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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! Our Christmas dinner is PoFolks 2001 34th St N, St Petersburg I hope to see you all there. And special thanks to Joann for setting that up for us.

We had our first yard and jewelry show and considering it was the first I think things went well.

We have made repairs to the eaves of the clubhouse and will be needing volunteers to help with painting. We are still working on the air-conditioning and that is going well thanks to Bill. We also have plans to replace the back wall on the breezeway that is rotting out.

On January the 19th we will have the **ANNUAL CLUB AUCTION** – So please help the club with this major fund raiser by donating exciting and tempting items that will entice your fellow club members into a bidding frenzy! Non-gem & mineral related items also welcome; cash, checks and credit cards accepted.

See you all soon.
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SUNCOAST GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 7, 2019

Meeting was called to order by President Joe Cooper at 7:00 p.m. Board members in attendance were Joe Cooper, Eric Odegaard, Dave Watson Rick Bunton, Gerri Groves, Pat Davis and Sue Biel.

Secretary's report a motion by Sue Biel to approve the minutes as printed, was approved.

Treasurer's report: Eric Odegaard presented the treasurer's report. A motion by Pat Davis to accept and file for audit was made and approved.

Eric Odegaard made a motion that the following people be the person in charge of purchasing new material for the shops in the clubhouse.

Dave Watson-faceting

Joe Cooper-sliver and casting

Rick Bunton- lapidary shop

HOLIDAY SHOPPING REMINDER

**REMEMBER TO ENTER SUNCOAST GEM AND MINERAL
SOCIETY, INC. WHEN PURCHASING ON AMAZON.**

SGAMS THANKS YOU!

SUNCOAST GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY
GENERAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Joe Cooper.

Secretary's report- A motion by Sue Hazelden to approve the minutes as printed in the Rock a Gram. Motion was approved.

Treasurer's report-was read by Joe Cooper. A motion by Sue Biel to approve and file for audit was approved.

Show committee- the flyers are available to pass out. Show is March 6th 7th and 8th. It will be held at Banquet Masters at the corner of 49th St and Ulmerton Rd in Clearwater. Signup sheets are available in the club house.

Hospitality-Christmas dinner is Dec 19th at 6:00 p.m. at PoFolks on 34th St. in St. Petersburg. Sign up sheet are at the club house and they need to know how many are going to attend.

New Business- The trim saw is in bad shape and Bill Schmidt would like to purchase a new one. He will get together with Rick Bunton about this purchase.

Tonight's program is by Chris Arbutine owner of the Silver Queen jewelry store in Largo Fl. He will be talking about the Amethyst Cathedral and about the store and what he has to offer.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

SUNCOAST GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.

49TH ANNUAL

GEM, MINERAL & JEWELRY SHOW AND SALE

MARCH 6, 7 & 8TH 2020

FRIDAY – 1 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

SATURDAY – 10:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

SUNDAY – 10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

*****NEW LOCATION***BANQUET MASTERS**

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CHRISTMAS DINNER MEETING
THURSDAY DECEMBER 19
PO' FOLKS RESTAURANT
2002 34TH ST N ST PETERSBURG

CONTACT JOANN KNOSS, 727-914-4569 (H), 305-304-7298 (C)
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TO LET HER KNOW YOU'RE COMING.

Some links to help you keep track of upcoming shows:

<http://www.rockngem.com/> <http://www.jewelryshowguide.net/>

Other Web Sites:

American Federation of Mineralogical Societies web site is at: <http://www.amfed.org>

American Lands Access Association: www.amlands.org

Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies Website at: <http://www.amfed.org/sfms>

National Park Foundation: www.nationalparks.org/explore-parks

Canaveral Mineral & Gem Society: www.canaveral-mgs.com

Central Florida Mineral & Gem Society: www.cfmgs.org

Imperial Bone Valley Gem, Mineral & Fossil Society: www.bonevalley.net

Pinellas Geological Society: www.pgs.rocks

Tampa Bay Fossil Club: www.tampabayfossilclub.com

Tampa Bay Mineral & Science Club: www.tampabayrockclub.com

Withlacoochee Rockhounds of Hernando County: www.withlacoocheerockhounds.com

Our Web Site:
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Clubhouse Class Schedules

CABBING: Tuesdays, 6 to 9 pm

TBD

Wednesdays, 12 to 4pm

Larry Murry 727-686-1314

FACETING/WIREWRAPPING: Tuesdays, 6 to 9 pm

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SILVER SMITHING: Tuesdays, 6 to 9 pm and Saturdays 1 to 5 pm

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Cost for classes (except Faceting and Wax Casting) is \$3.00 per hour, or any portion thereof, plus any additional supplies.

*Please contact instructor to set up start date and schedule. Each class has minimum number of students needed to start a class.

Upcoming Shows:

January 10, 11, and 12, 2020 Pinellas
Geological Society, Inc. Largo Cultural
Center, Largo, FL www.PGS.Rocks

February 22, 2020

Imperial Bone Valley Gem, Mineral & Fossil Society
Lakeland, FL

www.bonevalley.net March 6, 7, and 8, 2020

Tampa Bay Fossil Club

www.tampabayfossilclub.com

American Federation of
Mineralogical Societies

www.AMFED.org, AFMS

2019-20 Regional Federation

Shows and Conventions

California Federation

CA, HI, NV Date TBD Lodi,

Eastern Federation
March, 2020

Midwest Federation

TBA

Northwest Federation

TBA

Rocky Mountain Federation

Big Piney, WY June 25-28, 202

South Central Federation

TBD

Southeast Federation

TBA

Monroe, NY

AR, LA, TX

ROCK-A-GRAM

This is the official newsletter of the SUNCOAST GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY, INC. P.O. Box 13254, St. Petersburg, Florida 33733-3254

This Society is a member of the SOUTHEAST FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES, INC., and its parent society, the AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES, INC

The general purpose of this society is to promote popular interest in education and research in the earth sciences and lapidary arts, and to cooperate with other similar organizations

General Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month, September through April at 7:00 p.m., at our clubhouse, 4619 69th Street North, St. Petersburg, FL. December and May meetings are special meetings and a time and place will be announced in this bulletin. The public is cordially invited to attend the general membership meetings.

Dues: \$20.00 single or \$30.00 couple/family; due annually each September

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Clubhouse Activities September - May

Board Meeting:
 (September - May)
 First Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

General Meeting:
 (September - May) Third
 Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

Clubhouse Activities Year Round

Cab Room:
Clubhouse Open:

Tuesdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
 And
 Wednesdays 12:00- 4:00
 p.m.

Clubhouse Activities Year Round

Silver Room:
Clubhouse Open:

Tuesdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
 And
 Saturdays 1:00- 5:00 p.m.

Clubhouse Activities Year Round

Faceting:
By Appointment:
 Tuesdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.,
Lost Wax Casting:
By Appointment:
 Friday pm and Saturday