



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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President's Message

REMINDERS:

October 7. CBRGC Meeting at Merritt Island Public Library. 6 p.m. Michele will talk about her trip to Wild Acres for a week of Filigree. Come see her creations and photos. See page 5.

October 9. Ascension Fall Craft Fair. Flyer on page 5.

October 30-31. St. Lucie Rock & Gem Club Show. www.slrockandgem.org 772-475-5593. Coupon on page 5.

November 4. CBRGC Meeting at Merritt Island Public Library. 6 p.m.

December. Christmas/Holiday Party at Olive Garden. TBA.

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

Greeting to one and all club members, well, the seasons have begun to change and the cooler weather (rains) are here, Halloween is coming up and we all know what that means.... Retail Christmas Shopping Ads!!!! LOL

Interesting dates for Oct... World Vegetarian days is the 1st. International day of non-violence is the 2nd. German – American day is the 6th. Halloween, of course, is on the 31st.

For the club we have lots on our plate, elections are in November and if anyone wants to run for an officers position, you can talk to either myself, Jennifer, Election Committee Chair, or any of the officers in the club and we will get your info to Jennifer.

We have items on the agenda, mostly carry-overs from September, when I was indisposed, which need to be finished up. And any new business is always welcome. Life is great and my health is back on the rise so I will gladly see you all there, and I do hope you all will make it to the meeting.

Until then, Keep on Rockin'!!!
Mario

Mario Vento
2021 President



October 2021



Classes



Open Shop



Meetings



Event

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Halloween Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 31 | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 3 | 4 | 5 | Open Shop 9:30 am.- 12:30 pm 1-4 p.m. 6 | Meeting at 6:00 pm No open Shop 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 10 | Columbus Day 11 | 12 | Open Shop 9:30 am- 12:30 pm 1-4 pm 13 | Open Shop 6:30-9:30 pm 14 | 15 | 16 |
| Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 17 | 18 | 19 | Open Shop 9:30 am-12:30 pm 1-4 pm 20 | Open Shop 6:30-9:30 pm 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 24 | 25 | 26 | Open Shop 9:30am- 12:30 pm 1-4 pm 27 | Open Shop 6:30-9:30 pm 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 Cabling on Monday evenings 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. rokounds@gmail.com
- ◆ Tom Brown is available for Wire Wrapping and Cabling. 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

**THANK YOU TO MEMBERS WHO
HAVE DONATED ITEMS FROM**

WISH LIST

- Janice Isely
- John Catana
- Lucy Caracoglia
- Elizabeth Bishop
- Fred O'Brien
- Robin Braswell
- Dick Cunnion
- Richard Dey
- Sara Fellows
- Jennifer Davison
- Rose Murdoch
- Glenn Uecker
- Rick Spechler
- Roz Mestre

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Curtis Goetti 7th
- Donna Herring 7th
- Aaron Erickson 11th
- Erleen Estes 17th
- Glenn Uecker 21st
- Lyn Keil 23rd
- Vaughn DeBold 27th
- Rob Hollander 30th
- Darren Gibson 31st

CREATIVITY IS ALLOWING
YOURSELF TO MAKE MISTAKES.
ART IS KNOWING WHICH ONES
TO KEEP.

— SCOTT ADAMS



FROM THE WORKSHOP



Lucy Caracoglia finished this beautiful color change faceted stone pendant with the double bale and the free form link chain with beads.



The earrings on the left are blue Cubic Zirconia mounted in baskets and secured with prongs. They are attached to a post by a jump ring. Elizabeth completed these in John's silver class.



On the right is a plan for an opal that was polished and shaped by Elizabeth. The design includes a border and bale of filigree. This plan was designed by John Catana and will be completed in the Filigree Class that will be scheduled when more members sign up.



On the left are three pieces completed by Elizabeth in John's silver class. These pieces were in the Show and Tell section of Septembers meeting.

The Bracelet has a Granite stone and the leaves are from the casting class.

The Jade Pendant has a has a border of twisted wire.

The Boulder Opal is in a setting of scalloped bezel wire bordered by beaded wire.

Both pendants have bales on the back.

Sign-Up sheets are at all club meetings and these classes are available to members.

44th Annual
**Jewelry,
 Rock & Gem
 S ♦ H ♦ O ♦ W**
 PRESENTED BY ST. LUCIE COUNTY ROCK & GEM CLUB

Saturday, October 30, 2021
 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Sunday, October 31, 2021
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

MIDFLORIDA Event Center
 (formerly Port St. Lucie Civic Center)
 9221 S.E. Civic Center Place, Port St. Lucie

Admission \$5.00/Under 12 Free
 Tickets available at door

Present this coupon for
**\$1.00 OFF
 Admission**

Ascension Council of Catholic Women

**FALL
 Craft
 FAIR**

ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH
 PARISH HALL
 2950 N HARBOR CITY BLVD, MELBOURNE, FL 32935

**OCTOBER
 9
 9AM TO 3PM**

**FEATURING
 UNIQUE ARTISIAN BOOTHS
 PERFECT FOR YOUR
 HOLIDAY SHOPPING**

**ENJOY
 FOOD & BEVERAGES
 FREE ADMISSION & PARKING**

**VENDOR SPACES AVAILABLE
 \$35 PER TABLE
 CONTACT: Muriel Dufresne
 PHONE: (352) 586-7160
 EMAIL: jnmdufresne@yahoo.com**



Filigree

“Filigree is a form of intricate metalwork used in jewelry and other small forms of metalwork. In jewelry, it is usually of gold and silver, made with tiny beads or twisted threads, or both in combination, soldered together or to the surface of an object of the same metal and arranged in artistic motifs.

It often suggests lace.”

It was popular in Italian, French and Portuguese metalwork from 1660 to the late 19th century.

Michele will be doing a presentation on Filigree at the October meeting and sharing slides of her trip to Wildacres in North Carolina and her own creations of filigree.

John Catana will be teaching Filigree early next year. Contact Roz to join.



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 SHOP FEE INCREASES AND SCHEDULE CHANGE

The Board has decided that membership fees will remain \$30 for 2022.

A motion was made to increase class fees from \$12 to \$20 for each class session. The motion Passed the board. If supplies for classes are needed, each participant will either purchase items on their own or from the instructor.

A motion was made to raise shop fees from \$6 to \$10/session, effective January 1, 2022. This will be a revision to standing rule #4.

These proposals were presented at the September general meeting and membership will vote on these revisions of section 4 of the standing rule at the October meeting.

Mario has recommended that Wednesday nights should be reopened if there is an interest. This proposal will also be discussed at the October meeting.

The fee increases are necessary as expenses have increased and many of our machines and other equipment will be need to be repaired or replaced.

**Central Brevard Rock and Gem Club
General Meeting
September 2, 2021
Merritt Island Library**

Attendees: 19

Meeting opened at 6:03 PM. We began with the pledge of allegiance. Minutes were read and motion to accept by Erleen, 2nd by Billy.

Membership report provided by Michele, read by Roz. We have 72 members, 4 life members.

Treasurer's report by Michele, read by Roz.

Workshop: All machines are in working order. Pixie 1 had water pump repaired. Slab saw working but intermittently will stop cutting and needs to be restarted. John will look into whether it is the switch or the motor.

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, eight vendors have paid for their spaces. We are now waiting to hear from new vendors that attended last year. A meeting was held with Erleen, Roz, Julie, and Dick to discuss ways to increase donations. A letter has been drawn up to offer to various private businesses asking for either gift certificates for services or items. This will be provided at the next meeting for members to take with them. We need volunteers to help with this to make our show a success.

Fundraising: Dick Cunion offered the idea of doing Cocoa Village in December. After a brief break for refreshment and participating in silent auction, we had Show & Tell. Elizabeth and Cheryl presented their silver pieces that they created during their silver classes with John.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.
Minutes prepared by Roz Mestre





**Rocks,
Gems and Jewelry
Show and Sale**
February 5 and 6, 2022

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Show Hours
Saturday 10-5
Sunday 10-4

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Kiwanis Island Recreation Center
951 Kiwanis Is Park Rd
Merritt Island, FL 32952

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Hourly Door Prizes
Silent Auction
Grand Prize Drawing

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ADMISSION: \$ 6.00

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THE 45TH ANNUAL SHOW
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.

Central Brevard Rock & Gem Club Inc.

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#: _____ B'DAY MONTH/DAY: _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE: _____ PAID: _____

[]CASH [] CHARGE [] CHECK # _____

[]CARD ISSUED ISSUED BY _____

CLUB FUNCTION: _____ INITS: _____

SAFETY BRIEFING: _____ INITS: _____

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: _____

PLEASE
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