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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Gerri Lundergan

We are just a month away from our Fall Show!!!

This will be the Club’s largest show to date. 180 tables & 38 vendors.

We have Philip Stephenson from Rare Rocks and Gems in Idaho as one of our vendors. He has offered to do his presentation on Mining Agates & Jaspers in the Northwest for us on Saturday November 6 at 5:30 after the show in one of the big meeting rooms across the lobby at the showgrounds.

Why are our shows so important to the Club?

Our shows finance most of the Club House expenses for the year. Classes help but are not the bulk of our income. We have added Slab Sales to help offset those expenses. We are blessed to own our clubhouse. (Unlike most clubs that rent space and closed due to COVID), we were blessed to be able to remain in our Clubhouse.

Even though we own our clubhouse, we have monthly

overhead to cover. Plus, maintenance that must be done to keep the building operational. We just had to have the septic pumped and a new pump motor installed. Our insurance is going up and is due in November. And painting the exterior. The new roof was installed last year. Therefore, our Club members volunteering is so important. We need you to help at our show to keep it running smooth and a success. The vendors table fees and admission, plus the kid’s activities all add to our income.

We still need volunteers to help set up on Friday and tear down on Sunday afternoon. Plus, volunteers to run the sluice and kids’ activities. We have a sign-up book in the kitchen in the clubhouse and you can call me to get on the list.

Together we are strong and can accomplish great things.

Gerri Lundergan
 President

METAL SHOP NEWS

A New Beginning Silver will start Tuesday October 5 from 3-6 p.m.

Open Shop is the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Contact Lisa Miller for more information meggymoo65@gmail.com

Chain and Lost Wax Casting. Kym Hoerr has a new phone and is ready to set the next session of her classes. Contact her at colonelkym06@gmail.com.

Kym Hoerr has volunteered to be our Sunshine Chair. She will be reaching out to check up on members and keeping the sunshine bright in the Clubhouse. Thank You Kym!!!

RECENT METAL SHOP PROJECTS



TBMSC

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LAPIDARY CORNER

with Gerri Lundergan



We are in slabbing mode getting ready for the show. We will have some stellar material available. Plus, some fantastic Florida Agatized Coral.

At present, we are running about 3 weeks out getting members material cut.

Lapidary Open Shops for October are Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.



HOT ROCKS, COOL GEMS AND FABULOUS JEWELRY

62nd Annual
TAMPA BAY MINERAL AND SCIENCE CLUB SHOW



NOVEMBER 6-7, 2021
Saturday - Sunday 10am - 5pm

New Location!

**SADYE GIBBS MARTIN
COMMUNITY CENTER**

302 MARYLAND AVE. , PLANT CITY, FL
(Take I-4 Exit 22 South onto Park Rd. • right on MLK Blvd. to facility)



- GEMS & MINERALS • FOSSILS • JEWELRY
- TOOLS AND LAPIDARY SUPPLIES • BEADS
- JEWELRY-MAKING SUPPLIES

THE CLUB WILL FOLLOW
CURRENT CDC
AND COUNTY COVID-19
SAFETY PROTOCOLS.

For more information, visit us at tampabayrockclub.com

ADULTS: \$5 TEENS 12-16 & STUDENTS WITH ID: \$4 ACTIVE MILITARY: \$4 KIDS UNDER 12: FREE (WITH PARENT)
\$1.00 OFF ADMISSION - UP TO 4 PEOPLE - WHEN YOU PRESENT THIS FLYER AT THE DOOR • FREE PARKING!

SHOW NEWS

November 6th and 7th is coming upon us quickly.

We have some room at the Club table for club members who want to sell a few items. You just need to volunteer a shift to watch those items at the club table, help with either set up or tear down and the club will get 20% of the items if sold. This helps our members who do not need or want their own table.

We are seeking donated items from members for a Bucket Raffle at the Club table. Tickets will be \$5 for a chance to win some of the beautiful jewelry or other items. I have seen some of the items that have been donated and most are valued at \$100 or higher. We will be emailing out the flyer to all members and we ask for you to share it to your Facebook and other social media pages. Also, you can share the event from the Club Facebook page. Tell everyone and Invite everyone!!!!

We are also seeking a couple members who would like to come on board as Assistant Show Chairs. There is a lot involved in putting on our shows and we will start planning our Spring show as soon as our November show ends. Vendors are already putting in their names for it.



Besides Philip Stephenson joining us from Idaho, Tucson Todd is also coming to our show. You can look up these vendors and see the amazing items they offer, and we are so blessed to get them West of Denver. Philip's presentation is open to everyone at the show and is a great source of knowledge for all of us rockhounds.

BRAD'S BENCH TIPS

LAYOUT TOOLS

Dimensions on some features of a design can be fluid while others must be accurate for the design to work. When precision on a piece is important, good layout techniques are essential.

These are the tools that I rely upon to get holes in the right place, to achieve correct angles, and to cut pieces the correct length.



I like crisp sharp lines to follow, so I often coat surfaces with a dark marker and scribe my layout lines onto the metal. A square makes quick work of checking right angles or marking where to cut, and the thin center punch helps me mark a place to drill holes exactly where I want them.

Finally, a good set of dividers is probably my favorite layout tool. They let me quickly mark a strip for cutting, swing an arc, and divide a line or curve into as many

equal segments as I need. I keep at least one set of dividers in every toolbox.

INVENTORY RECORD

In an ideal world each of us who sells their jewelry has a good record with photos of all pieces in our inventory. We use it for insurance purposes, to record the cost to produce, to note where the item was sent out on consignment, and maybe to store descriptive text for marketing. Eventually, we note in the record when the piece was sold and for how much.

It's nice to also have good pictures of each piece, but sometimes we don't have time for a full-on photo session. In situations like this it's worth doing a quick group shot with the help of a phone, a camera, a scanner, or even a color copier. The quality is at least sufficient for an accurate identification in case a piece is lost.



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TAMPA BAY MINERAL AND SCIENCE CLUB BOARD MEETING

Call to Order 6:50 p.m.

Present:

- Gerri Lundergan, President
- Tony Carrino
- Jim Denslow
- Greig Lundergan
- Mark Burton attended by phone
- Joanne Cornell
- Christie Gorrow

Treasurer Report: Money Market Account: \$54,499.75. TBMSC Checking Account: \$13,442.42. Two deposits: \$115 and \$1,465. Bills to pay: Accountant, \$3,000. Quality Septic, \$1,226.

Accounting Update: Motion to approve treasurer's report and pay invoices by Greig Lundergan and 2nd Tony Carrino, motion approved. 2021 New Accounting: June moving forward.

Minutes: Minutes approved as read in last months Geode.

1. Voted to replace Secretary: Greig Lundergan motion to appoint Joanne Cornell as interim Secretary until the end of term. Motion approved.
2. Executive Session Motion to enter by Tony Carrino and 2nd by Greig Lundergan, motion approved. Motion to come out of Executive Sessions by Tony Carrino and 2nd by Greig Lundergan, motion approved.

Old Business

Contract updates, payments, club email and Annual Show:

- Flea market and business license for show received.

- Plant City Police reserved as Security for show.
 - Concealed License prohibited.
 - Facebook ad.
 - Flyer completed.
 - Theme Agatized Coral
 - Admission: Adults \$5, Students/Senior/Military \$4, Children 10 & under free.
 - Bring flyer, get \$1 off admission.
 - Free parking.
 - Ticket Sales, door only.
3. Receipts must be written for all cash transactions. New folders created and receipt books are to be used for all cash transactions.
 4. Discussed additional revenue: November Show and possible Jewelry class. Obtaining information for Amazon account.
 5. Results from Saturday Club Meeting: Meeting days - Club Members voted to hold regular club meetings in association with our Tailgate Quarterly. Our next General Club meeting is December 4 with our Tailgate. The Club Members also voted on the T-shirt sayings. Voted on both "Stop the Car" and "May The Quartz Be With You."
 6. By-Laws Committee Report: In progress reported by Tony.
 7. Show Report: Three refunds were transacted.
 8. Floyd Estate Report: Currently processing estate and closeout.

New Business

1. Nominating Committee: Ron and Mark. Motion to approve by Mark and 2nd by Melinda, motion approved.
 - Tony, Lisa, Kristy, James and Gerri are up for reelection.
2. Selling in the clubhouse: New policy - all Members are to obtain approval from the Presi-

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dent and agree to 20% of all sales go to the Club.

3. Slab sales: Online sales will be starting for upcoming slab sale items from the floor.

Items From the Floor

- CEO and General Manager from 150 Copper Mine in Duck Town, TN, would like to participate and offer materials to the club, this will increase Slab Department.
- Still need volunteers for the 62nd Annual Show November 5th to set up. November 6th and 7th for admissions and tear down.
- Christmas Party in December: Inside or outside will be determined pending COVID updates.

Adjourned 8:08 p.m. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Tony Carrino and 2nd by Joanne Cornell, motion approved.

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GENERAL CLUB MEETING SEPTEMBER 4, 2021

Meeting called to order by President Geri Lundergan at 11 a.m.

Motion to approve the Treasurer Report as posted in the Geode made by Ron Wadas, 2nd by Christie. Approved.

Old Business

Discussion on when to hold regular Club meetings. Back to monthly or quarterly. Motion made by Barbara Rivolta to hold them Quarterly with a Tail Gate, 2nd by Melinda. Approved.

Christie Gorrow reported memberships have been steadily coming in and the club has 12 new this past month.

Show Report

- Show is full with 180 tables. We will have Plant City PD for Security during the day and overnight.
- The volunteer book is in the kitchen and you can contact Gerri or Deb Pearson to sign up.
- We will be holding a Raffle with donated items this year.
- Philip Stephenson of Rare Rocks and Gems will be at the show from Idaho and will be doing a presentation on Mining Agates and Jasper in the North West at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday at the close of the show in one of the classrooms across the lobby at the show

New Business

- New bulletin board in the hallway with classes and workshops.
- T-shirt sayings voted on and the group decided on "Stop The Car" and "May The Quartz Be With You." Will be ordering shirts and tote bags.
- Ron Wadas has been named Committee Chair for the Nominating Committee. He will be working with the committee to get a slate of officers and directors for the upcoming election in November.
- We are still getting a couple more bids for painting the exterior of the clubhouse.
- The new ventilation system in the silver room is nearing completion.

News from the accountant – going forward: all cash transactions must have a cash receipt written and turned in with the class white sheets after each class. For auditing purposes, they will be matched with the class sign in sheets.

Motion to adjourn by Christie, 2nd by Melinda Riddle, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.