



UPCOMING SHOWS

Suffolk Gem and Mineral Club, Inc.

31st Annual Gem & Mineral Show

December 11th and 12th

Stony Brook University – Student Activities Center

Nicolls Road (Rte 97N off of LIE – 9 miles)

Use Main Entrance (West Side)

Follow signs to parking lot

Stony Brook, NY

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THE CONGLOMERATE

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

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President – Thomas Wines	631-472-4395	Director - Elaine Casani	631-567-3342
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The Conglomerate: Editor – Judi Wines Co-Editor – Marty Besso

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Last Meeting

- The Nomination Committee presented the slate of Club Officers for 2005 as follows:

- President** – Thomas Wines
- Vice President** - Kerry Dicker
- Treasurer** - Roberta Besso
- Corres. Sec’y.** – Candy Miller
- Recording Sec’y.** – Judi Wines
- Director** - Elaine Casani
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- Club Liaison** – Charles Runko

Elections will be held at the January meeting.

- **Member Mitch Gluck** explained the GIA diamond grading certificate, pricing with a Rappaport sheet, and how to properly open and close parcel papers.

There is no meeting in December.

Due the Holiday, the next meeting is Monday, January 10th, 2005.

Annual Gem Show

It’s less than two weeks to go before the Club’s 31st annual show at Stony Brook University on December 11th and 12th. Members are expected to volunteer and must signup before the show. So that vendors and the public know who the members are during the show, Club shirts must be worn.

If you have already signed up, a yellow-colored reminder is included in this newsletter stating the date and time you will be at the show. If you have signed up and have not received a notice **or** for those members who would still like to sign up now, please call **Volunteer Chairperson Judi Wines** (only) at 631-472-4395 before December 10.

Display Your Handiwork

At the Club’s table this year, we would like members to display items crafted. If you are interested, please call **Tom Wines** (631-472-4395) with a description of your work. A protective case will be provided.

Annual Holiday Dinner

Mark your calendar for Sunday, January 9th.

We will hold our dinner at Papa Joe’s (450 Commack Road Deer Park, NY (631) 242-8902) starting at 5:00pm and ending at 9:00pm. A silent action will also be held. The cost for members is \$12 (\$24 for non-members). Please contact **Treasurer Roberta Besso** as soon as possible if you plan to attend. December 12^h will the last day to signup and pay for the dinner.

Note from Member Chris Marotta^{*}

“Dear Club Members,

Thank you so much for your generous scholarship! Next semester I will be taking six evening credits rather than three. Probably in Marine Biology and Petrology (the study of rocks under pressure). Thank You!

After I am finished with school, I have decided to perpetuate your kind act, by doing the same for another student in the future. When I am done with school, I will make a like gift to another student and tell them that this is because you had done this for me. In this way, the gift will both be utilized and then continue to do good in the future. Thank you so much again!

Cheers,

Chris Marotta and Family”

^{*} On September 18, 2004, the Club presented Chris a scholarship check for \$500.00

