



ROCK TALK

Rock & Gem. St Lucie County, Florida No.64 August 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

August, 2009

Well membership, summer is coming to an end and it's time to get back to work. Several things have occurred since our last newsletter. One of the most important is an announcement I made at our last membership meeting. I announced that if we are going to have a club show this year, a new Show Chairman has to be found. I can no longer do it. There are a couple reasons for this. One is that I have gone back to work. I'm cutting stones for a local jewelry shop. Another is that I cannot leave my infirmed mother alone for long periods of time. Alzheimer,s is a progressive disease and it is progressing.

Another concern that I just found out about is that our club show is scheduled for the same weekend as the GLW Show in Orlando (Kissimmee). I may be wrong, but I believe that the Melbourne club took the weekend that we would normally have our show. It was always our show, the Melbourne show and then the Palm Beach show (always the weekend before Thanksgiving).That was three weekends in a row. Now there is a weekend after the Melbourne show with no show. My question is, do we change the time of the year that we have our show?

There will be a meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the workshop for Board members, the show committee and anyone interested in helping with

the show. I hope to see many of you at the meeting.

On another note, I recently returned from a week's vacation in Franklin, NC. While there, I drove over to William-Holland School. I inquired about the renovation they are doing in Spark's Lodge (original classroom/dorm building). Our club originally sponsored one of the rooms. There is a plaque with out club's name on it next to the door to the room. The cost for the renovation work is estimated to be \$3000.00. I'm hoping that we can pledge to come up with this amount whether over three years, a shorter time, or longer time. Something we should at least think and talk about.

I hope to see many of you at our next membership meeting – August 23rd, 2:00 PM at the workshop.

Norm Holbert

COMING EVENTS

Aug. 13..... Board Meeting at the Workshop at 7:00 p.m.

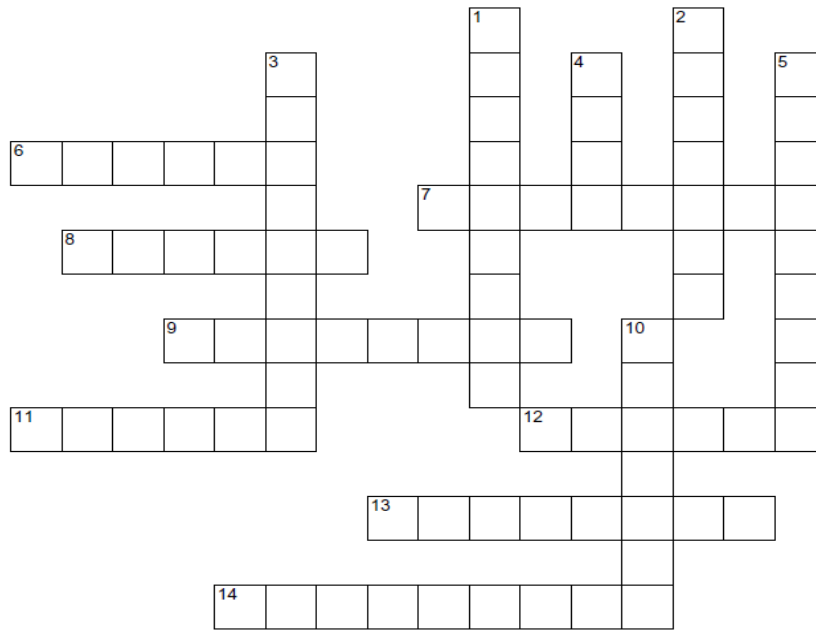
Aug. 23General Meeting at the workshop from 2:00 pm 4:00 pm

Oct 3 or Sept 26.....Clean up at Workshop at 9:00 a.m.

July 6-Sept 12.....Summer classes

Oct 31 & Nov 1.....St Lucie Rock and Gem Show at Martin County Fairgrounds.

Common Minerals



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ACROSS

- 6 the main source of lead
- 7 an iron ore, sometimes used in jewelry
- 8 sometimes called fool's gold
- 9 sulfide mineral, long metallic slender bladed crystals
- 11 a very heavy sulfate mineral
- 12 rock salt
- 13 calcium fluoride
- 14 a bright green copper carbonate

DOWN

- 1 a naturally magnetic rock
- 2 a bright blue copper carbonate
- 3 metamorphic quartz sandstone
- 4 a silicate mineral known for its perfect cleavage into thin sheets
- 5 strontium sulfate, its name means celestial
- 10 a common carbonate mineral, often a replacement mineral in fossils

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.

INSTRUCTORS TELEPHONE #'S

Dave Hara	545-7275	Hannah Pollack	878-1176	Jim Urick	334-5081
Denise Hill	460-2450	Sue Ritter	879-0411	June Vaughan	220-1826
Joe Jones	336-2836	Marca Robart	340-3841	Bob Young	461-4063
Jim Mahar	464-7809	Gina Sackrowitz	873-9006		

SHOW TIME

By August 18 there will be a book at the workshop with sign-up sheets of when and where you might be able to help out at the show or prior to the show. If you are not planning on being at the workshop, please call me and let know how you would like to help. Below is a list of the areas where we need help.

There will also be a sheet for the dealers dinner. The dinner starts 5:00 pm Friday evening. The club provides fried chicken and members provide additional dishes. We look forward to the delicious dishes that are brought. Perhaps we should start a cookbook.

Thursday Oct.29 we need help preparing the area which requires push brooms, dust pans and a little energy.

Friday Oct. 30 we need some muscle power to help set up the tables and chairs for the dealers. The dealers start arriving at noon. Bring gloves. We also need help in bringing some machinery and items from the storage unit. Also to be done in the morning. We will need help setting up the tables and the food for the dealers dinner.

Saturday and Sunday Help is needed in the following areas

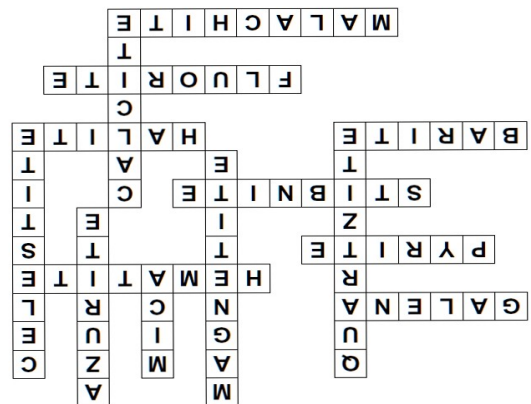
Taking tickets at the entrance	Demonstrations
Selling raffle tickets	Cabbing
Registration table	Beading
Hospitality	Faceting
Silent Auction	Wirewrapping
Silversmithing	

Your help is what makes the show succeed and your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Marcia Robart 772-340-3841 fmeal@bellsouth.net

NEW MEMBERS

Jena Wales	John Higgins
Ralph Green	Nason Henry
Angelo Sansoni	Charlene Driggs
Barbara Beaumont	Marlene Schaumburg



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Solution:

CLASS SCHEDULE SUMMER SESSION 2009 JULY 6– SEPT. 12

	<i>9AM-12N</i>	<i>IPM-4PM</i>	<i>7PM-10PM</i>
<i>MON</i>	Open Workshop <i>B. Young</i>	Bead Weaving <i>(Seed Beading) M.Robart</i>	
<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 5:30 – 8:30</i>
		Polymer Clay <i>G. Sackrowitz</i>	
<i>THUR</i>		Casting <i>J. Jones</i>	Open Workshop <i>D. Hara</i>
<i>FRI</i>	Silver Workshop <i>S. Ritter</i>	Glass Fusion <i>G. Sackrowitz</i>	Open Workshop <i>D. Hill</i>
	Wire Wrapping <i>D. Hill</i>		
<i>SAT</i>	Silversmithing <i>S. Ritter</i>	Cabbing <i>J. Urick</i>	

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

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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