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Pendant making

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From the Desk of the President

We did it!

In fifty days we undertook a major project and saw it to a successful conclusion. I am referring to Chet King's and TGRC's estate sale and silent auction which was held on May 20th. I am so proud of all the members that volunteered their time and helped with this massive undertaking. There will be a report at the June meeting which will give us a final tally of the proceeds from the sale. (Go to pg 2)



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Speaking of the June general meeting, I want to remind everyone of the auction we will be having after the meeting. It will benefit the Juniors. These auctions are very important to our satellite groups. It is another way we can support them.

On May 13th, some of our members went to Indiana to look for geodes. We had great weather and found a lot of geodes. Some of us were lucky enough to find fossils in the creek. We are already talking about making this an annual event. Hope you can make it next year.

Don't forget the show meeting Wednesday June 7th at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Jim keeps reminding us that September is not that far away!

Enjoy your Summer,

Diane Bieber President

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Tahitian Pearls from French Polynesia









Gemstones of JUNE

Alexandrite: A relatively modern gem, *Alexandrite*, was first discovered in Russia in 1831 during the reign of its namesake, Czar Alexander II, and is an extremely rare chrysoberyl with chameleon-like qualities. Its color is a lovely green in both daylight and fluorescent light; it changes color to a purplish red in incandescent light. Due to its rarity, some jewelers stock synthetic versions of this enchanting gemstone.

Pearl: Historically, pearls have been used as an adornment for centuries. They were one of the favorite gem materials of the Roman Empire; later in Tudor England, the 1500s were known as the pearl age. Pearls are unique as they are the only gems from living sea creatures and require no faceting or polishing to reveal their natural beauty. In the early 1900s, the first successful commercial culturing of round saltwater pearls began. Since the 1920s, cultured pearls have almost completely replaced natural pearls in the market.

Moonstone: A phenomenal gemstone, moonstones show a floating play of light (adularescence) and sometimes show a cat's eye. Part of the family of minerals called *feldspar*, moonstone occurs in many igneous and metamorphic rocks and comes in a variety of colors such as green, blue, peach, and champagne. The most prized moonstones are from Sri Lanka; India, Australia, the United States, Myanmar, and Madagascar are also sources.

What's Up In The CLUB?

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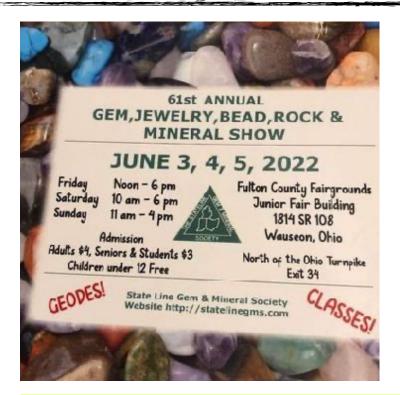
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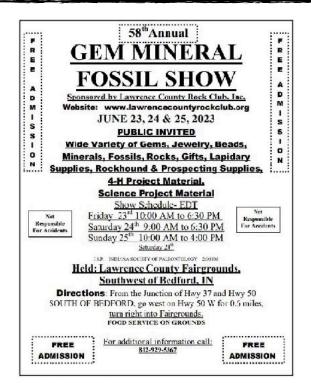




Upcoming Rock Show Events







Visit our Facebook page for more shows posted throughout the month: Toledo Gem And Rockhound Club









30,000+ sq ft high end JEWELRY, GEMSTONES, mineral specimens, lapidary rough, AGATE slabs, JASPER cabs and CRYSTALS FRI 12-8pm SAT 10a-6pm SUN 11a-5pm

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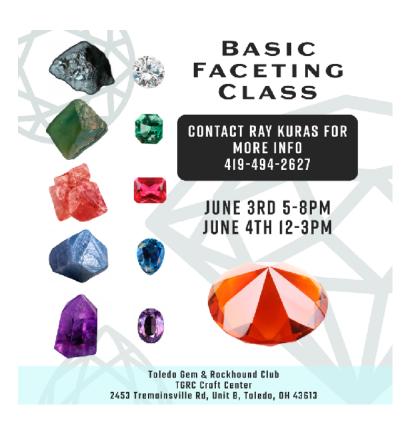


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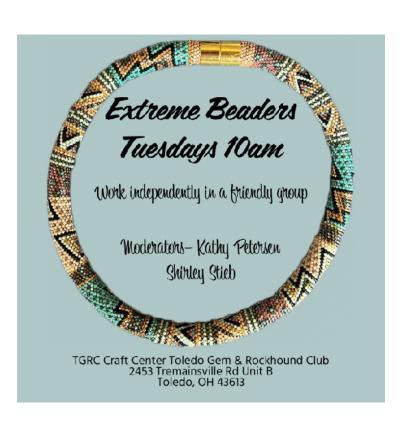
Gem Crafter work sessions

Thursdays 11-3pm Steve Stalker





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Metal crafting sessions for June 2023

Open work sessions - are for those members cleared on the studio equipment. The fee is the usual \$2/hr.You can take the first pendant class to get clearance or demonstrate soldering, cutting, forming, finishing, polishing and stone setting skills to the Moderator if you have experience in metal crafting. Some equipment will require special instruction and Moderator oversight including the rolling mill, hydraulic press, disc cutter and dapping/doming tools.

Mondays 5-8pm (Kealy)
Tuesdays 12-3 pm (Michelle)
Sundays 6/11 & 6/18 12-3pm (Michelle)









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Metal Crafting: Instructor led classes

Classes- non members and those with no metal crafting experience are welcome to sign up for classes. To register, please contact the instructor at least a week before class begins- space is limited and those who pay ahead of time will secure their place.



First Filigree Class – June 17 and 18 from noon to 3 pm Learn how to form several types of filigree elements in copper and then complete a pendant or earring set. It will take two sessions, beginning with copper and then moving on to sterling silver. All materials and tools provided. Members pay \$30 and non-members \$35. To register, contact Michelle Grigore at mgrigoretgrh@gmail.com at least a week before the above date. Limited to 5 students.



Introduction to Cloisonné Enameling – Sunday July 2 from 11 am to 3 pm. Enamel is colored glass fused to a metal foundation in a kiln or melted with a torch. Adding wires to create design and isolate enamel colors is called cloisonné enameling. Students will create a small copper pendant or earring set using the studio kiln. All materials provided. Members pay \$30 and non-member \$35. To register, contact Michelle Grigore at mgrigoretgrh@gmail.com at least a week before the above date. Limited to 5 students.

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2023 JUNIORS NEWSLETTER CONTEST

The AFMS Juniors Committee has exciting news for both parents and children - we will publish a newsletter for kids by kids! Yes, your own newsletter, which will be published and sent throughout the country.

But we need a name and mascot for the juniors newsletter. To help us come up with a cool name and mascot, we are holding a contest to get your ideas. If your name or mascot is judged to be the best, you could win a great prize. Prizes will be awarded for two age categories, under 12 and 12-17. Although each competition will have a first-place winner, only one will be selected for the title or mascot of the newsletter. Here are the prizes:

- · Grand Prize Rock, mineral or fossil with a \$100.00 value
- · 1st place Rock, mineral or fossil with a \$75.00 value
- · 2nd place Rock, mineral or fossil with a \$50.00 value
- · 3rd place Rock, mineral or fossil with a \$25.00 value

Of course, there are some rules that you need to follow:

- · First, you must be under the age of 18.
- · Second, your entries must be an original idea.
- · Third, the deadline to submit your entries is June 30, 2023.
- \cdot Fourth, tell us what rock, mineral, or fossil you would be interested in if you were the winner.

To submit your entry, have your parents complete the ENTRY FORM below and return it with your ideas to youth@amfed.org. Please submit your mascot entry as a .jpg or .pdf.

Deadline for the newsletter name and newsletter mascot contests is June 30, 2023.



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New members and families welcome!

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