



NEWSLETTER
FOR CENTRAL
BREVARD
ROCK AND
GEM CLUB

Brevard Gems

Web address: www.centralbrevardgems.com

**Open Shop Hours: Sunday 1-4 PM;
Wednesday 9:30 AM-12:30 PM, 1-4 PM.
Thursdays: Call or text Mario at 321-593-2958 to confirm.**

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President's Message

Welcome to 2024. Welcome to January.

Time to make resolutions and goals for the New Year.

Classes are being planned and scheduled. There are many opportunities to learn new skills. If you do not see the class you want, just ask Roz or another member of the board. During Open Workshops, the Shop Supervisors are always available to assist.

The show is on the horizon, the first weekend in February. This is our major fundraiser and we still need volunteers. There will be sign-up sheets at the February meeting and at the shop.

Hope to see you in the workshop, at our February meeting, or at the Show. Admission is free with paid club membership.

Please renew your membership. We need all of you.

REMINDERS:

**PLEASE RENEW
YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
FOR 2024.**

January 4, 2024.

CBRGC Meeting. 6 PM.
Merritt Island Public
Library.

January 20-21. Tomoka
Gem and Mineral Society
Show. See page 3.

February 1. CBRGC
Meeting. 6 PM. Merritt
Island Public Library.

February 3-4. The 2024
Symphony of Gems at
Kiwanis Island on Merritt
Island.

CBRGC Meetings. 6 PM.
Merritt Island Public
Library.

March 7.

April 4.

May 2.

June 6.

***Elizabeth Bishop
2024 President***



We are all inventors, each sailing out on the voyage of discovery, guided each by a private chart of which there is no duplicate. The world is all gates, all opportunities.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

January 2024

■ Classes

■ Open Shop

■ Meetings

■ Event

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Happy New Year! 1	2	Open Shop 9:30 am-12:30 pm 1-4 pm 3	Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Library 4	5	6
Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 7	8	9	Open Shop 9:30 am-12:30 pm 1-4 pm 10	11	12	13
Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 14	Martin Luther King Day 15	16	Open Shop 9:30 am-12:30 pm 1-4 pm 17	18	19	20
Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 21	22	23	Open Shop 9:30 am-12:30 pm 1-4 pm 24	25	26	27
Open Shop 1 – 4 pm 28	29	30	Open Shop 9:30 am-12:30 pm 1-4 pm 31	Call or text Mario at 321-593-2958 to confirm for Thursday evening Shop.		

INSTRUCTORS

- ◆ Michele is available to teach Wire Wrap or Opal Cutting or Intarsia on Wednesdays from 1-4 p.m. raymich06@bellsouth.net
 - ◆ Mario is available to teach cabbing on Monday and Thursday. Call or text 321-593-2958.
 - ◆ Tom Brown is available for Wire Wrapping and Cabbing. tbrown2045@cfl.rr.com.
 - ◆ Lucy is available to teach Glass Fusing at 321-522-1732.
 - ◆ John Catana for Beginner Silver, Advanced Silver, Southwest, Filigree, Baskets, or Casting at jcatana58@gmail.com.
 - ◆ Elizabeth (izbet@aol.com) and Roz (roz.mestre@att.net) are available to teach Kumihimo and Basic Chainmaille.
- ◆ 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.

FROM THE WORKSHOP

Carol Warner finished this beautiful Petosky stone and sterling bracelet today with John Catana instructor.



TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

After 50 years of jewelry making, Peter Indorf, member of Canaveral Mineral & Gem is selling off his tools and equipment.

He can be reached at 321-914-0118 or at peter@peterindorf.com

TOMOKA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY



COME JOIN US!

**Gem, Mineral, Fossil, & Jewelry
48th Annual Show & Sale**

**When: Saturday, January 20, 10 a.m to 6 pm
Sunday, January 21, 10 a.m. to 5 pm**

**Admission: \$5 Adult
Kids 12 and under are free**

**Where: Volusia County Fairgrounds,
Tommy Lawrence arena
State Rte. 44, Deland, FL
(1/4 mile east of I-4, exit 118A)**



Former CBRCG member Allen Rorvik will be 100 years old this month.

Maybe some members remember him.

Happy birthday Allen.



CBRGC CHRISTMAS DINNER AT OLIVE GARDEN

Our club had our celebration dinner on the 14th of December. The food and service were top rate. After dinner we had the gift exchange. Later the officers for 2024 were sworn in.



It was lots of fun to converse and share over dinner. Some brought family members.



Left: Mario won the beautiful Jade Vase that was donated to the club.



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

Directors:

Erleen Estes	2023-24
John Catana	2023-24
Dick Cunion	2022-23
Sara Fellows	2022-23

Shop Location:

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



Member of Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Inc. - www.southeastfed.org/



Affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies - www.amfed.org

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

The Central Brevard Rock and Gem Club is in need of a newsletter editor. The newsletter is currently prepared using Microsoft Publisher 2016.

The Editor prepares the monthly newsletter and sends it out for review, makes corrections, and then emails it to CBRGC members.

Photos and articles are often provided by members. The editor also takes photos of the meetings, the shop, and other club activities. Most of the newsletter preparation involves cropping photos and reviewing articles and making it all fit and look good.

It's a fun creative job and a great way to contribute to the club and to meet and encourage members.

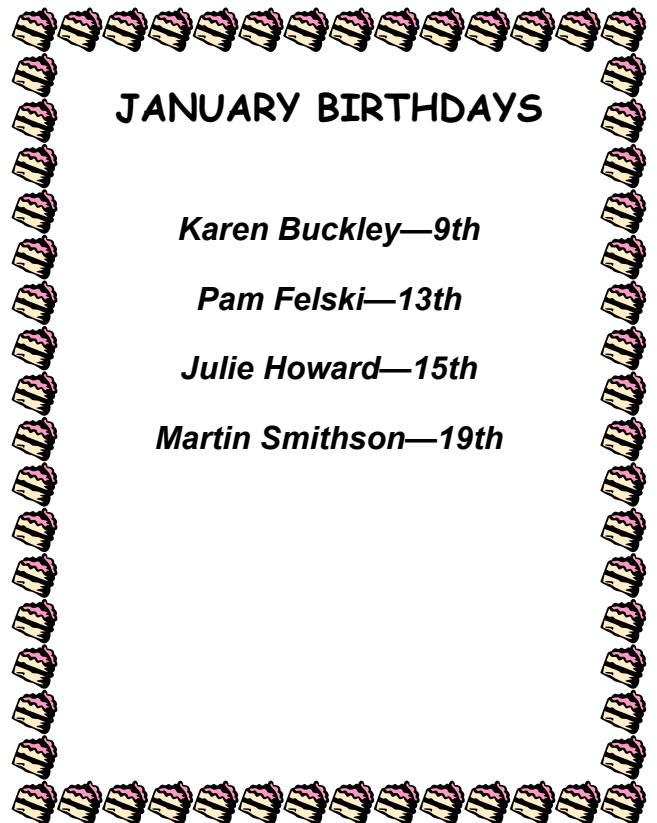
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Karen Buckley—9th

Pam Felski—13th

Julie Howard—15th

Martin Smithson—19th



Join us for this non-profit
fundraising event!



47th Year!

Show and Sale Rocks, Gems and Jewelry

February 3th and 4th, 2024

Show Hours

Saturday 9:30 -5:30
Sunday 10 - 4

Kiwanis Island Recreation Center
951 Kiwanis Island Park
Merritt Island, Fl 32952

**Hourly Door Prizes, Silent Auction, children's activities,
Raffles and Grand Prize Drawing**

Admission: \$6.00. Children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult.

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6th Annual
Southeast Federation
Mineralogical Societies

Rockhound Roundup

March 1-3, 2024

9am to 4pm

**Spirit of the Suwanee River
Music Park
Live Oak, Florida**

Join the fun at this outdoor event!

- *Rough Rocks and Slabs*
- *Polished Stones*
- *Handmade Jewelry for Sale*
- *Lapidary & Silversmithing
Tools & Equipment*

*Vendors must
be a current
member of
an SFMS
Club.*



For more information contact Jerri Heer at secretary@southeastfed.org



Southeast Federation Mineralogical Societies, Inc.
6th Annual Rockhound Roundup Application
March 1-3, 2024
Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park, Live Oak, FL
3076 95th Dr. Live Oak, FL 32060

We hope this will continue to be a successful Rockhound Roundups sponsored by the SFMS. Each SFMS member who applies for and is accepted, will be allotted a 10' x 20' space in an open field designated for this event. Cost this year is a minimal \$50.00 per space, one space per Vendor, for one to all three days. No tents, tables or chairs are available, you MUST BRING YOUR OWN! This is intended to be an old-fashioned rock swap and sale - bring your pickup, drop the tailgate and have fun.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

SFMS Club Affiliation: _____

Vehicle Make/Model: _____ Plate#: _____

Will you have a tent? Yes _____ No _____

What Days will you be setup to sell ? Friday ____ Saturday ____ Sunday ____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Your signature indicates acceptance of the terms and conditions outlined in this two-page document.

Send Application and check made out to SFMS to: SFMS Secretary, Jerri Heer, 9016 122nd Av. Tampa, FL 33637-5321

_____ for office use only _____

Date form was received: _____ By: _____ Check # _____ Check \$ _____

Space assignment: Row: _____ Space: _____

Sponsors for 2023 Show

Auto Pro's Service Center

Jerry Negri, owner. 401 S Cocoa Blvd, STE B (US1). 321-636-9021.

Island Crystal & Beads

Christian, owner. 950 N. Courtenay Pkwy #20. Merritt Island, FL 32953. 321-453-2665.

Bravado The Salon

Employee: Dennis. 1240 Rockledge Blvd. Rockledge, FL 32955. 321-305-4956.

ABC Fine Wine & Spirits

Store leader, Carrie Piper. 555 N. Orlando Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. 321-985-7772.

Hollywood Nails Art

2015 N. Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. 321-799-0844.

Super Cuts

2003 N. Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. Supercuts.com. 321-783-7166.

Sunrise Diner

Demetri, Owner. 2365 W. Cocoa Beach Cswy. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. 321-783-5647.

Anatolian Design

Employee: Irfan Ekinci. 212 Brevard Ave. Cocoa, FL 32922. 952 737 7215.

Contemporary Concepts

216 Brevard Ave. Cocoa, FL 32922. 321-632-9505.

Old Fish House

249 W. Cocoa Beach Causeway. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. White Rose Shopping Center. 321-727-7007.

Asian Nails & Spa 2

563 Barton Blvd., Unit 3. Rockledge, FL 32955.

Lucille Jane Salon

10 Oleander St.. Cocoa, FL 32922. 321-806-4749.

Pizza Gallery & Grill

2250 Town Center Ave., Suite 113 (The Avenues). Viera, FL 32940. 321-633-0397.

Café Margaux

Dale/Alex. 220 Brevard Ave. Cocoa, FL 32922. 321-639-8343.

Rockledge Country Club

1591 Fiske Blvd. Rockledge, FL 32955-2514. 321-636-3160.

FDJ

Scott, owner. 1185 W Airport Blvd. Sanford, FL 32773. 407-629-6906.

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2024 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: _____

PLEASE
PLACE
STAMP
HERE

