



ROCK TALK

Rock & Gem. St Lucie County, Florida

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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 – June, 2010

It's difficult to realize that this year is already almost half gone. I remember (barely) when a year seemed like forever, now for some reason a year just doesn't seem to take as long as it used to – probably an age thing!

I met with an electrician at the workshop about a week or two ago. We went over several things including new wiring for our new kilns, and a "kill" switch for the back room. I haven't received his estimate yet. When I get the estimate, I'll bring it to the Board for a "look-see."

Our last edition of the "Rock Talk" included several pictures. That was a nice surprise. I hope that it continues. Also, any club member can use our newsletter to post a classified ad to sell lapidary related items. It's your newsletter; use it to your advantage. Also, you could write an article to be put into the newsletter – maybe a field trip you took, a great rock hounding experience, a how-to article, etc. Let's share.

We had a fairly nice gathering at Pepper Park a few weeks ago. So far I haven't heard of any problems that arose this year like last year's get together.

Well, that's about it for now. I hope to see you at our next general membership meeting.
Norm Holbert

Since there was no meeting in May, this newsletter contains no "Meeting Minutes" from Meri Jo.

COMING EVENTS

June 24..... Board Meeting at the Workshop at 7:00 p.m.

June 27General Meeting at the workshop from 2:00 pm 4:00 pm

July 3.....Clean up at Workshop. at 9:00 a.m.

July 5-Sept 12.....Summer classes

Oct 30 & 31.....St LucieRock and Gem Show at Martin County Fairgrounds.

THERAPY CORNER

We've had many members who having had surgery or a mishap, myself included, find themselves with a sudden need to use a wheelchair, walker, cane, boot, shoe, etc. And like myself, once I no longer have use for the equipment I donate it, or it winds up filling a closet, or the garage. If you have any such items and would like to make it available for temporary use, please contact Marcia Robart

fmeal@bellsouth.net and we'll keep a list of these items should anyone have use for them.

SHOW TIME SHOW TIME

Here we go again...It's the start of Summer and hopefully it'll be a safe one. Recall there's a Rock and Gem Show Extravaganza on the horizon and you might want to keep free admission for those that help in mind. Now's probably a good time to think about how you'd like to help. We have nothing but praise for those who helped last year, and we'd sure like to see that happen again.

A sign up book will again be available, at the workshop sometime in July.

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| 1. | Clean up at Fairgrounds | Thur. Oct. 28 |
| 2. | Set up of tables, etc. | Thur. Oct. 28 |
| 3. | Dealers Dinner to begin at 5 pm
(help is needed with setting up food and tables) | Fri. Oct. 29 |
| 4. | Helping with bringing and setting up equipment
from the workshop and storage unit to Fairgrounds | Fri. Oct. 29 |

Hospitality is headed by Judy Morrison, and she'll need hospitable folks to assist vendors if they need to leave their area, and retrieve items where needed.

We'll need members to help with the registration, Admissions, Raffle Sales and pretty much where ever a need arises.

Demonstrations. There will again be areas set up for demonstrations or exhibits showing what our Club is about; Beading, Cabbing, Faceting and Wire-wrapping. There will, of course, be exhibits of Silversmithing, Glass Fusion, Lampwork and Enameling. Sadly we're not allowed to play with fire or anything hot, at the fairgrounds (indoors).

RAFFLE ITEMS: Last year we had some beautiful items submitted by our members and would like to have the same again this year. For those of you who are new to the Club, we have at least 3 items to be raffled off that are made by members. Please submit an item, if you're interested. There's still plenty of time. But as always "If it were not for the last minute a lot of things wouldn't get done".

So, please don't wait till the last minute to let us know if and where you would like to help out with the show. We really depend on you, the members.

As always: Marcia Robart fmeal@bellsouth.net or 772-340-3841.

The St Lucie Rock & Gem Show is only 5 months away!!

LAMPWORK CLASS

A Basic Lampwork Class will be held during the Summer Session. For those interested in this class, you will need a hot head torch, mapp gas canisters, a 12"x12" tile or cookie sheet, a firemat, Diodymium safety glasses, a marver, rake, tweezers (3 different types), mashers, bead release and mandrels. You can purchase these items at Mountain Glass Arts - www.mountainglassarts.com

If you're interested in taking this class, you'll need to sign up three weeks in advance. When this class will be held is still "in the air", i.e. undecided. The choices are Fridays from 1 pm to 4 pm, or Saturdays from 1 pm to 4 pm. When you sign up for this class, please state your preference, for either Friday or Saturday. If you don't care which day, then please state that. The day of the class, either Friday or Saturday (but Not Both) will be determined by which day has the most sign ups.

INSTRUCTORS TELEPHONE #'S

Ray Claus	240-9012	Denise Hill	460-2450	Gerry Shibona	359-0442
Jay Dumas	408-3552	Jim Mahar	464-7809	Sandy Tharp	336-0882
Earl Henderson	334-7585	Hannah Pollack	878-1176	June Vaughan	220-1826
Dave Hara	545-7275	Marca Robart	340-3841	Bob Young	461-4063

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: St Lucie County Rock & Gem Club
6901 Heritage Drive
Port St Lucie, FL 34952

For Lampwork class:
Circle one: Friday Saturday Don't care

Please Make Check Payable to: Saint Lucie County Rock & Gem Club

Any questions on class registration? 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.

2010 Picnic at Pepper Park



CLASS SCHEDULE SUMMER SESSION 2010 JULY 5 – SEPT. 12

	<i>9AM-12Noon</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>	Open Workshop <i>D. Hara</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 Workshop <i>H.Pollack</i> <i>Prerequisite: Beg. Cabbing</i>	Beg. Bead Weaving <i>M. Robart</i>	Bead Weaving <i>M. Robart 6:00 – 9:00</i>
			Cabbing <i>G. Shibona 6:00 – 9:00</i>
<i>THUR</i>	Stained Glass <i>E. Henderson</i>	Casting <i>J. Dumas</i>	Silversmithing <i>R. Claus</i>
<i>FRI</i>		Wirewrapping <i>S. Tharp</i>	Open Workshop <i>D. Hill</i> <i>6:00 – 9:00</i>
<i>SAT</i>		Basic Lampworking <i>D. Hill</i> <i>TBD (will be held either on</i> <i>Friday or Saturday)</i>	
<i>SUN</i>			

St. Lucie County Rock & Gem & Club
 6901 Heritage Drive
 Port St. Lucie, FL 34952
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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