



ROCK TALK

Rock & Gem. St Lucie County, Florida No.67 November 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

President's Message October 2009

Our annual club Rock & Gem Show ended yesterday and I'm purposely writing this before I know any of the figures as to profits or losses. My hat's off to Marcia and her great number of volunteers for what I saw as a very, very well done job. I showed up for a few hours on Friday during set up and for several hours on Sunday. The one thing that hit me from all our members was that they were smiling. That's definitely a good sign. I tried to speak with every vendor on Sunday to see how well or how poorly they were doing. One of the first I talked with was a new vendor that rented one table and had meteorites among other things for sale. He told me that he had told his wife on Friday that after seeing our venue that he'd be lucky to even make enough to pay for gas to get home on. His comment to me on Sunday was that by noon on Saturday he had already done better than he had done at any other two or three day show! There were a couple of dealers that were still trying to make expenses by mid-day Sunday, but for the most part our vendors were very pleased with their sales. Again congratulations to everyone who helped with our show and especially to Marcia.

On another note, at our next general membership meeting (Nov. 22nd), we may be taking a vote on a change in our By-Laws that could allow members under the age of 18 to participate in our classes. Of

course, the idea of getting younger people interested in our endeavors is and always has been a goal, but the more I think about this, the more questions come to mind. The primary concern is liability. I truly think that any lawyer could easily take any waiver that we have parents sign and basically throw it out. My question is, are we willing to lose everything that we have? Please attend the meeting to voice your opinion.

I'll close for now, and once again thank Marcia and all the volunteers that provided us with another great show.

Sincerely,

- Board Meeting at the Workshop at 7:00 p.m.
-General Meeting at the workshop from 2:00 pm 4:00 pm
-Holiday Party at the Savanna Club starting at 1:00 p.m.
-Clean up at Workshop at 1:00 p.m.
-Fall Classes

If your email has changed and you are not getting the ROCK TALK, you need to email Jenny to let her know.

REMINDERS

*****DUES NEED TO BE PAID BY THE END OF JANUARY*****

*****Enjoyment Books are available at the workshop.*****

St. Lucie Co. Rock and Gem Club
General Membership Meeting
October 25, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by Norm Holbert, president. There were 31 members present.

The minutes were approved as printed in the Rock Talk. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Marcia reported from the membership committee that she is asking members to keep the checks separate for each payment, as this makes the book keeping simpler for them. Membership on one check, classes on one check, ticket donation money on one check, etc. She asks that if you are registering for a class, please completely fill out the slip. There are often duplicate classes offered and she needs to put you in the right one.

Hannah reminded us that the workshop committee is made up of all members and it is our joint responsibility to keep things neat and in working order. Please keep it clean!

Don reported from the special events committee that the slate of officers for next year is as follows:

President	Norm Holbert
Vice President	Hannah Pollack
Secretary	Meri Jo Theobald
Treasurer	Linda LeMieux

There were no nominations from the floor and the nominations were closed. Election will be at the November meeting.

Lyn Marino updated us on the health status of one of our members. Royce Sisson was diagnosed with stage 4 ovarian cancer this summer and is waging her battle without the benefit of health insurance. It was discussed how to best help Lyn with a fund raiser and members offered their support in whatever Lyn decides to do.

Meri Jo Theobald made a motion to continue the scholarship to IRSC in the amount of 1200.00. The motion was seconded by Janet Worshinski and passed with no opposition.

The Enjoyment Books are for sale again this year. Please call Meri Jo at 334-5346 to get the books you need.

The plans for the show are on track. At this time there are 75 tables reserved and 27 dealers. The food vendor will be the same as last year. Security will be the same as last year. Don asked for donations for the silent auction. The dealer dinner will be at 5:00 so it was asked that food be there by 4:30.

Respectfully submitted
Meri Jo Theobald, secretary

Dave Hara	545-7275	Marilyn Papendick	781-7348	Gina Sackrowitz	873-9006
Denise Hill	460-2450	Hannah Pollack	878-1176	Gerry Shibona	359-0442
Joe Jones	336-2836	Sue Ritter	879-0411	Jim Urick	334-5081
Jim Mahar	464-7809	Marca Robart	340-3841	Bob Young	461-4063

PROPOSED CLASS SCHEDULE WINTER SESSION 2010 JAN 4 – MARCH 13

	9AM-12N	IPM-4PM	7PM-10PM
MON	Open Workshop B. Young	Bead Weaving (Seed Beading) M.Robart	Open Workshop D. Hara
		Enamel Workshop M. Papendick - \$15 supplies	
TUES	Beg. Cabbing H.Pollack	Wire Wrapping J. Vaughan	Faceting J.Mahar
WED	Cabbing Workshop H.Pollack	Beg. Bead Weaving M. Robart	Bead Weaving M. Robart
		Polymer Clay G. Sackrowitz	Cabbing G. Shibona 6:00 – 9:00
THUR	Stained Glass J. Jones	Casting J. Jones	Intarsia V. Thinath
FRI	Silver Workshop S. Ritter	Glass Fusion G. Sackrowitz	Open Workshop D. Hill 6:00 – 9:00
		Wirewrapping D. Hill	
SAT	Silversmithing S. Ritter	Cabbing J. Urick	
SUN	Open Workshop Cabbing/SilverSmithing J. Urick 10 - 1		

Ann Royer - \$35.00

March 22-26 (5 days) 9am – 5 pm Bring your lunch

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

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