



*Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society, Inc.*



# NEWSLETTER



## Presidents Message

Thank you all for the best show JGMS has ever had! Despite a few setbacks from the venue, the event was a huge success. Preparations for next year's show have already begun. JGMS is hosting the SFMS and the ISSC annual meeting in conjunction with our annual show and sale. So extra volunteers will be needed for this event. Some committees will need to get started soon, so do plan on attending. That not in attendance will be given the least liked jobs... lol...

The JGMS Fall Picnic has been combined with the JGMS Annual Post Show Meeting scheduled for Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 4pm. The Show meeting will be from 10am – 12pm with food and rock swapping to follow. Bring a side dish, enough for you, your guest and a few others. JGMS will provide the meats and drinks; you provide the sides and fun.

The November meeting is the JGMS's Annual Voice Auction. This is one of the highly anticipated events of the year. We get a chance to bid on and possibly own a one of a kind work of art from our cherished JGMS members/instructors or get a rare specimen or awesome tools or equipment. Bring your checkbook, bid high, and bid often. Yes, there will be the mystery Hamilton box? As always, it is my pleasure to share JGMS with you.

Respectfully, Jason Hamilton

Thank you, Jason Hamilton

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JGMS MINUTES  
OCTOBER 5, 2017

- Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.
- Pledge said.
  
- New members and guests were recognized.
  
- Annual show report: “Best Show Ever”. Volunteers were recognized. There were a record number of attendees from the public. Approximately 5,400 attended the show. All vendors reported doing well and had a good show. Spencer Herring asked for volunteers for the show and for refreshments. Karen Boger applauded those who worked on advertising, which she felt helped with the huge attendance.
  
- Refreshments: Pat Herring thanked all the members who brought food
- Treasurers Report: Report will be posted this week for all to see.
  
- Youth recognized for serving the youth booth at the show.
  
- Barbara spoke on the success of the show and thanked all the volunteers.
  
- Jason Hamilton explained the organizational chart starting with the AFMS, SFMS and JGMS.
- He announced that tickets for a drawing at the annual SFMS meeting were for sale. The tickets go toward a scholarship fund from SFMS. We stand a good chance, because we have sold a good number of tickets.
  
- Fall picnic was discussed. Ed Price volunteered to head up the picnic. Time and place were discussed. Members were asked to bring a side dish. Club will provide meat. Information was provided on the printed agenda available at the sign-in table.
  
- Social Concerns: Dana Brooks passed away. Celebration of life will be October 7, 2017.
  
- Tim Smeggil spoke on Publications. He asked for articles for the newsletter and mentioned awards from SFMS and AFMS for original web site articles.
  
- Workshop donation: Debby and Jim Taylor in St. Augustine donated faceting and cabbing machines to the club along with various other items.
  
- Field Trips: November 18, Amos Cunningham farm in S.C. The October 28 dig was canceled.
  
- Scholarships: Karen Boger explained the point system used to put people in the running for scholarships to William Holland and Wild Acres Lapidary Schools, and for in house classes.
  
- Education: Anne Acker discussed classes and class sign up procedure. Instructors stood and presented what they class they taught.
  
- Yearly events were discussed and it was noted that the current T-shirts had the annual events on the back. The yearly calendar is also on the web site.
  
- November is the time for the voice auction. Silent auction was also discussed.
- November is also time for election of officers for the upcoming year.
  
- Holiday party will be in December, usually the first Saturday after the December.

- JGMS will host a dig at the Hog Mine in 2018. The Dixie Mineral Council was discussed.
- Show and Tell presented by various members.
- Meeting adjourned

Sincerely,  
Anne Lanier

## Upcoming Events

### SFMS Annual Meeting

Saturday, Oct 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am at JTV, 9600 Parkside Drive, Knoxville, TN 37922. Banquet at 7:30pm at the same address. This will be in conjunction with the Knoxville Gem Show, Fri – Sun, 10am – 6pm, at the Kerbela Temple, 315 Mimosa Ave in Knoxville, TN, 37920.

### JGMS Movie Night

JGMS is starting a new tradition: Monthly Movie Night. Every third Thursday Night of each month, at 7pm at the clubhouse at 3733 Crown Point Rd, Jacksonville, FL. 32257. Movies will mostly be related to Gem, Minerals, Fossils, Jewelry. Some movie nights might be dedicated to special events or programs. Movies will usually have free popcorn.

### Fall Picnic

It has been rescheduled to October 14th, 2017. This coming Saturday at the JGMS Clubhouse at 3733 Crown Point Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32257. 10am - 3pm / October 14th (Saturday) 2017. This will be a combination of our Fall Picnic with the After Show Party so that we can discuss the things that we could also do better for next year. JGMS will provide the meats, drinks, cups, plates, napkins & utensils. Members should bring a side dish and a small dessert, enough to feed their family and a guest. Also, bring chairs and Tailgating Materials.

## Understanding Classes and What Classes need Prerequisites

**Jason Hamilton** – Silversmithing classes – DO NOT require and Prerequisites – He will teach you everything you need to know

**Patrick Griffin** – Introduction to Soldering is a Prerequisite for Silver ‘A’  
Silver ‘A’ is a Prerequisite to Silver ‘B’

**Heather Ferman** – Glass Blowing Beads has a Prerequisite of Glass Blowing Ornaments  
Silver classes require Silver ‘A’ as a prerequisite

**Russ Fisette** – Silver classes all Require Silver ‘A’ as a Prerequisite

**ALL OPEN SILVER CLASSES** require Silver ‘A’ & Silver ‘B’

**If you plan on working alone on your own project using the Silversmith Equipment – you must be Certified in Silversmithing**

**The Highlighted Blue Classes have openings – Call Instructor directly to see if there is room.  
Instructor information available on website**

# JGMS October Class Calendar - Tentative

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>Wirewrap</b> "Sister" Bracelet Diana Barreras 1-4PM \$9</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Faceting</b> Bill Poland 6PM-9PM \$30</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Faceting</b> Bill Poland 6PM-9PM <b>Beginning Cabbing</b> Randy Ritter 6PM-9PM \$15</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>Open Cabbing</b> Dani Bratten 12-4PM \$20 <b>Beginning Faceting</b> Bill Poland 6PM-9PM</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p><b>Membership Meeting 7PM</b> <b>Class Signups</b> 6PM</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>Silver Precious Metal Clay</b> Anne Acker 6-9PM \$9</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p><b>Chainmaille Pumpkin Earrings</b> Tim Smeggil 10AM-2PM \$12</p>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver</b> Jason Hamilton 6-9PM \$33 <b>General Geology</b> Craig Hamilton 6-9PM \$9</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver</b> Jason Hamilton 6-9PM <b>Beginning Gem Trees</b> Karen Boger 6-9PM \$9</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver</b> Jason Hamilton 6-9PM <b>Open Enameling</b> Harriet Rose 6PM-9PM \$9</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p><b>Seed Beading, etc.</b> Cheryl Ashley 9:30am-12:30pm \$9  <b>Board Meeting</b> 7PM</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Cabbing</b> Randy Ritter 6-9PM \$15</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Cabbing</b> Jean Wydra 10AM-2PM \$20 <b>PMC Pendant w/ Cab Set After Firing</b> Dixie Murphy 10AM-2PM \$24</p>
<p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>Chainmaille Byzantine Bracelet</b> Tim Smeggil 10AM-2PM \$12 <b>Wire Wrap Pattern Wire Bracelet</b> Diana Barreras 1PM-4PM \$9 <b>PMC Pendant (continued)</b> 10AM-2PM</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p><b>Introduction to Soldering</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM \$11 <b>Handblown Glass Ornaments</b> Heather Ferman 6PM-9PM \$11</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver A</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM \$33</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver A</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM <b>Introduction to Enameling</b> Harriet Rose 6-9PM \$9 <b>Flamework Beads</b> Heather Ferman 6-9PM \$24</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver A</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p><b>Open Cabbing</b> Randy Ritter 6-9PM \$15 <b>Torch Enameling</b> Debbie Ritter 6-9PM \$11</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p><b>Fall Picnic</b></p>
<p><b>22</b></p> <p><b>Chainmaille Christmas Tree Earrings</b> Tim Smeggil 10AM-2PM \$12 <b>Wire Wrap Infinity Bracelet</b> Diana Barreras 1PM-4PM \$9 <b>Intro to Argentium Silver</b> Heather Ferman 10AM-1PM <b>Sterling Fidget Ring / Open Silver</b> Heather Ferman 1PM-5PM \$9</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p><b>Silver Precious Metal Clay</b> Anne Acker 6-9PM \$9 <b>Soldering Basics and Beyond</b> Russ Fisette 6-9PM \$11</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p><b>Advanced Gem Trees</b> Karen Boger 6-9PM \$18 <b>Hammered Rings</b> Russ Fisette 6-9PM \$11</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>Advanced Gem Trees</b> Karen Boger 6-9PM <b>Fold Formed Cuff Bracelet</b> Russ Fisette 6-9PM \$11 <b>Introduction to Enameling</b> Harriet Rose 6-9PM \$9</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p><b>Open Beading</b> Cheryl Ashley 9:30am-12:30pm \$9 <b>Open Enameling</b> Harriet Rose 10AM-2PM \$12  <b>Glass Fusing</b> Cheryl Ashley 6-10PM \$12</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p><b>Silver Precious Metal Clay</b> Anne Acker 6-9PM \$9</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Cabbing</b> Jean Wydra 10AM-2PM \$20</p>
<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver B</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM \$33</p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver B</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM</p>	<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>Beginning Silver B</b> Pat Griffin 6-9PM</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p><b>Membership Meeting 7PM</b> <b>Class Signups</b> 6PM</p>		

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