

# THE TUSCARORA BULLETIN



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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope this month's message finds everyone safe and healthy as we continue the "stay at home" and "social distancing" measures ordered by our state and local governments. Despite the drop in new cases and deaths due to COVID-19 in Delaware County we have a way to go before everything can reopen. The health and well-being of all TLS members and students continue to be a top priority. Anticipating that the need for social distancing will continue for some time, the TLS Board has taken the following steps:

- All spring classes have been canceled and full tuition refunds sent to those who had registered.
- No classes, workshops or open shop sessions will be offered this summer.
- Plans for the fall term will be announced in early August.
- We have canceled the May General Meeting and the June dinner meeting.
- We have extended the deadline for members to submit nominations for the Coren and Colio awards to June 30.
   Nominations should be sent to Stacey Segal. We will plan a suitable award ceremony for a later date.
- Plans for Gemarama 2020 "Pictures in Stone" are going forward at the moment. If we need to cancel this year's show, we will make that decision in August.
- New for Gemarama 2020 will be jewelry classes taught by Kieu Pham Gray, and The Urban Beader will be a new vendor this year. Check our web site for more details.
- The Board and Gemarama Committee will be meeting over the summer via Zoom to make the necessary decisions as we approach the fall.

The TLS Education Center will remain closed for the summer. John Chickadel and others will make regular visits to check on the building. Periodically some work will take place at the Education Center such as equipment cleaning and repairs, preparation for Gemarama, class preparation, and work on the jewelry room electrical supply, etc. Education Center Director John Chickadel will authorize and oversee the schedule of any activities at the Education Center over the summer so he will know who is going to be there and ensure that we maintain social distancing and other safety measures. This summer we will also be planning for what safety measures we need to take when classes resume at TLS.

Since we were unable to hold an in-person Audit Committee meeting this year due to coronavirus, the Audit Committee members reviewed the financial records independently, and determined that the 2019 financial records of Tuscarora Lapidary Society, Inc. accurately represent the position of the Society as of December 31, 2019.

Stacey Segal reported that over 40 items have sold on eBay in the past two months, including several pieces of equipment. This is an important source of income for TLS at a time when we cannot hold classes. I encourage members to consider donating items for sale on eBay. If you have such items or have questions about what is appropriate please contact Stacey Segal. Arrangements for drop off of items at TLS can be made with either Stacey or John Chickadel.

We plan to keep everyone updated through periodic emails, the TLS website and social media (Facebook and Instagram). Anna Thompson and I will be updating Instagram and Facebook and ask members to send us pictures of what you have been doing while under "Stay at Home" orders. We would love to see what you are working on and what your home studios look like.

We are also looking into the creation of online class content and equipping the classrooms with video cameras and monitors to help us maintain social distancing and safety protocols when classes resume at the Education Center. Any instructors or other members who want to help with this project please notify Linda Green or John Chickadel.

We hope you all stay safe and well. Linda Green

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# All Spring and Summer TLS Classes have been canceled.

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# SUMMER BULLETIN DEADLINE FRIDAY, JUNE 19

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# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**June 3:** TLS Board Meeting; 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.

June 10: TLS Awards Dinner is canceled.

June 17: Gemarama Meeting; 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.

July 1: TLS Board Meeting; 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.

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— From Janet Young, Recording Secretary

# **BOARD MEETING MINUTES/HIGHLIGHTS**

\*There was no General Meeting in May.\*

The meeting was called to order on May 6, 2020 at 7:33 p.m. by Linda Green through ZOOM. The minutes of the April Board Meeting were approved as distributed.

Linda Green, TLS President, expressed appreciation for the dedicated service of nurses during the pandemic and reminded the Board that this is National Nurses' Week. Linda and Anna Thompson have been posting TLS stories on Instagram and there is a need for more content. Please send photos of work being done in home studios.

Frank Warner distributed the April financial data to all Board members. A reduced cash balance reflects April tuition refunds due to canceled classes. Incoming Gemarama dealer checks are being held until a decision is made in August to hold or cancel the event this year.

#### **Committee Reports:**

<u>Membership</u>: Stacey Segal reported no new membership applications. <u>Programs</u>: There will be no programs until General Meetings are resumed.

<u>Education/Classes/Registrar</u>: Bill Frampton reported a couple of cancelations from classes that were still on the calendar. (See Old Business for more information.)

Education Center/Facilities&Equipment: John Chickadel reported that he is making weekly visits to the Ed Center and is picking up mail. Doug Klieger cleaned the trim saws and replaced the blade on the large trim saw.

<u>Acquisitions</u>: Doug McNicol reported no new acquisitions.

<u>Equipment & Facilities</u>: Don Schwarzkopf reported that a new primary electrical panel was installed, and that he now needs to finish the conduit and wiring for the new supply to the jewelry room.

Class Manager: Kathy Hobson has held off planning Summer classes. (See New Business for more information.) Library & eBay: Stacey Segal reports that in the past 2 months over 40 items were sold on eBay, including three of the machines: one cabbing/polishing unit, one combo polishing unit plus trim saw, and one vibratory flat lap. Linda Green will prepare an article for the bulletin asking members to donate for eBay. Gemarama: Linda Lakitsky reported that there has been communication with vendors regarding space changes and rental checks. Kieu Pham Gray is a definite "yes" if the show is held. The committee is "on hold" until late Summer. Old Business: Lisa Laffend reported that she attended a DCAC Zoom meeting and all organizations have the same challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance has grant money available. Linda Green will investigate whether any grants are suitable for TLS. More use of online tools will be explored. Peter Santucci, Jr. received correspondence from Sun Valley High School regarding the scholarship check. The recipient's name will be forwarded to TLS.

Linda Green reported that the audit committee (Joyce Babiarz, Ken Dahl, and Teresa Fain) reported to her that the 2019 financial records of the Tuscarora Lapidary Society, Inc. accurately represent the position of the Society as of December 31, 2019.

The June Banquet is canceled due to COVID-19. A virtual banquet to recognize instructors and present Coren and Colio awards was discussed. The deadline for nominations will be extended to June 30 with the intention to gather TLS members together at the end of Summer for the presentation of awards. COVID-19 Update: PA is still experiencing a large amount of active infection, particularly in the Southeast, and this is expected to continue through the Summer. The remainder of the Spring Class schedule was canceled.

New Business: Summer classes are canceled. It is possible for some activities to take place at the Ed Center such as equipment repair, show preparation work, and instructor preparation for classes. Ed Center Director John Chickadel will authorize and oversee the schedule of any such activities. Discussion ensued regarding the development of online video classes and tutorials. A videography committee will research the hardware, software, and logistics of transitioning to online content. The Board will meet monthly through the Summer.

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# **NEW PHONE TREE**

An updated phone tree is attached on page 7 of this Bulletin. Please disregard the one sent out earlier this year. New members and changes have been included, and it has been rearranged to be more efficient. (Thank you Frank Warner!)

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# TLS Website Links

We have a section on the page of the TLS website for links to websites of TLS members. These and other interesting links can be found at <a href="https://www.lapidary.org/links/">https://www.lapidary.org/links/</a>. If you have your own website and would like to have a link to your site added to the TLS website, send the URL to your site to Frank Warner at <a href="frank.warner@earthlink.net">frank.warner@earthlink.net</a>.

From Jody Shaw, Bulletin Editor

# FUTURE TLS BULLETIN DEADLINES

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October
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December
July/August
Friday, August 7
Friday, September 18
Friday, October 23
Friday, November 20
January 2021
Friday, December 18

-From Christy Potter

# SINGLE STONE EXHIBIT

The Single Stone Exhibit for the June dinner meeting has been canceled, so let's look forward to preparing a great single stone exhibit for Gemarama.

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#### **GEMARAMA**

Planning has been very difficult in these uncertain times. A decision has not been made about our big show in November. Hopefully, things will be much clearer by August so a determination can be made about Gemarama.

With that in mind, please keep thinking about the Single Stone Exhibit and Silent Auction Donations for the show. We will need these items if the show does take place. Even if it is canceled, we use these items at other times during the year, or could save them for the future.

Think about what YOU can contribute to this effort. Maybe you're working on a new style of jewelry and are making a few to perfect your design. Donate one to the Silent Auction. Maybe you'll be cleaning and discover rough that you'll never cut or tools that you don't use anymore. Maybe you're rearranging your home (or moving) and realize that you don't really need that particular specimen or have too many books for your shelves.

Remember, this is not a White Elephant sale; we need highquality pieces. Items need not be terribly expensive; they must, however, be up to the quality TLS members and Gemarama attendees are accustomed to. Rough slabs, mineral specimens, faceting material, fossils, carvings, faceted stones, cabochons, pins, necklaces, bolos, other finished jewelry, books, tools, etc. are just a few suggestions.

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GEMARAMA SILENT AUCTION DONATION FORM
Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Email:
Item donated (with description):
Fair market value:
Materials used:
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#### COLIO/COREN AWARDS

Each TLS member is asked to nominate candidates for the Colio and Coren Awards to be presented at the Annual TLS Awards Dinner on June 10. Nominations should be sent to TLS Vice President Stacey Segal by mail or email by June 30.

The William P. Colio Memorial Award is presented to the member deemed to have made the greatest contribution to the aims and purposes of TLS. The recipient must have a performance above and beyond that normally expected of any active member. All TLS members in good standing are eligible: a member may receive this award more than once. The last ten recipients were Joe Pizzirusso, Bill Mattis, Pete Santucci, Roger Binns, Doug Klieger, Stacey Segal, Joe Rokosky, John Chickadel, Christina Kulp, and Lisa Laffend.

The Coren Award for New Member Service, established by Chesna and Ben Coren, is given to a TLS member in good standing who has joined the club in the last three years. This person must have demonstrated through unselfish service, leadership, or outstanding lapidary-exhibits a level of performance not usually expected of a new member. The last ten recipients were David Groncki, John Chickadel, Christina Kulp, Merrill Dickinson, Cristin Weber, Joseph Rokosky, Fredric Hellman, Linda Lakitsky, Steve Hansen, and Bill Frampton.

The Coren award may be received only once. Those eligible and the year they joined are-2017: Carl Altman, Wendy Altman, Lynn Bibolet, Jennifer Buck, Teresa Fain, Desiree Liu, Lynne Malmstrom, Cathy Ann Maynard, William Rulon-Miller Jr, and Youngmi Shim. 2018: Rose M. Grelis, Rebecca Henry, Patricia Hershman, Lisa Kallinen, Diana Kane, Josh Keiner, Janice Lawson, Jon Lawson, JoAnn Liantonio, Virginia Lockamy, Joanne Morris, Ernest Purcell, Jody Shaw, John Shoffner, Anna Thompson, and Kimberly Voigt. 2019: Sandra Ashby, Barbara Bates, Ave Marie Borie, Bobbi Butler, Susan Dannenberg, Jim DeBastiani, Elizabeth Del Monte, Mimi Favre, Barbara Flannery, Diane Frederick, Michelle Glosson, Christina Griffin, David Lesak, Anthony Lombardo, Kathleen Lopez, Nieves Lopez, Amy Nemirow, and Valerie Weist.

COLIO/COREN AWARD NOMINATIONS		
Colio Award Nominee:		
Reasons for Nomination:		
Coren Award Nominee:		
Reasons for Nomination:		
Submit nominations by mail to Stacey Segal, 675 Crestwood		
Rd., Wayne, PA 19087 or by email to <a href="mailto:yinyang518@comcast.net">yinyang518@comcast.net</a>		
<b>Deadline: June 30, 2020</b>		

—John Chickadel, Education Center Director

#### TOXIC ROUGH MATERIAL

It has always been Tuscarora Lapidary Society's intent to protect its members and students from cutting toxic cabbing material. Recently, our President, Linda Green, forwarded an article to the cabbing instructors as information regarding gemstones containing asbestos.

This article, "Asbestos in Jewelry: Are You Wearing Asbestos Gemstones", can be found on the website - <a href="https://www.asbestos.com/blog/2020/04/20/asbestos-jewelry-mesothelioma/">https://www.asbestos.com/blog/2020/04/20/asbestos-jewelry-mesothelioma/</a>

Given this new information, the following is an updated list of material that may be potentially harmful, and students will not be permitted to cut this rough at the Ed Center.

- -Tiger's Eye contains asbestos
- -Hawk's Eye contains asbestos
- -Mara Mamba Tiger's Eye contains asbestos
- -Pietersite contains asbestos
- -Malachite contains copper
- -Bumble Bee Jasper contains sulfur, arsenic
- -Sea Shell contains organic calcium carbonate
- -Pearl contains organic calcium carbonate

In addition, TLS has recently acquired a radiation detector which will be available to all students and members to check their Dinosaur Bone rough to make sure it is safe to cut and wear in jewelry. Please contact John Chickadel to make arrangements to test your Dino bone.

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-From Doug Klieger

# MIZZY GRINDING WHEELS

If anyone has information about the silicon carbide or aluminum oxide grit sizes in Mizzy grinding wheels, used primarily in dental practices, please contact me at dklieger@verizon.net.

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# 60TH ANNIVERSARY PATCHES AND PINS AVAILABLE

The Tuscarora Lapidary Society (TLS) was founded more than 60 years ago. To commemorate this anniversary, a number of special patches and pins were ordered. In addition, plain maroon vests were ordered for those who need a place to put their patches and pins.

Vest, patches, and pins will be available for sale at most General Meetings as will a limited number of TLS 50th anniversary patches and Gemarama 25th anniversary pins. In addition, a small inventory of other TLS items, including aprons, polo shirts, and tote bags are available for purchase. Lapel pins are priced at \$5 each, embroidered patches at \$7.50; vests are \$15 each; shirts, aprons, and totes are \$20 each.

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#### LAPIDARY LINKS

For those of you with kids or grandkids at home during the quarantine, teach them about rocks and minerals at the Mineraloyg4Kids website.

# CALENDAR

Caution: Many show dates are tentative at this time due to COVID-19 and some from this list may have been canceled.

**June 6-7:** Wayne Cty Gem/Min Club Show, Civic Ctr, 250 N Bloomfield Rd, Canandaigua, NY <u>Canceled</u>

**June 13:** CT Antique Machinery Assoc & Danbury Min Soc Show, 31 Kent Cornwall Rd, Kent, CT Postponed

**June 13:** Boston Min Club Auction, Amer Legion Post 440, 295 California St, Newton, MA Postponed

**June 19-20:** Lancaster Cty Fossil/Min Club Show, Hoffman Bldg, Solanco Frgrnds, 172 South Lime St, Quarryville, PA

**June 19-21:** Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Big Piney, WY

**July 11-12:** Gem/Min Soc of Syracuse Show, Ctr of Progress Bldg, NY State Fair, 575 State Fair Blvd, Syracuse, NY <u>Canceled</u>

July 18-19: Gem City Rock/Min Soc Show/Sale, Zem Zem Shriners Banquet/Conf Ctr, 2525 W 38th St, Erie, PA

**July 22-26:** Echo Valley Gem Show, Showplace (across from GLW), 6456 Sylva Rd, Franklin, NC

**July 24-26:** Gem/Min Soc of Franklin Show/Sale,Robt C. Carpenter Comm Bldg, 1288 Georgia Rd, Franklin, NC

**July 25-26:** Orange Cty Min Soc of NY Show/Sale, Museum Village, 1010 Rte 17M, Monroe, NY

**July 25-26:** Burlington Gem/Min Club Show, Champlain Valley Expo, 105 Pearl St, Essex Junction, VT

**August 22-23:** St. Lawrence Cty Rock/Min Club Show, Canton Pavilion, 90 Lincoln St., Canton, NY

**September 12-13:** Danbury Min Soc Show, New Milford HS, 388 Danbury Rd (Rte 7), New Milford, CT

September 18-20: Midwest Federation, Howell, MI

**September 26-27:** Central PA Rock/Min Club Show, Scottish Rite Aud, 2701 N Third St, Harrisburg, PA

**October 10-11:** South Central Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Temple, TX

October 16-18: Combined AFMS & Southeastern Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Knoxville, TN

October 17-18: Bristol Gem/Min Club, Bristol Community Center, 240 Stafford Ave, Bristol, CT

October 23-25: Rescheduled Combined EFMLS & Catawba Valley Gem/Min Club, Hickory, NC

November 7-8: The Tuscarora Lapidary Society's 51st Annual Gemarama Gem, Jewelry, and Lapidary Show, 'Pictures in Stone', Halls D & E, Greater Philadelphia EXPO Center, 100 Station Avenue, Oaks, PA — From Lisa Laffend, Records Manager & Archivist

# TLS DROPBOX

All TLS members can have access to the TLS Folder on Dropbox (a cloud storage service) through a password-protected link. TLS Folder contains Bulletins for 2019 & 2020, the TLS History Booklet, the current membership list, the TLS Policy & Procedure Manual, the TLS By-laws, and the SKIP Manual as well as the current TLS phone tree. No special software is required. The TLS Folder is accessed through any browser by using the following link: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/4nv0cxwy5llib8r/AAAlSr-kKMnZvF-F34v4b2Zka?dl=0. Once you click on the link, you will be asked for a password. Contact me for that password. Once you have reached TLS Folder, you can view the contents in your browser. You can also download files to your computer, but note that downloaded files are disconnected from the Dropbox and will not receive periodic updates. For the most recent versions, always go through the link to the TLS Folder Dropbox. There are separate password-protected links to Dropboxes TLS Board for the Board and various committee chairs, and TLS Classes for our registrars, class manager, and teachers.

In addition we also have a Dropbox called TLS Public. This is a place where we can post information for our students accessed through a link which does not require a password. So far this Dropbox contains folders called 'Faceting' and 'Lampworking' which contain resources for students taking classes in these topics. The link to TLS Public is:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/55g3x3il9t9tvd0/AABJs28lzvp9pCSgg C5hKPM2a?dl=0. No password is required. The faceting students were sent a link specifically for the Faceting folder within TLS Public: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wiup8stxl97uw3x/AACtM8IFPgx7OuLJPWAq-GTga?dl=0. No password required. There is a separate link for the Lampworking folder:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/z17kxzfz8axbje5/AADcjcCgwjNIyJ7H 2pTHySbca?dl=0.

Other educational materials can be posted in the same way and made available to specific groups of students. Items for the TLS Public Dropbox should be sent to me along with a list, including email addresses, of those who should have access.

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# VISIT THE TLS EBAY SITE

Check out the TLS eBay site. As a fundraiser for TLS, a variety of items are sold on eBay. Auctions always start and end on Sundays and TLS members, family, and friends are encouraged to check out items and bid on them if they wish. To search for items for sale by TLS on eBay, simply:

- \*Go to www.eBay.com.
- \*At the top of the page, click the "Advanced" link (right next to the green "Search" button).
- \*Under "Find Items", click on the "By Seller" link.
- \*In the "Enter Seller's User ID" field, type in tuscarora\_lapidary (don't forget the underscore) then click the "Search" button.

You'll then see everything we have for sale and can place your bids accordingly.

# FOLLOW TLS ON INSTAGRAM

In addition to Facebook we are now on Instagram (@tuscaroralapidary). Please "Follow" us and "Like", "Comment" and "Share" our posts. Feel free to repost our posts on your feed but please indicate that the post came from @tuscaroralapidary.

Please use the following handles and hashtags when posting TLS content to your feeds or stories:

@tuscaroralapidary
#gemarama
#picturesinstone

# TLS HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE

Our online presence, particularly on Facebook, is a great way for TLS to share and connect with members, potential new members, and the community in general. In order to build our fan base, we need your help! Here are some ways in which you can assist.

- \*"Like" the Tuscarora Lapidary Society page on Facebook.
- \*Share information about TLS on Facebook, and invite your friends to "like" the TLS page.
- \*Send photos from classes and events to post on the TLS page. Be sure to give a few details, such as when and/or where the photo was taken, and who and/or what is pictured.
- \*Send event information, announcements, or reminders that you would like posted on the TLS Facebook page to Linda Green at <a href="mailto:ldgreensniffles@me.com">ldgreensniffles@me.com</a>.
- \*If you post about TLS classes or events on your own Facebook page, be sure to tag us.

- From Jody Shaw, TLS Bulletin Editor

#### **EMAILED BULLETIN OPTION**

TLS members with email have the option of receiving the TLS Bulletin by email as a PDF file. This saves TLS lots of \$\$\$ in printing and postage as well as being good for the environment, using less paper, and saving trees.

Plus, you get to see all the photos in full color AND you receive the newsletter at least one full day earlier than those who get it by USPS, which may come in handy when registering for classes. In addition, the Bulletin can be "saved" on your computer for future reference. If a hard copy is easier for you to read, the PDF file can be printed out without losing format or graphics.

More than three-fourths of TLS members have already switched to the email option. If you, too, want to "go green" just drop me a note saying you'd like to opt for the email version of the Bulletin; my email address is <a href="jodyshawTLS@gmail.com">jodyshawTLS@gmail.com</a>. (This gives me a record of requests and lets me verify your email address.)

# GEMARAMA 2020 APPLICATION FOR EXHIBIT SPACE THE TUSCARORA LAPIDARY SOCIETY'S 51ST ANNUAL SHOW NOVEMBER 7 & 8, 2020 HALLS D & E, THE GREATER PHILADELPHIA EXPO CENTER. OAKS, PA

Here are descriptions of competitions, judging, and awards. AFMS Uniform Rules will not be used in the evaluation of cases and the selection of awards. Material selection, craftsmanship, presentation, and showmanship are the key factors.

#### \*\*GROUND RULES FOR EXHIBITORS & AWARD SELECTION\*\*

**JUDGING:** Judging will take place prior to the opening of the Show on Saturday; identifying labels will be added to the cases when judging is complete.

**AWARD SELECTION:** A committee of judges will evaluate all cases and select winners of the four category awards:

Most Educational (All educational exhibits are eligible.)

Best Theme Display - "PICTURES IN STONE" (All exhibits of theme material are eligible.)

Best Non-Member Display (Cases by non-members only are eligible.)

Best Small Case – 18" x 12" (Cases by TLS members only are eligible.).

Judging committee will select cases for Best in Show and Director's Award.

ELIGIBILITY FOR AWARDS: An exhibitor may win only one of the four category awards; all cases, including winners of category awards, are eligible for Best in Show or Director's Award. An exhibitor cannot receive an identical award two years in a row. For example, the winner in 2019 of the Educational Award is not eligible for the Educational Award in 2020. Certain TLS exhibits are not eligible for awards (Single Stone exhibition, Education Center display, Memorial cases, Intarsias, etc.).

# APPLICATION FORM Name \_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE E-MAIL EXHIBIT TYPE (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY) □ NON-MEMBER □ EDUCATIONAL ☐ THEME ('PICTURES IN STONE') □ SMALL CASE (18" x 12" TLS MEMBERS ONLY) Description \_\_\_\_\_ a) ☐ I will provide a case that I personally own. This case: ☐ requires a table OR ☐ is freestanding. Case size if other than standard TLS case (4' x 2'). b) □ I will use a TLS case in my possession. c) $\square$ I wish to have a standard (4' x 2') TLS case furnished. d) $\square$ I wish to have a small (18" x 12") TLS case furnished (TLS members only). An exhibitor providing lights must observe the 100 watts maximum. The TLS Show Committee assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to exhibitors' property, material, or specimens displayed at the show. TLS will provide security guards from 5 p.m. Friday, November 6, through 5:30 p.m. Sunday, November 8, 2020. Set up may begin at 3 p.m Friday and must be complete and ready for judging by 9 a.m. Saturday; tear down will begin at 5 p.m. Sunday. I understand that all risks are my own and that the Tuscarora Lapidary Society has no insurance that applies to my exhibit. Signature of Exhibitor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_

Please return forms to: Bill Mattis, 228 Sagamore Road, Havertown, PA 19083-3912. Questions? Call Bill at 610-449-9945 or e-mail him at mattisopal@aol.com.

\*\*\*NEW\*\*\*TLS PHONE TREE (5/4/20)

The TLS Phone Tree is used to notify local members in case of a meeting cancellation, an emergency, or another circumstance requiring special attention. Those whose names appear in bold will be called with the pertinent information and asked, in turn, to call the members listed in their 'square'. Linda Green starts the chain. Please note: All calls should be made even if an email notification has been sent with the same information. Remember, not everyone has email and many of those who do, don't always check it daily. If you don't feel that you're able to handle this responsibility, if your phone number is missing or incorrect, or if you would rather have another phone number listed, please notify Jody Shaw by calling/texting 856-981-0306 or emailing jodyshawTLS@gmail.com.

If a General, Board, or Gemarama Meeting is canceled due to inclement weather or other unfortunate circumstance, an appropriate message will be put on the Education Center's voice-mail system by 4 p.m. that day. If you have concerns, call the Center at 610-490-5252 after 4 p.m.

All instructors have the authority to cancel a class due to inclement weather or other circumstances. Should this scenario occur, all affected students will be called by the respective instructor and, if possible, a message will be placed on the Education Center's voice-mail system. Instructors can call Frank Warner (C: 610-306-7161) or Lisa Laffend (C: 302-668-5072) to have a message put there.

# GREEN/STIEFF:

Chickadel 302-750-8887 Laffend 302-668-5072 Lakitsky 610-458-5135 Magee 484-444-2294 Segal/Nuceder 484-432-2710 Shaw/Shoffner 856-981-0306 Young 610-708-5060

#### **SEGAL:**

Fawcett 302-660-7276 Goodman 484-566-9714 Hellman 484-681-0202 Messino 302-740-6860 Nardy 610-517-6742 Weist 215-901-0286 new members

#### CHICKADEL:

Hildebrand 717-768-3889 Kozak 717-393-3295 Lea 610-385-4956 Lubun 302-373-0369 Reider 717-426-2153 Statton 484-574-8461 Winters 610-446-9048

# SHAW, J:

Apt 267-939-1881 Flannery 484-443-8708 Hall 302-383-3730 Johns 215-681-0392 Maynard 215-687-0049 Nemirow 215-620-2425 Roman/Dearnaley215-740-9224

#### **YOUNG:**

Irons 856-546-4812 Johnson, L 562-685-3211 Johnston, J 215-340-7229 McNicol 610-358-5260 Polansky 215-669-4252 Schwarzkopf 215-901-2126 Thompson, A 925-324-8170

#### MAGEE:

Bradley 610-324-1673 Dahl 302-562-2145 Hansen 302-478-1954 Marcus 610-388-0629 Marshall 302-762-3164 Peterson 610-255-0535 Santucci 610-876-5642

#### LAFFEND:

Burkholder 610-325-5435 Lawlor 302-415-1153 Lopez, K&N 267-290-8418 Ratsep 610-695-8900 Warner 610-306-7161 Wegrzyn 302-836-9755 Wingrod 610-324-2680

# LAKITSKY:

Cummings 610-476-5302 Klieger 610-644-2492 Mattis 610-449-9945 Potter 610-701-0125 Thompson, H 610-486-6461 Weber, C 610-380-0678

# JOHNSTON, J:

Brooks 215-542-0712 Dougherty 215-233-5366
Bette Friedlander 484-716-3721
Lockamy 336-782-6063
Nabbie 215-949-3496
Wiggins 267-549-8680

#### BRADLEY:

Alexander 610-220-8812 Buski 610-933-0765 Favre 610-716-5285 Frederick 302-239-3599 Hershman 484-695-4003 Zuckerman 215-962-1184

#### BURKHOLDER:

Armitage 484-429-1289 Glosson 484-883-8620 Keiner 609-513-1437 Liggett 610-256-3552 Smith, B 610-358-1752 Thompson, D&R 717-872-2171

# **CUMMINGS:**

Batter 610-358-0809 Borie 609-231-6621 Fain 610-459-2511 Kallinen 610-574-8717 Kulp, C&K&H 610-742-2057 Owens 610-513-7534

# McNICOL:

Aber 302-897-4493
Babiarz 302-475-0276
Brunsberg 302-838-0228 Grelis 610-328-9784
Lerner 302-598-7199
Porter 302-239-2506

#### DAHL:

Bates 610-764-1441 Frampton 443-553-5805 Malmstrom 410-398-5849 O'Connell 443-553-4120 Parsons 302-266-2332 Pataky 302-328-1399

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#### QUESTIONS WITHOUT ANSWERS

- 1. Does a clean house indicate that there is a broken computer in it?
- 2. Why is it that no matter what color of bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?
- 3. Is there ever a day that mattresses are not on sale?
- 4. Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?
- 5. On electric toasters, why do they engrave the message "one slice"? How many pieces of bread do they think people are really going to try to stuff in that slot?
- 6. Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
- 7. Why is it that no plastic garbage bag will open from the end you first try?
- 8. How do dead bugs get into closed light fixtures?
- 9. Considering all the lint you get in your dryer, if you kept drying your clothes would they eventually just disappear?
- 10. When we are in the supermarket and someone rams our ankle with a shopping cart then apologizes for doing so, why do we say, "It's all right?" Well, it isn't all right so why don't we say, "That hurt!"
- 11. Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?
- 12. Is it true that the only difference between a yard sale and a trash pickup is how close to the road the stuff is placed?
- 13. In winter why do we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?
- 14. How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?
- 15. If at first you don't succeed, shouldn't you try doing it like your wife told you to do it? And obviously if at first you don't succeed, then don't take up sky diving!
- 16. The statistics on sanity are that one out of every four Americans is suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends, if they're okay, then it's you.