



NEWSLETTER
FOR CENTRAL
BREVARD
ROCK AND
GEM CLUB

Brevard Gems

Web address: www.centralbrevardgems.org

**Open Shop Hours: Sunday 1-4 PM;
Wednesday 9:30 AM-12:30 PM, 1-4 PM;
Thursday 6:30-9:30 PM.**

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NOVEMBER 2021

President's Message

REMINDERS:

November 4. CBRGC Meeting at Merritt Island Public Library. 6 pm.

November 24, The calendar shows the shop as open on Thanksgiving Eve, but this could change due to family obligations.

December 2. Christmas/Holiday Party at Olive Garden. 6 pm. RSVP to Roz 321-431-0159 or sign up at meeting so she can give them a count. See page 3.

December 24, 2021-January 1, 2022. Shop will be closed.

January 6, 2022. CBRGC Meeting at Merritt Island Public Library. 6 pm.

EMAIL updates will be sent out for any special notifications or events.

Welcome to November. I hope you all had a fun & safe Halloween.

November is the fourth and last of four months to have a length of 30 days and the fifth and last of five months to have a length of fewer than 31 days. November meteor showers include the Andromedids, which occurs from September 25th to December 6th and generally peak around November 9th –14th, the Leonids, which occurs from November 15–20, amongst others.

Birthstones are the topaz (particularly, yellow) which symbolizes friendship and the citrine.

Daylight saving time ends (United States and Canada).

November for the club is Elections. Elections will be held at the November meeting as well as any club business for the year that needs to be concluded. I hope to see all of you there!

Until then... Keep on Rockin'

Mario Vento
2021 President



November 2021

■ Classes

■ Open Shop

■ Meetings

■ Event

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	Open Shop 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1-4 p.m. 3	Meeting at 6:00 p.m. 4	5	6
Open Shop 1 - 4 pm 7	8	9	Open Shop 9:30 am- 12:30 pm 1-4 p.m. 10	 Open Shop 6:30-9:30 pm 11	12	13
Open Shop 1-4 pm 14	15	16	Open Shop 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1-4 p.m. 17	Open Shop 6:30 - 9:30 pm 18	19	20
Open Shop 1 - 4 p.m. 21	22	23	Open Shop 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1-4 p.m. 24	Happy Thanksgiving	26	27
Open Shop 1 - 4 p.m. 28	29	30				

INSTRUCTORS

- ◆ Michele is available to teach Wire Wrap or Opal Cutting or Intarsia on Wednesdays from 1-4 p.m. raymich06@bellsouth.net
- ◆ Mario will continue with Cabbing on Monday evenings 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. rokounds@gmail.com
- ◆ Tom Brown is available for Wire Wrapping and Cabbing. tbrown2045@cfl.rr.com.
- ◆ Lucy is currently unavailable for Glass Fusing.
- ◆ John Catana for Beginner Silver, Advanced Silver, Southwest, Filigree, Baskets, or Casting at jcatana58@gmail.com.
- ◆ Bill Dewey for Faceting on Wednesday mornings.
- ◆ Elizabeth (izbet@aol.com) and Roz (roz.mestre@att.net) are available to teach Kumihimo and Basic Chainmail.
- ◆ Classes are available for all CBRGC members.
- ◆ To sign up for classes, please contact Roz by email at roz.mestre@att.net or 321-431-0159 or sign up at meeting.

WISH LIST FOR THE WORKSHOP

These are some supplies we use at the workshop and since COVID has impacted our funds, these are some items that would be most appreciated. Please bring them in either at a meeting or at the workshop. Most of these can be found at a dollar store or on a BOGO or in a multipack. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

At this time, we need:

- ◆ white copy paper
- ◆ 6" white envelopes
- ◆ nail brushes
- ◆ plastic containers any size
- ◆ elmer's wood glue

Donations needed for the show:

- ◆ Finished jewelry
- ◆ jewelry supplies
- ◆ items for kids prizes



ITEMS FOR SALE

Long time CBRGC member Beverly Morgan is moving out of Brevard County and is selling jewelry display items, rotating earring rack with cards, velvet bodice boards, gem stones, and minerals. She is in Viera. Call her 321 749 3763 to see.

CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY DINNER

Our Christmas/Holiday Dinner will be at Olive Garden on Thursday, December 2nd at 6 pm.

Roz will have sign up sheets at the November meeting or you can call her at 321-431-0159 to RSVP. Ordering will be from the menu and there will be separate checks.

Last year was a lot of fun. Hope to see you there.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1st—Tom Backhaus

3rd—Cheryl Snyder

6th—Jeannine Guth

6th—Mario Vento

Lori Davis

▲ man of genius makes no mistakes; his errors are volitional and are the portals of discovery.

James Joyce

FROM THE WORKSHOP



Truman created this beautiful Rhodenite cabochon set in sterling silver scalloped bezel wire. The bale is soldered to the silver back.



Fred shaped, polished, and finished this beautiful stone to fit in this purchased setting. It will be set as shown.



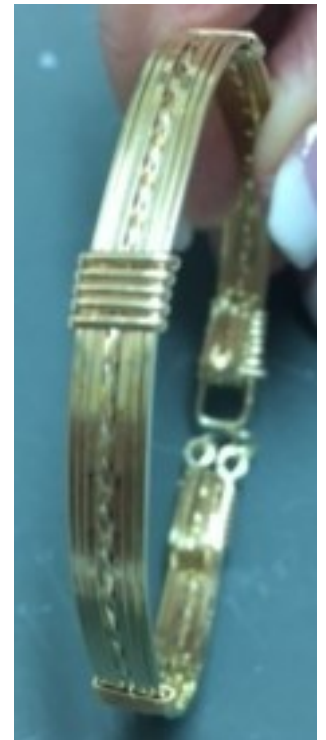
This is another beautiful piece created by Truman in John's silver class.

The Pink Opal cabochon is set in a gallery wire bezel and has a rabbit ear bale.

CLASSES ARE OPEN TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS.

Linda made this beautiful wirewrap bracelet in Michele's Wirewrap class.

The sterling silver bracelet has a distinct twisted wire feature.



These pieces were made by Elizabeth in John Catana's silver class. Left to Right. This green jade cabochon is in a silver setting with twisted wire trim and a bale made from half dome wire.

The Larimar hearts were purchased at the 2021 show from one of our vendors. They are set in gallery wire bezels. The earrings have a jump ring bale and the pendant has a rabbit ear bale.

This common opal has a landscape design and is secured in a sterling silver wire frame that displays its unique natural beauty.

Club Purpose:

The purpose of this club is to foster interest in and to promote knowledge and appreciation of minerals, gems, fossils, and the earth sciences. We also disseminate information and instruction in the lapidary arts and the utilization of precious metals in our crafts. These purposes are accomplished through regular meetings with informative programs, workshops, study groups, and field trips.



OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers:

President:	Mario Vento	(321)593-2958	rokhounds@gmail.com
1st Vice President:	Elizabeth Bishop	(321)452-1579	izbet@aol.com
2nd Vice President:	Lucy Caracoglia		
Secretary:	Roz Mestre	(321)632-8281	roz.mestre@att.net
Treasurer:	Michele Huntington	(321)799-8536	raymich06@bellsouth.net

Directors:

Bill Dewey	2021-22
John Catana	2021-22
Dick Cunion	2020-21
Sara Fellows	2020-21

Shop Location:

407 Imperial Blvd, Unit D
Cape Canaveral, FL
(Imperial is located off A1A just south of the Port)



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PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2022

All officer positions are up for election and two board positions are up for election - those board positions are currently being held by Sara Fellows and Dick Cunion.

The other two board positions are currently being held by Bill Dewey and John Catana. Their positions will be up for election next year, and they are both willing to continue their current position for the rest of their term. The officially proposed slate is as follows.

President	Elizabeth Bishop
1st VP	
2nd VP	Lucy Caracoglia
Secretary:	Roz Mestre
Treasurer:	Michele Huntington

Board: Sara Fellows
Dick Cunion

Presented by Jennifer Davison.

Central Brevard Rock and Gem Club
General Meeting
October 7, 2021
Merritt Island Library

Attendees: 23

Meeting opened at 6:02 PM. We began with the pledge of allegiance.

Tonight we had a couple of new members. Mario introduced them and each of them gave a brief description of their lapidary experience and interest in the club.

Minutes were read by Roz and motion to accept by John, 2nd by Elizabeth.

Membership report provided by Michele, read by Roz. We have 73 members, 4 life members.

Treasurer's report by Michele indicated that our expenses were much less than our income this past month, partly due to vendor income.

Workshop: All machines are in working order. Pixie 1 had water pump water line replaced. Slab saw working but intermittently will stop cutting and needs to be restarted. John says it is due to the switch and will look into replacement.

Classes include: Silver casting with John Catana, SW silver designs with John Catana, Cabbing with Mario, Gem ID with Billy, Kumihimo with Elizabeth, Beginner Chainmaille with Elizabeth, freeform Wire wrapping with Mario, traditional wire wrapping with Michele, opal cutting with Michele, Gem tree with Jennifer, Please contact Roz @ 321-431-0159 if you have any interest in any of these classes. Sign up sheets will be at each meeting. Dates for classes will be determined by consensus of attendees.

Newsletter going out to members regularly.

Website is still a work in progress and basic information can now be found on www.centralbrevardgems.com.

Facebook: Continues to be monitored for both the club page and the public page.

Show: To date, 17 vendors have paid for their spaces. We are now waiting to hear from additional vendors.

Fundraising: Dick presented the folders that were made up with Sponsor letters, receipts and club info. So far 3 members have taken folders. They will be available at the next meeting as well as at the workshop.

New Business : Members voted on increasing class fees to \$20/session and shop fees to \$10/session. Motion made by Phil and 2nd by John to accept the motion.

Jennifer presented slate of nominees: Mario for President, 1st VP open, Lucy for 2nd VP, Roz for secretary, Michele for Treasurer. All directors to continue: Sara, Dick, John, and Billy. At the next meeting, members will cast their votes. There is still time if anyone else wants to consider running for any position of the executive board and 2 slots for director.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Minutes prepared by Roz Mestre



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**Kiwanis Island Recreation Center
 951 Kiwanis Is Park Rd
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THE 45TH ANNUAL SHOW ON KIWANIS ISLAND, FEBRUARY 5TH AND 6TH, 2022

This is a major fundraiser for the Central Brevard Rock and Gem Club and it is a great opportunity to purchase products from numerous vendors. Please make copies of the above coupons and distribute to friends, businesses, clubs, gyms, etc.

Thank you for your assistance.

The Grand prize for the 2022 show was made by John Catana who will be teaching a silver casting class. This beautiful unique piece has a Petosky stone cabochon encased in a sterling silver pendant.



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2022 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

ANNUAL DUES: ADULTS \$30.00, JUNIOR: \$10.00 (under 18 w/parent)

CBRGC USE ONLY

DATE: _____ [] NEW []RENEWAL []JUNIOR

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE#: _____ CELL#: _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE: _____ PAID: _____

[]CASH [] CHARGE [] CHECK # _____

[]CARD ISSUED ISSUED BY _____

CLUB FUNCTION: _____ INITS: _____

SAFETY BRIEFING: _____ INITS: _____

B'DAY MONTH/DAY: _____

PLEASE CHECK YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST;

GENERAL BEADING CABOCHONS CASTING FACETING FUSED GLASS

INLAY INTARSIA KUMIHIMO OPALS SILVER WIRE WRAP

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? FACEBOOK WEB FRIEND OTHER: _____

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