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A message from the President...

Dear Members,

Well, I don't know about you, but I had a great time making the chain maille ring under Laura's tutelage. Everyone's rings came out great! I'm looking forward to learning more about chain maille in the future! Next month Roz will give a demonstration on Soft Soldering. The demo will start at 1100 and should last about 30-45 min. The morning will be free project time where you can finish a current project, start a new one, or help others with theirs. We'll start at the regular 0900L time for free project time.

We had a number of new members join us for the project and meeting as well and I am thrilled to see a growing interest in our club and hope to see more new faces next meeting.

Coming off the heels of a great show, we're looking for someone to champion next year's show. No experience necessary. Beverly will stay on as vice-chair assisting the Chair, providing guidance, support, and experience. Over the next few months, we'll start to form show committees to get a head start on next year. Let's support our club and help with the show!

Hope to see everyone on the 19th!

Sincerely,

President Peter M.



Notes from the editor . . .

Meeting: July 19, 2025 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: Ruby

Show & Tell: Anything you have to share with the club, Please bring.

Workshops:
Unfinished Projects

Program: Roz will do a Tiffany method soldering

2025 Workshop Instructors needed

Please Contact Workshop Chairman,
Shirley at **228-594-9673**
Msrobinson2u@icloud.com

Show Chairman: Beverly B.

Email: gulfportgems.show@gmail.com

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

Workshops are posted on both.

www.gulfportgems.org

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June 21, 2025

Called to Order Time: 1:00 p.m. by President Peter M.

Members in attendance: (17 Members / 2 Guest) Sharon G.; Jina M.; Pete M.; Beverly B.; Leslie J.; Gladys D.; Rosalind N.; Nicole G.; Sue W.; Laura T.; Shirley R.; Terri R.; Cindy B.; Kay L.; *Doris E.; Lisa P.*; Sheryl R.; Janice J.; Don L.

Three new members were in attendance: Janice, Donnie, and Kay, as well as two visitors, Doris, and Lisa

Show & Tell: None.

Meeting: The May minutes having been distributed and read, a motion was made to accept the May minutes by Beverly and was seconded by Sharon. There were no objections and the Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: No report, but it was noted that a Form 990N was submitted for the 2024 fiscal year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Workshops: No report, Shirley was not in attendance. A chainmaille rose ring class was taught by Laura T. this month. Next month's project will be a demonstration by Roz of a Tiffany soft solder project. We will also be working on unfinished projects.

Newsletter: No report.

Facebook: No report.

Webmaster: No report other than pictures were posted for the May 2025 show.

Equipment: No report.

Sunshine: No report other than an apology by Sunshine Chairman Sheryl D. in not sending on some birthday/anniversary cards..

Show: Beverly B. reported that she will not be returning as Show Chairman for the 2026 Show. Also, all vendors from the 2025 Show have re-signed for the 2026 Show and there are seven other vendors on the waiting list.

Beverly B. reported that we had \$XXX in income and \$XXX in expenses, netting a profit of \$ XXX.

Kid's Corner brought in \$XXX

New member dues brought in \$XXX

Show entrance fees brought in \$XXX

Peter M. recommended for next year, we hang the Kid's Corner and other banners lower so they won't blend in with the background of the wall. He also asked for any suggestions or ideas to get more children involved with the Society.

Librarian: No report.

Old Business: No report.



Minutes Continued:

New Business: Sheryl R. gave a report regarding the Silver I workshop that she took at the William Holland School and spoke about the various tools she used and acetylene torch and brought in the items that she made including 3 rings and 1 open back bezels and 2 closed back bezels.

Peter M. received a scholarship from the Ms. Gulf Coast Gem & Mineral Society and also gave a report regarding the Cabochon workshop that he took at the William Holland School.

Split the Pot: \$XXX was collected and Kay won Split the Pot and received \$XXX.

Door Prizes: Door prizes were won by all!! If you have any door prizes to donate, please bring them to the next meeting.

Adjournment: Janice made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gladys seconded the motion and there being no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

NAME TAGS:

If you don't have a name tag, please contact Nicole to order one as everyone needs one. All name tags must be PAID IN ADVANCE before ordering.

Thought of the Day . . .



M. Williamson

Happy Anniversary
Beverly B.



**Happy
Birthday**

**Bernadette B., Gretchen B.,
Joseph B., Alexis F., Rose S.**



WORKSHOPS

Workshop Chairman:
msrobinson2u@icloud.com

July 19, 2025



Shirley Robinson
228-594-9673

Project: Tiffany method soldering
By Roz



*Volunteers are needed for 2025
Workshops
Show & Tell
Programs*

*Please consider volunteering!
A program can be
anywhere from 15 to 30 minutes.
Demonstrate how to do something.*

Contact Shirley to schedule

Workshop

Unfinished Projects: Bring your unfinished projects and let's complete them. Instructors will be available to help.

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*

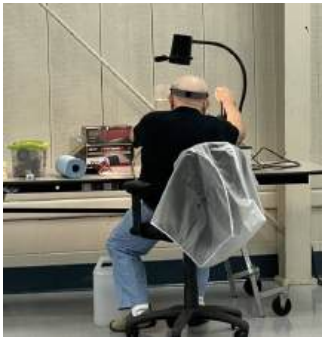
April 19th Workshop



Sheryl brought in her exhibited some of her specimens



Sharon, Allan, and Sheryl



Buddy S. facets



Cindy B.



Door Prizes



Good Food

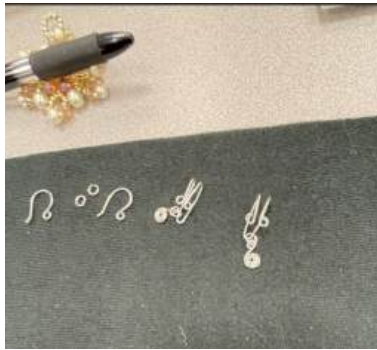


Julie B., Sue W., & Reba S.



Sue W. shows bracelet

April Workshop Taught By Sue W. - Earrings



Sue S. beading



May Show



June Meeting

Don - our New Member



Left:
Sheryl
cutting
a stone,

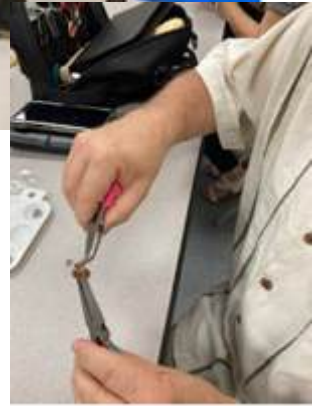
Below:
Cindy
B.



Beverly B.



*June's workshop by Lynn & Laura
Chainmaille Rose Ring*



Ruby

Anniversaries 15th & 40th

FACTS



Mineral: Corundum

Chemical composition: Al_2O_3

Color: Red

Refractive index: 1.762 to 1.770

Birefringence: 0.008 to 0.010

Specific gravity: 4.00 (+/- 0.05)

Mohs Hardness: 9

In its purest form, the mineral corundum is colorless. Trace elements that become part of the mineral's crystal structure cause variations in its color. Chromium is the trace element that causes ruby's red, which ranges from an orangey red to a purplish red.

The strength of ruby's red depends on how much chromium is present—the more chromium, the stronger the red color. Chromium can also cause fluorescence, which adds to the intensity of the red color.

The name ruby comes from the Latin word *ruber*, which means "red." The glowing red of ruby suggested an inextinguishable flame burning in the stone, even shining through clothing and able to boil water. In the ancient language of Sanskrit, ruby is called *ratnaraj*, or "king of precious stones."

Ruby has been called the most precious of the 12 stones created by God.

The Ruby represents love, passion, courage and emotion. For centuries this gem has been considered the king of all gems. It was believed that wearing a fine red Ruby bestowed good fortune on its owner. Rubies have been the prized possession of emperors and kings throughout the ages. To this day the Ruby is the most valued gemstone.

The color of a Ruby is the most important feature of the gemstone. Rubies are available in a range of red hues from purplish and bluish red to orange-red. The brightest and most valuable color of Ruby is often "a Burmese Ruby" – an indication that it is a rich, passionate, hot, full red color with a slight blue hue. This color is often referred to as "pigeon blood" red, a Ruby color only associated with the Mogok Valley mines in Myanmar. The color Pigeon Blood Ruby red, is not associated with the color of a pigeon's blood but rather the color of a white pigeon's eye.

Ruby is the most valuable variety of the corundum mineral species, which also includes sapphire. Rubies can command the highest per-carat price of any colored stone. This makes ruby one of the most important gems in the colored stone market.

History & Lore . . .

Ancient Hindus believed that those who offered fine rubies to the god Krishna were granted rebirth as emperors. They divided the ruby into four castes, calling the true Oriental ruby a Brahmin. Someone in possession of a Brahmin was believed to have the advantage of perfect safety.

Ruby has accumulated a host of legends over the centuries. People in India believed that rubies enabled their owners to live in peace with their enemies. In Burma (a ruby source since at least 600 AD—now called Myanmar), warriors possessed rubies to make them invincible in battle.

However, it wasn't enough to just wear the rubies. They had to insert them into their flesh and make them part of their bodies. Many medieval Europeans wore rubies to guarantee health, wealth, wisdom, and success in love.

In the first century AD, the Roman scholar Pliny included rubies in his *Natural History*, describing their hardness and density.

Ruby found in Basalt Rocks



In other locations, rubies can be found in basalt rocks. Rubies from these sources can have higher iron content, which can make the rubies darker and less intense in color. Higher iron content in the chemical makeup of a ruby can also mask the red fluorescence, eliminating that extra glow of red color seen in marble-hosted rubies.



Rubies



Rubies found in marble deposits often have a vibrant red glow.

Marble has low iron content, so the Rubies that originate in marble (called “marble-hosted” by gemologists) lack iron. Because of this, many have an intense red color.



125West Ruby



The 125West Ruby is currently the largest ruby in the world. This unique specimen is one of the world's largest known rough ruby gemstones and weighs 8.2lbs or 18,696 carats. The ruby is semi-translucent to opaque and contains rutile, which may create a six-ray star if cut ‘en cabochon’ (i.e. polished but not faceted). The crystal displays a strong red fluorescence when exposed to long-wave ultraviolet light. It measures 122.4mm x 112.3mm x 133.9mm.

The most renowned rubies, like those from Myanmar, the Himalayas, and Northern Vietnam, typically form in marble. They're found in layers that are distributed irregularly within the surrounding marble. Marble forms as part of the metamorphic (rock-altering) process, when heat and pressure from mountain formation act on existing limestone deposits.



“In The Spotlight”

Largest Ruby - Estrela da Fura



The ruby was discovered by Dubai-based FURA Gems in its mine in Mozambique on July 21, 2022.

Before its unveiling and cutting, Daniel Nyfeler, managing director of Gübelin Gem Lab, stated: "the Estrela de Fura ruby is likely to yield an intense, saturated red colour once fully and properly faceted with adequate proportions, is relatively free of eye-visible inclusions. Considering its very large size, the vivid red colour, and clarity characteristics of this ruby give it an extraordinary potential to become one of the largest high-quality faceted rubies ever seen."¹

On September 4, 2022, Estrela da Fura was unveiled at an event held by the Dubai Multi Commodities Centre (DMCC) at the Dubai Diamond Exchange (DDE).

In January 2023, Fura sought the guidance of an international advisors, including French gem company Garaude, SAS and 3D engineers from Bellerophon Gemlab to assess cutting options. Garaude highlighted the rough had tremendous potential as well as significant challenges.

After conducting a series of studies to determine the best weight, shape, and cutting angles, the ruby was cut and polished in Bangkok by the hands of master gem cutter, Chirapat Yingthawiphaphat from Garaude. The outcome resulted in a 55.22-carat ruby.¹

Sotheby's unveiled the faceted ruby in Hong Kong on April 5, 2023. Subsequently, its worldwide tour included exhibitions in Taipei, China, Singapore, Geneva, and Dubai.

On June 8, 2023, the "Magnificent Jewels" sale took place in New York, organized by Sotheby's. The ruby was successfully sold for \$34.8 million, making it the largest and most expensive ruby ever to be auctioned.

The bidding started at \$21 million, and an anonymous telephone bidder acquired it for an additional \$9 million, plus fees and commissions.

Sotheby's auction house officially declared the Estrela de Fura as the most valuable and significant ruby ever offered for sale, emphasising its rarity and uniqueness.

Previously, the auction record for a ruby was held by the "Sunrise Ruby," a 25.59-carat gemstone discovered in Myanmar, which achieved a sale price of \$30.3 million in Geneva, Switzerland, in 2015.



Bench Tips from Brad

FANCY RIVET HEADS

For a nice looking rivet head, use brass escutcheon pins. You'll have perfectly rounded heads that are all the same size and shape. The pins are a little hard to find, so try the best hardware stores first. Be sure to get solid brass pins, not brass plated steel. If unsure, test them with a magnet.

The pins are readily available online. Lee Valley Tools has them in 14 - 18 gauge and lengths from 1/4 inch to 1 inch.

Go to <http://www.LeeValley.com> and do an item search on "brass escutcheon pin"

For best results, select a drill that gives you a hole with a close fit to the rivet. Trim the rivet to a leave a little less than one diameter sticking out the back side. Place the head on a scrap of hard plastic on the anvil so as to not flatten the head. I prefer a ball peen hammer (with a small 3/8 inch ball) for setting the rivet.



Making jewelry involves a multitude of skills, intricate hand work, and a lot of problem solving. In this series Books in this series help to:

- >Broaden your metalworking skills
- >Improve productivity at the bench
- >Save money on tools and supplies

You'll find hundreds of low cost and really practical tips and techniques that the author uses in his work and teaches in his classes and workshops.

<http://amazon.com/dp/B0BQ8YVLTJ>



Smart Solutions for Your Jewelry Making Problems

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Classes are subject to change

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

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2nd Week September 15th - 21st



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www.mgcmgs.com

Meeting: 2nd Saturday of the month



Mobile Rock and Gem Society

www.mobilerockandgem.com

Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the month



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Meeting: 2nd Monday of the month

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

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For more information,

Visit <http://amlands.org>



Doug True, President

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

2025 SFMS Workshops

| Class | Instructor | Class | Instructor |
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| <u>William Holland 6/8-13/2025</u> | | | |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Gem Trees | Jerri Heer | Silver | Barbara Fields |
| Opals All in One | Jeff Hunter (Wait List) | Silver II | Zac Tedrow |
| Cab I & II | John Wild (Wait List) | Chain Maille I | Jim Hird |
| Soapstone Carving | Ken Valke | Stained Glass Boxes | Stephanie Danz (Wait List) |
| Faceting | Lance Andrus | Wire I | Judi Wild (Wait List) |
| Intarsia I & II | Bill Boggs | Metal Clay In Motion | Patricia Lillie |
| Soft Solder | Jodi Miller | Junior Jewelers | Debbie Gates |
| Coin Jewelry | Cindy Moore | | |

| <u>Wildacres I—8/11-17/2025</u> | | <u>Wildacres II - 9/15-21/2025</u> | |
|--|----------------|---|----------------------|
| Silversmith + (Wait List) | Jason Hamilton | Silversmith + | Jason Hamilton |
| Special Projects | Jeff Sheer | Enamel/Acid Etching | Stephanie Savic Polk |
| Moving Metal | Cindy Moore | Bracelet Blowout | Cindy Moore |
| Steel/Bronze Metal Clay | Renee Runde | Micro-Macrame Jewelry | Kristin Pietras |
| Stained Glass Boxes | Stephanie Danz | Stained Glass Panels | Stephanie Danz |
| Bead Embroidery | Gail Deluca | Fantastic Leathercraft | Amber Dockery |
| Casting | Bill Harr | Fun w/Silver Metal Clay | Susan Brooks |
| | | | |

It's time to start thinking about the SFMS Workshop offerings for 2025. Contact us quick to get the class you want. The website is <https://www.sfmsworkshops.org>.

You can sign up and pay your deposit directly online. If you prefer, you can download the application from the registration page and send it with a check.

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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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www.gulfportgems.org or
<https://www.facebook.com/gulfportgems>

2025 MEETING DATES

| | | |
|----------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Jan 18th | May SHOW 17th & 18th | |
| Feb 15th | June 21st | Sept 20th |
| Mar 15th | July 19th | Oct 18th |
| Apr 19th | Aug 16th | Nov 15th |

Dec 20th Christmas Party

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Lisa Fitch

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| 18 YEARS OF AGE | | | |
| Name: | | Email: | |
| Date of birth (Mo/Day): | Anniversary: (Mo/Day) | Cell Phone: | |
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| City: | State / Zip Code: | Work Phone: | |
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| Date of birth (Mo/Day): | Cell Phone: | Work Phone: | |
| JUNIOR INFORMATION | | | JUNIOR \$10.00 |
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| Relationship: | Home Phone: | Cell Phone: | |
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| Single \$20.00 | Family \$30.00 | Junior(s) \$10.00 Each | DUES: \$ |
| Dues: <i>Circle One</i> NEW RENEWAL No Proration Deadline: 3rd Saturday of January | | | TOTAL: \$ |
| SIGNATURES | | | |
| 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: | |
| Signature of co-applicant/spouse (only if for a family membership): | | Date: | |
| *Newsletter will be sent via email @ no charge | | Modified 11/20/17 LF | |

Our goal is to promote, educate and stimulate interest in the earth sciences and lapidary arts context.

Shows and Events

7/25-78/2025—FRANKLIN, NC: Franklin Chamber of Commerce/Gem & Mineral Society of

Franklin NC: Robert C. Carpenter Community Building, 1288 Georgia Road, Franklin, NC; Fri. & Sat. 10-6 & Sun 10-4, Adults \$3; 12 & Under FREE; Contact Linda Harabuck, (828) 524-3161; Email: lindah@franklin-chamber.com; Link(s): Website: www.visitfranklinnc.com

9/26-28/2025—EAST FLAT ROCK, NC: Henderson County Gem and Mineral Society: National Guard Armory (Beside Ingle's) - 2025 Spartanburg Hwy., East Flat Rock, NC 28726; Fri. & Sat. 10-6 & Sun 10-5, Adult Admission \$ 5.00. Children under 12 are free with paying Adult. Free parking. Link(s): <https://wp.hcgms.com/gem-show/> <https://www.facebook.com/groups/136940423038426>

9/27-28/2025—OCEAN SPRINGS, MS: Mississippi Gulf Coast Gem and Mineral Society: Ocean Springs Civic Center, 3730 Bienville Blvd. (HWY 90), Ocean Springs, MS 39564; Sat. 10-6 & Sun 10-5, Adult Admission \$ 5.00. Children under 12 are free with paying Adult. Link(s): www.mgcgms.org For more information contact Barbie at mgcgms@bellsouth.net or 228-238-9900

10/18-19/2025—PORT ST. LUCIE, FL: St. Lucie County Rock and Gem Club: MidFlorida Event Center 9221 SR Civic Center Place, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952; Sat. 9-5 & Sun 10-4, Adult Admission \$ 6.00. Children are free with paying Adult. Free parking. Link(s): www.sclrockandgem.org

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF SHOWS VISIT - amfed.org

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Pontchartrain Center, 4545 Williams Blvd., Kenner, La. 70065

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| <div>January 18</div> <div>Cellini Spiral Christmas Ornament By Leslie J. Cancel</div> <div>Zip Tie Bracelets Sue S.</div>  | <div>February 15</div> <div>Viking Knit By Julie B.</div> <div>Cellini Spiral Christmas Ornament By Leslie J.</div> <div>Happy Valentines February 14th</div>  | <div>March 15</div> <div>Kumihimo By Nicole G.</div> <div>Mardi Gras March 4</div> <div>St. Patrick's Day 17th</div>  | <div>April 19</div> <div>Wired Earrings By Sue W.</div> <div>Happy Easter April 20</div>  |
| <div>May 17</div> <div>SHOW 17th & 18th</div> | <div>June 21</div> <div>Chainmaille Rose Ring By Lynn / Laura</div> <div>Program -</div> | <div>July 19</div> <div>Program - Tiffany method soldering By Roz</div> <div>2nd - Unfinished Projects</div> <div>Happy 4th</div>  | <div>August 16</div> <div>Wire Weave Cuff By Julie & Reba</div> <div>Framed Pendant By Sue W.</div> <div>Program -</div> |
| <div>September 20</div> <div>Spiral beaded necklace By Shirley</div> <div>Program -</div> | <div>October 18</div> <div>Spiders By Sue S,</div>  <div>Happy Halloween</div> | <div>November 15</div> <div>Introduction to resin By Peter / Helen</div> <div>Program -</div>  <div>Happy Thanksgiving</div> | <div>December 20</div>  <div>CHRISTMAS PARTY</div> |