



ROCK TALK

Rock & Gem. St Lucie County, Florida

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April 2009

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 St.Lucie County Rock & Gem Club
 Founded Feb. 1978
 Annual Dues: \$ 15.00
 Member SFMS & AFMS
 Monthly Membership Meeting
 4 th Sunday, 2 PM
 at Rock & Gem Workshop
 Website

www.slrockandgem.org

President's Message

April, 2009

Well, where were you for our last meeting? We didn't have a quorum so could not "legally" conduct club business, but we did have a good time sharing information and enjoying the refreshments.

Attention faceters, look in this issue of our newsletter for information about the "FFF2." I'm not going to tell you here what that is. You'll just have to read the rest of the newsletter to find out what it is.

I've gotten the Show Contract to Dennis Ponte, who will get them out to our vendors. If you want a copy, contact Dennis, I can email you one, or there is a copy (2 pages) in the top drawer of the second file cabinet in the front room of the workshop. **DO NOT TAKE THAT COPY.** Make a copy for yourself using the copier. Our show is at the Martin County Fairgrounds, October 31st & November 1st.

That reminds me, remember that our club is looking for raffle prizes (1st, 2nd, & 3rd) for our show. We aren't looking for donations (not that we wouldn't accept one), but an artful piece or set with a reasonable cost to us. Get your creative juices going. Maybe two or several of you might work together to create a something.

Hope to see you at our next meeting.

Norm Holbert

COMING EVENTS

April 23..... Board Meeting at the Workshop at 7:00 p.m.

April 26General Meeting at the workshop from 2:00 pm 4:00 pm

June 27.....Clean up at Workshop

FOR SALE ITEMS

If you have an item to put up for sale we can post it in the Rock Talk. Contact Marcia 340-3841 or fmeal@bellsouth.net with your information and we'll print it in the Newsletter. It needs to be in by the end of the month prior to the Newsletter going out.

GREENWISE

If you want coffee, you need to bring your own coffee cup. They will no longer be supplied by the club.

NEW MEMBERS

Debra Cody
 Kathleen Trent
 Vincent & Carol Ceglia
 Stacie Williams
 Michael & Patricia Foust
 Gretchen Dewey
 Melanie Vandenbos

RENEWALS

Linda Burns
 Donna Tate

PICNIC

There will be a picnic and tailgate at Pepper Park, May 17th starting at 11:00 am. Fried chicken will be provided. You may bring any covered dish, salad, desserts etc.

St. Lucie Co. Rock and Gem Club
General Membership Meeting
March 22, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 2:10. There were 18 members present.

The minutes were approved as printed in the Rock Talk.

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Hannah appreciated any and all who helped to clean up and asked that if there is anything that is needed to be sure to list it on the sheet in the front room.

Hannah purchased a diamond band saw for the club which was to be up for sale at Tailgate and she purchased a Taurus diamond glass grinder which the Club is keeping.

The board agreed to sell the Kiln which is in the front room for \$400.

If anyone has an item for sale they may note it in the Rock Talk.

The May Picnic and Tailgate is in the hands of Vero Beach this year. We don't have a date yet.

There was a discussion about purchasing a rolling mill and it was decided that more research needs to be done. Vince offered to loan his. It was suggested that if anyone goes to William Holland they might investigate it there.

There was discussion about using certain equipment in other classes. It was determined that there will be no casting or faceting in the Open Workshops.

The Budget was presented but there was not a quorum present to vote on it.

From Apr. 24th to the 26th at Graves Mtn in North Georgia there will be an open dig. Information can be found on this at the Workshop.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50. Thank you George Moore for the wonderful chocolate cake

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Robart for Meri Jo Theobald, secretary

FORT DRUM CRYSTAL MINE/RUCKS RV RESORT

Rock Swap and Fossil Show – Minerals, Fossils, Beads, Jewelry and Crystals – April 16th, 17th, 18th & 19th - Thursday – Sunday – Come for the day to shop and look at no charge. Vendors from all over the Southeastern US. To mine in the collecting area is \$30.00 per adult per day. Camping is available (no facilities) for \$25.00 daily. Gemstones found in fossil clams are of the finest quality ever found. Also, of interest to collectors are fossil shells up to 4 million years old, shark teeth, horse teeth and other fossils. Go to www.slrockandgem.org to print out a copy of the flyer and bring it with you on Sunday, April 19th to receive 50% of admission to collect gemstones and fossils.

Directions from Ft Pierce – take S.R. 68 (Orange Ave Ext. West) to 441 then North 7 miles to 304th Street – then East 3 miles then turn left to enter mine. From Okeechobee – North on 441 to Fort Drum then go Right

on 40th Street (Cemetery Rd) – then 3 miles down on left is entrance to mine. For further information call Edwin Ruck Sr. at: 863-

ATTENTION FACETERS from Norm Holbert

FFF2 – Franklin Faceters’ Frolic

WHO: Open to all faceters and persons interested in the craft of faceting.

WHAT: An event to meet, share, learn, demonstrate, and talk with other faceters. You may also buy, sell or trade rough and faceting supplies.

WHEN: Saturday, July 25th, 2009, 10:00 AM to 6:00PM

WHERE: Franklin, NC at the Fun Factory on Rt. 441/23 on Georgia Road. The Fun Factory is near the community center where the local R&G club will be hosting their show.

HOW: Just show up. If you know ahead of time that you will attend, an email to Roy Kersey [rkersey@tds.net] would be appreciated. If you want to demonstrate or be a vendor, let him know.

I attended this event last year and truly enjoyed it. Putting faces to names was one of the best parts. More information concerning this event will be forthcoming on the faceters’ list [usgfaceterslist@yahoo.com].

INSTRUCTORS TELEPHONE #'S

Jo Baker	460-2450	Hannah Pollack	878-1176	Debbie Thompson	460-2450
Earl Henderson	334-7585	Marca Robart	340-3841	Jim Urick	334-5081
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Registration Form	
Date: _____	Phone: _____
Name: _____	Enclosed \$ _____
Class: 1 _____ \$35.00	Teacher: _____
2 _____ \$20.00	Teacher: _____
3 _____ \$20.00	Teacher: _____
4 _____ \$20.00	Teacher: _____
Mail to: Marcia Robart 1249 SE Airoso Blvd Port St Lucie, FL 34983	MEMBERSHIP DUES OF \$15.00 ARE DUE JANUARY
Please Make Check Payable to: Saint Lucie County Rock & Gem Club	

If you have any questions on registration for a class, please call Marcia Robart at 340-3841. Any questions on specific classes, please contact the instructor.

PLEASE REGISTER AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE CLASS START UP OR THE CLASS MAY BE CANCELLED

CLASSES STARTED APRIL 6TH

CLASS SCHEDULE SPRING SESSION 2009 APRIL 6– JUNE 13

	<i>9AM-12N</i>	<i>1PM-4PM</i>	<i>7PM-10PM</i>
<i>MON</i>	Open Workshop <i>B. Young</i>	Bead Weaving <i>(Seed Beading) M.Robart</i>	Silversmithing <i>J. Baker</i> 6:00 – 9:00
<i>TUES</i>	Beg. Cabbing <i>H.Pollack</i>	Wire Wrapping <i>J. Vaughan</i>	Faceting <i>J.Mahar</i>
<i>WED</i>	Cabbing <i>H.Pollack</i>	Beg. Bead Weaving <i>M. Robart</i>	Bead Weaving <i>M. Robart</i> 5:30 – 8:30
			Cabbing <i>G. Shibona</i> 6:00 – 9:00
<i>THUR</i>	Stained Glass <i>E. Henderson</i>	Casting <i>J. Jones</i>	Open Workshop <i>V. Thinath</i>
<i>FRI</i>	Silver Workshop <i>D. Thompson</i>	Glass Fusion <i>G. Sackrowitz</i>	Wire Wrapping <i>D. Hill</i>
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<i>SAT</i>	Silversmithing <i>D. Thompson</i>	Cabbing <i>G. Shibona/J. Urick</i>	

St. Lucie County Rock & Gem & Club
 6901 Heritage Drive
 Port St. Lucie, FL 34952
 Non-Profit Educational Organization

First Class Mail

Our workshop is located at 6901 Heritage Drive, Port St. Lucie. Directions Take US #1 to Williamsburg Way intersection. (2 ½ miles south of Midway and US #1 or ¼ mile north of Rio Mar and US #1 intersection.) Turn west on Williamsburg Way and south on Heritage Drive. Turn right at the driveway #6901 is on the door