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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gerri Lundergan

Out of Adversity comes Positive Changes.

The Board has hired a full-time accountant, who is busy working on bringing our books current and helping us get the correct IRS Filings done.

When she is done, we will have a budget analysis for the coming 2022 year, reconciliations for the past 3 years and easier accounting systems in place, plus a full audit.

A committee is being convened to bring our Standard Operating Procedures, (SOP), up to date, adding in Fail Safes, Oversight Procedures and Checks and Balances. Transitions need to be

seamless, no matter who must step in and pick up the reins. We have already taken steps to put these practices into place.

We have been pulling from some great past records in our files for creating a Show series that has several small committees, so the work is spread out and is easy for everyone to follow year after year.

The Board you have elected is a great group of folks who work extremely hard for all of you. They always have the best interest of this club first and foremost.

Gerri Lundergan

LIBRARY NEWS

We are doing a 6 month trial moving the library out into the main display room.

Members can now come in, pull out a book and enjoy studying about a rock in the case, beading, and wire wrapping. There are some fabulous books about trails for rock hunting, and a kids section.

In addition, there are magazines dating back into the 70's. Fabulous vintage reading...

We are in the clubhouse on:

Tuesdays 6-8:30 p.m.

Thursdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Saturdays 9 a.m.-2 p.m..

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METAL SHOP NEWS



Lisa Miller made a beautiful doublet in Cab 2, and then took it to the Metal Shop & created this pendant.

Contact Lisa Miller about Metalsmith classes:
Meggymoo65@gmail.com

LAPIDARY CORNER with Gerri Lundergan



We have a new round of Beginning Lapidary classes starting in August 21 on Saturdays 9 a.m. -12 p.m.

Contact Gerri Lundergan if you would like to sign up for this session.

The New Wheels have been put on and we are in the process of getting them broken in.

Starting in September we will be offering our Monthly Workshops again.

September 11 we will hold a Jade workshop. Cost is \$75. Jade included. 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

If interested contact Gerri Lundergan dunpaintedfarm@yahoo.com

TAMPA BAY MINERAL AND SCIENCE CLUB BOARD MEETING

July 7, 2021

Board Meeting Members in Attendance:
Susan Bucciero, Gerri Lundergan, Jerri Heer,
Christy Gorrow, Melinda Riddle, James
Denslow, Mark Burton, Grieg Lundergan,
Lisa Miller.

Meeting called to order at 6:34 p.m.
Opened an executive session at 6:34 p.m.
Motion to rise out of executive session by Me-
linda Riddle and seconded by Lisa Miller. The
executive session ended 7:18 p.m.
The results of the executive session are: The
treasurer, Jerri Heer, is being removed from
the position as well as being removed from
dealer and show chair positions, although
the membership in the club will remain in-
tact.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's report
during this meeting; the treasurer's duties
are being redefined. Since this is an elec-
tion year the club will elect a new treasurer,
and until that time there are several executive
board members that will assist with deposits
to the bank for the club: **ACTION ITEM:** Lisa
Miller and Christy Gorrow will assist with
deposits.

OLD BUSINESS

Accounting Report: The accountant was
hired, and most files and documents have
been submitted.

Roof & Wind Mitigation: Gerri contacting the
roofing company to check on the club's wind
mitigation status.

Exhaust Fans for Silver: James Denslow is
managing the fabrication and installation of
the exhaust fans for the silver room.

Paint Exterior: Christy Gorrow has scheduled
another bid for a painter.

NEW BUSINESS

PMC Kiln Update/needs: Kiln will need to be
moved to the pumphouse because of safety;
this will take place in the next week or two.

PMC workshop in February 2022: Precious
metal clay workshop forthcoming in February
2022.

Stained Glass: Ken Moser has submitted a
proposal to the club to have a stained-glass
section in the club; a ring saw is part of the
proposal, and the club will be getting cost
estimates on the ring saw.

Highland Park Affiliate/Troubleshooting
workshops: We are now an affiliate of High-
land Park, which is the manufacturer of all
the club's saws. The Highland Park owner,
Sherman Rowland, visited the club and in-
structional videos were taken. Mr. Rowland
will be visiting the club periodically.

Insurance Quotes/ Updating with Assets:
The club is getting new insurance quotes to
include all newly acquired assets and dona-
tions.

Highland Park Recommendation for Red/
Gold Saw: This saw needs to be sold as it is
currently in a state of disrepair.

Website: Mark's father, a professional web
developer, will be assisting the club with our
website.

ITEMS FROM FLOOR:

It was suggested that the club puts together a
master backup list of all data and passwords
and it will be kept in the safe.

A box for all club receipts has been installed

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in the library for all shop supervisors to drop receipts; this is the accountant box. It has been discovered that the club must charge sales tax for all sales; ACTION ITEM: Gerri will find out the details from the accountant in terms of sales tax on shop time/classes.

A show committee is needed, which would comprise 6 members to distribute show planning equitably; ACTION ITEM: Gerri Lundergan will send an email to the general membership requesting committee members and show volunteers.

Mark has been working with Bura Bura copper mine in Ducktown, TN; the executive director and CEO wants to visit the club; the visit is forthcoming.

Motion to adjourn by Susan Bucciero.
Second to adjourn by Melinda Riddle.
Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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WIRE WRAP

Wire Wrapping Schedule

Contact Gerri Lundergan dunpaintedfarm@yahoo.com to sign up

Open shop Sundays just come on in and join us !

August 8- Basic Cabochon – Here you will use the skills you have been building to wrap a cabochon. \$40 includes materials/ cabochon/Instruction.

August 22 -Open Wire Wrapping Workshop – bring your projects to get help and share ideas with others \$3/hr

Sept. 12 – Bracelet – continuing with the skills you are learning – lets create a bracelet with several design options. \$40 includes materials/beads/Instruction

Sept. 26 – Open wire Wrapping Workshop – bring in your projects for help and share ideas with others \$3/hr

Oct. 10 – So, you want to sell your items and enter the Fair...Lets learn how to compete in this competitive market. Free workshop for Members

Oct. 24 – Open Wire Wrapping Workshop – bring in your projects for help and share ideas with others \$3/hr

Nov. 14 – Wrapping Odd Things, wavy things, cool things you find. \$35 includes materials, Instruction/class time

Nov. 21 – Open Wire Wrapping Workshop – bring in your projects to get help and share ideas with others. \$3/hr

Dec. 12 – Christmas Ornaments – Will provide some interesting projects for you to create. \$35 Includes materials/ Instruction/class time

Tools you will need

Flat nose pliers

Round Nose pliers

Bend nose pliers

Nylon jaw wire straightening pliers

Chain Nose Pliers

Side cutters or Wire nippers

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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)



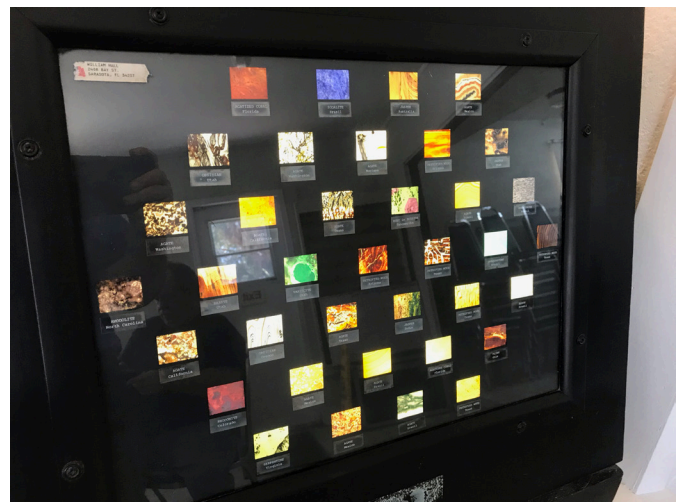
- GEMS & MINERALS • FOSSILS • JEWELRY
- TOOLS AND LAPIDARY SUPPLIES • BEADS
- JEWELRY-MAKING SUPPLIES

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!

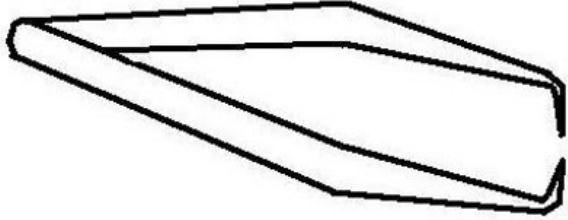
DISPLAY ROOM REMODEL AND FRONT LIBRARY



BRAD'S BENCH TIPS

FIND THE BALANCE POINT

With odd-shaped pendants or earrings it's often difficult to find the right place to attach a bail or loop so that the piece is balanced and hangs straight.



A quick way to make a tool for this is to modify a set of tweezers. Any set of tweezers will work. Spread the tips, sharpen them with a file, and bend the tips at a right angle to point towards each other.

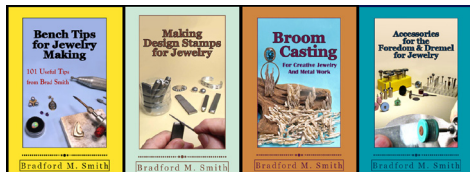
To use the tool, suspend the pendant or earring between two sharp points to see how it will hang.

DRILL BREAKAGE

Using a small drill is difficult for a beginner, especially if it is hand held in a flexshaft or Dremel. They are easily broken if you push too hard or if you tilt the drill while it's in the hole.

Most problems, however, are the result of buying cheap drills that suffer from poor quality steel and/or inaccurately ground cutting edges. A good drill from jewelry supply companies is well worth the price.

Remember that drilling always goes easier with lubrication. A little wax or oil is all you need. Almost anything will work - Three and One, beeswax, mineral oil, injection wax, car oil, olive oil, or one of the commercial cutting waxes. The lubricant helps to move chips out of the hole and reduces friction of the drill against the side of the hole, keeping the drill cooler.



Be More Productive With Brad's "How To" Books: [Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith](https://www.amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith)

TAILGATE IS BACK

SEPTEMBER 4, 9-10:30 A.M. • CLUB MEETING 11 A.M.

If interested in an inside table message us so we can reserve a table for you. Otherwise members sell out of their cars/trucks in the parking lot. Tail Gate is free for members to sell. We open it to the public so they can come see what all we have to offer.

We are also looking for interested members to come in and join the committee to update our Standard Operating Procedures.

We will get together for an initial meeting and see how much work needs to be done and decide how often to meet to get everything updated.

If interested contact Gerri Lundergan dunpaintedfarm@yahoo.com

STAINED GLASS PROJECTS

Deb Pearson



Heidi Arnold

