



# UPCOMING SHOWS

**June 3 & 4**

## **Celinka Gem Shows**

6th Annual Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show  
Stony Brook University -Student Activities Center  
Nicholls Rd. - Stony Brook, NY  
For more info call (631-567-3342)  
(Discount coupon at Suffolkgem.com - Upcoming shows)

**July 29 & 30**

## **The Long Island Mineral & Geological Society, Inc.**

Cutchogue East Elementary School  
Main Road - Route 25  
Cutchogue, NY  
For more info: 631-594-1843

**August 11 - 13**

## **East Coast Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show**

Better Living Center at the Eastern States Exposition  
1305 Memorial Drive,  
West Springfield, MA 01089

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

**P. O. Box 302  
Bohemia, L.I., NY  
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*To promote cultural, educational, and scientific interest in mineralogy, and develop member's skills in lapidary arts and jewelry crafts*

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# **THE CONGLOMERATE**

*The Monthly Newsletter of the Suffolk Gem & Mineral Club, Inc.*

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**This Meeting - May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Cheryl Neary will demonstrate the making of a kaleidoscope. Attendees can bring clear or transparent beads, coloring pencils, or colored paper to wrap around the tubes. There will be no cost to members for provided materials.

In addition to the fine refreshments available at our meetings, starting in May we will be adding fresh fruit.

**Last Meeting**

Joe Austin from the Nassau Mineral Club spoke on Meteorites.

We voted on nominating Michael Kessler for a second term as Regional Vice President of EFMLS.

**Buses Obtained for Springfield, MA and Reading, PA**

Our Club has secured buses for one-day trips to the *East Coast Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show* in Springfield, MA for Saturday, August 12 and the *Lapidary Journal's Beadfest* in Reading, PA for Saturday, October 7.

These are 55-passenger buses and seats will be available on a first-come first-served basis. The cost per seat is \$30.00. Club members **MUST** pay for the Springfield trip by the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting – **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Members will be reimbursed \$15.00 when on the bus to Springfield. To date, 48 seats have already been taken for the Springfield trip.

Make your reservations ASAP through Roberta Besso at (631) 666-8023.

**Annual Summer Picnic**

The Club's picnic is slated for on Saturday, August 19 starting at 10:00am. As in the past, it will be held at Hecksher State Park, East Islip, NY near Parking Lot #1. The Club will be inviting members from the other local gem clubs and vendors from our annual gem and mineral show to participate in the day's activities.

**Webmaster Backup**

Tom Wines is looking for someone to act as his backup in maintaining the club's website. He will provide the necessary training and required software; however, the candidate must have at least the following configuration:

- Windows 2000XP
- Microsoft Word
- Broadband connection (DSL or Cable)

If interested, see him at the May meeting or send an email to [gemhunter@optonline.net](mailto:gemhunter@optonline.net).

**Brain Teasers**

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