



UPCOMING SHOWS

2014-2015

Nov. 22nd Fluorescent Mineral Club (See page 3)

Dec.6-7th 41st Annual Rock, Gem, Fossil & Jewelry Show
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
No. Ocean Ave., Patchogue

March 14-15 42nd Annual IRH Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry
Old Bethpage Restoration Village

March 27th – 29th EFMLS Convention and Show (& Field Trip)
Hickory Convention Center
Hickory, North Carolina

For other Gem and Mineral shows: <http://www.amfed.org/EFMLS/calendar.htm>

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November 2014

*To promote cultural, educational, and
scientific interest in mineralogy, and
develop member's skills in lapidary arts
and jewelry crafts*

THE CONGLOMERATE

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

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

Refreshments served at 7:30 pm.

OFFICERS

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Cell phones are to be turned off during all Club meetings.

More importantly, there should be no disturbances during any guest presentations.



Happy Birthday
Wishes!
May Your Year Be
Filled
with Hugs & Kisses!

Claus Rust

Judy Miller

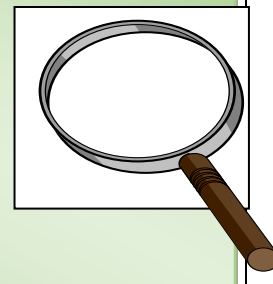
Mary Mazeau

John King

Anthony Guerreri

UPCOMING MEETINGS: 2014

November 17th - Lecture:
Kentucky Geode Field Trip
Presented by SGMC members,
Kerry Dicker & Cheryl Neary
December 15th - Hands-on
Dream Catchers



Holiday Party

Airport Diner
located at
3760 Veterans Hwy Bohemia, NY 11716
Phone: (631) 585-8404

January 11, 2015 @ 4:00pm
(Please do not show up earlier than 4:00pm –
the Dinner Committee needs to set-up)

Choice of Entrees – Tilapia; Chicken choices; Stead
Tidbits; Souvlaki – pork or chicken

Cost \$32.00 –
Member in Good Standing: \$15.00

Please sign-up with Roberta at the November
Meeting or call her at 631.666.8023 (We need a head
count!)

Events: Chinese Auction & Elections of Slate of
Officers

IMPORTANT – Show Weekend

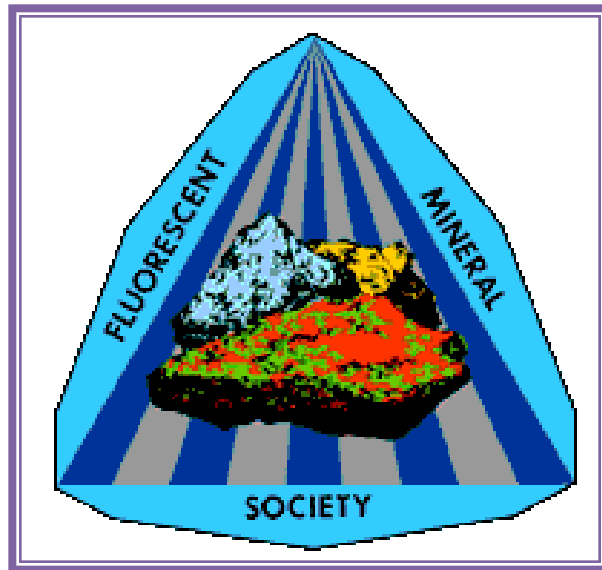
Volunteers needed to sign-up at the November meeting
to work the show.

Please consider volunteering for a time slot on one or
more days. The show is open for volunteers the
following hours:

Friday Dec. 5th – 2:00pm- 9:00pm
Saturday Dec. 6th – 7:30am – 5:30 pm
Sunday Dec. 7th – 9:00am – 9:00pm

Please see Kerry-Ann to sign-up!

**Also need donations of rock and mineral specimens for
Rock Pong game**



FLUORESCENT MINERAL SOCIETY MEETING

Saturday, November 22, 2014
9:30 AM to 4:00 PM at the GeoTech Center of the
Sterling Hill Mining Museum, Ogdensburg, NJ

A PARTIAL LIST OF FEATURES:

- ◆ Donna Beaton, G.G.; Colored Stones Technical Advisor; Gemology Content/Education, GIA will present *What Color Is It? Factors in the "Color" of Gemstones*
- ◆ Dr. Earl Verbeek, Curator of the Thomas S. Warren Museum of Fluorescence will describe *Fluorescence of Minerals Under Blue Light*
- ◆ Hari Venugopalan, Director of Global Product Management at Crystal IS will update us on the *Progress in UVC LED Technology*

MINERAL TRADE-A-THON EXTRAVAGANZA!

The NE FMS Lunch Players will perform their usual culinary magic- \$10
B.Y.O.Beer

PS: Charlie Runko & I are planning on attending!

***RSVP A MUST FOR ATTENDANCE, OFFERS TO PRESENT A TALK, LUNCH,
AND ROCK SWAP FANTASIES***

Howie Green, e-mail: howard@uvminerals.org

Let the Adventures Begin!

(CNN) -- Shortly after landing was confirmed, the probe tweeted: "Touchdown! My new address: 67P!" Later, it tweeted again: "I'm on the surface but my harpoons did not fire."

[What can we learn from comet landing?](#)

The mission has historic allusions.

The spaceship is named after the Rosetta Stone, an inscribed piece of volcanic rock found in Egypt in 1799 that allowed scientists to decipher hieroglyphics and thus understand the ancient Egyptian culture, ESA said. The lander, Philae, is named after an island in the Nile River where an obelisk was found that helped decipher the Rosetta Stone, ESA said. "Rosetta is trying to answer the very big questions about the history of our solar system," said Matt Taylor, ESA Rosetta project scientist. "What were the conditions like at its infancy and how did it evolve? What role did comets play in this evolution? How do comets work?"

There were flaws with the landing -- anchoring harpoons didn't deploy when Philae made impact, lander manager Stephane Ulamec said, and screws meant to burrow into the surface didn't work. But Philae bounced at least twice, they said, and stuck the landing. And that was all that counts.



Outside The Box

John King, member and director, treated us to a fascinating evening practicing the art of scrimshaw. Kits were sold which included an ivory practice piece, plastic practice piece, pre-drilled ivory pendant, scrimshaw tool, black India ink and patterns. Additionally, John shared some of his unique pieces as well!

Thanks to John, we all had a great time!

Welcome to New Members

Elizabeth Klecak

and her son

Kenneth Klecak

We were happy to have Nassau Mineral Club Member Jim Sisti at our last month's meeting. Jim is the NMC Lapidary-equipment VP.

**February Meeting:
Scheduled for Monday February 23, 2015
{Due to President's Day Holiday and
Library closed the third Monday of the
month!}**

What is a Member in Good Standing?

One that:

- Attends (4) Meetings
- Contributes Time to Club Show or the Celinca Show-at the Club Table
(If you are unable to attend the show, there is other show activities you can volunteer for- please see Elaine or Kerry!
- Provides Refreshments for monthly meeting (You will be reimbursed- just need to bring the goodies!)

Remember-this is your club!
This club needs you to participate, in order for the club to grow-

If you have any suggestions for a program, please speak to one of the Board members listed above. If you have an idea for a field trip, please speak to a Board member as well!