



THE TUSCARORA BULLETIN



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SUMMER 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer is here and we can breathe a sigh of relief as more COVID restrictions are being lifted. The Spring Classes at TLS are winding down and Summer Classes will begin on July 10. There are still some openings, so if you are looking for something to do this summer, please check out our class schedule on our web site and register. We would love to see more of our members and students in person. We are also planning to resume normal class sizes in the fall and to bring back metalsmithing and visiting instructors such as Kieu Pham Gray, Marthe Roberts-Shea, and Joan Strott-Alvini. In addition we will be offering a casting workshop this fall, taught by Dennis Coren and John Chickadel.

At our most recent Gemarama Committee meeting, it was decided unanimously that we would proceed with an in person show this year. Yeah!! So SAVE THE DATE for November 6-7 for GEMARAMA 2021: PICTURES IN STONE. Please feel free to contact Barry Messino, Frank Warner or myself if you would like to help us. It takes a lot of hands to make this show happen. We are looking forward to seeing a lot of our vendors from previous shows and a few new ones. So stay tuned! The next Gemarama meeting will be held August 18 via Zoom. We welcome anyone interested in helping to attend.

Throughout the pandemic our Board, Committee and General Meetings via Zoom have been very successful. In the fall, we are looking to resume some in-person meetings at TLS and the Springfield Township Building and some via Zoom. In September, look for a General Meeting via Zoom featuring a presentation by Helen Serra-Herman about Mayan Jade. We plan to be at the Springfield Township Building in October for a Silent Auction and in December for the Annual TLS Holiday Party.

Following our June General Meeting we had our Annual Awards presentation. Congratulations to Dennis Coren who completed the apprentice level in constructed jewelry in the SKIP program. Congratulations also go out to Mimi Favre who was awarded the 2021 Coren Award and to Steve Hansen for the 2020 Colio Award. And many thanks go out to all the instructors who taught during the past year. Kathy Lopez presented an interesting PowerPoint presentation submitted by members of home studios and many of their creative endeavors completed during the pandemic. It was fascinating to see all the interests and talents of our members.

The Board of TLS will continue to hold Zoom meetings during the summer with the next meeting on July 7, 2021. There will be no General Meetings during the summer with the next

meeting to be held September 8, 2021 via Zoom. Stay safe and healthy and enjoy your summer. If I don't see you around TLS this summer, I hope to see you in the fall.

—Linda Green, TLS President



TLS NEWS AND NOTES

- Congratulations to Rick Hellman on his retirement. After a very difficult year and a half, you deserve it!
- Congratulations to Steve Hansen and Mimi Favre, recipients of the TLS Colio and Coren Awards, respectively.
- Congratulations to Dennis Coren for his accomplishment at the apprentice level in constructed jewelry in the SKIP program.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- July 7: TLS Board Meeting; 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.
- August 18: Gemarama Meeting; 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.
- No General Meetings in July and August
- Next General Meeting: September 8, 7:30 p.m., by ZOOM.



Click [here](#) for updated TLS Ed Center COVID procedures.



SEPTEMBER BULLETIN DEADLINE FRIDAY, AUGUST 6



— From Janet Young, Recording Secretary

BOARD AND GENERAL MEETING MINUTES/HIGHLIGHTS

The Board Meeting was called to order on June 2, 2021 at 7:32 p.m. by Linda Green through ZOOM. The minutes of the May Board and General Meetings were approved as distributed.

Announcements: Linda Green stated that Linda Lakitsky has resigned from her positions at TLS. She has requested that TLS members respect her privacy about that decision. Linda Green also reported on the disagreements between two groups within the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical and Lapidary Societies (EFMLS). In addition, the American Federation is

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attempting to sever ties with EFMLS. Issues include, but are not limited to, the election of officers and unpaid dues. Linda will continue to monitor and inform the Board of developments.

Treasurer's Report: Ken Dahl distributed the May Transaction Report and Balance Sheet. Total cash inflow and outflow for the month showed a net positive total. Ken also reported that the special one-day sale in March increased from presale transactions to a net of \$1,201.71. The PMS sale in Mont Clare on May 8 netted \$468.00

Committee Reports:

Programs: Kathy Lopez made a "final call" for members' information to be included in the June 9 slideshow featuring creative projects completed at home during the last year. Fall programs are close to being finalized.

Class Manager: Steve Hansen reported that a Main Line School Night second session will be held June 5 & 6. Full class sizes are planned for Fall. Guest instructors include Martha Roberts Shea, Joan Strott Alvini, Scott Sucher and Kieu Pham Gray. Dennis Coren and John Chickadel will teach a metal casting class. Steve is looking for a beginning cab instructor for Thursday evenings.

Acquisitions: Doug McNicol stated that he received two donations: glass working supplies donated by Sarah Mueller and a Pixie and Graves 6-wheel polisher donated by Wai Oi Lai. Both will be offered at the October silent auction.

Equipment & Facilities: Don Schwarzkopf reported that he has fixed the air system in the jewelry room. He will re-adjust the air conditioning dampers soon and install an outlet for the new kiln.

Library and eBay: Stacey Segal reported the continued sale of a few items every week. She has more items to upload on eBay.

Gemarama: Barry Messino, Mimi Favre and Frank Warner discussed vendors. Twenty-three dealers are confirmed for Gemarama at this time. There are four open slots. Addendum: On June 5, through email, Frank Warner requested Board approval for a contract with Hoff Communications for development of an online ticketing system. The proposal was approved through email.

SKIP: Linda Green stated that Gene Awot will present a SKIP Award at the General Meeting June 9.

Old Business: Linda Green reported that Lisa Laffend attended the DCAC meeting. The initiative "Priority Delco Thrive" is being heavily promoted to assist Delaware County small businesses survive. Most summer events are planned for outside and most require masks. Delco Arts Week is scheduled for October 2 – 9. Ideas for a TLS open house during this week are welcome. PECO is a sponsor this year and has an aggressive advertising campaign planned.

Linda Green reported that COVID restrictions have been lifted for most of Pennsylvania excluding Philadelphia. Our rules still stipulate that masks are required for TLS activities.

Linda Green stated that the June General Meeting will consist of a brief business meeting, recognition of deceased members, teacher appreciation statement, and presentations of

the SKIP, Coren and Colio Awards. Kathy Lopez will then present a slide show featuring the creative pursuits by members during the pandemic isolation year.

New Business: Dennis Coren has volunteered to teach a casting workshop in November for up to eight students. A burn-out kiln will be required. A motion was made and approved to provide a budget of \$4,000 to cover expenses necessary to facilitate this class.



The General Meeting of June 9, 2021 by ZOOM was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by President Linda Green. In attendance were 30 members and 4 guests. Committee reports and other items discussed at the Board Meeting were briefly presented.

Linda Green informed the members that the Delaware County Newspaper reported that member Dr. Rick Hellman retired from the Medical Examiner's Office after 19 years of service. The Smithsonian Natural History Museum will re-open June 18 with timed tickets.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Frank Warner reported that TLS finances are in good standing.

Kathy Lopez reported that programs will continue with ZOOM and in person. September will feature a ZOOM presentation by Helen Serras-Herman about Maya Jade. A silent auction event is scheduled for October and December will feature the Annual TLS Holiday Party.

Steve Hansen communicated that summer classes will be on the restricted schedule while full size classes are planned for Fall. Bill Frampton commended Steve Hansen for successful programs with Main Line School Night. Summer classes are filling with registrants. He requests that students inform him prior to class if a cancelation is necessary.

Barry Messino stated that the meeting on June 16 will be important. The decision to have or not have an in-person show will be made. She asked new members to help with Gemarama.

Eugene Awot explained the skill improvement program and urged members to go to Lapidary.org for complete information.

Lisa Laffend reported that DCAC events can be found at Delcoarts.org. Most Summer events will be held outside and most will require masks for attendees. Delco Arts Week is October 2 – 9. Ideas for a TLS open house during this week are welcome. Please visit Delcoarts.org for more information.

President Linda Green recognized and recited the names of members who passed away during the year. New members were recognized. Steve Hansen expressed heartfelt appreciation for the core of volunteers willing to teach.

Eugene Awot presented a SKIP award to Dennis Coren. Dennis completed apprentice level in constructed jewelry. Stacey Segal presented the 2021 Coren Award to Mimi Favre. The 2020 William P. Colio Memorial Award was presented to Steve Hansen.

Kathy Lopez presented a very interesting slide presentation of photos submitted by members of home studios and/or the creative endeavors completed during the pandemic year.

–From Christy Potter, Single Stone Chair

SINGLE STONE EXHIBITION

Gemarama is just around the corner! and will be here before you know it – it’s time to submit a cabochon stone or faceted gem for the Single Stone Exhibition!

As always, any color, shape, or style is welcome. You can submit one cabochon and one faceted stone. The submissions are evaluated solely on the merits of YOUR work, a number is substituted for your name, and you will be given individualized written feedback on your demonstrated skill and the quality of your work. No one sees the evaluation but YOU!

And don’t forget, these cabachon stones or gems can later be submitted to SKIP, see your handbook or ask Gene Awot about SKIP if you don’t already know about this TLS Program!

To submit: put your cabochon stone in a baggie with your name and the name of the stone or gem (picture jasper, red agate) clearly labeled. Faceted gems should include the diagram used to cut your faceted gem. The collection point is a plastic container in the lower right hand drawer in the desk in the library. Numbers will be assigned so the evaluators don’t know who they are evaluating. I look forward to collecting and displaying all the submissions!

Please contact me at christypotter@comcast.net if you have any questions.



IN THE NEWS

How Could Surface Minerals Get in Diamonds Found in the Deepest Depths of the Earth?

<http://www.geologyin.com/2021/04/how-could-surface-minerals-get-in.html>

Scientists Create Crystal Stronger Than Diamond

<http://www.geologyin.com/2021/04/scientists-create-crystal-stronger-than.html>

A man traveled cross-country to mine the diamonds for his girlfriend's engagement ring -- he dug up a 2.2 carat beauty <https://www.cnn.com/travel/article/washington-man-finds-2-carat-diamond-in-arkansas-trnd/index.html>

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



From – TLS Board of Directors

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR PRINT COMMUNICATIONS

Print Communication tasks occur occasionally during the year and can be done on one's own schedule. The position requires some knowledge of Microsoft Word, and the ability to send PDF documents electronically to the TLS printer. This position has overall responsibility for the design, duplication, and dissemination of most TLS printed documents except for the Bulletin, Operations Manual, and membership lists and cards. Responsibility for specific documents can be delegated to others, especially those that might require specialized software for the design and creation. Many documents such as Grinding a Cabochon, or the Education Center safety sheets, simply need to

be printed as supplies run out. Others documents need to be updated before being printed and disseminated. The Print Communications Chair provides boxes of appropriate TLS literature for dissemination at such events as Gemarama, the Lebanon show, Brookhaven Family Day, and shows of the Delaware and Philadelphia Mineralogical Societies. Please contact Linda Green or Frank Warner for additional information if you are willing to help with this important task.



– From Ellen Schwarzkopf, Gemarama Silent Auction Coordinator

GEMARAMA SILENT AUCTION

I’m asking for your help to make this year’s Gemarama Silent Auction a huge success. It has been a major contributor to the overall income of Gemarama for many years. This is only possible due to the donations of our members. My goal this year is ONE donation from every TLS member. If everyone participates and does their fair share, that’s more than 100 items!

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 this fall 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 high-quality 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.

Let me know if you can help. I can be reached by email at eschwarzkopf@verizon.net or by phone at (215) 901-2126.

GEMARAMA SILENT AUCTION DONATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Item donated (with description): _____

Fair market value: _____

Materials used: _____

–Barry Lynn Messino, Show Chair

GEMARAMA 2021

The Tuscarora Lapidary Society is excited to announce this year's Gemarama 2021 with the theme: Pictures in Stone. It will be held in halls D and E at the Greater Philadelphia EXPO center in Oaks, PA, on the weekend of November 6 and 7, 2021.

Members play a critically important role in getting the public interested in our show. Everyone can help. We are asking those using social media to promote us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Please share and repost! We also encourage everyone to distribute discount coupons and save-the-date cards to family, neighbors, co-workers, etc. Starting a month or so before the show will be the time to post flyers on community bulletin boards, such as libraries, supermarkets, hair dressers, at your job - wherever and whatever it takes to spread the word.

WE ARE BACK after a virtual show last year due to the pandemic, and the show will go on this year in-person! Discount coupons and flyers are being printed and will be available soon at the Education Center, and are also [online](#). Please don't forget items for the Silent Auction and/or your projects for the exhibit cases.

Mark your calendar for the next Gemarama Committee Meeting on August 18th at 7:30 PM by Zoom. All members are welcome. If you are not on the committee and would like an invitation, please just send an [email](#) to Frank Warner.

November 6th and 7th: Gemarama 2021! Don't forget this years theme...PICTURES IN STONE!

OPERATIONS AND SCHEDULE

A variety of help is needed, and there are many ways every member can help by volunteering their services to make this show a success! Please plan now to save as much time as you can during the schedule below to help setting up and running our show.

Thursday, November 4, 2021: Truck loading at the Education Center starts at 4 p.m. Strong helpers are needed to load exhibit cases, liners, storage bins, equipment, etc., onto the truck.

Friday, November 5, 2021: Set up at EXPO Center Halls D and E starting at 8AM. The first task is to unload the truck. Several strong people are needed!! Tables will be set up according to floor plans while others measure distance and direct the positioning of the tables. Then the table drape and covering crew takes over. Fabric drapes are placed on tables in Admissions, the TLS Booth, and the Exhibits area. Fire retardant vinyl drapes are placed on the Demonstrations and Kids area tables. When the tables have been covered with drapes, we will need volunteers to set up the exhibit cases and liners, place dealer signs, and begin arranging the areas for which we are responsible during the show. We will provide lunch for TLS helpers and dinner for our dealers as well as helpers.

Saturday and Sunday, November 6 and 7, 2021:

SHOW DAYS

Volunteers are needed to run the TLS Booth, Silent Auction, Admissions Table, Entrance and Exit Gate, Demonstrations, Kids Table and Education Center Table.

Sunday Evening, November 7, 2021:

BREAK DOWN

Break down begins when the show closes at 5 p.m. Volunteers are needed to disassemble the exhibit cases and other TLS equipment and to load all of it into the truck. Also, volunteers are needed to follow the truck back to the Education Center to unload and store the equipment.

HOW TO VOLUNTEER

We start looking for volunteers in September. Check the September Bulletin for details.

ADVANCE PLANNING TO DO NOW

Silent Auction: Quality items can be given to Ellen Schwarzkopf at a meeting, or dropped off at the Education Center with a note for Ellen.

Kids Table, TLS Booth, Grab Bags: Items suitable for prizes for the kids activities or for grab bags can be dropped off at the Education Center.

Single Stone Exhibit: Prepare and submit one cabochon or faceted stone for the Gemarama Single Stone exhibit so the public gets to see a wonderful display of your talents. See the separate Single Stone article for details.

Exhibits: Enter an exhibit case of your lapidary/jewelry/glass.



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.



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 Kathy Lopez, Program Chair

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Thank you to everyone who contributed photos and shared with us their work for June's member meeting. For anyone who was unable to join us, the PowerPoint is available to share. Please email Kathy Lopez at kathy.lopez@me.com for more information.

In September, we will be welcoming Helen Serras-Herman, MFA, FGA to speak with us. Helen is a gem sculptor, 2003 National Lapidary Hall of Fame inductee, and former TLS Gemarama vendor! She will be presenting In Search of Mayan Jade, sharing the jade rediscovery story along with history of the Maya world, mineral properties of jade, travel stories, archaeological artifacts, and her Maya Jade Collection.



—From Kathy Lopez, Program Chair

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Our fall 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 tentative schedule for fall below, and if you have any suggestions for spring programs, please email kathy.lopez@me.com.

September - Zoom - Helen Serras-Herman Maya Jade

October - Springfield Twp. Building - Silent Auction

November - Jeff Fulkerson will give us a talk on inlay jewelry by Zoom.

December - Springfield Twp. Building - Holiday Party



TLS SCHOLARSHIP

Each year, TLS sponsors a \$1000 college tuition scholarship for a graduating senior, selected by the arts and sciences faculty at Sun Valley High School. This is a high school in the Penn-Delco School District, which includes Brookhaven, where our Ed Center is located. TLS wishes to encourage and support continued interest and study of the sciences and arts.

Sun Valley High School informed us that our annual \$1,000 scholarship was awarded by its scholarship committee to Aaron Hanavin, who will be attending West Chester University this fall. He has not yet selected his major, but his art and science teachers selected him as the "perfect candidate". The scholarship was presented to Aaron at the District's Awards Ceremony held on June 7, 2021. Our congratulations to Aaron!

CALENDAR

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

July 9-12, 2021 - Syracuse, NY - EFMLS Convention and Mineral Show/Syracuse Gem & Mineral Society Show
Canceled

July 24 & 25, 2021 - Essex Junction, VT - Annual Champlain Valley Mineral Club Show

July 24 & 25, 2021 - Frankfort, NY - Annual Herkimer Gem Show at Herkimer County Fairgrounds

August 13-15, 2021 - West Springfield, Mass - Annual East Coast Gem & Mineral Show

August 20-22, 2021 - Lebanon, PA - Annual Gem Miner's Jubilee Gem & Mineral Show

Sept. 11 & 12, 2021 - New Milford, Ct. - Annual Show of the Danbury Mineral Society

Sept 18 & 19, 2021 - Poughkeepsie, NY - Annual Mid Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Show, Poughkeepsie, NY

Sept. 18 & 19, 2021 - Mays Landing, NJ - Annual Fall Cape Atlantic Rockhounds Fall Outdoor Show

September 25 & 26, 2021 - Franklin/Sterling Hill, NJ - Annual Fall Franklin/Sterling Hill Shows

September 25 & 26, 2021 - Harrisburg, PA - Annual Central Pa. Mineral Show at the Harrisburg Consistory

October 2, 2021 - Macungie, PA - Annual Fall Mineral-fest at Macungie Memorial Park

October 9 & 10, 2021 - Wysox, PA. - Annual Che-Hanna Gem & Mineral Show (Re-scheduled from March) at the Wysox Fire Hall

October 30, 2021 - Fairless Hills, PA - Annual Ultraviolet Fluorescent Mineral Show

October 30, 2021 - Biglersville, PA - Annual Central Pennsylvania Rock & Mineral Swap & Sell (All outdoors.)

November 6 & 7, 2021 - The Tuscarora Lapidary Society's 52nd Annual Gemarama Gem, Jewelry, and Lapidary Show - "Pictures in Stone" - Halls D & E, Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA

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—Jody Shaw, Editor

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Our spotlight this month is on our TLS Vice President, Stacey Segal-Nuceder. She has been an active member of TLS since 2003. Stacey describes herself as easy-going, friendly, and helpful. She has proven these in her tenure at TLS!



Stacey has spent her most of her life in the Philadelphia suburbs. As a small child she loved to play with beads, draw and paint. As a teen, she worked as a junior counselor in the Creative Arts department at a local summer camp. She eventually moved up to be senior counselor in that program and designed crafts projects for campers in age groups of 5-13. She started making jewelry from beads, macrame, and lanyard during these years. She began her love for metalsmithing in college. She graduated from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor of Fine Arts with a major in Metalsmithing and Jewelry Design, with a double minor in photography and printmaking.

Stacey started working at The Vanguard Group (an investment company) in October 1991, and has been there ever since. In 1993, she applied and got accepted into the MFA program for metalsmithing at California State University in Fullerton, CA. She was excited about the prospects of furthering her education, but was also hesitant for several reasons. She weighed the pros and cons, such as the costs of schooling to obtain a master's degree vs. job prospects, and after very careful consideration decided not to attend. Instead, she opted to continue her career at Vanguard and take metalsmithing classes at Tyler School of Art to enhance her skill set. In an odd coincidence, the week after she was supposed to start school in California, she met the man who would eventually become her husband. So in the end, she says, "I suppose it was all meant to be." She is currently in her 30th year as a systems administrator/specialist in the Information Technology arena at Vanguard.

Metalsmithing, lapidary, photography, glass bead making, enameling, beading, attending live music shows, brewing beer, crossword puzzles, visiting museums, and travel are Stacey's favorite hobbies. She and her husband love to visit US cities, national parks, and beaches. They also enjoy visiting other countries to experience their art, history, architecture, food and culture. Stacey's bucket list goal is set to foot on all 7 continents - 4 down and 3 to go...

Stacey's family is amongst her biggest supporters and cheerleaders, and they love to wear and show off the jewelry that has been made for them. She says it's a wonderful compliment, and she loves to see their smiling faces when given a special, one-of-a-kind, handmade gift.

Attendance at a Gemarama show came in the early 90's after graduating college. In 2002, a friend who lived in California told her about the lapidary classes she was taking in the San Francisco area. Once her friend shared the gemstones she was



Moroccan Seam Agate

creating, she was intrigued and starting looking for a local lapidary club where she could learn the artform. Stacey found TLS and took her first cabochon class, and has been hooked ever since!

Metalsmithing and Lapidary are Stacey's favorite disciplines. She cuts all of her own cabochons and sets them in one of a kind, hand fabricated sterling silver jewelry. She has recently begun to experiment with shot plates, dies and stampings to enhance her designs.

One of her favorite trips was one Stacey and her husband took to Egypt, Jordan and Israel for two weeks in late November of 2019. She made a presentation on the trip for the September 2020 TLS General Meeting program.

Stacey gives much of her free time to teaching at TLS. She began teaching at TLS in 2012. She teaches Advanced Cabochons on Monday evenings, all four semesters of the year. She also hosts Open Cabochons one Saturday per month, and Open Metalsmithing one Saturday per month.

Stacey has held many positions at TLS in addition to her teaching duties. She is the TLS Librarian (2004-current), the TLS eBay Chair (2011-current), was a Director on the TLS Board from 2012-2013, then again in mid-2014 (taking over for Silvie Waals) through 2015. She is currently TLS Vice President (2019-2021), and will be nominated to be TLS President (2022-2023).

Stacey is the 2014 Colio Award recipient and earned the 2016 Gemarama Best In Show Award for her jewelry and lapidary showcase. In 2018, she was awarded the Gemarama Director's Award for her jewelry and lapidary showcase. Stacey earned SKIP Awards in the categories of Cabochons (Journeyman), Constructed Jewelry (Master), Sphere Making (Apprentice), Faceting (Journeyman), and Channel Jewelry (Apprentice).

Favorite artists and instructors are Richard Salley, Teresa Kiplinger, Kristin Holeman, Jeff Fulkerson, Kate Richbourg, Melissa Muir, Gary Wilson. Stacey has not started selling her work yet. She plans to start an Etsy shop or website eventually to sell her work once she gets closer to retirement.



Sagenite Agate from Mexico



Pietersite from Africa



Burro Creek Agate



Lake Superior Tube Agate



Ethiopian Opal + Amethyst

—From Stacey Segal, Vice President

2020 COLIO AWARD

The William P. Colio Memorial Award is presented annually 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 what is normally expected of any active member. The award is for contributions in the year just completed or in the years leading up to that time.



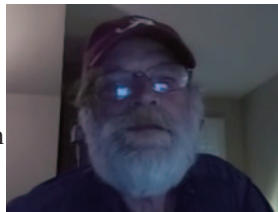
Our Colio Award winner for 2020 joined TLS in December 2015 and has since contributed a great deal of his time, efforts and knowledge to making TLS the great organization it is today. Just listen to what some members have said in support of his nomination:

- He has shown true dedication to our mission. He tirelessly works on a multitude of activities going on at TLS.
- He is a valuable asset to our organization and can always be counted on when there's a call for volunteers.
- He is a terrific teacher and has been eager to volunteer for teaching spots in several disciplines and share his vast wealth of knowledge with his students.

Here are some of this year's recipient's wonderful accomplishments:

- Soon after joining TLS, he immediately became very active within our organization. He has taught beginning cabs at least 9 times since Fall 2016. He has taught faceting four times since Fall 2018, open cabbing once, and opal cutting three times.
- He joined the team teaching the Main Line School Night cabbing workshops in June 2016. He has taught a total of 13 of those workshops and took over full responsibility for managing and teaching those workshops in June of 2018.
- He arranged for Cheryl Kasper to teach opal carving Fall 2020, and has helped arrange for several guest instructors in the TLS Metals Program.
- He joined the Board of Directors as a Director in 2020, and in 2021 became Class Manager. As Class Manager, he will be a major guiding force for the entire TLS Education Program going forward.

He has shown himself to be an outstanding volunteer and leader since joining TLS. Please join me in congratulating our 2020 Colio Award winner, **Steve Hansen**.



—From Jody Shaw, Bulletin Editor

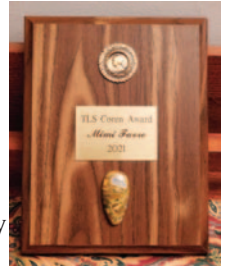
FUTURE BULLETIN DUE DATES

September	Friday, August 6
October	Friday, September 17
November	Friday, October 22
December	Friday, November 19

—From Stacey Segal, Vice President

2021 COREN AWARD

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.



This year's Coren Award recipient has been an enthusiastic participant in many TLS activities since she joined in February 2019. Just listen to what some members have said in support of her nomination:

- She is a very active member who does not hesitate to volunteer and participate in club activities.
- As a professional fine jeweler, she brings a refreshing viewpoint to all matters jewelry related.

This year's recipient has served in various capacities since joining TLS. Since becoming a member, she has increasingly taken on more responsibilities.

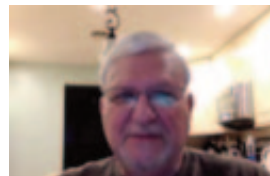
- She joined the Board of Directors in 2020.
- She assumed the role of the Gemarama Committee Dealer Chair for 2021.
- When the pandemic hit and we had to cancel our traditional in-person Gemarama show, she was instrumental in setting up Virtual Gemarama, including creating the website Gemarama.org. She also helped take superb, professional looking photos of the donated items for the Virtual Gemarama eBay auctions.

For all these contributions in the short time she has been a TLS member, I am pleased to present **Mimi Favre** with the Coren Award for 2021.



SKIP AWARD

Dennis Coren was presented with a SKIP award for meeting the requirements for Apprentice Level in the Construction Jewelry category.



LAPIDARY LINKS

Here are some more outdoor sites for rock hounding. A road trip is necessary but this website has another 8 top spots for gem hunting in the US.
<http://www.geologyin.com/2017/02/part-ii-top-spots-for-gem-hunting-in-us.html>

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FUNNY QUOTES

- 1. Biologically speaking, if something bites you it's more likely to be female.
2. As long as people will accept crap, it will be financially profitable to dispense it.
3. A pessimist is a person who has had to listen to too many optimists.
4. The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity.
5. Never doubt the courage of the French. They were the ones who discovered that snails are edible.
6. To err is human; to admit it, superhuman.
7. I refuse to answer that question on the grounds that I don't know the answer.
8. Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened.
9. I was born to make mistakes, not to fake perfection.
10.If you think nobody cares if you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments.
-Desmond Morris
-Dick Cavett
-Don Marquis
-Dorothy Parker
-Doug Larsen
-Doug Larsen
-Douglas Adams
-Dr. Seuss
-Drake
-Earl Wilson

**GEMARAMA 2021 APPLICATION FOR EXHIBIT SPACE
THE TUSCARORA LAPIDARY SOCIETY'S 51ST ANNUAL SHOW
NOVEMBER 6 & 7, 2021
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 2021. 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) I wish to have a standard (4' x 2') TLS case furnished.

d) 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 5, through 5:30 p.m. Sunday, November 7, 2021. 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.

Forms must be returned by October 15, 2021; you will receive confirmation.

TLS PHONE TREE (6/20/21)

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.

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