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Newsletter of the Central Florida Mineral and Gem Society

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The Central Florida Mineral and Gem Society is a member of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical and Lapidary Societies.

The CFMGS was established in 1961 and now has 192 members and sponsors two (2) large Mineral and Gem shows each year.

We are planning our 50th anniversary celebration for next November.

We are still looking for information about the history of Society.

Who were the first members? Where were they located? Who are the Life Members? Who has served on the board through the years?
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“January 19th Meeting”

The general meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Michelle Bogle. The Pledge of allegiance was given.

She told the members present that in the future the general membership will vote on anything that requires a vote. The board will present changes they would like and “YOU the members” will vote yea or nay. The members will also be able to make motions that will be voted on. Meetings will be handled thus. First the Board makes their reports, and then the President will ask if there is any old business which will be discussed and voted on, then the President will ask if there is any new business to be discussed. Members will wait to be recognized before talking, and no one is to interrupt the speaker. Roberts Rules of Order will be followed.

She recommends that the Executive Board positions appointed by the President, i.e. show chairman, Shop Director, Webmaster, Activities Director, be separate from the Elected Board positions.

Michelle also wishes to return to the “Core Four” instructors being responsible for appointing new instructors.

The next general meeting on February 16th will discuss recommended changes to the Bi-Laws and preparations for the March 25th-27th Mineral and Gem show.

The new Silversmith metal work instructor is Agnes Weessies. She has four classes already set up with 24 students starting

Saturday Jan 22. She will teach these 24 through four levels before she repeats the first level again. Contact her for more information and to sign up.

The Treasurer, Winn Taylor, reported that 77 members are paid for 2011.

The VP and Show Chairman reported that we are working hard to advertise the March show but need help.

The Central Florida Fair is on February 24 thru March 6. We will have a display with demonstrations there. Hope you can be there. If you want to help, contact Michelle Bogle.

A note about our December 2010 'Jewelry



Artist Show'. We had very beautiful submissions from artists who were also



vendors at the show. The categories were silversmith, goldsmith, wire wrap, inlay, beading and glass fusion.



There were 22 pieces of jewelry on display and four panel judges awarded ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in each category. Many of the entrants took their pieces from the display after the judging before we could obtain pictures of them with their award ribbons.



We had a special 'Peoples Choice' ribbon chosen only by attendees to the show.

The winner of the "People's Choice" award went to our very own club member, Winn Taylor, for wire wrapping. Winn was very surprised by her achievement. I myself feel her work shows her 'extreme attention to detail and design'.

Fred Tunderman
Co-Chairman Show Committee

HOT!

Please send in or bring your membership renewal as soon as possible. No one will be allowed to take classes until they pay their dues. This will be the last newsletter mailed to those without e-mail and computers until dues are paid (Life Members exempt)

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