

# Summit Gem January 2018

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## Mission Statement

*To afford the opportunity to share interest in lapidary knowledge and working techniques*



**Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7PM**  
**At the Quirk Center**  
**1201 Grant Street Cuyahoga Falls**



*Dues: Joining fee \$25 then \$48 per year*

## **President's Message** – Becky Kosco

Happy New Year!

And with a New Year you have a new President. Thank you all for your support in the election.

We had a busy December at the club. Beginning with Tom McLaughlin's auction we also had a Viking Knitting class taught by Sandy Shorter, open Torch Time for metalsmithing and last but not least Auntie Laura's Earring Extravaganza (thank you Laura Thomas). We are always looking for teachers and new skills to learn. Come down to the Clubhouse and see what is going on!

Thanks also to Mary Ann and David Rich for hosting our club Christmas Party. They found a new venue this year and St. George Fellowship Center was great - more room, wonderful food and a cheaper bar. If you didn't make it to the party you will have to wait another year to learn about the new twist in the game. It was a fun evening.

Our meeting in January will be at Quirk with host Laura McElroy. We will be back in the ballroom. I look forward to seeing all of you there!

Thank You – Becky

## **Summit Lapidary Club, December 5<sup>th</sup> 2017 General Meeting** – Respectfully submitted by Laura McElroy, Secretary SLC

Andy Carey presided

Meeting held in alternate room at Quirk Center. Program prior to the meeting was Fantasia Mining, Dave & Jamie, on their recent trip to Mexican mines. [fantasiamining.com](http://fantasiamining.com)

Visitors, David Macseoinin: Debbie Eshun, Meg Centric, & Melissa Hall.

Classes, David Macseoinin: 12/9 Viking Knit, 12/19 Auntie Laura's Earring Extravaganza, 1/21/2018 Beginning Silver.

Treasurer's Report, John Kerr: Reported. Dues are due, see the payment schedule in the newsletter.

Sunshine, Mari Takai-Manley: Cat Bennington hurt her back & may be having surgery. Roe York's father passed away. Jayne Smith's father passed away.

Library, Doug Shorter: Dave Rich donated Simply Silver, Simply Gold.

Gemboree, Guy Kotch: There will be some changes at the Spring Show. Adding a couple of vendors & moving the demo area.

GeoJr, Evelyn Tryon: Sunday will be the Christmas Pizza Party, starting Leadership Merit Badge, and several crafts. 2nd Sunday in January- if there's a snow ban, the meeting is postponed a week.

Machine Maintenance, David Moore: All saws are up & working. Please try not to abuse the equipment. Call David if there are any problems.

Property Maintenance, Frank Mack: All good.

Artisan Craft Fair, Laura Thomas: Scheduled for next year, first weekend in November. 1/9 Artisan Fair meeting. Rockhound Bucks worked well. Sandy Shorter did the printing on red paper. Stuck them in every program at Gemboree with instructions to bring them to the craft fair for a chance to win \$10 in gift credit.

Earring Extravaganza, Laura Thomas: 12/19. Bring a friend. Bring round nose & pliers & wire cutters if you can.

### **Old Business:**

Christmas Party, Mary Ann Rich: Bring 1 or 2 wrapped gifts per person for "the game". More gifts mean more fun! There may be a new twist this year! Cash bar. There are 2 gluten-free and 1 vegetarian entrees available- please see Mary Ann tonight. December 16 at St. George Antiochian Church on Ridgewood Road in Fairlawn.

Tom McLaughlin: Thank you to everyone who helped with his auction. Have cabinets for sale yet.

Trip, Dawn Carey: Planning a club trip to Arkansas 9/23-29. 40 people max. \$300/person with \$100 down by January meeting. **Motion for the Summit Lapidary Club to sponsor a September 2018 bus trip to Arkansas by Andy Carey, Tom McLaughlin 2nd, none opposed. Passed.**

Metalsmithing Contest 2017, Dave Macseoinin: 7 people turned in 9 entries. New members category: 3rd place Wendy Smale (1-year membership), 2nd place Sandy Shorter (\$50 + 1-year membership), 1st place Dominic Gianti (\$100 + 1-year membership). Advanced category: 2nd place Becky Kosco (\$50 + 1-year membership), 1st place Jim Watson (\$100 + 1-year membership).

### **New Business:**

JoAnn Harrison: The new 2018 host/hostess list is going around. Need people to sign up to bring supplies & set up the snack table each month.

Jen Fike: John Hite has submitted a bead tree in the name of Summit Lapidary Club, for many years, to the Children's Hospital Christmas Tree Festival. This year he was helped by Jen Fike, Michelle Knight, Guy Kotch & Deb Salay. This year's tree won the "Judge's Choice Award". John is retiring from tree-making, & we need a new volunteer tree fest donor.

Elections: Frank Mack. Slate:

President: Becky Kosco

Vice President: David Frazier

Secretary: Laura McElroy

Treasurer: Nancy Halloran, with assistance of Laura Thomas, Co-treasurer

Trustee, 3-year term: Sue Shoffner, Bob Spore, Mike Knapp

**Motion to close the nominations by David Moore, Bill Mackey 2nd.**

2018 Trustee is Bob Spore, who will join Tom McLaughlin & David Rich as Trustees.

**Motion to adjourn by John Kerr, Annette Long 2nd. Passed.**

## **January Classes and Events** - more information listed at the clubhouse

January 9 <sup>th</sup>	Artisan Fair meeting
January 21 <sup>st</sup>	Beginning Silversmithing
January 30 <sup>th</sup>	SLC Board Meeting

## **2018 SLC Executive Board**

Congratulations to our 2018 presiding Executive Club Board!

President:	Becky Kosco
V. President	David Frazier
Secretary	Laura McElroy
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## **Library News** – by Doug Shorter

The following DVDs Have been added to the Library:

- Metal Jewelry Making with a Micro Torch (Kitchen Table Metalsmithing series)
- Dapped, Forged & Fused Ring Necklace, Pendant, & Earring Designs
- Beginner Brazing for Copper Jewelry Making (Kitchen Table Metalsmithing series)
- How to Set Fancy Shaped Faceted stones
- Introduction to Gemstone Setting Prong, Flush and Bezel Setting
- Easy Electroforming for Jewelry
- Crushed Metal Cuff and Hydraulic Press
- Making Metal Jewelry with Tubing (Kitchen Table Metalsmithing series)

Two books have been added to the Library:

- Jeweler's Enameling Workshop Techniques and Projects for Making Enameled Jewelry
- Simply Silver, Simply Gold Designs for Creating Precious Bead Jewelry (Donated by Jim Rich)

In addition, Colored Stone Magazine (2005 – 2008) are available to view on the club computer.

## **Metalsmithing Contest 2017** – by Dave Macseoinin

Seven members turned in 9 entries for the 2017 Metalsmithing contest.

### For the New Members Category:

3rd place Wendy Smale (1-year membership)  
2nd place Sandy Shorter (\$50 + 1-year membership)  
1st place Dominic Gianti (\$100 + 1-year membership)

### For the Advanced Member Category:

2nd place Becky Kosco (\$50 + 1-year membership)  
1st place Jim Watson (\$100 + 1-year membership).

Our newsletter periodically, will be printing out the rules and guidelines for the 2018 Metalsmithing Contest. Work on your entry now.

## **Metalsmithing Competition 2018**

Open to all members of Summit Lapidary Club only. Rules and guidelines for competition:  
Use all elements of design. Workmanship will be graded so be neat. Use any metal you wish. For example, silver, gold, copper, brass or bronze. This is for fabrication only. (no metal clay, wirewrap or castings)

Novice level: Open to all members of 3 years of membership or less. Each piece must have at least one stone cut by entrant. No more than 3 pieces per entrant.

Advanced level: Open to all members over 3 years of membership. Work must have 2 or more stones with one stone to be cut by entrant. No more than 3 pieces per entrant.

All entries must be received by Dave Macseoinin no later than November Board meeting November 27<sup>th</sup> (the last Tuesday of November).

### **Contest Prizes**

#### Beginner's level

1st prize \$100 plus one-year club membership  
2nd prize \$50 plus one-year club membership  
3rd prize one-year club membership

#### Advanced Level

1st prize \$100 plus one-year club membership  
2nd prize \$50 plus one-year club membership  
3rd prize one-year club membership

Prizes will be awarded at the December membership meeting.

### **Reminder to Members, Club Due Renewal for 2018 Is Happening Now!**

If you pay your 2018 dues:

- Any time in October, November, or December 2017 and up to and including the January 2018 business meeting. \$44.00 (\$4.00 discount)
- After the January 2018 business meeting and up to and including February 28, 2018. \$48.00 (standard membership)
- March 1, 2018 and later \$73.00 (membership & fee)

### **Sunshine News** – by Mari Takai-Manley

- Roe York's father passed away in November with multiple family tragedies happening around one after the other. She was stressed out but kept a strong and positive attitude for her family. We send our deepest sympathy to her and all of her family and wish her peace.
- Jayne Smith's father also passed away recently. She said that her father suffered a great deal of pain from cancer before his death, so he is in a better place with no pain now. We send our deepest sympathy to her and all her family members.
- Cat Bennington has a back problem. She went through MRI testing. She is scheduled to meet with her doctor in late January to get the results of the MRI testing. Currently, she is taking things easy at home and is catching up with her reading there. She is experiencing pain but is keeping a good spirit. We wish her peace and a good result from the MRI testing.
- Cindi Culbert had a left knee replacement in early December. We hope it went well and she continues to recover quickly.

### **Just a Quick Note...** – by Pat Powers

- A Big-Club "Thank You" for our annual Christmas Party ... the new venue along with those attending made for a nice evening out. Thank You to MaryAnn and David Rich who organized the whole event and Annette and Andy Long who shopped for more prizes for our Gift Game.
- Auntie Laura Earring Extravaganza was a hit with new and old members. Thank You Laura for hosting this yearly event!
- Be aware if there is a snow ban listed for Cuyahoga Falls on meeting night the current meeting is cancelled and automatically rescheduled for the following Tuesday. Check with the Cuyahoga Falls PD for weather conditions before you head out 330-928-2181.