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## A message from the President...

Dear Members,

I want to thank all of the members who have stepped up to help with preparations for the upcoming show.

Bev Baker has graciously volunteered to be show chair and will need help from all members to help us have a successful show. Please give her your full cooperation and volunteer your services.

We need to have a meeting with all show committee members who are attending the March meeting.

Sincerely,

*President Allan Elliott*

Show Committee Meeting  
this Saturday



Notes from the editor . . .

**Meeting:** January 20th, 2024 at 9am  
Herbert Wilson Recreational Center  
Potluck lunch . . . Bring a dish

**Door Prizes:** Please bring a door prize to donate. See Cindy Braden

**Gems of the Month:** Aquamarine

**Show & Tell:** Any Aquamarine to share with the club, Please bring.

**Workshops:** Lisa F. - Shamrock Bracelet

**Program:** Nicole G. - Clasps

**2024 Workshop Instructors needed. . .**

Please Contact Workshop Chairman,  
Shirley at [228-594-9673](tel:228-594-9673)  
[Msrobinson2u@icloud.com](mailto:Msrobinson2u@icloud.com)

**New Show Chairmans:**

Congratulations to Beverly Baker who volunteered to be our new show chairman.

Please continue to check our website and Facebook pages for updates.

Workshops are posted on both.

[www.gulfportgems.org](http://www.gulfportgems.org)

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## Harrison County Gem and Mineral Society, Inc. Meeting - February 17, 2024

**Call to Order:** 1:17 p.m. by President Allan Elliott

**Members in attendance:** 21 Judi Marks; Nicola Hight; Sheryl D. Rogers; Sue Shelton; Nicole Green; Allan Elliott; Shirley Robinson; Karen Williams; Sue West; Jina Martin; Beverly Baker; Leslie Jancovich; Rosalind Norvel-Daniels; Lisa Fitch; Buddy Shotts; Reba Shotts; Lynn Tate; Laura Tate; Cynthia Braden; Michael Switzer; Julie Boudreaux

**Show & Tell:** Some samples of amethyst were brought in for members to see.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Nicole Green noted that she was issued a check for reimbursement of stamps in the amount of \$13.60. She also noted that name tags had been ordered. Rosalind Norvel-Daniels made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and was seconded by Lisa Fitch. No members had any objections and the motion carried.

**Workshops:** Shirley Robinson and members discussed workshops and reported the following workshops would be held:

March - Lisa - Shamrock bracelet  
April - Karen & Rozz - Lotus pendant  
June - Sue - Swirl earrings  
June - Nicole - Kumihimo  
June - Allan - Mini program on how to correct mistakes with cabochons.  
July - Laura and Lynn - Shaggy earrings  
August - Sue - Bicycle earrings  
August - Lisa - Beaded Ornament  
September - Unfinished project day  
October - Leslie B beaded pendant  
November - Beverly - TBD

**Newsletter:** Lisa Fitch had nothing new to report. Laura Tate noted an error in the newsletter and Lisa said she would correct same. Laura also was not listed as a member in attendance. But she was at both the workshop and meeting. After the checking the "sign in" sheet it was apparent she failed to sign in at the February meeting. Correction made to the attendance sheet.

**Facebook:** Laura Tate reported no new regarding Facebook.

**Webmaster:** Leslie Jancovich noted that the web page was opening in safe mode and that she would be getting that looked at and worked on.

**Equipment:** Cindy Braden did not have anything to report regarding equipment, but reminded members that there is a \$3.00 fee to use the equipment per day.

**Sunshine:** Sue West advised that she has received various birthday/greeting cards from the members.

**Show:** Allan Elliott reported that there was not a Show Chairman at the present time and asked for volunteers. Discussion was held and Beverly Baker said that she would help. Shirley Robinson said she would help when she was there as did Nicole Green.

Allan also mentioned that he had spoken to a USM educational group, and they may set up a flint knapping.

Postcards were discussed advertising the show and should be sent out in April.

Discussion was held regarding the golden ticket which gives entrants to the show \$1.00 off their ticket price. It was agreed that this would be continued.

**Scholarship:** Discussion was held regarding the number of scholarships to be given and the amount for same. It was ultimately decided that two scholarships would be given in the amount up to \$725.00 (but not to exceed) plus \$100.00 for expenses. Two winners were chosen: Beverly Baker and Julie Boudreaux. The four alternatives in order are Lisa Fitch, Jina Martin, Shirley Robinson, and Laura Tate.

Due to the rising cost of fees at William Holland and Wild Acres being around \$625.00 and up we decided to change our SOP's (Standard Operating Procedures) to cover us for a few years up to \$725.00 plus \$100.00 for other expenses. The "up to" but not to exceed the amount of \$725.00 will be paid directly to the institution/school who is offering the class. The members voted to change the By-Laws to change the amount from \$500.00 up to \$725.00 but not to exceed this amount for scholarships (which is the double occupancy price).

**Librarian:** Sue West - had no report but noted that the books/dvd's had not been located in the storage unit.

**Old Business:** There was no old business to discuss.

**New Business:** Allan Elliott noted that the Ocean Springs Art Fair would be held on March 23, 2024, for those who want to attend and also for those who wish to set up, spots are available both inside and out and he believed the spaces were 10x10 for \$50.

Allan also mentioned that there was an annual show in Jackson, MS that would be held this weekend - February 17th-18th - at the TM Building and he believed it was \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. It was also noted in the EPA Bulletin. Allan noted that a postcard was received from Meteoritetesting.org and passed it around in the event anyone was interested in their group.

**Door Prizes:** Some really great door prizes were won by members.

**Adjournment:** 2:15 p.m.

# WORKSHOPS

**Workshop Chairman:**  
msrobinson2u@icloud.com

**February 17, 2024**

**Shirley Robinson**  
228-594-9673

## March's Workshop

### Shamrock Bracelet

By Lisa Fitch

**No Kits**  
**Needles 2.125" 1.00 each**



### Program

Clasps

By Nicole Green



### Material List:

Material List: For bracelet pictured 7-1/4" with clasp **Technique** – Cross Weave / Intermediate Level

80 4mm Dark Green Bi-Cone Swarovski Crystals (Mine are AB)

36 4mm Lite Green Bi-Cone Swarovski Crystals (Mine are AB)

*THEY DO NOT HAVE TO BE SWAROVSKI CRYSTALS BUT MUST BE BICONES FROM THE SAME MANUFACTURER & YOU CAN SUBSTITUTE COLORS*

140 Toho Seed Bead Size 11 (Gold or Silver)

2 5mm Split Rings

1 Clasp (findings should match seed beads)

2 1/2 Yards Fireline 8lb. \*\*\*For a longer bracelet you will need additional beads

### Tool List:

2 Needles 2.125" Big Eye Needle

Mat

Ruler or Tape Measure

G S Hypo Cement Glue

Thread Conditioner

Thread Burner / Flush Cutters / Scissors

### Cabbing Workshops - *Equipment Chairman* Cindy Braden - 228-243-2665

*If you are interested in cabbing we have instructors available to teach you.*

*Time may be limited if other members are waiting to use the machines.*

- ◆ *\$3.00 per Day for equipment usage*
- ◆ *Must be a member (waiver on file)*
- ◆ *Guest not allowed to use equipment*

# Cinnamon Butter Baked Carrots

Original Recipe by Laura Tate



## NOTES

This recipe can be prepped in advance and refrigerated until ready to bake. The amount of cinnamon can be increased to 1 teaspoon if you like extra cinnamon on your carrots.

## INGREDIENTS

15 carrots, peeled and stems removed  
1/3 cup butter, softened  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon kosher salt  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/3 cup boiling water  
1 tablespoon orange juice  
Fresh parsley, chopped, optional

## DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350°F.

Clean carrots and arrange in a 9" x 13" baking dish.

Using an electric mixer, cream the butter, sugar, salt, and cinnamon. While the mixer is running, slowly add the boiling water and orange juice.

Pour mixture over the carrots and cover the dish with aluminum foil. Bake for 90 minutes.

Remove the foil and transfer carrots to a serving platter. Drizzle carrots with the melted cinnamon butter from the baking dish. Garnish with chopped parsley, if desired.

Happy Anniversary

Dan & Julie Boudreaux  
Eddie & Lynn Tate



Birthdays:

Connie Boyd  
Charley Cavanaugh  
Rosalind Novel-Daniels

# Amethyst

## FACTS

### Wedding Anniversaries—19th

- Mineral: beryl
- Chemistry:  $\text{Be}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}$
- Color: greenish blue, light in tone
- Refractive index: 1.577 to 1.583
- Birefringence: 0.005 to 0.009
- Specific gravity: 2.72
- Mohs Hardness: 7.5 to 8.0

The serenely colored aquamarine invokes the tranquility of its namesake, the sea. In fact, the name *aquamarine* is derived from the Latin word *aqua*, meaning water, and *marina*, meaning *the sea*. Aquamarine is most often light in tone and ranges from greenish blue to blue-green; the color usually is more intense in larger stones, and darker blue stones are very valuable. This gemstone is mined mainly in Brazil, but also is found in Nigeria, Madagascar, Zambia, Pakistan, and Mozambique.

March's birthstone was also thought to enhance the happiness of marriages. Like many beryls, aquamarine forms large crystals suitable for sizable fashioned gems and carvings. The favored cuts are emerald (step) and brilliant cut with long or rectangular shapes. Turbid stones get a cabochon cut.

Heated Aquamarine: Most commercially available aquamarines are already heated. They can even be treated at the mine before they reach the market. This applies to finished stones as well as rough. Not all aquamarine can be heated successfully. Stones from some sources will crack and break apart during treatment and thus aren't normally heated. In general, aquamarine is usually under stress along the length of the crystal at about a third to the middle of its thickness. Beryl tends to crack lengthwise. Since most aquamarine isn't that big around, yields and stone sizes will decrease dramatically when it cracks. Seeing green in rough beryl doesn't necessarily mean the stone is unheated. Stones from some locations retain some green color even when heated successfully. Heating an aquamarine with a flaw, bubble, or inclusion will usually make the problem grow. Even if you only see a hint of a flaw, that may indicate there are problems in the stone you can't see.

In the late 1980s, an exceptionally large aquamarine crystal was found by three Brazilian miners in Pedra Azul, Minas Gerais, Brazil but accidentally dropped the meter-long aquamarine, breaking it into three pieces. A Brazilian buyer purchased the fragmented pieces. The finest and largest piece was saved and transformed into what is now known as the "Dom Pedro" Aquamarine.

The other two pieces were cut and faceted into gems that were sold commercially. The portion of the crystal from which the Dom Pedro emerged weighed almost 60 pounds and was approximately 2/3 meter (2 feet) in length.

In 1991, Jürgen Henn, a gem dealer from Idar-Oberstein, Germany visited the Brazilian miner who owned the aquamarine crystal, and he was permitted to examine and photograph the specimen but was unable to purchase the stone. This was the largest, finest, most important aquamarine he had ever seen. Henn immediately thought of his friend and colleague, Bernd Munsteiner, as the person who could do something truly special with this aquamarine.

A year later when Henn heard the aquamarine was for sale, he immediately asked Bernard Munsteiner to make the trip to Brazil to inspect the crystal. Instead Bernard sent his son, Tom Munsteiner, also an accomplished gem artist, along with Jürgen's son, Axel Henn, to Brazil to examine the crystal. Axel and Tom faced many challenges while in Brazil: convincing the Brazilian owner to sell the aquamarine to them, staying under the radar of other gem dealers, getting it out of Brazil without harm to themselves or the gem, and safely transporting this extremely valuable crystal back to Idar-Oberstein. The aquamarine was safely delivered into the hands of master cutter and gem artist, Bernard Munsteiner.



Sources: [americangemsociety.com](http://americangemsociety.com), [gemsociety.org](http://gemsociety.org), [gia.edu](http://gia.edu), [gemselect.com](http://gemselect.com), [Wikipedia.com](http://Wikipedia.com), [Pinterest](http://Pinterest).





## Southeast Federation News

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### A.F.M.S. Newsletter

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### SFMS 2024 Annual Convention

March 1-3, 2024

Live Oak, FL

### AFMS 2024 Annual Convention

TBA

### William Holland School of Lapidary Arts 706-379-2126

Register Now at:

[www.lapidaryschoolregistration.org](http://www.lapidaryschoolregistration.org)

Federation Week Jun 2 - 8, 2024

*Classes are subject to change*

### WILDACRES RETREAT 828-756-4573

Website @ [www.wildscres.org](http://www.wildscres.org)

[registrarwildacres@gmail.com](mailto:registrarwildacres@gmail.com) Claudia Erwin

When scheduling keep in mind, workshops are subjected to change without notice.

**Please check the website for changes.**

**Federation Weeks** August 4th - 20th

2nd Week September 11th -17th

### A.L.A.A.

Have you joined the **American Lands Access Association** (ALAA)? Help is needed. Please volunteer!

The organization was founded to promote and ensure the right of the amateur hobby collecting, recreational prospecting and mining, and the use of public and private lands for educational and recreational purposes and to carry the voice of all amateur collectors and hobbyists to our elected officials, government regulators and public land managers.

Individual dues are \$25 per year; clubs \$50 per year.

A quarterly newsletter is sent to all members.

For more information,

Visit <http://amlands.org>



Doug True, President

### Nearby Gem Societies



Ms. Gulf Coast Gem & Mineral Society

[www.mgcmgs.com](http://www.mgcmgs.com)

Meeting: 2nd Saturday of the month



Mobile Rock and Gem Society

[www.mobilerockandgem.com](http://www.mobilerockandgem.com)

Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the month



Gem & Mineral Society of Louisiana

Meeting: 2nd Monday of the month

Contact: Levette @ 504-214-3205

## FIELD TRIPS

### Dixie Mineral Council



For a monthly list of field trips, visit their website.

Members Only

<http://www.amfed.org/sfms/index.html>

### Other Interests:

International Society of Glass Blowers

Visit site if you like Lampworking

Website: [www.isgb.org](http://www.isgb.org)

# Shows and Events

3/22-24/2024—LEXINGTON, KY: Annual show; Blue Grass Gem and Mineral Club; Clarion Hotel, 1950 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY; Fri. 4-8, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Everyone \$5 except children under 12 and Scouts in uniform are free when accompanied by an adult; contact John Bradshaw, (859) 576-6785; Email: K4swx911@gmail.com; Website: bggamc.homestead.com

3/22-24/2024—JACKSONVILLE, FL: 36th Annual show; Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society; Jacksonville Fairgrounds, 510 Fairgrounds Place, Jacksonville, FL 32202; Fri. & Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, children 12 and under free with guardian, \$1 off for seniors and military with ID

3/23/2024—HUNTSVILLE, AL: Huntsville Gem & Mineral Society INDOOR GARAGE SALE, Held at the Sandra Moon Complex, South Huntsville, 7901 Bailey Cove Rd., Huntsville, Al. 35802; Sat. 9:30-2; ALL THINGS ROCK AND LAPIDARY! Rough rocks and slabs, Specimens, Fossils, Equipment, Jewelry, Beads, Craft supplies, a little of everything! Come Find Your Treasure! Food truck by Chef Shea. Come join us for some retail therapy.

4/6-7/2024 DOTHAN, AL: Dothan Alabama Gem and Mineral Club, The Wiregrass Rockhounds, Stokes Activity Barn at Landmark Park in Dothan, Alabama. April 6-7, 2024; Saturday 9AM—5PM, Sunday 10AM—4PM. Admission Free. [www.wiregrassrockhounds.com](http://www.wiregrassrockhounds.com) Contact Jeff 334-673-3554

4/6/2024 HENDERSONVILLE, TN: Middle Tennessee Rockhounds, Senior Citizens Center of Hendersonville 192 Imperial Blvd Hendersonville, TN 37075. April 6, 2024; Saturday 9AM—4PM,. Admission & Parking Free. <https://rockhound.org/swap>

4/12-14/2024—RALEIGH, NC: Annual show; Tar Heel Gem & Mineral Club; Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Club Kerr Scott Building, NC State Fairgrounds, 4285 Trinity Rd. Raleigh, NC; Fri. 3-7, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; \$5.00 for a family of 4, \$3.00 for an individual, Free for children under 5. Admission prices are good for all 3 days of the show. Parking is free at the Kerr Scott Building. Contact Cyndy Hummel, (919) 779-6220; Email: [mchummel@mindspring.com](mailto:mchummel@mindspring.com); Website: [tarheelclub.org](http://tarheelclub.org)

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## Meetings / Workshops

Herbert Wilson Recreational Center  
3625 Hancock Avenue  
Gulfport, Ms. 39501

### 3rd Saturday of each month

9 am - 12 pm Workshop

12 pm - 1 pm Lunch

1 pm - 2 pm Meeting

**Directions:** Coming from Pass Road or Hwy. 90 turn on Courthouse Road.

Turn next to Hancock Bank on 33rd Street until you reach Hancock Street. Look to your left and you will see the Herbert Wilson Recreational Center. We are on the left side of building thru the gates.

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## 2024 MEETING DATES

Jan 20th      **May SHOW 18th & 19th**

Feb 17th      June 15th      Sept 21st

Mar 16th      July 20th      Oct 19th

Apr 20th      Aug 17th      Nov 16th

**Dec 21st Christmas Party**

## Newsletter Editor

Lisa Fitch

Submit newsletter articles to:

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**Articles and minutes are due by the last day of each month**



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<b>HARRISON COUNTY GEM &amp; MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.</b> <b>MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION</b>			
<b>APPLICANT INFORMATION</b>			<b>SINGLE \$20.00</b>
Name:		Email:	
Date of birth (Mo/Day):	Anniversary: (Mo/Day)	Cell Phone:	
Current address:		Home Phone:	
City:	State / Zip Code:	Work Phone:	
<b>CO-APPLICANT / SPOUSE INFORMATION</b>			<b>FAMILY \$30.00</b>
<b>TWO ADULTS &amp; ALL MINORS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE/AT SAME ADDRESS</b>			
Co-Applicant / Spouse:		Email:	
Date of birth (Mo/Day):	Cell Phone:	Work Phone:	
<b>JUNIOR INFORMATION</b>			<b>JUNIOR \$10.00</b>
<b>UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE ☆ SPONSORED BY AN ADULT</b>			
Name	Birthday (Mo/Day/Year)	Relationship:	
Name	Birthday (Mo/Day/Year)	Relationship:	
Name:	Birthday (Mo/Day/Year)	Relationship:	
Name	Birthday (Mo/Day/Year)	Relationship:	
<b>☆ EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION ☆</b>			
Name:			
Relationship:	Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
<b>INTEREST INFORMATION</b>			
<b>Hobby Interest:</b>		<b>Jewelry Interest:</b>	
<b>(Each applicant initial interests)</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fossils <input type="checkbox"/> Minerals <input type="checkbox"/> Lapidary ( <input type="checkbox"/> Cabbing, <input type="checkbox"/> Faceting, Etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Field Trips (Creeks, Gravel pits, Mines, Etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Special Interests _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Beading <input type="checkbox"/> Kumihimo <input type="checkbox"/> Pearl Knotting <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Wire Wrapping <input type="checkbox"/> Chainmaille <input type="checkbox"/> Silversmithing	
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Applications can be mail to: Harrison County Gem & Mineral Society P. O. Box 10136, Gulfport, Ms. 39505			
Single \$20.00	Family \$30.00	Junior(s) \$10.00 Each	<b>DUES: \$</b>
<b>Dues:</b> <i>Circle One</i>	<b>NEW RENEWAL</b>	<b>No Proration</b> <b>Deadline: 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of January</b>	<b>TOTAL: \$</b>
<b>SIGNATURES</b>			
How did you hear about our society? _____			
I authorize HCGMS to use my picture or likeness for society promotions?			YES or NO
I authorize HCGMS to include my information in society listings for members only?			YES or NO
Signature of applicant:		Date:	
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Our goal is to promote, educate and stimulate interest in the earth sciences and lapidary arts context.









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**HCGMS 2024 Workshops**

<p><b>January 20</b></p> <p><b>Victorian Bracelet</b> By Sue West</p> <p><b>Program - Cindy B.</b> Equipment / Waiver</p>  <p><b>Happy New Years</b></p>	<p><b>February 17</b></p> <p><b>Viking Knit</b> By Julie B.</p> <p><b>Program - Lisa F.</b> Scholarships</p> <p><b>Happy Valentines</b> February 14th </p>	<p><b>March 16</b></p> <p><b>Shamrock Bracelet</b> By Lisa Fitch</p> <p><b>Program - Nicole G.</b> Clasps</p> <p><b>St. Patrick's Day</b> 17th </p> <p><b>Happy Easter</b> March 31 </p>	<p><b>April 20</b></p> <p><b>Lotus Pendant</b> Karen Williams/ Rozz</p> <p><b>Program - Use Extra time</b> to Prepare Post Cards for Show.</p>
<p><b>May 18</b></p> <p><b>SHOW</b> 18th &amp; 19th</p>	<p><b>June 15</b></p> <p><b>Kumihimo</b> By Nicole Green</p> <p><b>Swirl Earrings</b> By Sue West</p> <p><b>Program -</b></p>	<p><b>July 20</b></p> <p><b>Shaggy Earrings</b> By Lynn &amp; Laura Tate</p> <p><b>Program -</b></p> <p><b>Happy 4th</b> </p>	<p><b>August 17</b></p> <p><b>Netted Christmas Ornament</b> By Lisa F.</p> <p><b>Bike Earrings</b> By Sue West</p> <p><b>Program -</b></p>
<p><b>September 21</b></p> <p><b>Unfinished Projects</b></p> <p><b>Program -</b></p>	<p><b>October 19</b></p> <p><b>Beaded Pendant</b> By Leslie J. </p> <p><b>Program -</b></p> <p> <b>Happy Halloween</b></p>	<p><b>November 16</b></p> <p><b>?</b> By Beverly B.</p> <p><b>Program -</b></p> <p> <b>Happy Thanksgiving</b></p>	<p><b>December 21</b></p>  <p><b>CHRISTMAS PARTY</b></p>