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Imperial Bone Valley Gem, Mineral and Fossil Society, Inc. meets at 7:00 P.M., the second Thursday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church, 175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr, Lakeland. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2011. *Visitors are always welcome.*

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Statement of Principles

1. To stimulate interest in the collection, study, identification, and classification of gem, mineral & fossil specimens.
2. To disseminate knowledge of lapidary work and classification of gems, minerals & fossils, and their applications in the arts and sciences.
3. To encourage and facilitate instruction in the various elements of mineralogy and lapidary work and identification and classification of fossils.
4. To arrange and conduct field trips for collection of specimens.
5. To participate by displaying and taking part in all local, state, and Federation shows to the greatest possible extent.
6. To encourage adherence to the American Federation of Mineralogical Society's Code of Ethics.

First Presbyterian Church
175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr, Lakeland.
<http://www.fpclakeland.org/contact-us/map--directions/>

Directions: Take the Bartow Hwy (US-98 S) until you get to Hollingsworth Rd. at Lakeland High School.

Turn onto Hollingsworth Rd (toward the school). At the lake veer Left onto Lake Hollingsworth Rd.

FPC is on the left. You will pull in the drive right next to the Hollingsworth apartments and park on that side. There's a children's playground there, so you can't miss it. If you go in the North entrance, just drive around the building and come to the other side. We'll have the front double doors open (facing the lake). The room # is 221 (I think).

Message from the President

The show is over and it was very successful. We can pay our rent, insurance and Federation dues next year. We even have enough to buy new wheels for the Genie. Thanks to everyone that helped.

First, our vendors - they were an amazing bunch and brought so many beautiful and cool items. Susan Burns, Kim Price and Jim Reed gave hours of their time to sorting rocks and getting the auction items ready. Mary & Larry Prescott did a fabulous job of keeping everyone informed on the website.

Set up day, Susan & Stormie Burns, Kim & Preston Price, Larry Prescott, Tim & Debbie Rydberg, Steve Berglund, Charlie & Marilyn Rooney, Cindy & Jim Reed, Rose Bailey and Loraine Auger.

Day of Show: Rocks- Susan & Stormie Burns, Jeff Bland; Kid's corner - Jan Liles, Carol De l'Agnelle, Loraine Auger and Mary Prescott; Club table - Larry Prescott., Kitchen - Roger McQuown, Laurie Williams; kids rock pit - Kay McQuown, Mike Elliott, Wes Greenamyre; Auctions - Kim & Preston Price; Front table - Anne Degee & Lewis Taylor; Money manager - Debbie Rydberg (Cindy Reed just ran around from station to station)

Displays by Kim Price, Jan Liles, Wes Greenamyre & Jim Reed. Susan Burns set up the tumbler display. Joe DePietro gets a special thanks for taking care of the cabbing demo as well as his own table.

And then there was cleanup: Jim & Cindy Reed, Susan & Stormie Burns, Laurie Williams, Tim & Debbie Rydberg, Mike Elliott, Larry Prescott, Kim & Preston Price, Roger & Kay McQuown.

Jim has already started working on next year's show. We're in the process of finding a new, larger venue to accommodate the 7 vendors that didn't make it this year.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on April 14, 7pm – First Presbyterian Church on Lake Hollingsworth.

I'd like to extend a big thank you to Larry & Mary Prescott for their help with the website. They have informed me they will not be able to maintain it in the future. I really appreciate the break and am sorry to see them go.

Cindy Reed, President

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mary Linda Schofield
Ethan Strickland
Laurie Williams

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ernie & Ruth Dumas
Charles & Faye Flint
Julie Hodges & Scott Dobeck

April Birthstones

Modern Birthstone	Diamond
Traditional Birthstone	- Diamond
Mystical Birthstone	- Opal
Ayurvedic Birthstone	- Diamond
Other	- Sapphire, Amber, Coral, Emerald, Garnet, Turquoise, Rose Quartz

Welcome to our newest members:

Carole Walker

March 2011 SHOP REPORT

The Board of Directors voted to purchase two new wheels for the Genie. They arrived on 3/28 and will be installed ASAP.

Shop wish List:

The shop needs mechanical components:
Saw Blades · One 12" with 5/8" arbor

Note: Kim Moore will open the shop on 4/3/11 as Jim & I attend our great-granddaughters birthday party. The shop will be closed on 4/17 as their will be a class that day. If you'd like Jim to open the shop on another day, please call us at 644-6665 or 255-5256

April 2011 Meeting

As stated in the minutes, we will have a raffle at the April meeting. Jan Liles donated several items for the silent auction that we just couldn't fit in (Kim already had items marked and in line). I thought it would be cool to raffle these rather than leave them sitting in a box at the conex for a year. Tickets will be \$1 each or \$5 for 6. I'd like to make this a regular part of our meetings, so if you have an item to donate, please let me know. – thanks so much, Cindy

2011 Annual Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show

Thanks to all the people who helped to make this show a success. It was a lot of work to make the show a fun experience for adults and children. We will be looking at other locations for next year's show including the current location for our club meeting at the church. The main reason to change is because we need extra space for the vendors who we lost to the 2011 FossilFest (the fossil show for 2012 is the end of March).



Just before we opened the doors.

IBVGM&FS
Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2011

The March 10, 2011, meeting was called to order, at 6:58 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were 29 members present.

It was motioned by Jan Liles and seconded by Susan Burns to accept the February minutes as written. The motion was carried unanimously.

Treasurer's report given by Debbie Rydberg and handed to the President.

Shop report, Jim Reed: we will need to paint the Conex this summer. Wayne Bryan donated a new 18" saw blade. Still need a 12" blade.

Old Business:

We have 22 vendors with 59 tables rented for our show. We need to find another venue for next year's show. The church has a gymnasium which they rent out. In the next month we will start looking into it; tables and chairs must be included. Also, we will go back to holding it the last week of February.

Joe DePietro said other shows charge \$3.00 / \$4.00 admission for every person entering the show. Also, the Orlando club charges \$6.00 an hour for use of their shop. They funnel their show money into the club.

We are going to charge a \$2.00 admission fee for adults and kids are free.

There is information available on the front table regarding William Holland and Wild Acres classes.

Mary Prescott reports nine people are set for the Graves Mountain trip on 3-26.

New Business:

Gene Bergfield won the SFMS Rockhound of the Year award. There are nineteen clubs in Florida. Cindy Reed heard that Tampa has switched to the SFMS.

It has been agreed to that we will meet at the First Presbyterian Church at a cost of \$25.00 a month. There is a box set up for donations to help offset this cost. Beginning next month we may have raffles to help offset this cost, too. Dan Blanchard talked to the Church about using the Boy Scout Room, but the only day it's open is on a Friday.

We need club liaisons for Federation; it involves travel.

Joe & Addy DePietro reported that a number of years ago, we set up a shop at the Sheriff's Girl's Villa in Bartow. Someone may check to see if they still have it and are using the equipment.

Susan Burns asked if we have a new membership person. Not currently, that would be the 1st Vice President and the position is vacant. Let Cindy Reed know if you're interested.

The Behnam's live in Orlando and are skilled instructors in many things including, channel setting, filigree, intarsia, chasing and reposit. Cindy will check on possibly having them come to our club to instruct.

Discussion was held about our finding a permanent location, such as a house. Addy DePietro said back in 1988 or 1989 there was a committee that looked into this. All the research should be at the Conex.

There was a request for our club to hold a demonstration for the Boy Scouts, to include mineral identification and the "black light" rocks. A flint knapping demonstration would be nice too. Cindy said to give Jim the dates and it will be done.

The motion was made by Jan Liles and seconded by Wes Greenamyre to adjourn our meeting at 8:02 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Laurie Williams – 03-10-11

April 2011 Shows and Swap Meets

There are no shows for the month of April.

To find upcoming shows in other areas check out the following websites.

<http://rockngem.com/showdates/>

Upcoming Field Trips

From the Graves Mountain website:

You should not miss any opportunity to collect here because the rutile, lazulite, and pyrophyllite are said to be some of the finest in the world. The collecting area at Graves is huge! There are three main rock types here: quartz-sericite schist, sericite-kyanite-quartz rock (quartzite) and quartz conglomerate. You may still be able to collect **rutile, kyanite, lazulite, iridescent hematite, pyrophyllite, pyrite, ilmenite, muscovite, fuchsite, barite, sulfur, blue quartz and quartz crystals with a hematite coating.** Don't forget the micro phosphate and phosphosulfate minerals that can be collected here. **Woodhouseite, variscite, strengite, phosphosiderite, cacoxenite, crandallite along with accessory quartz, pyrite, pyrophyllite, dickite, jarosite and sulfur crystals.**

If you missed the trip with Larry and Mary Prescott, here's the info for the next open dig.

The caretaker in charge of Graves Mountain, Clarence Norman Jr., has announced plans to hold two three day digs and rock swaps on the Mountain during 2011. April 29-May 1 and Oct. 7-Oct 9. He will have the mountain open to collecting from 8 am to 6 pm each day. All participants must stop at the welcome table in the Hospitality tent to sign a liability release and make a small contribution to defray the cost of opening the mountain and providing port-o-lets. There will be several golf cart type, four wheeled vehicles available to transport those participants who have trouble walking long distances. The dig will cease and everyone is expected to be off the mountain by around 6 pm each day. Participants will be allowed to park in a designated area on the mountain.

Rock Swap and Hot Food/Drinks:

Junior will set aside an area in the upper parking lot for tables to be setup for daily rock swaps. Anyone who would like to setup a table(s), please contact Junior at the phone numbers listed below. Hot food cooked on the grill, cold drinks and chips will be available for purchase on the mountain during all three days of these events. Don't forget to bring some extra money to buy the special "Graves Mountain Rock Swap and Dig" T-shirt!

Mark your calendar and tell all your friends about this great event!

**THIS DIG IS OPEN TO ALL.
NO NEED TO SIGN-UP, JUST SHOW UP!**

Contact Information:

Clarence Norman Jr. (Junior) - 706.359.3862 (his business) or 706.359.2381 (his home)

2011 Federation Workshop Schedule

We have received the schedule for the Federation workshops at William Holland and Wild Acres. If you would like more information or a registration form, please let me know.

Session 1, William Holland, 6/12-18/11

Session 2, Wild Acres, 8/22-28/11

Seed Beading	Barbara Green			
Cabochons	Richard Shackleton		Cabochons	Pat Davis
Chain Making	Dee & Bill Conybear		Enameling/Cold Conn.	Renee Kelly
Enameling	Bob Mattingly		Faceting	Steve Hillenbrand
Faceting	Bill Roberts		Gem ID	Mary Lou Kick
Lampwork Beads	Ann Royer		Metalsmithing Adv.	Jeff Shears
Mineral ID	Scott Forward		Silver Filigree	Stafford / Gibney
Opals	Sarah Lee Boyce		Stone Setting	Don Roberts
Silver I	Don Roberts		Wire Beginning	Velima Lawson
Silver II	Vicky Prillaman			
Silver Filigree	Stafford / Warrick			
Wire I	Velima Lawson			

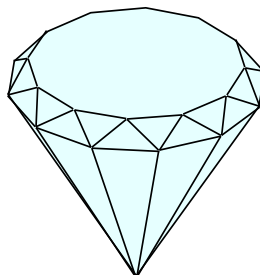
Session 3, Wild Acres, 9/12-18/11

Session 4, William Holland, 10/9-16/11

			Bead Weaving	Ron Midkiff
Cabochons	Anita Westlake		Cabochons	Anita Westlake
Casting	John Lacullo		Chain Making	Dee & Bill Conybear
Chain Making	Kathy Morris		Enameling	Lynda Williams
Lampwork Beads	Linda White		Faceting	Mary Lou Kick
Mineral ID	Scott Forward		Fused Glass	Addy DePietro
Raku Beads	Jim Cullen		Jadeite Carving	Bill Smith
Silver Cold Conn.	Charlotte Caughman		Lampwork Beads	Cindy Reed
Silver Filigree	Stafford / Gibney		Opals	Joe DePietro
			Silver Filigree	Stafford / Warrick
			Southwest Silver	Dan Haga
			Silver II	Vicky Prillaman
			Wire I	Judy Peppers

April 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3 Shop Open Kim Moore 10:30-4	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Shop Open 10:30-4	11	12	13	14 Meeting 7pm	15	16
17 Shop Closed for classes	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Easter Shop Closed 	25	26	27	28	29 Graves Mtn.	30 Open Dig



Diamond (Diamond Dan Publications).