



# THE NUGGET



## Mineral Club Summer



### A Note from Jen...

With summer officially here, sooner or later heat will follow, and Saturday mornings in our workshop are not immune to rising temperatures. It can get *hot*, y'all. But no matter how hot it gets some things are not going to change. So here are a few reminders from last year:

Closed-toe shoes are required in all areas of the club. Once you're outside, a barefoot walk on the grounds of Garvies is lovely, and a little wading in the Sound is always a good idea in July. But as long as you're indoors, leave your fab flip-flops at home and keep those tootsies covered.

Also please keep your shirt on. No, really. Shirts, jeans, shorts...they're required. Keep 'em on! (And try not to dwell too long on why some rules need to be explicitly stated. You might have nightmares.)

Now that you're wearing closed-toe shoes and your shirt and pants you're most likely feeling the heat. If you have long hair you've probably got it tied back already, right? No need to remind you to do that, right? Of course right.

If you're planning to use the lapidary equipment, remember to swap out your sexy summer shades for the ultimate in chic attire: safety glasses. These will keep your peepers safe from flying debris and reduce your chances of bumping into people because you're wearing sunglasses inside.

Finally, look. We know it's hot and you'd rather stay cool. So would we. You know what's cool? Breathing. Breathing is THE BEST. We strongly encourage breathing for as long as you live. Sound like a plan? Then keep your mask on when using lapidary equipment. Your lungs will thank you.

Questions? Concerns? Strange sensation you've heard this all before? Don't worry. You're not suffering heat stroke. These are the same rules we have in

winter. And in spring and fall. Learn 'em, love 'em, live 'em.

Stay tuned for next month where we bring you "Workshop Rules." Spoiler alert for item #1:

Abide by the rules!

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## Chain Maille Bracelet Class in July

On July 15th, we will be having a chain maille workshop, led by Diane. Attendees will be making a bracelet. If you're interested in taking the class, please sign up with Diane. Kits are \$10. Bring your tools!



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## Fold Forming Workshop

In April, our own Diane gave a fold forming workshop that was a huge success. Below are some of the pieces that were made by the class participants...





## Wire Wrapping Demo by Joe

Our beloved Joe demonstrated his superior wire wrapping skills to Bev and Eve this past Saturday. He wrapped a moonstone in gold-filled square wire. Isn't it lovely?



## Our New Crop of Facetors

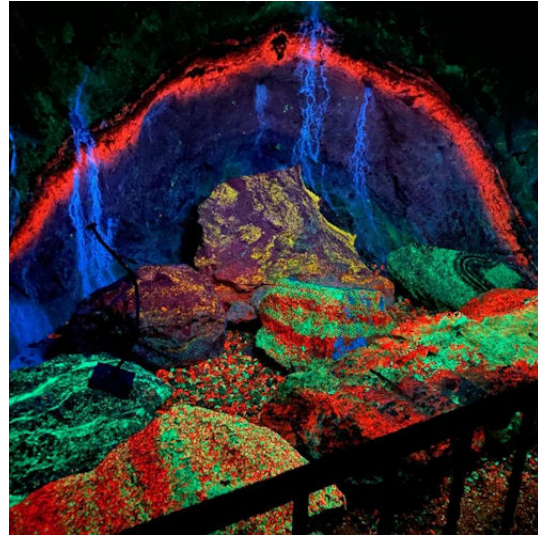
The faceting program is continuing to progress as some of the initial students move on to more complicated patterns, and more members begin to learn the art. Just look at some of the beautiful stones faceted by our members...

On the left is a lovely stone cut by Jen. On the right are a few of Cris's faceting results.



## Jamboree in New Jersey

A number of our members went to a multi-club jamboree in New Jersey a couple of weeks ago and from all reports, had a great time!



Above: Before and After under UV light.

Below: Maria, Austin, Diane with fluorescent rocks lighting their way.



## Rock Saws for Sale

The club has two big rock saws for sale. Approximately 16 or 17-inch trim saws. Price: \$1800 each. For more information talk to Diane.



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