

## UPCOMING SHOWS



### Celinka Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show

*June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>*

Stony Brook University – Student Activity Center  
Stony Brook, NY

For info: 631-567-3342

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

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show  
*July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>*

Mattituck High School – Main Road  
Mattituck, NY

Monthly Club meetings held at the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Library, Montauk Highway, Bay Shore starting at 8:00pm

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# THE CONGLOMERATE

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### Next Meeting – May 17<sup>th</sup>

Starts at 6:30pm – Sharp

Thanks to Director Elaine Casani, *Jane Irvine* will be instructing on “Dichroic Glass”. Due to need for extra time in creating and “firing” our hand-made pieces, participants must arrive before 6:30pm. There will be a two-hour break while the glass articles are in the kiln. During this time, Chris Marotta and Marty Besso will speak on the trip to Red Hill, PA on May 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will share some photos as well as the many specimens they collected. Also during the break, we will be conducting our regular monthly meeting.

As always, refreshments will be served.

### At the Prior Meeting

*Dorothy DiBenedeto* spoke on the many aspects of diamonds. She also donated several books on this topic to the Club’s library.

Due to her long-standing tenure with the Club, *Edith Heinlein* was appointed “life-time” member.

### Club Raffle

The Club has acquired a used grinder-cutter machine (estimate value \$500 – new). Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$5 each from *Marty Besso*. The drawing will be at our June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

### Bulk Specimens

Member, *Paul Engelhardt*, is looking into the possibility of purchases of mineral specimens in bulk and then passing the savings along to members. If you are interested in this proposal, please call Paul at 631-589-0742 and tell him what you would be interested in the Club purchasing.

### Garnet Dig – May 22<sup>nd</sup>

*Marty Besso* is looking for members to join him on this trip sponsored by the Capital District Mineral Club to Roxbury, CT to collect garnets in and out of matrix and staurolites. Anyone interested should contact Marty at 631-666-8023.

### Avery Point, CT – Bus Trip– May 22<sup>nd</sup>

The trip will begin at Avery Point located near Groton in Conn. Avery Point is part of the Univ. of Conn. *Dr. George McManus*, a noted marine biologist, offered to give us a tour of the campus and provide a lecture on the research and studies, as well, an informal lesson on the geology of LI Sound. After approximately two hours at Avery Point, we will venture to the Pequot Museum (admission is \$13.00 –group rate), where anyone interested can pick up the shuttle for Foxwoods Casino. At 1:00 pm, a flutist, *Evren Ozan*, a native flutist and child protégé will be performing at the museum. We will depart around 4:30pm. Food is available at both Foxwoods and the Museum, or you can bring a lunch. We will be stopping at Cracker Barrel for dinner.

**BUS SCHEDULE:** - Riverhead- 6:00 am; Exit 63, P&R- 6:20 am; Exit 53, Wicks Rd.- 6:40 am; Exit 41, Atrium- 7:00 am; and Exit 32, (bagel shop)- 7:20 am.

Contact Cheryl Neary at 631-475-5689 or Marty Besso at 631-666-8023 for more information and/or sign up.

