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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 131 members and sponsors two (2) large Mineral and Gem shows each year.

MEETING MINUTES

July 19, 2011

President Michelle Bogle called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

We have officially moved into the new location. Many thanks to everyone who helped make the move a success. It was a big job, with many trips back and forth and lots of packing and unloading of supplies and equipment. Then there was getting everything set up in the new shop – the layout is very different from the old location. There are still some boxes that need unpacking – if you see one grab it and sort it out. If you don't know where something goes, ask one of the instructors. Thanks to our great instructors and board members for the many hours they put in making the new shop a place we can all be proud of. If you haven't seen the new location yet, stop by and take a look.

Show dates are Nov. 11, 12, 13. Salvatore Sansone will be the Show Chairman this year. The next time you see him – give him a big “Thanks”. As John knows, this is not an easy job! The show committee meetings will begin once a day and time is agreed on. Show fliers will be folded and mailed out instead of post cards.

Check out the calendar – shop hours and class times have been updated. The class time on Saturdays is 9:00 – 12:00. Anyone who would like to stay a little longer should check with one of the instructors to make sure there's someone there to close up.

The brochure needs to be updated with new shop location and new photos. John Tullous, one of our new club member is designing a new logo. Stickers printed with the new address are being made that will go over the old address until we can get new ones printed.

Michelle would like to go back to mailing a paper newsletter, as some of our members might not see it their email. This will be voted on at the next club meeting.

This fall we'll be hosting a group from the UK. They're in Orlando for 2 weeks and want to take classes every day. It'll be great to meet and share experiences with some rock hounds from across the sea. It will also bring

some income to the club. Extra help might be needed during this time – details coming soon.

Fred suggested that we go back to giving certificates to members who complete classes. John P. said he will get some printed.

Tom thanked class members for helping get the silver smithing area up and running.

The club has a new drill press. Linda is looking forward to using it in her classes. Drilled stones can then be used in making jewelry.

John P. reminded everyone that the sodas in the refrigerator are not free – please drop 50 cents into the cup when you grab a can.

Lots of door prizes were given out at this meeting. Some nice slabs went to Anna, John P., Gary Bob, Winn, Michelle, Angie, Jim, Betty, Tom, Keith and Ann. Salvatore won the 50-50.

If there are any corrections to these minutes, please let Angie know. Especially if names are misspelled or left out.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:28

PS from Gordon: There was a large donation of molds for injection molding from Steve Salmon. Thanks Steve.