



**Miami Mineralogical  
and  
Lapidary Guild**



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## ***Just two months to go – our annual Spring Show!***

The MIAMI MINERALOGICAL AND LAPIDARY GUILD (MMLG) is holding its Spring Gem, Jewelry, Mineral, and Fossil Show on April 6 & 7 from 10 AM to 5 PM at EVELYN GREER PARK, 8200 SW 124 Street in the Village of Pinecrest – just one block off US 1 with plenty of free parking. Admission is \$6 – children under 12 admitted free (with paid adult admission).

There will be exhibits, displays, demonstrations, raffles, and vendors showcasing mineral & fossil specimens, gemstones, fine jewelry, and artisan-crafted collectibles. Children's activities include jewelry-making sessions, surprise grab-bags, gem prospecting, and geode splitting. Starting in March, our website ([www.miamigemandmineral.com](http://www.miamigemandmineral.com)) will offer discount admission coupons, a map, and travel directions.

Club members wishing to be a vendor should contact the Show Chairman at [lawrdans@gmail.com](mailto:lawrdans@gmail.com)

This month, our regular monthly meeting is on Saturday February 9 at 11 AM in the UNITED WAY OF MIAMI-DADE building located at 3250 SW 3 Ave. (Yes, that's right there at Five Points - within walking distance of the Vizcaya MetroRailStation.) We also have use of the parking garage, right next door. (See page 2 for map and directions.) Following our traditional format, we'll start with a meet-and-greet session and then go to announcements, an educational presentation **BERYL: Emeralds...and Aqua... and Bixbite – Oh My!** (No, no, we won't forget Morganite, Goshenite or Heliodor!) Then we'll have our usual Q & A, door prizes, and light refreshments.

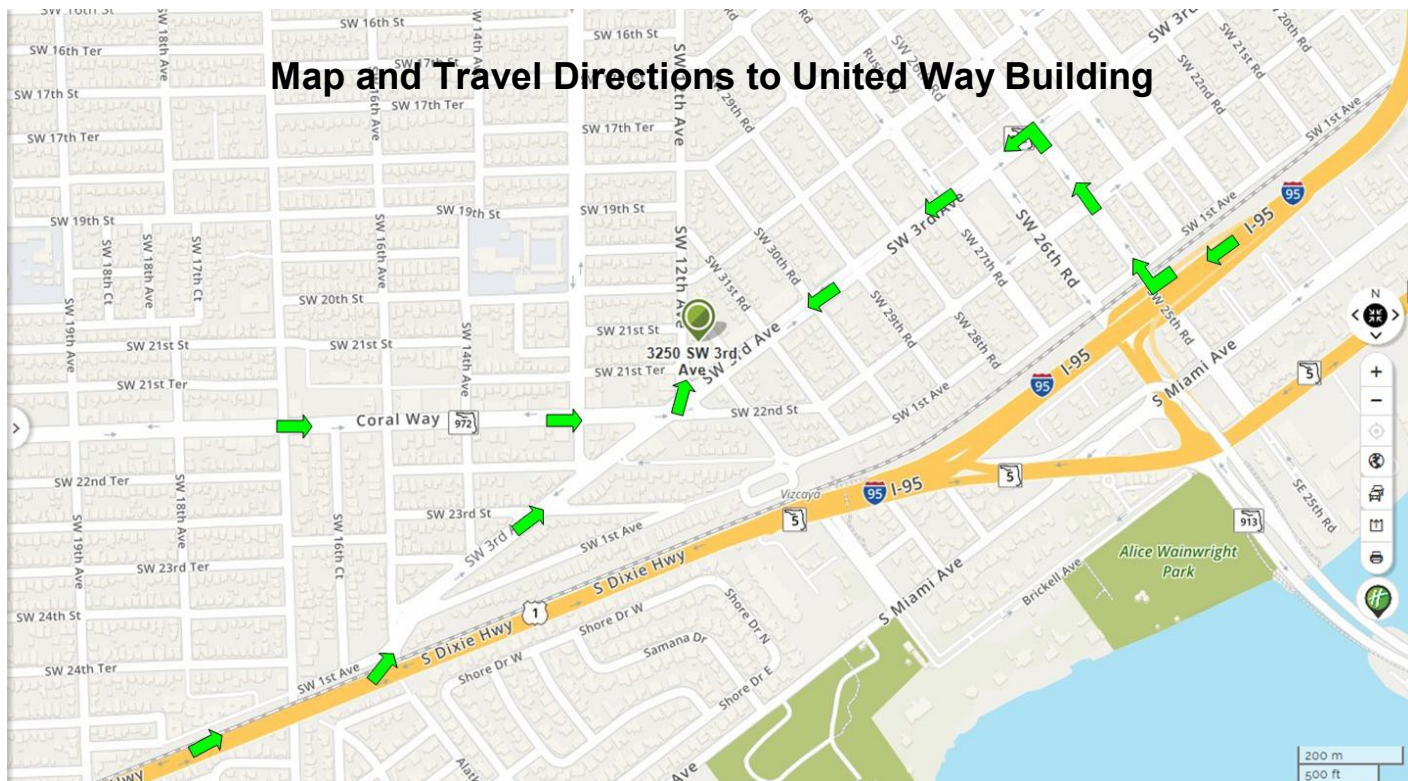
### ***Yes, it's really happening...***

Dianne Mielke continues her beading sessions in her home on selected weekends - averaging one or two sessions a month. Those ladies love it!

Our lapidary workshop is developing slowly. The cabbing machine, a trim saw, an assortment of hand tools, a drill press, and a Dremel tool station are already in place.

We're doing some limited training in February – and then we'll offer appointment hours for dues-paid members starting in March.

## Map and Travel Directions to United Way Building

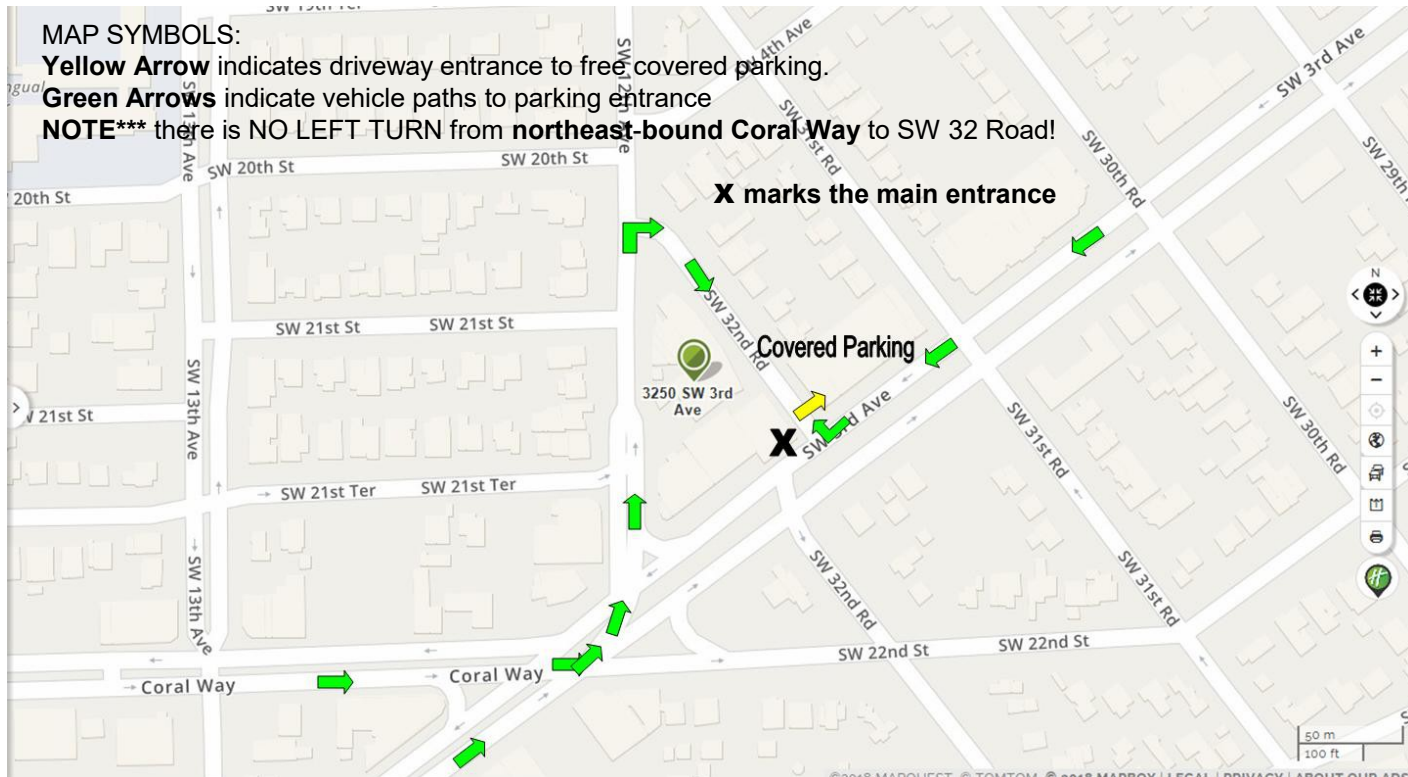


### MAP SYMBOLS:

**Yellow Arrow** indicates driveway entrance to free covered parking.

**Green Arrows** indicate vehicle paths to parking entrance

**NOTE\*\*\*** there is NO LEFT TURN from **northeast-bound Coral Way** to SW 32 Road!



From the North – take I-95 South to Exit 1A (Rickenbacker Causeway/Key Biscayne). Make a right turn at the traffic light onto SW 25 Road and go 3 blocks to Coral Way (SW 3 Ave) and turn left. Follow Coral Way to SW 32 Road and turn right – then immediately turn right into United Way Parking Garage (free parking). Exit garage on foot and cross SW 32 Road to main entrance to UNITED WAY on Coral Way.

From the South – Take US 1 (South Dixie Highway) North past SW 17 Ave and make the next left turn at SW 16 Ave/SW 3 Ave and follow SW 3 Ave to Five Points (Coral Way and SW 12 Ave). At the traffic light, turn left onto SW 12 Ave – go to the end of the block and turn right onto SW 32 Road. Make left turn at last driveway (parking garage entrance - free covered parking). Exit garage on foot and cross SW 32 Road to main entrance to UNITED WAY on Coral Way.

From VIZCAYA METRORAIL STATION (on foot) – exit station parking lot to SW 32 Road and walk 3 blocks to Coral Way. Cross Coral Way (carefully) and walk to UNITED WAY main entrance.



The membership year starts every January 1. Single membership is \$15.00 per year; Family membership is \$20.00 per year. Dues are payable to the Treasurer and may be mailed to the address on our website. **WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF BECOMING A MEMBER?** While any member of the community may "sit-in" at our General Meetings, dues-paying members are entitled to a number of benefits:

- participation at all club activities
- discounts on publications and outside educational activities
- access to club library, displays, and collections
- accidental injury insurance on field trips and at club activities
- discount access to club sponsored classes and workshops
- special interest groups within the club
- access to club swaps, raffles, auctions, and vendor activities
- voting rights at club elections, meetings, and referendums
- co-ordination with other clubs, groups, or associations

If you have questions, complaints, or need more information about our Club and it's activities, please email us at [webguy@mmlg-inc.org](mailto:webguy@mmlg-inc.org) or leave us a voicemail message at 305.460.2244

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