

EFMLS NEWS

Information for members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies



SPEAKERS IN RESIDENCE

by Steve Weinberger, Wildacres Functioning Committee Chair

What a line-up Speaker Coordinator Bruce Gaber has given us for the 2009 EFMLS Wildacres Workshops. Whether you attend the April session or the September session, you're sure to be "wowed"!

Leading off in April (17-23) is Mike Wise, a research mineralogist and curator with the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution. He is one of the world's leading authorities on the mineralogy of pegmatites, a Consulting Editor for *Rocks & Minerals Magazine* and an Adjunct Professor at the University of New Orleans.

Mike is an engaging speaker and will regale us with tales of adventures from mountains in Southern California to the back roads of Madagascar.

September (7 - 13) will feature Dr. Brenda Foreman, whose major interest is the history of jewelry. Brenda is a fantastic speaker who has

given numerous talks at the Hillwood Museum, the San Antonio Museum of Art, and the National Association of Jewelry Appraisers. Her talks at Wildacres will highlight various periods of jewelry. Attendees are in for a treat!

Registration for the week long Wildacres session still remains a bargain at \$345. This includes the full week's activities plus room and board. The only "extra" added on to the tuition is a small charge for materials fees for the class or classes that you take during the week. Faceting for example, will be \$20 or \$25 while classes involving metals may be higher due to the higher cost of silver, gold-filled wire and PMC. Instructors are required to keep their materials fees "at cost" in order to keep them as low as possible.

A week at Wildacres is fun, relaxing, and most enjoyable. If you've never been, seriously consider joining the group this year for one or both of the sessions.

A list of classes being offered along with a registration form are included in this issue of EFMLS News. We encourage you to register as early as possible - class sizes are kept small so that you can get the maximum attention from your instructor so the earlier you register, the better your chance of be-



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ing placed in your first choice. Once a class is filled, you will be assigned to your 2nd or perhaps 3rd or 4th choice, so please be sure to indicate all on the registration form.

I look forward to seeing you at an EFMLS Wildacres Workshop in 2009. I can guarantee you a wonderful week!

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FROM THE TOP!

by Mary Bateman, EFMLS President

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Clyf Bourne. Clyf has been involved in many activities of the Eastern Federation and has served as chair and a member of many committees. Clyf has been chairman of the Conservation and Legislation Committee and faithfully submitted articles for the Newsletter to remind us to contact our congressional representatives and senators to vote against closing sites to collectors. We will miss him. May he rest in peace.



If you, or anyone you know, are interested in filling the vacancy of the Conservation and Legislative Committee chair, please contact me as soon as possible.

Now that we have all had some time to take a breather from the frantic holiday season and, those of us in the DC area, from the Presidential Inauguration activities, it is time to relax a little and prepare for the coming spring. Those who live in the Northeast will still be having snow and those further South will be dodging those raindrops, limiting outdoor activities.

The suggestions below for this month may sound like "I've heard all this again and again." That is probably true, however, each and every one is important in helping keep the lines of communication, education and involvement alive in not only our individual clubs, but in the Federation as well.

Let's start with Wildacres. There is an article elsewhere in this newsletter and one appeared in the January EFMLS News. These are very detailed articles, so I won't repeat them, but remind you that now is the time to fill out and send your application for the Spring session at Wildacres. More information can also be found on the EFMLS website <www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm>.

Being stuck indoors while it is raining or snowing outdoors is a great time to sit and write that article for your newsletter. Your fellow club members, as well as your editor, will greatly appreciate your efforts. It doesn't have to be anything elaborate: your take on a field trip, a get-acquainted blurb about a new (or old) member, some thoughts on some research you have done on a mineral or fossil, that find you found while on vacation, etc.

The EFMLS Convention is going to be October 17-18 in Bristol, CT, and is being sponsored by the Bristol Gem and Mineral Club. Does your club have a showcase that you display at your show? Why not bring it at the Convention? If your club doesn't have one, how about creating one. It doesn't have to be judged if you don't want it to be. How about doing one of your own collection(s)? While October feels like it is a long-time away, it is literally right around the corner in terms of planning. This "down time" is the perfect time to plan your club's or your own showcase.

Speaking of the Convention, did you mark October 17-18 on your calendar to attend?

Hazel Remaley is awaiting your entries for candidates for the Each One Teach
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PRIZES, PRIZES, PRIZES AND SURPRISES!

by Ellery Borow, EFMLS Ways & Means Chair

After a hiatus of one year, the EFMLS Ways and Means Drawing is back! We're excited about our great plans and prizes for this year.

Tickets will be available in the next month or two. Each and every dollar raised by your generous ticket purchases will go to the Eastern Foundation Fund - the fund established to help support the Federation's special projects.

Now to the best part – the Prizes, Prizes, Prizes and Surprises! Have we lined up prizes for you! So far we have promised:

- An extraordinary watermelon tourmaline pendant - wirewrapped in gold.
- A beautiful “framed” picture jasper.
- A positively striking pendant of gold wire wrapped pyritized fossil.
- A lovely pair of Herkimer Diamond earrings.
- A floral “painting” of tumbled stones and gold wire... an amazing piece.

And more...

There will also be one special surprise prize that will not be described other than to say, if you are the lucky winner, you will be in for a real treat and a wonderful surprise.



Please consider participating in this worthwhile endeavor... and think about those great prizes! Remember, you can't win unless you enter... and those who enter have a great chance to win some fabulous prizes!

If you have any questions about the upcoming drawing, or are interested in making a donation please contact me.. Have a great day and be thinking about those great prizes... and that one special surprise!

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One awards. Hazel can be reached at <northridge5@verizon.net>. This is a great way to honor the person in your club who volunteers to share their knowledge with others in the club, local schools, scout groups, etc. without monetary remuneration.

Likewise, Mary Fraser is awaiting your candidate for the Club Rockhound of the Year. Each club is entitled to one entry a year. Why not also honor a special person in your club who goes above and beyond by submitting their name to Mary. All names submitted will be printed in the EFMLS Newsletter. Mary can be reached at <rfraser@maine.rr.com> for details.

Hope that your February is one in which you accomplish much and you will include some (or all) of the above in your to-do list.

Happy Valentines Day.

Mary

SAFETY FIRST – AND LAST

by Jim Doran, Safety Chair

New Years Resolutions

1. Check my rockhounding gear for wear and tear. Check boot soles for wear and poor tread. Check hard hat for fit and integrity. Get new safety glasses or goggles if scratched or loose-fitting. Check hammers and chisels for dull



points and slick handles. Replace or repair, if possible.

2. Make sure that any lapidary equipment has been maintained and adjusted. Tighten all blades, wheels, nuts and bolts. Replace worn wheels, blades, bearings, switches, etc. Check all electrical cords and replace if worn or frayed. Have safety glasses and masks at the station, and wear them! Learn how to use the equipment correctly and safely.

3. Be aware of where you are and your surroundings when collecting. Watch your fellow collectors. Make sure they're safe too.

4. Be safe and have fun collecting in 2009! Make 2009 the safest year ever in our hobby.

Have a Safe and Happy New Year!!!

PLANS ARE FALLING TOGETHER

by Dave Korzendorfer, President, Bristol Gem & Mineral Club

Fall around here means two things—amazing foliage and the rock and gem show in Bristol, Connecticut. This year, fall means three things because our club is proud to host the 2009 EFMLS Convention, in conjunction with our annual show. On behalf of the Bristol Gem and Mineral Club (BGMC), I would like to invite all EFMLS member clubs to join us on October 16-18 in Bristol, Connecticut.

Convention Basics

All convention events will be held at either the show site (The Bristol Senior/Community Center) or the convention hotel (The Clarion). (These two places are about 3 miles apart.) Although we are still working on many of the activities and events, the basic schedule looks something like this:

Cracker Barrel—Friday afternoon
Annual Meeting—Friday evening
37th Annual Gem & Mineral Show
Saturday and Sunday
EFMLS Auction Saturday afternoon
Awards Banquet - Saturday evening
Editors Breakfast - Sunday morning
Possible Field Trip
Sunday after the breakfast

What's So Great about the Bristol Club?

BGMC is the largest club in Connecticut, with an active, growing membership. But, when you come to see us, you're actually getting three clubs, because we work in close cooperation with the two other central Connecticut clubs—the Lapidary and Mineral Society of Central Connecticut and the Manchester Gem and Mineral Club. Our show has 15-20 high-quality dealers plus lots of exhibits and activities for

children. Attendance at our show has almost doubled in the last 5 years—close to 1,000 participants in 2008.

What's So Great about Connecticut?

Located halfway between Boston and New York City, Connecticut is a hidden treasure with an abundance of attractions, special events and history just waiting to be discovered. The City of Bristol is home to the high-tech satellite dishes of ESPN, the American Clock and Watch Museum, the New England Carousel Museum, and The Family Center's Imagine Nation Museum, the State's newest museum for children.

Attractions in Hartford and the surrounding communities include the Mark Twain House, the Connecticut Science Center (opening Spring 2009), Mystic Seaport and Aquarium, and two world-class casinos—Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun. Even without all these attractions, the natural beauty of the fall foliage in October is reason enough to visit.

The original Indian name for Connecticut is Quinnehtukqut, Mohegan for "Long River Place" or "Beside the Long Tidal River." However you spell it, we know you won't regret making the trip here for the 2009 EFMLS Convention. Our club is challenging itself to put on the best EFMLS Convention ever. We promise you'll have a gneiss time.

Mark Your Calendar!

2009 EFMLS Convention
Hosted by the
Bristol Gem & Mineral Club
October 16 – 18, 2009



FINAL COUNTDOWN

by Pat Pitkin, All American Chair

Last Call for the All American Club Notebook

I MUST HAVE YOUR ENTRY BY February 15th, so I can have the note-



books judged by three judges in time to send the top entry on to National by April 15th.

Details are in the November EFMLS Newsletter or you may download the Application Form and Rules from the American Federation Website, www.amfed.org. I do hope you will put me to work during this long cold winter siesta. I need the exercise.

This project is not just a contest among our clubs. This is a record of what Your Club did last year. When you have new people visiting your activities, this is a visual record of your activities to whet their appetite for future participation. Clubs grow and prosper with local enthusiasm and sharing of knowledge. Take time to make your Club the best it can become with your participation.

Send Your Notebook Entry for 2008 to

Pat Pitkin
12 von Zech Way
Mohrsville PA 19541.

Any questions? Call me at 610-488-1817 or e-mail at thornyoldrose@gmail.com. Good Luck!

And oh yes, I wish you all a belated Happy New Year!

CLYFTON W. BOURNE, SR.

JANUARY 10, 1923 – DECEMBER 16, 2008

With the passing of Clyf Bourne on December 16, we've lost a good friend...a person who touched so many lives in such a positive way.

Who can ever forget Clyf, camera in hand, strolling around at conventions or club meetings or Wildacres...always taking photos? Who can ever forget the wonderful stories that Clyf loved to tell or the songs he sang at Wildacres fun nights? Or the heart to heart talks he enjoyed having with so many of us.

Clyf was truly a "people person", but he was also an avid rockhound, gardener, traveler, father, grandfather, husband and very modest individual. He died peacefully in his sleep just after returning from the Southeast Federation Convention.

He was born in Massachusetts, served in the U.S. Army during World War II and then worked for General Electric as an electronics technician. Upon retirement, from GE he and Joy (our current AFMS President), purchased Crystal Springs Motel in Towanda, PA which he and Joy ran for the next 33 years. The property at the motel was extensive, and Clyf enjoyed working in the large vegetable and fruit garden he planted each year in addition to the numerous chores involved in running the motel.

Clyf loved rockhounding and collected in every US state. He did the driving with Joy navigating, and although health problems slowed him down during his last years, he still enjoyed all the local club gem and mineral shows, working in his workshop, and attending various federation activities.

He was the AFMS photographer and EFMLS Conservation Chair at the time of his death. Clyf was rarely without his camera and he became the unofficial photographic historian for his club. Several of the photographs used in this newsletter were taken by Clyf as well. Those attending the EFMLS Wildacres Workshops often were treated to one or more of Clyf's humorous stories or funny songs. What fun they were!

Clyf is survived by his wife, current AFMS President and Past EFMLS President, Joy, his five children, nine grandchildren, a great-grandson plus three sisters as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. A Celebration of Life service was held in Towanda in December.

Contributions in Clyf's memory may be made to either the AFMS Scholarship Foundation % Bob Livingston, 59 Ely Dr; Fayetteville, NY 13066 or to the Eastern Foundation Fund, % Fran Sick, PO Box 5; Dushore, PA 18614-0005.

Carolyn Weinberger



HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!

by Hazel Remaley, EOTO Chair

A bit late you all say ! Well, as I am writing this message it is not yet 2009. Last month when I should have been preparing a message, I emailed our editor with an excuse that I had "brain drain", and that I could not come up with enough thoughts. So, here goes with my first 2009 message to you.



I have read many newsletters that list the speakers for the next several months. Many clubs rely on their own members to provide their programs. If these good folks provide education for their clubs, do they also speak to other clubs, societies, libraries and such? When they speak, do they also hand out informational pamphlets or specimens for each person? Do they leave an exhibit at the library when they leave? These are the folks who are TEACHING and deserve to be nominated for the EACH ONE TEACH ONE Award.

You have plenty of time to look around your members and complete the form that was printed in the November 2008 issue. I must have the forms returned to me no later than July 1st, 2009. I look forward to hearing from you. Questions - call or email.

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IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY...

by Natalie Darling, BEAC Chair

...to start planning for next years bulletin competition.



This year's articles and journals are in the hands of our distinguished judges. But next years competition

will be here before you know it - will you have articles and other club submissions to enter?

One of the things that make a club bulletin a desirable read is the diversity of information within. While it is acceptable to run articles from other club bulletins, wouldn't it be great to have some original works from your club members as well?

So here is the challenge - How about asking individuals to write an article. Let me give you some examples.

We have a club member who is a geologist - when I ask him for an article, I usually get a very well written educational piece. We also have a "traveler" who enjoys writing about recent

collecting adventures. What about all of those collections - surely someone would like to "show and tell" about a collected specimen, so why not do it in writing. (This is also great for juniors). Members have varied interests. So if you know what their interest is, why not ask them to write something about it for their club newsletter.

The point is, most of the time you will have to ask. Everyone has a lot on his or her plates, but they may welcome the opportunity to write about something they enjoy. Once you ask, decide on a "due date" and remind the person that you are counting on them to help spice up your monthly bulletin.

Once you print a few articles submitted by club members, others may be more receptive to writing- or even drawing, or creating puzzles or poems that pertain to our hobby.

Help your members get their creativity flowing, and your newsletter and club members will reap the benefits with a fabulously well-rounded newsletter, and perhaps some great recognition from our regional and national federations.

EFMLS NEWS ARCHIVE

from Carolyn Weinberger

Just a reminder that one of the requirements of the EFMLS absorbing the \$1,000 deductible that the new insurance policy stipulates that a) all club activities must be included in your monthly newsletters and clubs are required to send their monthly bulletins to an archive (<EFMLSNewsletters@gmail.com>). See the January, 2009 EFMLS News for details.

The format you use for sending the bulletin is up to you, but it must be sent via e-mail. You may send the document as a pdf, as a word document or; if you cannot send attachments, just paste the information into the regular e-mail that you send. If you use the latest version of "Word", please be certain that your suffix is set to ".doc" - older versions of "Word" cannot open the newer ".docx" suffix.

YOUR SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION DONATIONS

by Bob Livingston

Contributions have been a little slow, but several of you have come through and sent in a tax-deductible donation to help out. We thank you very much. Now we need to keep counting on still more of you to help us provide more help. Here are the specifics for the first two months of our fiscal year:

Memorial Donations:

(Tracking credit for these went to their home or specified clubs excluding the last one. No percentage changes occurred.)

Gem Cutters Guild of Baltimore
in memory of Minna Hornstein

Steve & Carolyn Weinberger
in memory of Jack Dare.

Donations in memory of Clyf Bourne, husband of Joy Bourne, AFMS President were made by:

Barbara Sky
Lou Budell

Reivan and Myra Zeleznik
Steve and Carolyn Weinberger
William and Lois Pattillo
Bob and Joan Livingston
Trudy Martin (Calgary, Alberta)

Regular donations:

Gem Cutters Guild of Baltimore
new participation level is now 5200%

Central PA Rock & Mineral Club
new participation level is 1300%

There you have it -- a decent start, but we need more of you remembering to remember us with a check for this worthwhile cause. Make out your check to "AFMS Scholarship Foundation" and send to me: Bob Livingston, EFMLS Coordinator, 59 Ely Drive, Fayetteville, NY 13066.

THE THIRD TIME'S THE CHARM

by Dee Holland, AFMS Scholarship Foundation President

This has been a difficult year for the Eastern Federation in regards to finding a AFMS Scholarship Honoree. The first one selected, after thinking about it, said "No thanks, it's too much work." The second one said he'd find a school and students and we waited. And we waited and waited even longer. In August when he still hadn't selected the graduate students for the scholarships, we learned that he really hadn't done much in the way of finding a school or students.

For those of you who might wonder what's going on, here's the deal. An Honoree is chosen by each federation that participates in the AFMS Scholarship Foundation. A letter is sent to each honoree with information on what is required for choosing two students. They must be graduate students in Earth Sciences going for a Master or Ph.D. It sounds easy, but it does take time.

With no evidence of any action on the part of Eastern's honoree, Ellery Borow, 2008 EFMLS President was asked to find a school and students and there was a time limit involved since the fall semester had already begun.

Ellery came through like a champ! He found **Dr. Joseph T. Kelley**, Professor of Geology, Department of Earth Sciences Chair, University of Maine at Orono. In turn, Dr. Kelley found two wonderful recipients:

Meredith B. Petrie, pursuing a Masters of Science Degree in Earth Sciences. She received her Bachelors of Science in Geology, University of California, Davis. Her research interest is Structural, rheological and Geochemical evolution of collisional orogens and the continental crust; structural and metamorphic petrology; microstructural processes and mineral-scale deformation mecha-

nisms; macro and microscale strain localization; electron-beam techniques. (EPMA). She has published two abstracts and publications: "Microstructures of the Whitestone Anorthosite, Grenville Province, Ontario" and "Kinematic Analysis of the Brittle Deformation History of the Las Chacras Fault, Sierra Pampeanas, Western Argentina."

Eva R. Wadoski is pursuing a Masters of Science, Earth Sciences. She received her Bachelors of Science at Eastern Michigan University. Her course work this year consists of Isotope Geology, Fluids in the Lithosphere, Microstructures, Geodynamics, Aqueous and Terrestrial Geochemistry, Proposal Writing, Metamorphic Petrology and Low Temperature/Pressure Geochemistry. She has published three abstracts and publications: "Tourmaline chemistry of the "B site" – American Mineralogist; "Crystallographic Control of Formula Normalization of the Tourmaline Group Minerals" and Crystallographic Control of the Cation Site Occupancy in the Tourmaline Group Minerals."

I have taken the liberty of sending Dr. Kelley an Honoree plaque for his outstanding work in finding the AFMS Scholarship Foundation two very special students. At this time the girls have each received their \$2000. checks each for the Spring semester of 2009. In the Spring of 2010, they will receive an additional \$2000, each with our best wishes.

I sincerely hope all of you in the Eastern Federation are as proud of these students as I am, and personally thank Ellery for "going the extra mile" and doing the work that should have been done by the earlier Honoree to get this accomplished, and to Dr. Kelley, I am deeply indebted for following through and finding these accomplished students.. It makes us all proud.

EFF

by Fran Sick, Eastern Foundation Fund Chair



In spite of the busy holiday season

I am pleased to report two new contributions to the Eastern Foundation Fund have been received since my last report.

Thank you to the Central PA Rock and Mineral Club, Inc. and to Wendell and Jo Ann Mohr for their most welcome annual contributions.

Now that the 2008 holiday season is behind us I know we are all looking forward to what new adventures 2009 will bring. As we get back to our regular meeting schedules, and plan for 2009 shows and other events, won't you please take a moment to consider making a contribution to the EFF. All contributions will receive a written acknowledgement and, if your gift is a memorial in remembrance of a rockhound who is no longer with us, a letter will also be sent to the family to advise them of your thoughtfulness.

Please send your contributions to me at PO Box 5, Dushore, PA 18614



WILDACRES SPRING CLASSES

April 17 - 23, 2008

Speaker in Residence - Mike Wise

Class	Instructor	Description
Faceting	Steve Weinberger	Students will learn to cut and polish a 57-facet round brilliant gemstone. In addition, they will learn how to identify well-cut stones, select rough material and see whether or not they enjoy this fascinating aspect of the hobby. 4-day class. No prior experience necessary.
Lost Wax Casting	Fred Sias	This is not a wax design course. Students will learn basic techniques for lost-wax jewelry casting. Using commercial wax models, students will learn proper methods for repairing wax models, attaching sprues, investing, burnout, casting and final finishing of jewelry. 4- day class. No prior experience necessary.
Glass Engraving and Etching	B. Jay Bowman	Students will learn the basic process of glass engraving and etching and the difference between them. All students will engrave a rose as their first project, and then select from other available patterns for a second project. At the end of the class, students will have a project suitable for framing. 2-day class offered both semesters. No prior experience necessary.
Silversmithing - Basic	Richard Meszler	Have fun learning the basics of working silver sheet and wire to fabricate jewelry. The class will be an introduction to annealing and bending/shaping/texturing metal, soldering, piercing and polishing. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Silversmithing - Intermediate	Richard Meszler	Students will be working with metals by doing more complex projects. Learn to make a bezel and bail in which students will set a cabochon to make a pendant. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. Prerequisite: Basic silversmithing experience including soldering.
Cabochons - Basic	Bernie Emery	Learn to transform a rough piece of rock into a shiny, well-formed cabochon. You will learn the use of the trim saw as well as basics of grinding, sanding and polishing. Slabs will be available or students may use their own with approval of the instructor. 2 day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Cabochons - Intermediate	Bernie Emery	Learn to cut different shapes and the techniques needed to do so. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. Pre-requisite: Students must have prior experience with capping and use of the trim saw.
Wildacres "Wild"	Virginia Meador	Students will explore the beauty of Wildacres including its flora and some of its hidden secrets. Good walking shoes or boots with ankle support and rain gear are recommended. 2-day class offered first semester. No prior experience necessary, however this is not a class for those having difficulty walking woodland trails and hills.
Micromounting	Carolyn Weinberger	Micromounting is the art of preparing small mineral specimens so they can best be viewed under a microscope. You will learn the process of making "mounts" and learn to appreciate the beauty of these tiny, often perfect specimens. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. No prior experience necessary.
Wirewrapped Jewelry - Basic	Jackie Orsini	Are you looking for a method to display your beautiful stones that does not require soldering? This class will teach you the skills needed to complete several beautiful projects such as earrings, rings and pendants using sterling silver. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Wirewrapped Jewelry - Intermediate	Jackie Orsini	Are you looking for a way to use your larger beads (the ones with the big holes)? In this class students will learn to use lots of coils, loops and bends to wrap those beads and make a wonderful bracelet. We will also learn how to make the closure for this bracelet and use a special tool to create wire beads. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. Pre-requisite: Basic wire-wrapping skills.
Bead Weaving - Off-loom	Mia Schulman	Welcome to the world of bead weaving. Projects woven in the Peyote stitch are smooth and drape as if they were made from fabric. The first project will be a small pendant using needle, bead thread and tiny Delica beads. Two stitches taught can also be used for earrings and bracelets. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Picasso Jewelry	Mia Schulman	Named after the famed painter, the earrings and pendants are created from wire and beads. This is your chance to be creative and come up with pieces that are attractive, different and can be quite "funky". 2-day class offered 2nd semester. No prior experience necessary.
Metal Clay Magic (PMC)	Dawn Fernald-Spruill	Working with silver and bronze, this class is for the first-time user as well as folks who have had a chance to "dabble" with the clay. On the first class day students will work with the new, fabulous bronze metal clay. On the 2nd day, we will create pieces from pure silver clay. You will learn to work with textures, shapes, setting stones, balls, jump rings and slumping while creating pendants, charms and earrings. Patinas and finishing techniques will be taught as well. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Setting Natural Stones in PMC	Dawn Fernald-Spruill	There are many natural and semi-precious stones that you can set into the metal clay and kiln fire. This class will teach several different techniques for setting those stones while creating several fabulous, one-of-a-kind pure silver rings. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. Prerequisite: Basic PMC skills.

WILDACRES FALL CLASSES

September 7 – 13, 2009

Speaker in Residence - Brenda Foreman

Class	Instructor	Description
Cabochons - Basic	Al DeMilo	Hands-on instruction will be given to show how to transform a rough piece into a shiny, well-formed cabochon with no flat spots. The use of a trim saw as well as techniques to grind, sand and polish the stone into a standard size and shape will be covered. Slabs will be provided, but you may use your own with instructor's approval. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Cabochons - Intermediate	Al DeMilo	This course is an extension of already learned skills. It will focus on the crafting of cabochons of difficult shapes and sizes. Much one-to-one attention will be given. Slabs will be provided, but you may use your own with instructor's approval. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. Pre-requisite: Students must know how to use the trim saw, dop a stone and use a grinding, sanding and polishing machine.
Exhibiting & Judging	B. Jay Bowman	Take an in-depth look at the AFMS Uniform Rules and how they apply to exhibits you may wish to prepare. Students will need to have the 2009 AFMS Uniform Rules (available for purchase at Wildacres). 4-day class. No prior experience necessary.
Faceting	Reivan Zeleznik	Students will learn to cut and polish a 57-facet round brilliant gemstone. In addition, they will learn how to identify well-cut stones, select rough material and see whether or not they enjoy this fascinating aspect of the hobby. 4-day class. No prior experience necessary.
Fused Glass - Basic	Becky Edmundson	Fused glass is the art of cutting and layering pieces of glass and then firing them in a kiln. Dichroic-coated glass gives a 3-D look. Students will learn the basics of cutting and firing the glass and will complete at least 2 pieces of jewelry. Please bring safety glasses. If you own them, please bring a glass cutter and breaking pliers. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Fused Glass –Advanced	Becky Edmundson	Students will learn to use a wet saw to cut shapes, a grinder to smooth the glass, and a jeweler's bit to cut a channel in the piece before it is fire polished in a kiln. You should expect to complete a minimum of 2 finished pieces. Please bring safety glasses. If you own them, please bring a glass cutter and breaking pliers. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. No prior experience necessary.
Lampwork Beads	Patricia Baker	An introduction to glass bead making, this class will focus on basic bead-making techniques including shapes, surface decoration (dots, latticino, frit, metal leaf), pulling stringers and making latticino. 2-day class offered both semesters. No prior experience necessary.
Pewter Fabrication	Bruce Gaber	Learn to make functional and decorative objects from a wonderfully versatile metal. Pewter is easy to work and easy to solder. This allows us to make a variety of forms in a much shorter time than working in silver. Pewter can be finished in everything from a glossy high luster to a deep rich matte. The surface can be further embellished by embossing and the addition of an etch or patina. Join us as we explore this most ancient and traditional material. Oh, and by the way, modern pewter contains no lead. 4-day class. No prior experience necessary.
Silversmithing - Basic	Ruthie Cohen	Students will learn the basic skills needed to make jewelry including filing, soldering, bending and polishing. 2-day class offered 1st semester. No prior experience necessary.
Silversmithing - Intermediate	Ruthie Cohen	Students will use basic silversmithing techniques and learn new ones as they create more advanced jewelry. 2-day class offered 2nd semester. Pre-requisite: Basic silversmithing skills.
Wirewrapped Jewelry	Ginger Posthumus	Students will learn the basics of wirecraft using brass and then will work in gold-filled wire to make a variety of jewelry items. You may bring your own tools if you wish, but be sure to mark them clearly. 2-day class offered both semesters. No prior experience necessary.



2009 EFMLS Wildacres Registration

PLEASE, ONLY one person per form per session

CHECK ONE: April 17 – 23: _____ September 7 - 13: _____

Please fill out a separate registration form for each person attending and return to BARBARA EDGE, Registrar at 1639 Fowler Rd; Woodruff, SC 29388. No registration will be accepted prior to January 1, 2008. (To make it easier for the registrar and others, please do not change or revise this form. You may photocopy it as needed.)

Name (as you wish it to appear on your name badge): _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone number with area code: _____ e-mail: _____

Club/Society Affiliation: _____

Fee for each session is \$345.00 per person. Deposit is \$175 per person, payable with registration.
Make checks payable to "EFMLS". Balance of \$170 is due 30 days prior to start of session.

Cancellation policy: If unable to attend, fees paid will be refunded if notification is given prior to one month before the session begins. No refund will be made after that date.

Circle appropriate responses:

Have you been to Wildacres before? Yes No Is your Club sponsoring you? Yes No

Name of roommate: _____ (If none, one will be assigned).
Are you: Male Female (No single rooms are available). Are you a smoker? Yes No

Do you have any physical handicaps and / or special dietary needs? Yes No
If YES, please explain on reverse side.

Do you have material for exhibiting that you would be willing to display at Wildacres? Yes No

Do you have a skill to demonstrate or a program to share (up to 40 minutes)? Yes No

Class Pre-registration.

See EFMLS Newsletter or Website for class offerings. <www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm>
All participants must take classes.

Which of the classes being offered would you like to take? We will be preregistering you for classes you indicate. When a class is full NO others will be assigned to that class, and you will be assigned your next class choice(s). No class placement is guaranteed.

1st _____ 3rd _____

2nd _____ 4th _____

(No registrations accepted prior to January 1, 2009)

Mail to: Barbara Edge, Wildacres Registrar
1639 Fowler Rd
Woodruff, SC 29388

If you have any questions, please contact either
Barbara Edge, Registrar at <barbara.edge@gmail.com> or 864-433-1692 or
Fran Sick, Director at <ednfran@epix.net> or 570-928-8313.

2009 EFMLS Club Information Form

Please type or print clearly. Be sure to fill in all spaces!

Club Name: _____

Club Address: _____ Zip Code _____

Club website: _____

Number of Members: Adults: _____ Juniors: _____ Total: _____

Months Officers are Elected: _____ Installed: _____ Take Office: _____

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Address: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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Address: _____

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Bulletin Name: _____

Meeting Date: _____ Time: _____

Meeting Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Show and/or Swap Date: _____ Location: _____

INFORMATION FOR THE EFMLS WEBSITE:

The EFMLS website will list the name, location and meeting time and information for your club as well as the date and location of your annual show or swap. We would like to list at least one contact person as well so that interested persons know who to contact for information about your club. Please indicate the name(s) of your contact people plus the info that you wish to have placed on the website for each. (i.e. Editor: Barkley Bigfoot, <milkbone@dogbreath.org>)

Name: _____ Office held: _____

Contact information for web: _____

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Do you need membership cards? Yes: _____ No: _____ Are you paying for Juniors? Yes: _____ No: _____

Please verify your check is for the correct amount (\$1.75 per voting member) and that you have completed all of the information on the form. Mail your check and one (1) copy of this form to the EFMLS Treasurer, and one (1) copy of the form to the EFMLS Directory Editor. Checks should be made payable to "EFMLS".

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Visit A Show

from Matt Charsky

January:

25: MSNEPA Annual Mineral Auction sponsored by the Mineralogical Society of Northeast Pennsylvania. 1:00 P.M. Moosic Presbyterian Church, Moosic, PA

February

21-22: 16th Annual James Campbell Memorial "Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show" sponsored by the Capital District Mineral Club and NY State Academy of Mineralogy. Museum of the Empire State, 4th Floor, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY.

March

7-8: 46th Annual Earth Science Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Delaware Mineralogical Society. Delaware Technical & Community College, Churchmans Rd (Rt 58) I-95, Exit 4B; Newark, DE.

13-15: 21st Annual Aiken-Augusta Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Aiken Gem, Mineral & Fossil Society and the Augusta Gem & Mineral Society. Julian Smith Casino, Augusta, GA.

20-22: 39th Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Catawba Valley Gem & Mineral Club. Hickory Metro Convention Center, Hickory, NC

21: 19th Annual Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Southern Maryland Rock & Mineral Club. Watkins Nature Center, Upper Marlboro, MD

21-22: 45th Annual GLMSMC Show sponsored by the Gem, Lapidary & Mineral Society of Montgomery Co., MD. Montgomery Co. Fairgrounds, Gaithersburg, MD

27-29: Atlantic Micromounters Conference hosted by the Micromineralogists of the National Capital Area. MHA Conference Center, Elkridge, MD. Info & Registration: S. Weinberger; <cscrystals2@verizon.net>.

28-29: Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Central Florida Mineral & Gem Society. Central Florida Fairgrounds, Orlando, FL.

28-29: Western Massachusetts Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Mineral Club. Holiday Inn at Ingleside, Holyoke, MA.

28-29: 41st Annual Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Buffalo Geological Society. Fairgrounds in Hamburg, Hamburg, NY

28-29: 40th Annual Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Show sponsored by the Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club. Athens Township Volunteer Fire Hall, 211 Herrick Av; Sayre, PA.

April:

4-5: Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the New York Southern Tier

Geology Club. Johnson City Senior Center, Brocton Av.; Johnson City, NY.

May:

2-3: 6th Annual Treasures of the Earth Show & Sale sponsored by the Mineralogical Society of NE Pennsylvania. Oblates of St Joseph, Pittston, PA

16-17: Spring Rock, Gem & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Cape Atlantic Rockhounds. The Clubhouse, Cologne, NJ

16-17: 41st Annual World of Gems & Minerals sponsored by the Berks Mineralogical Society. Leesport Farmers Market Banquet Hall, Rt 61, Leesport, PA.

16-17: 36th Annual Minerals, Gems, Jewelry & Fossils Show sponsored by the New Haven Mineral Club. Amity Regional Jr. High School, Orange, CT.

23: Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Show hosted by the Chesapeake Gem & Mineral Society. Ruhl Armory, 1035 York Rd (MD 45 just off I-695), Towson, MD.

If you are an EFMLS member club and would like to have your show or swap listed here, send information to Matt Charsky, EFMLS Show Coordinator at 2430 N Glebe Rd; Arlington, VA 22207 or e-mail at <Charsky.Matthew@epa.gov>.