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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear TLS Family and Friends,

THANK YOU! Gemarama 2021 "Pictures in Stone" was a BIG success, and I want to thank everyone who helped this year for their hard work and dedication in making Gemarama a successful show. The setup, take down, and all the show operations were outstanding, due to the teamwork and caring of our member and non-member volunteers.

- Committee Chairs and Volunteers all worked hard. Thank You!
- Dealers were busy and made money.
- Security was strong.
- We had a record number of attendees since 2014.
- Demonstrations were excellent.
- The Silent Auction was a great success.
- Exhibit Cases were interesting and exciting.
- TLS members had a good time getting together with friends, working the booths, greeting vendors, and of course shopping.
- And best of all - our visitors learned about minerals, gems, jewelry, and of course, TLS.

Now...let the planning begin for Gemarama 2022, "A Rainbow of Possibilities", and let's make it even more memorable and successful than this year. The Gemarama Wrap Up Meeting was held on November 17, 2021, where we reviewed the results of this year's show and began plans for next year, under the leadership of Gemarama Chair, Barry Messino, and Co-Chair, Anthony Lombardo.

Don't forget to attend the General Meeting and Holiday Party on December 8, 2021, at the Springfield Township Building. The Nominating Committee has selected a wonderful slate of candidates for 2022 (see page 3 for details), and we will be voting on this slate at the meeting. Also, don't forget to bring a snack, a sweet, or a favorite homemade treat to share.

Important positions were approved at the November 3, 2021 Board Meeting. Barry Messino will continue as Gemarama Chair and Anthony Lombardo will serve as Co-Chair.

In 2022 we will continue to hold a combination of in-person and ZOOM General Meetings. I look forward to some exciting programs in the new year, including "How to Make an Exhibit Case".

Last but not least, we have some exciting courses set up for the Winter Session, which begins in January. See the class schedule here or online, and sign up early. Classes fill up fast.

Please enjoy your holidays! Stay safe and healthy!

—Linda Green, TLS President



DATES TO REMEMBER . . .

- December 1:** TLS Board Meeting; 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.
- December 8:** TLS General Meeting; 7:30 p.m., Springfield Township Building, downstairs room



NEWS AND NOTES

—Condolences to the Dahl family on the passing of Sheryl's father.

—A big welcome to new members Anibal (Jay) Rosa and Kezia Read Wolf. We look forward to meeting you!



— From Janet Young, Recording Secretary

BOARD AND GENERAL MEETING MINUTES/HIGHLIGHTS

The Board Meeting was called to order on November 3, 2021 at 7:37 p.m. by Linda Green through ZOOM. The minutes of the October Board and General Meetings were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Ken Dahl reported the cash inflow and outflow for the month showed a net negative total. Payments for Gemarama 2022 Expo Center space rental and a payment for the rental of tables for 2021 were the major contributors for a negative cash flow. The general meeting silent auction netted \$1,301.90. Sales of TLS clothing and regalia netted \$117.50. Membership dues have been paid by 82 members and auxiliary members.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Stacey Segal stated that she has received five membership applications. Two applicants have met the requirements at the present time - Jay Rosa and Kezia Wolf.

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The Board approved the memberships of Mr. Rosa and Ms. Wolf.

Programs: Linda Green stated that the report from Kathy Lopez confirms a ZOOM presentation on “Inlay” by Jeff Fulkerson at the General Meeting on November 10. December will feature the election of TLS Board members and Directors followed by a holiday party. Kathy is working on the winter and spring schedules. She anticipates ZOOM presentations in January and February. March will feature a silent auction. “How to Create a Display Case” will be presented sometime in 2022. June will feature a dinner and awards ceremony.

Education Center: Linda Green relayed John Chickadel’s report that the fire extinguishers have been inspected and approved. The roof inspection resulted in a minor patch repair. The HVAC system will be serviced with filter replacement. John is stepping down from Education Center Director but will continue to teach cabbing, do prep sessions, and order lapidary supplies.

Class Manager: Steve Hansen reported that the Main Line School Night weekend workshop was successful, with seven students. Steve thanked Bill Frampton and Joanne Morris for helping teach this class. Winter schedules have been distributed to member teachers. Kieu Pham Gray is teaching classes in early January. Emily Pellini will be a new enamel instructor. There will also be workshops in sphere making, casting and mold making.

Equipment & Facilities: Don Schwarzkopf stated that he and Frank Warner rerouted the ethernet cable from the mechanical room to the jewelry room. It is now above the ceiling. The door on the burn-out kiln has been reversed.

Library and eBay: Stacey Segal reported that Steve Hansen donated the book The Secret Teachings of Gem Cutting by Justin K. Prim.

SKIP: Eugene Awot will present a SKIP award (journeyman class) at the general meeting of November 10.

Gemarama: Barry Messino and Frank Warner stated that everything is in place for Gemarama 2021.

Old Business: Linda Green stated that volunteers are needed for the following positions: Print Chairperson, Community Programs Chairperson, SKIP Program Chair, and Education Center Director. Please contact Linda Green, Stacey Segal or Frank Warner for more information, or to volunteer.

New Business: Linda Green announced the holiday party will be held December 8 at the Springfield Township Building/ following the General Meeting. The emailed announcement will remind attendees to bring “goodies” to share. Election of officers and directors for 2022 will be held. The approved slate is as follows: Stacey Segal, President; Gary Cummings, Vice President; Ken Dahl, Treasurer; Janice Lawson, Recording Secretary; Eileen Magee, Corresponding Secretary; Anthony Lombardo and Doug McNicol, Directors (2-year terms). Mimi Favre will continue in the second year of her term as Director. Barry Messino’s appointment as Gemarama Chair will be continued. Anthony Lombardo is appointed Gemarama Co-Chair. Education Center Director is to be decided.



The General Meeting of November 10, 2021 by Zoom was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by President Linda Green. In attendance were 36 members and 14 guests. Committee and other items discussed at the Board Meeting were briefly presented.

Linda Green thanked the many volunteers for their work making Gemarama a success. Linda offered condolences to Sheryl Dahl on the passing of her father and gave a special appreciation to Sheryl for her ability to return to the show. Sheryl Dahl expressed gratitude to those who jumped in to make everything run smoother.

Ken Dahl reported a net cash decrease during the month of October due to Gemarama expenses, but they were offset by income from the Silent Auction, sales of TLS clothing and regalia, and membership dues.

Stacey Segal reported that the Board approved the membership applications of Jay Rosa and Kezia Wolf. Stacey extended a warm welcome and thanked them for volunteering at Gemarama.

Linda Green welcomed Jeff Fulkerson for tonight’s presentation on “Inlay.” December’s General Meeting will be at the Springfield Township Building and will feature the election of TLS Board members and Directors followed by a holiday party. TLS will provide beverages and attendees are encouraged to bring snacks to share.

Steve Hansen reported that the weekend MLSN cabbing workshop of October 16 and 17 was successful with seven students. Steve thanked Bill Frampton and Joanne Morris for their help in teaching this class. Winter schedules have been distributed to member teachers. Emily Pellini will be a new enamel instructor. Sphere making, casting and mold making will be offered in the winter term. Kieu Pham Gray will teach in early January.

Bill Frampton thanked Steve Hansen for his work putting together the Winter Class Schedule. Registration for classes will be available online on November 22. Bill requests that registered students give at least a 24-hour notice when dropping a class.

Barry Messino thanked everyone for their hard work in making the event very successful. Frank Warner stated that the online ticketing system worked well with 449 registrations in advance of the show. There were 1613 total admissions. The vendors were busy. A “wrap up” meeting will be held on November 17, 2021.

Stacey Segal announced that Dennis Coren has received a SKIP Award. Dennis submitted a ring and a pendant which earned him a journeyman status in constructed jewelry.

Following the business meeting, Jeff Fulkerson presented a power point presentation about “inlay.” Jeff is a self-taught jeweler whose work has been featured in Art Jewelry Magazine, Rock and Gem Magazine, Tucson Show Guide, and Step by Step Wire. Jeff has taught inlay at TLS and many other venues. The presentation focused on instruction and examples of flush inlay, pillow inlay, and mosaic (flush) inlay. There is much interest in this topic, and Jeff will be invited to teach at TLS in 2022.

–Barry Lynn Messino, Show Chair

GEMARAMA 2021 WRAP-UP

Hi Folks,

It was nice to see everyone on Wednesday, November 17 at our Gemarama meeting, to review and wrap up Gemarama 2021. With your help and new suggestions, we can make some decisions for Gemarama 2022.

Once again I would like to thank everyone for making this show a success. Many members, prospective members, and your family members turned out to help. Your assistance was very important and deeply appreciated. Our vendors and patrons seemed very pleased with the show. We set a new attendance record for our shows at the Greater Philadelphia EXPO Center. Thank you all. Have a nice Thanksgiving!



–Sheryl Dahl, Gemarama Demo Chair

DEMONSTRATION AREA THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who demonstrated at Gemarama this year. Even more enjoyable to both me and our guests, was watching the skilled, knowledgeable demonstrators working in so many different areas. It was a wonderful experience working with each one of the volunteers. I especially want to thank those who jumped in and gave extra assistance during my family’s loss. Thank you to all for your patience, time, and effort, sharing your skill and talent with everyone. I deeply appreciate it and hopefully will be able to work with you again next year.



–Ellen Schwarzkopf, Gemarama Silent Auction Chair

GEMARAMA SILENT AUCTION 2021

I would like to thank everyone who helped make this a great auction. My helpers were Maxine Burkholder, Betty Tiger, Joanne Morris, Desiree Liu, Jeanette Liggett, Susan Mars, MaryLou Lawler, Evelyn MacKnight, Janice and Jon Lawson, Margaret Bimson, Terry Fain, and Amy Eisenberg. All of you helped make this the best Silent Auction ever, a total of \$2,455.00.



–Jody Shaw, Bulletin Editor

FUTURE BULLETIN DUE DATES

January	Friday, December 17
February	Friday, January 21
March	Friday, February 18
April	Friday, March 18
May	Friday, April 22



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

–From the Nominating Committee

ANNUAL TLS ELECTIONS

At the December General meeting via Zoom, the election of TLS Officers and Board Members will take place. On the recommendation of the nominating committee, the Board recommends the following slate of Officers and Directors to be approved for 2022.

- President - Stacey Segal
- Vice-President - Gary Cummings
- Treasurer - Ken Dahl
- Recording Secretary - Janice Lawson
- Corresponding Secretary - Eileen Magee
- Director - Anthony Lombardo and Doug McNicol

Mimi Favre will continue in the second year of her term as Director. The Education Center Director position needs to be filled. Barry Messino’s appointment as Gemarama 2022 Chair will be continued, and Anthony Lombardo will be appointed as Gemarama 2022 Co-Chair.



–Steve Hansen, Class Manager

WINTER SCHEDULE

The Winter 2022 schedule has posted (see page 4), with classes beginning the first week of the new year. We are pleased to have Special Guest Instructor Kieu Pham Gray return to TLS to present an interesting array of workshops. Check out the remote option for these workshops as an alternative to driving into the Ed Center in the middle of winter.

We are offering some old favorites (including Sphere Making and Guest Instructor Marthe Roberts/Shea’s Mechanisms class), as well as some new favorites (Mold Making and Jewelry Casting workshops). We are also pleased present a new Guest Instructor, Emily Pellini, who will present and interesting survey of techniques in her Introduction to Enameling class. Emily has taught this class at the Delaware Museum of Art, as well as similar workshops both online and at other teaching venues, and we are delighted to bring this course to TLS. For the New Year, give yourself the gift of a new skill by attending one (or more) of our classes/workshops.



INSTRUCTOR BENEFIT

It is TLS policy that TLS members who teach a regular course (fall, winter, spring, or summer) or a substantial workshop may, within the following twelve months, take a regular class or workshop without paying the normal member tuition. Any special course fees or materials fees in excess of tuition must be paid by the member making use of this benefit.

Instructors who wish to take advantage of this policy must advise the Registrar of the specific course or workshop for which they would like to use the benefit.

A TLS member who supervises an Open Shop session, other than Open Slab Saw, may, at no cost, be a participant in that Open session. Supervisors of Open Torch sessions contribute \$10 per day towards the cost of oxygen and gas. A TLS member who supervises five hours of Open Slab Saw may use the slab saws for one hour free as long as at least one other TLS member certified in slab saw use is present, as required by the TLS Safety Rules.

COVID-19 UPDATE, WINTER 2022

The health and well-being of all members and students of the TLS community continue to be our top priority. Due to current existence of areas of high or substantial transmission of the SARS-CoV2 virus in our region, we require the wearing of masks for all individuals in our facility at this time, whether vaccinated or not.

WINTER CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 4, 2022

TLS Education Center

24 Upland Road, Brookhaven, PA 19015

TLS offers classes to adults interested in pursuing lapidary and jewelry arts. No previous experience is needed unless a prerequisite is noted. In some courses and workshops there is an additional charge for supplies and equipment. Pricing for classes is listed for members (M) and non-members (NM). Membership requires completion of Beginning Cabochon or Faceting class, participation in two TLS monthly meetings and willingness to participate as a volunteer in TLS activities. Course details, including the required supply and tool lists for many classes, and our online registration system, may be found at <https://www.lapidary.org/classes-winter-2022>. Fees for supplies are payable to the instructors and may depend on the choice of materials.

REFUND POLICY: If you wish to withdraw from a class, workshop, or open shop session, you must notify the Registrar by phone or email. Payment will be refunded 100% if you withdraw before the course, workshop, or open shop session begins. For multi day courses (not workshops or open shop sessions), payment will be refunded 80% if you withdraw before the second class. No refunds are given after the second meeting of a multi-day course. No refunds are given after the first day of a multi-day workshop. No refunds are given for missed open shop sessions (Exception: Members may receive a 50% refund, if requested, after missing an open slab-saw session).

Students are enrolled in the order that online payments or checks and registration forms are received. Please note: Checks for full tuition must accompany the registration form in order to reserve a spot in the class. Send registration form and check to Bill Frampton, Registrar, 168 Creek Dr., Elkton, MD 21921. For additional questions or more information contact Bill Frampton, w.h.frampton@gmail.com, 443-553-5805.

Weekday Classes and Workshops

MONDAY

(W22AC1-10) **Advanced Cabochons:** (10 weeks beginning January 10) 7:30-9:30PM. Members only. Limit 5. Instructor: Stacey Segal. Tuition: M\$70.

TUESDAY

(W22AS1-4) **Beyond Beginning Silver – Mechanisms:** (10 weeks beginning January 4) 10AM-1PM. Minimum 7, maximum 10. Intermediate/Advanced level. Learn how to add movement and the perfect finishing touch to your jewelry in this hands-on 10-week class. Students will learn how to design and fabricate hinges, clasps and closures that are as uniquely beautiful as they are functional. Technical demonstrations will

be provided to help students better understand construction and procedure. Knowledge of soldering and fabricating techniques are most helpful. Guest Instructor: Marthe Roberts/Shea. Tuition: NM\$330/M\$240. Required supplies to be purchased in advance will cost approximately \$115.

(W22FT1-4) **Faceting:** (10 weeks beginning January 4) 7-9:30PM. Limit 5. Cut clear gemstones with flat planes (facets). Instructors: Steve Hansen and Paul Stieff. Tuition: NM\$120/M\$60.

(W22CB1-11) **Basics of Chainmaille:** (1 session on January 11) 6-9PM. Skill level - Beginner. Minimum 3, maximum 10. Learn the basic techniques of working with jump rings. This workshop covers opening and closing of jump rings, chainmaille terminology, and jump ring materials - their properties and the effect different materials have on the weaves. Instructor: Sharon Parsons. Tuition: NM\$40/M\$20. Materials fee (payable to the instructor) \$10.

(W22CI1-25) **Unfinished Objects Chainmaille Workshop:** (1 session on January 25) 6-9PM. Skill level – all. Minimum 3, maximum 10. Bring your UFOs to class. Enjoy the company and opinions of your classmates while you finish your chainmaille projects. Some components will be available at class. Instructor: Sharon Parsons. Tuition: NM\$40/M\$20.

(W22CI2-8) **Elegant Spiral Earrings Workshop:** (1 session on February 8) 6-9PM. Skill level – Intermediate. Minimum 3, maximum 10. Spiral 6-in-1 tricolor earrings look fabulous when made with half round rings. Yellow GF, Rose GF and Argentium jump rings and GF ear wires will be provided in the kit. Instructor: Sharon Parsons. Tuition: NM\$40/M\$20. Material fee of \$50 payable to the instructor.

(W22CI2-22) **Unfinished Objects Chainmaille Workshop:** (1 session on February 22) 6-9PM. Skill level – all. Minimum 3, maximum 10. Bring your UFO s to class. Enjoy the company and opinions of your classmates while you finish your chainmaille projects. Some components will be available at class. Instructor: Sharon Parsons. Tuition: NM\$40/M\$20.

WEDNESDAY

(W22BS1-19) **Beginning Silver:** (10 weeks beginning January 19) 10AM-1PM. Limit 8. Learn basic silversmithing techniques and complete one or more projects, which could be a pendant, ring, or bracelet. Instructor: Barry Messino. Tuition: NM\$120/M\$60. Materials fee (payable to instructor) approximately \$40, depending on projects chosen.

(W22IS1-19) **Intermediate Silver:** (10 weeks beginning January 19) 2PM-5PM. Limit 8. Learn fundamental silversmithing techniques and complete one or more projects, which could be a pendant, ring, or bracelet. Instructor: Barry Messino. Tuition: NM\$120/M\$60. Materials fee (payable to instructor) approximately \$40, depending on projects chosen.

THURSDAY

(W22BC1-6) **Beginning/Intermediate Cabochons:** (6 weeks beginning January 6) 9AM-Noon. Limit 7. Learn how to cut and polish rounded gemstone shapes. Open to new students and those honing their skills in cutting and polishing cabochons. Instructors: John Chickadel and Bill Frampton. Tuition: NM\$130/M\$70.

(W22AC1-6) **Advanced Cabochons:** (6 weeks beginning January 6) 1-4PM. Limit 7. Members only. Instructors: John Chickadel and Bill Frampton. Tuition: \$70.

(W22BC1-6E) **Beginning/Intermediate Cabochons:** (10 weeks beginning January 6) 7:30-9:30PM. Limit 7. Learn how to cut and polish rounded gemstone shapes. Open to new students and those honing their skills in cutting and polishing cabochons. Instructors: Gary Cummings and Joanne Morris. Tuition: NM\$130/MS\$70.

(W22EI1-6) **Introduction to Enamels:** (5 weeks beginning January 6) 10AM-1PM. Minimum 6, Maximum 8. Beginner/Intermediate level. Techniques covered will include fusing, counterenameling, graphite drawing, glass etching, under and overglazes, basse-taille. Students will learn the basics of enameling, from fusing to introductory techniques. Guest Instructor: Emily Pellini. Tuition: NMS\$170/MS\$145.

WEEKEND WORKSHOPS

(W22SM2-6) **Sphere Making:** (Two-day workshop, Sundays: February 6 & March 13) 9AM-5PM. Plus one initial meeting at a time in January to be set in consultation with the class. Members only. Limit 4. Learn how to make spheres out of lapidary material 'by hand.' Instructor: Frank Warner and John Chickadel. Tuition: \$115. The cost of a preform will likely range between \$40 and \$60.

(W22MC2-12) **Vulcanizing Rubber Molds and Injection Wax:** (Two-day workshop, February 12 & 13) 9AM-4PM. Limit 8. Beginner/Intermediate level. If you want to preserve a special piece of jewelry you can easily make a duplicate. Creating a rubber mold is a great way to make multiple copies. Using simple supplies and following basic instructions, you can be a rubber mold-making expert in no time. Then you can inject hot wax into a mold and remove a perfect wax replica, ready to cast into metal. This class will focus on Vulcanizing Rubber molds and inject wax under pressure in the molds to create a disposable wax model for casting. Instructors: Dennis Coren, Don Schwarzkopf, and John Chickadel. Tuition: NMS\$120/MS\$60. Materials fee (payable to instructor) approximately \$70 (includes rubber, wax, and supplies).

(W22MC2-26) **Jewelry Casting:** (Two-day workshop, February 26 & 27) 9AM-4PM. Limit 8. Beginner/Intermediate level. This class will focus on vacuum investment and vacuum casting using the "Lost Wax" technique. Instructors: Dennis Coren, John Chickadel and Don Schwarzkopf. Tuition: NMS\$120/MS\$60. Materials fee (payable to instructor) approximately \$60 (includes metal, wax, casting investment, and supplies).

(W22BS3-19) **Sawing Intensive:** (Saturday, March 19) 10AM-5PM. Limit 10. Beginner/Intermediate level. Make the jewelry saw your friend. Learn to saw different materials with different types of saw blades through hands-on experience. Instructor: Mara Wolff. Tuition: NM\$60/MS\$35. Material kit (metal sheet and blades; payable to instructor) approximately \$15.

(W22BB3-26) **Glass Bead Making:** (Two-day workshop, March 26 & 27) 9AM-5PM. Limit 10. For beginners and those with some bead making experience. Instructors: Lisa Laffend and Terry Fain. Tuition: NM\$160/MS\$100.

(W22BG3-26) **Gem ID:** (Saturday, March 26) 10AM-3PM. Limit 8. Beginner/Intermediate Level. In this workshop, students will be given a brief introduction to geologic processes that form our favorite faceted gemstones, followed by a discussion of mineral, physical, and optical properties that help us identify gemstones, and finally we will have a hands on session using the most common diagnostic instruments to try to solve the mystery of the unknown gem. Students are encouraged to bring a faceted stone of their choice to identify. Instructor: John Chickadel. Tuition: NM\$60/MS\$35.

KIEU PHAM GRAY WORKSHOPS

(IN-PERSON OR REMOTE OPTIONS)

[Note: In-person workshops are at the TLS Education Center. Remote versions include a Zoom link to attend the broadcast and 30 day access to the workshop video recording.]

(W22KA1-7) **Andromeda Ring:** (Friday, January 7) 10AM-4PM. Limit 10. Confident beginner/intermediate skill level.

Two settings are better than one. In this class we will create an open shank ring for a two stone setting to give the illusion of a floating setting. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$163/MS\$143 (includes \$49 materials fee).

(W22KA1-7R) **Andromeda Ring - Remote:** (Friday, January 7) 10AM-4PM. Limit 12. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$169/MS\$149 (includes \$49 materials fee and \$6 shipping fee).

(W22KB1-7) **Jolie Fleur:** (Friday, January 7) 6PM-9PM. Limit 10. Beginner skill level. Learn to forge sheet metal to form a cone shape that will blossom into a calla lily. Not only can you make a great pair of earrings, but you will also have the skills to customize your own cones for future projects. Students who don't wear earrings may convert the flowers into pendants. Just for good measure, copper stock will be provided for practice. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$141/MS\$121 (includes \$47 materials fee).

(W22KB1-7R) **Jolie Fleur - Remote:** (Friday, January 7) 6PM-9PM. Limit 12. Beginner skill level. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$147/MS\$127 (includes \$47 materials fee and \$6 shipping fee).

(W22KC1-8) **Color Wave:** (Saturday, January 8) 10AM-5PM. Limit 10. Intermediate skill level. Adding color to your silver fabrication is not exclusive to enamel. In this project we will create a simple inlay process with crushed stone to add a wave of color. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$235/MS\$200 (includes \$60 materials fee).

(W22KC1-8R) **Color Wave - Remote:** (Saturday, January 8) 10AM-5PM. Limit 12. Intermediate skill level. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$241/MS\$206 (includes \$60 materials fee and \$6 shipping fee).

(W22KD1-8) **Shimmering Enamel:** (Saturday, January 8) 6PM-9PM. Limit 10. Beginner skill level. Add shimmering elements to enamel that will set it apart. In this class you will set stones (colors will vary) and fuse silver elements to torch fired enamels to create more interest and shimmer. Students will have the option to make earrings, pendant, or links. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NMS\$134/MS\$114 (includes \$40 materials fee).

(W22KD1-8R) **Shimmering Enamel - Remote:** (Saturday, January 8) 6PM-9PM. Limit 12. Beginner skill level. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NM\$140/M\$120 (includes \$40 materials fee and \$6 shipping fee).

(W22KE1-9) **Vienna Opera Earrings:** (Sunday, January 9) 10AM-5PM. Limit 10. Intermediate skill level. Sometimes we just need to wear a pair of fancy earrings. The Vienna Opera would be just the occasion for that! Learn to make a setting for stones with a pavilion and a tube setting to add even more sparkle to your work. The project will creatively tackle the challenge of the point on a teardrop. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NM\$215/M\$180 (includes \$55 materials fee).

(W22KE1-9R) **Vienna Opera Earrings - Remote:** (Sunday, January 9) 10AM-5PM. Limit 12. Intermediate skill level. Special Guest Instructor: Kieu Pham Gray. Tuition: NM\$221/M\$186 (includes \$55 materials fee and \$6 shipping fee).

OPEN SHOP SESSIONS

(W22OC) **Open Cabbing:** (Saturdays: 1/22, 2/19, 3/19, Thursdays: 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24) 10AM-4PM. Limit 5. Prerequisite: One TLS beginning cabbing class. Supervisors: Stacey Segal (Saturdays) or John Chickadel (Thursdays). Fee: NMS\$33/M\$27 per day.

(W22OS) **Open Slab Saw:** (Saturdays: 1/22, 2/19, 3/19, Thursdays: 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24). Members Only. Prerequisite: Must be certified for slab saw use. May be taken concurrently with open cabbing. Supervisors: Stacey Segal (Saturdays) or John Chickadel (Thursdays). Fee: \$10 per hour. Indicate date and preference for AM or PM. Actual times will be scheduled by the Registrar.

(W22OM) **Open Metalsmithing/Soldering:** (Saturday: 1/15, 2/5, 3/12, Mondays: 1/10, 1/24, 2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/21) 10AM-4PM. Limit 10. Prerequisite: One TLS silver class or equivalent (as approved by Supervisor). Supervisors: Stacey Segal (Saturdays) or Linda Green (Mondays). Fee: NMS\$33/M\$27 per day.

(W22OT) **Open Torch (Bead Making):** (Saturday and/or Sunday, January 22 & 23, February 19 & 20) 9AM-5PM. Limit 10. Prerequisite: One TLS glass bead making class. Coordinator: Frank Warner. Fee: NMS\$44/M\$36 per day.

TLS CLASS REGISTRATION WINTER 2022

Please list classes wanted, including class codes:

Name _____

Address _____

Home phone (____) _____

Work phone (____) _____

Cell Phone (____) _____

Email _____

A CHECK FOR FULL TUITION (PAYABLE TO TLS) MUST ACCOMPANY THE REGISTRATION FORM.

Mail form and check to: Tuscarora Lapidary Society, c/o Bill Frampton, Registrar, 168 Creek Drive, Elkton, MD 21921

-From Kathy Lopez, Program Chair

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Our upcoming schedule will include both in-person and Zoom events, and we will adapt as necessary to the ongoing Covid-19 situation. In the meantime, please see the schedule below, and if you have any suggestions for spring programs, please email kathy.lopez@me.com.

December - Holiday Party, Springfield Township Building

January - Video TBD, by Zoom

February - Dr. Phil Stokes, Penn Dixie Museum. "She Sells Sea Shells: The Story of Mary Anning's Fossils" by Zoom.

March - Silent Auction, Springfield Township Building

April - TBD

May - How to Create a Display Case

June - Annual TLS Dinner



LAPIDARY LINKS

Here is a link to a lapidary forum that has information, new and old, on many topics related to lapidary. Subject matter includes rock news, rockhounding, identification, cabochons, faceted gems, rock art, jewelry, beads, and much more. Seems like there's something for everyone here. <http://lapidaryforum.net/group/index.php>.



IN THE NEWS

If you see something newsworthy to share with our members, please send link to JodyshawTLS@gmail.com.

Diamond Hauled From Deep Inside Earth Holds Never-Before-Seen Mineral

<https://www.geologyin.com/2021/11/diamond-hauled-from-deep-inside-earth.html>

Diamond Mines in Canada

<https://geology.com/articles/canada-diamond-mines/>

In 19th-Century New England, This Amateur Geologist Created Her Own Cabinet of Curiosities

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/in-19th-century-new-england-this-amateur-geologist-created-her-own-cabinet-of-curiosities-180979083/>



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 click [HERE](#) and then click Items for Sale, or:

- 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.

—From Ken Dahl, Treasurer

TLS DUES ARE DUE FOR 2022

TLS has an online system that members can use to submit updates to their membership information and to pay dues. Those members having email addresses will receive a dues and membership data update notice by email. Following instructions in that email, corrections to membership data (addresses, phones, email addresses, Auxiliaries) can be submitted electronically. One TLS member per family will receive a link for online payment of the family dues. The online dues payment can be made through a PayPal account or by credit card.

Dues can also be paid by sending the form below, together with a check for dues owed, to the Treasurer.

Membership dues for the coming year are now due and payable by December 31, after which dues are in arrears. New-member dues paid by those joining TLS this fall in October, November, or December carry through the following year.

TLS Bylaws stipulate that members be suspended if dues are not paid by February 15. Reinstatement requires application to the TLS Board and payment of double dues.

If there is a financial hardship regarding your dues, confidential arrangements can be made to continue your TLS membership. Please contact TLS Vice-President Stacey Segal 610-225-0541 or yinyang518@comcast.net.

Please fill in your name(s), address, phone number(s), and email address(es) on the form below exactly as you wish to have that data appear in the TLS membership list.

2022 TLS DUES

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Home phone _____

Work phone(s) _____

Cell phone(s) _____

Email(s) _____

Please indicate type of membership.

Individual full member \$40

Couple (both spouses are full members \$60

Auxiliary member (spouse of full member) \$20

Junior member..... \$10

Newsletter only \$15

Check here if you do not want your address on our mailing list.

**Make check payable to: Tuscarora Lapidary Society (TLS).
Mail form and check to:
Kenneth Dahl, Treasurer
18 Tenby Drive,
Wilmington, DE 19803**

—From Ken Dahl, Treasurer

TUITION REFUNDS

Since positive tuition balances cannot be used in our online registration system, we no longer carry tuition credits from one term to the next. Positive tuition balances will generally be refunded soon after they are generated. I will try to clear all such balances before registration for a new term begins. Be sure to read carefully our REFUND POLICY that is posted both on our website and in the Bulletin when classes are published. Tuition credits are generated both from classes that are canceled, and from drop requests submitted to the Registrar in accordance with the Refund Policy.



TLS CLASS/MEETING CANCELATION SYSTEM

If an evening meeting or class at the TLS Education Center or a General Meeting is canceled due to inclement weather or other needs, an appropriate message will be put on the Center’s voicemail system by 4 p.m. that day. So, if you have concerns regarding any evening event, call the Center at 610-490-5252 after 4 p.m. and listen to the message. In addition, both daytime and evening instructors have the authority to cancel a class due to inclement weather at their discretion. Should this scenario occur, all affected students will be called by the respective instructor and, if possible, a message will be placed on the Center’s voicemail system.

If a General Meeting is canceled or an emergency or other circumstance requiring special attention occurs, the TLS Phone Tree and email alert system will be activated.



JANUARY BULLETIN DEADLINE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18



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 ldgreensniffles@me.com.
- If you post about TLS classes or events on your own Facebook page, be sure to tag us.

The Tuscarora Lapidary Society (TLS) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation and a Pennsylvania Purely Public Charity organized to encourage and teach the science and art of lapidary (the cutting and polishing of stones) as well as the arts and sciences associated with lapidary interests. This mission is accomplished through general meetings, an annual show, educational courses and workshops, and free displays and presentations; all open to members of the general public. TLS meets the second Wednesday of each month, except July and August, at 7:30 p.m. in the Springfield Township Municipal Building, 50 Powell Road, Springfield, PA 19064; the June meeting is a dinner held at a local restaurant. Visitors are always welcome; anyone interested in joining the society may talk to any officer about the dues and membership requirements.

2021 TLS OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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Another Version of "Twas the Night Before Christmas"

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T'was the eve a'fore Christmas
And there in the night,
The desert was quiet
Not a rockhound in sight.

I strained my eyes
'Til my brow was a furrow
Along came a geezer
A-leading his burro.

He was dressed all in denim
From his head to his shoes
And his nose was all red
Like he'd drunk too much booze.

He told of deliveries to
What are now ghost cities --
Of Bullfrog and Bodie
They're dead, what a pity.

Our socks were all hung
By the fire's ruby glow --
In the hope that Mama
Would sew up the toe.

By the size of his belly
And his face full of hair,
I knew it was Santa...
Or a grizzly bear.

He has a middle age spread
That just wouldn't quit,
And a rock bag so big
It was already split.

Then from out of his pack
For me and for Ma,
What did he pull
But a big slabbing saw.

The kids were all stacked
In their warm little bunks
With visions of agate --
Slabs, boulders, and chunks.

"Go Rudolph, go Rudolph
You stubborn old mule,
Get moving there Rudolph
You lop-eared old fool."

He spied my old trim saw,
The one that was broke.
"By golly you're rockhounds,
You're my kind of folk."

There was a hammer for Dougie,
And a black light for Ginny,
And a bag of rock candy
So we wouldn't get skinny.

Me in my long Johns
And Ma in her sack,
Had jumped into bed
It was cold as a tack.

Then quick as a polecat
I heard him on top
That durn red-nosed burro
Goin' clippity clop.

He sat down at the table
And we both had some java
And threw bull about agate,
And opal and lava.

Then lookin' at the fire
And feelin' his sore
He decided it was best
To leave through the door.

From out in the sage brush
Came a hullabaloo;
I sprang to the window
To throw out a shoe.

Santa's trip down the chimney
Was something uncanny,
The fire was burnin'
And scorched his poor fanny.

He told me of old times --
Of Horse Canyon agate,
Of the good times at Boron,
Of jasper from Daggett.

But I heard him exclaim
As he fell in the mine,
"Merry Christmas, you rockhounds
And Auld Lang Syne."