Amethyst jewelry has been found and dated as early as 2000 BC.

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For many years, amethyst was held to be one of the most precious gemstones, often favored by royalty or exclusively by the clergy as a symbol for the diety of Christ. It was even held for many years in the same regard as the diamond. It wasn’t until the discovery of more abundant supplies of amethyst that it became a gemstone enjoyed by more than just the wealthiest buyers.

Many wearers of amethyst throughout history and even today prize the gem for its symbolism as well as its beauty. Leonard da Vinci once said that amethyst helps to quicken intelligence and get rid of evil thoughts. Other qualities like peace, stability, courage and strength are said to be derived from this gemstone.



Yael Designs

Today, many wearers simply prize the amethyst for its beautiful shade and the way it complements both warm and cool colors.

-from [americangemsociety.org](http://americangemsociety.org)

## January Business Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened on January 18, 2018 at 20:47 by Lee Miller.

Jenny Wright began the meeting with the Treasurer's Report. The month of December 2017 total was \$36,462.14.

Newsletter Editor Laura Phillips was not present. No issues were reported regarding members receiving newsletters.

Richard Tracy, the Webmaster, was not present.

Susan Cairl, the acting Membership Coordinator, thanked those who have paid this year's membership and reminded everyone else about 2018 dues. There was some discussion about including the membership application in the newsletter. As head Shop Steward, she reported that she did not have any scheduled classes, but invites members to contact her if they are interested in taking the cabbing classes.

Samantha Samantha Lazarro is also available for enameling classes during her Monday Shop hours.

Jennifer Martin presented upcoming programs including a field trip to the Natural History Museum on Feb 24. Members will meet at the museum at 10 AM. Jennifer reminds those interested about the Museum of Natural History at the Wellington Mall. It is a great experience digging for fossils on January 27.

Lo Rain Dudley thanked the members who participated by making centerpieces for banquet in December.

Lee Miller announced that the Jacksonville club has invited all GMSPB members to their picnic on February 17. It is very much like our quarterly TY Park picnic. Details will be emailed to members.

Walter Triche gave a brief report on the 2017 show and invited members to participate in next year's planning. He thanked all the volunteers from 2017. Our 2018 banquet will be at Scottish Rites Club.

Lo Rain Dudley reported that she will be doing inventory at our warehouse this weekend and invited anyone who would like to help. Lo is also encouraging members to call Mary Ricardi at rehab following her hip fracture; information is in the newsletter.

Jennifer Martin reminded people to visit our Facebook page.

Lee Miller reminded members to use Amazon Smile before adjourning the meeting at 21:11.

### 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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## Upcoming Events

**Sat. Feb. 17-Sun. Feb.18, Pompano Beach, FL: Intergalactic Bead Show**, Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 10 AM-5 PM both days. [Complete information available online.](#)

**Sat. & Sun. Feb. 17-18, Vero Beach, FL: Gem and Jewelry Show.** Sat. 10 AM-5 PM; Sun. 10 AM-4 PM. Vero Beach Community Center, 2266 14th Ave, Vero Beach, FL. \$5 donation at door. For more information, contact [treasurecoastrockandgem@gmail.com](mailto:treasurecoastrockandgem@gmail.com).

**Sat., Feb. 24, West Palm Beach, FL: GMSPB Field Trip to the Palm Beach County History Museum**, 10 AM. Details on [Page 5.](#)

**Sat., Feb. 24, Wellington, FL: Archaeology Workshop**, 2-4 PM at the Palm Beach Museum of Natural History's store in the Wellington Mall. Details on [Page 5.](#)

**Sat., Feb. 24, Lakeland, FL: Annual Show and Sale**, Bone Valley Gem, Mineral, and Fossil Society, 9 AM-4:30 PM. 175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr., Lakeland FL. Kim Price, Show Chair 863/412-9156 or [kprice1105@gmail.com](mailto:kprice1105@gmail.com).

**Sun. Mar. 4, Lake Worth, FL: Wire Sculpture Class.** GMSPB Shop. 9 AM-5 PM. \$30 class fee, \$20 materials (copper) or \$50 (silver). Details on the left. Call Debi Kachman to reserve your seat at 561/568-8936.

**Fri.-Sun. Mar. 2-4, St. Petersburg, FL: 48th Annual Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Show and Sale.** Suncoast Gem & Mineral Society, The Minnreg Hall, 6340 126th Ave. N., Largo FL. Fri. 10 AM - 6 PM; Sat. 10 AM-6 PM; Sun. 10 AM-5 PM. Bill Schmidt, Show Chair, 727 822-8279 or



To our Newest Members  
Clay and Sheri Hecoeks of Coral  
Springs, FL  
Barbara and Paul Sampson from  
Billerica, MA



Jake Britt  
Rick Call  
Margo Gilson  
Shir-Lee Rosenberg  
Don Taussig

## Show Committee Meeting

**Monday, February 26**  
**7:30 PM**  
**at the GMSPB Shop**

**All members are  
welcome!**



## Save the Dates!

This year's **SFMS workshop weeks** will be held at **William Holland June 10th – 16th**, 2018, and at **Wildacres August 20th - 26th and September 17th - 23rd**, 2018. More information is available at [sfmsworkshops.com](http://sfmsworkshops.com).

This year's **EFMLS workshop weeks** will be held at **Wildacres May 21st - 27th and September 4th – 10th**, 2018. More information is available at [efmls-wildacres.org](http://efmls-wildacres.org).

# Field Trip!

Saturday, February 24  
10:00 AM  
Palm Beach County History Museum  
300 N. Dixie Highway  
West Palm Beach

FREE Admission  
Special guided tours for GMSPB  
members starts at 10:15 AM.

Special Exhibit  
on display during our visit:  
*Shipwreck: Discovering  
Lost Treasures*

For more information:

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

RSVP to Jennifer Martin  
rid808@yahoo.com

Please put "History Museum Field Trip"  
in the subject line.

## Archaeology Workshop

Saturday, February 24  
2-4 pm  
Palm Beach Museum of  
Natural History  
Store at Wellington Mall  
Participants must be at least 16 years old.

"Join us for our Hands-on Workshops beginning this month as we begin the process of documenting, sorting, and preserving artifacts excavated from an actual South Florida archaeological site. We will teach you how to recognize and sort ancient pottery, snake, bird, and mammal bone, shell and stone tools and much more. Learn the techniques used by archaeologist to clean and preserve pre-historic artifacts and the proper methods of recording your discoveries. Future workshops will teach field techniques and include visits to sites currently being excavated with an opportunity to join working dig teams!"

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

## Rocks, Fossils, Minerals and More!

Ned and Jeanie Fitchen of Cocoa, FL are selling most of their collection in order to move out west. They invite you to make your next field trip to their place! They have agates, dino bone, petrified wood, obsidian, fossils, onyx, geodes, thunder eggs, turquoise, Australian opal, jasper, garnets, coral, crystal clusters, antlers, abalone shells, skulls, and bone gem strands available. They have been collecting since the 1940s! Photos on their Facebook page.

Ned & Jeanie Fitchen

321/632-8996

[thefitchens@yahoo.com](mailto:thefitchens@yahoo.com)

Facebook: search or click [The Art of Petrology](#)

## Emerald Stolen from Asheville Museum

ASHEVILLE, NC (WSPA) – Museum officials in Asheville say a large emerald has gone missing from their collection.

The Asheville Museum of Science says an emerald specimen from their gem and mineral collection with "immeasurable historical significance" has gone missing.

The museum says they have filed a report with the Asheville Police Department and that there was no break-in.

They say nothing else was taken from their collection.

-from February 7, 2018 [wspa.com](http://wspa.com)

## American Federation of Mineral Societies (AMFS) CODE of ETHICS

- ◆ I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.
- ◆ I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.
- ◆ I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.
- ◆ I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.
- ◆ I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.
- ◆ I will leave all gates as found.
- ◆ I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.
- ◆ I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.
- ◆ I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.
- ◆ I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.
- ◆ I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.
- ◆ I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.
- ◆ I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.
- ◆ I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and

those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

- ◆ I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.
- ◆ I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

- from [amfed.org](http://amfed.org)

## Wire Wrapping or Wire Sculpture Class (your choice)

Sunday, March 4  
10 am—5 pm  
GMSPB Shop in Lake Worth

Instructor: Debi Kachman

Class fee: \$30

Materials fee:  
\$20 for copper, or  
\$50 for sterling silver

For more information  
or to reserve a seat and  
get a supply list, please  
contact Debi Kachman  
at 561/568-8736.





## Member Highlight Samantha Lazarro

If you don't know who Samantha is, she greets you at our monthly meetings and can be found every Monday opening our shop in Lake Worth; she has been a member of our club for over 10 years.

Always interested in anything that sparkled, Samantha began beading and tumbling rocks when she was young. When she moved to Florida she looked for places to learn more and found the Gem and Mineral Society where she began working with glass and cutting stones.

Besides being self-taught, she has taken classes at the Boca Raton Museum of Art School and regularly attends William Holland. Her techniques are original and she is always experimenting and expanding her knowledge.

Samantha is at the shop on Mondays, and she is usually available to teach enameling at that time. The enameling class is fun and productive; you'll come away with pieces you designed and enameled yourself. Contact her if you're interested in taking the class!

## ROCKHOUND of the MONTH



Well actually, this month we don't have a member's Rockhound to feature this month. Why not send in the info about your friendly helper for next month's issue?

Instead, we give you two potential rockhounds to consider. These are awesome little dogs that need a "forever home".



**Sultan** is a 12 year old male, 17 pounds. Surrendered to a local shelter when her mom went to school.

Really nice boy, loves everyone. Wants to be near people. Good with other dogs. Skin is a little yucky now, but his coat will be beautiful once it all grows back.

To find out more about Sultan, click [here](#) or contact the Dachshund Rescue of South Florida at [info@dachshundrescuesouthflorida.com](mailto:info@dachshundrescuesouthflorida.com).

**Sir Patrick** is a pretty chill dude who can be found rolling in the yard, lounging in the sun, hanging with his dog friends and snoozing in his bed (not a fan of crates).

You want unconditional love? You'll have it with him. He'll always be by your side, ready with kisses to make you feel warm and loved. He responds well to rubdowns and praise, and is at his most content when he's in your lap. He's a bit hesitant when meeting new people and dogs, but warms up quickly. Oh, and as far as being house trained, no worries: he's got the schedule down.

To find out more about Sir Patrick, click [here](#) or contact the Dachshund Rescue of South Florida at [info@dachshundrescuesouthflorida.com](mailto:info@dachshundrescuesouthflorida.com).



*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](mailto:laura@ahphillips.com).*

# Steak Dinner and Auction 2018

April 15, 2018  
10:30 AM Setup \*11:30 AM Eat  
Scottish Rite Lodge  
2000 N. "D" Street  
Lake Worth, Florida 33460

**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

11:30 for a good seat. It's Free for paid-up members; \$10.00 for a guest. The auction will follow after we finish eating. Lapidary donations welcome.



**Attention: Well done steaks! Only if you want a WELL DONE steak Call Debi 561-568-8736.**



# Holiday Banquet 2017



## 2018 Officers

Above: Left to Right—Lorna Hayes, Secretary; Lee Miller, President; Jennifer Martin, Second Vice President; Jenny Wright, Treasurer; Barbara Ringhiser, First Vice President.



These photos were inadvertently omitted from the January newsletter.

## 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 - 9:00pm, 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.

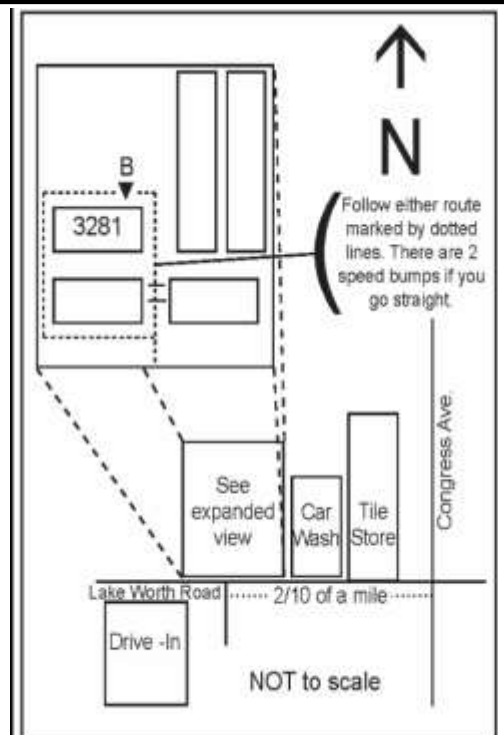
### Shop Report

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

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