D.C. Chapter Celebrates 25 Years of Education

Grads not involved in their GIA Alumni Chapter are missing the "opportunity of a lifetime," according to Bobby Mann, president of the Washington, D.C. chapter. Mann should know: he's one of the founders of his chapter, which celebrates its 25th anniversary this September.

The group has grown from a handful of people that met for the first time in a church basement in 1984, to an average of 40 or more who meet at a Holiday Inn in Roselyn, Virginia (centrally located for Maryland, Virginia and D.C. residents), 11 times a year. Their meetings are open to anyone who has an interest in gemology and include a variety of professionals: appraisers, retail jewelers, lapidary artists and teachers.

"Education has always been our goal," Mann says. "We bring in world-renowned speakers who share information on a variety of diamond, colored gemstone and pearl topics." The most popular meetings usually focus on new treatments and their disclosure and are presented by well-known speakers.

"Gabi Tolkowsky drew a big crowd both times he was here," Mann said. "He's very colorful; his love for diamonds is almost like he's embracing the stone when he talks about what he sees inside it."

The group will have an opportunity to reminisce about some of their favorite meetings at its 25th anniversary celebration on Sept. 12. The party begins with a social hour from 5-6 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner and dancing. Tickets are $50 and RSVP's must be received by Aug. 15.

Mann hopes the next generation of D.C.-area GIA graduates will take advantage of all the benefits of joining his chapter.

"We welcome them with open arms," he says. "They're missing the opportunity of a lifetime of the education they can get at these meetings. And afterwards they can join a relaxed, informal dinner with the speaker -- I've learned so much from our speakers over the last 25 years."

Rose McKenna, manager of the GIA Alumni Association, says the collective years of experience of the chapter are also incredible. "There are people in this group who have 30 and 40 years of experience to draw on," she says. "Every graduate in the area should be racing to sign up to become a member."

Visit the Washington, D.C. chapter website to find out how to join. If you prefer to talk to someone, Mann says you call him direct at (301) 894-2016.

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July 18th, 1984: MEETING HELD TO FORM DC GIA ALUMNI BOARD. Katherine Everhart made the arrangements, and it was held in the basement of a church. In attendance: Lorin Atkinson, Bobby Mann and a few others.

1984-1985 Board of Directors
Kathryn Everhart  President
Jeffrey Hurwitz  Vice President (1984)
Carolyn Chappell  Vice President (1985)
Lou Ann Miller  Secretary
Conrad Mann  Treasurer
Paul Cohen  Member at Large

1984 Speakers & Activities
October 6th: First Meeting: held at the Sheraton, New Carrollton, MD
December 6th: Christine Brooks: “Definitions and Terminology of Jewelry” held at 1st American Bank of Virginia, Tysons Corner, VA

1985 Speakers & Activities
April 10th: John White Curator: Tour of Smithsonian Gems & Minerals Hall
May 30th: June Cult Zeitner, Lapidary Journal: “Birthstones” held at Sheraton Washington DC, Gem & Mineral Show
August 4th: GIA Update, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM, Alexandria, VA
October 16th: Joel Arem: “Color Encyclopedia of Gemstones” held at Metropolitan Methodist Church, Washington DC
December 4th: First Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

1986-1987 Board of Directors
Carolyn Chappell  President
Chuck Hyland  Vice President
Sherlene Yantz  Secretary
Robert McDowell  Treasurer
Conrad Mann  Member at Large
Charles Sturms  Member at Large
1986 Speakers & Activities

March 24th: *First meeting held at West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA*
Doug Parker, Wm. Kuhn Co.: “Colored Stones”


October 27th: Peter Kaplan: “Diamonds”

December 5th: Second Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel Rosslyn, VA

1987 Speakers & Activities

Date Unknown: Joel Arem:

July: *First One Page Newsletter Vol. 1 No. 1, published by John LaFever*

July 22nd: Smithsonian Gems & Minerals Hall Tour

Date Unknown: Barbara Hight: GIA

November 1st: All Day Lab: Dr. David Michaels (Jade Substitutes), Ed Primoff (Ivory), Peter Kaplan (Colored Diamonds), Ed Czarnetzky (Appraisal Methods)

December 3rd: 3rd Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

1988-1989 Board of Directors

Lorin Atkinson  President
Bill Dougherty  Vice President
John Lafeaver  Secretary
Robert Davis  Treasurer
Conrad Mann  Member at Large

1988 Speakers & Activities

March 10th: Marvin Miller: “Legal, Ethical & Moral Responsibilities of Appraising”

May 12th: Antoinette Maitlins & Tony Bonnano: “Buying Colored Gemstones”

June 29th: John Latendresse: “Culturing American Freshwater Pearls”


October 27th: Bill Dougherty: “Synthetic Emeralds”

December 12th: 4th Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

1989 Speakers & Activities

February 2nd: Bill Boyajian: President GIA, “Economic Review of the Past Decade in Diamonds”


August: GIA Gem Fest in California
October 11th: Video Night: Videos of 1988-89 Speakers held at Centerville High School, Clifton, VA  
December 1st: Fifth Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel Rosslyn, VA

1990-1991 Board of Directors  
Chuck Hyland President  
Martin Fuller Vice President  
Sherlene Yantz Secretary  
Robert Davis Treasurer  
Lorin Atkinson Member at Large

1990 Speakers & Activities  
April 18th: Joel Windman: Jewelers Vigilance Committee, “Key Issues Today”  
June 21st: Richard Liddicoat: GIA Chairman of the Board  
November 15th: Ellen Kay: Fairfax County, VA, Consumer Protection Division  
December: Sixth Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

1991 Speakers & Activities  
President Chuck Hyland presented Fred Ward With Lifetime Chapter Award

January 10th and March 5th: Smithsonian Gems & Minerals Hall Tour’s  
April 16th: Fred Ward: “Emeralds”  
September 14th: Joel Windman: Jewelers Vigilance Committee  
October 15th: Dior Yehuda: “Yehuda Diamond Treatment”  
November 20th: Fred Ward: “Pearls”  
Date Unknown: GIA Symposium California  
December: Seventh Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

1992-1993 Board of Directors  
Martin Fuller President  
Karen Sternberg Vice President  
Robin Heiderscheit Secretary  
Robert Davis Treasurer  
Lorin Atkinson Member at Large  
Chuck Hyland Member at Large
1992 Speakers & Activities

February 25th: Helen Serras
April 23rd: Cap Beasley
May 20th: Nina Woolford
June 28th: GIA: “Natural vs. Synthetic Gem Separation”
August 19th: Fred Ward: “Jade”
September 20th: Paul Downing: “Opals”
October 28th: Peter Kaplan: “Diamonds”
November 19th: Diane Lewis
December 11th: Eighth Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

1993 Speakers & Activities

March 24th: Ken Roberts: “GIA Gem Set”
April 28th: David Brachna: “Gem Cutter”
May 20th: Nancy Nichols: GIA
June 24th: Gary Roskin
Date Unknown: GIA Gem Instruments
August 4th: Dr. Kurt Nassau
September 22nd: Serg Boro
October 20th: Susanne Patch: Federal Trade Commission
November 19th: Henri Massail: Assael International Inc. NY
December: Ninth Annual Holiday Social West-Park Hotel, Rosslyn, VA

December 19th, 1993

Bobby Mann in-coming President, presented Tony Bonanno with Lifetime Chapter Award at his retirement party

1994-1995 Board of Directors

Bobby Mann President
Fred Ward Vice President
Michele Zabel Secretary
Bill Dougherty Treasurer
Lorin Atkinson Historian
Martin Fuller Newsletter Editor
Chuck Hyland Past President
Carolyn Chappell Past President

(Recommended by President Bobby Mann and agreed to by the Board, that all Past Presidents who wish, can now remain on the Board and serve for life.)
1994 Speakers & Activities

February 22\textsuperscript{nd}: Jack Abraham, President, Precious Gem Resources: “Sapphires and Rubies”
April 19\textsuperscript{th}: Vivian Swift, Christie’s: “Vintage Watches”
May 26\textsuperscript{th}: Campbell Bridges: “Tsavorite, Discovery, Mining, Marketing”
June 8\textsuperscript{th}: GIA two-hour seminar: “Hands-On Advanced Diamond Clarity Grading”
June 21\textsuperscript{st}: Tom Chatham: “Synthetic Diamonds”

Chapter Video Library Established

July 12\textsuperscript{th}: Pati Geolat: “Jewelry Insurance Appraising”

August: Newsletter Published: Volume 1 Issue 1 “The District of Gemology” - Martin Fuller Editor
August 16\textsuperscript{th}: Eve Alfille, President of the Pearl Society: “Pearls”

First “Gemological Resource Directory” published by Michele Zabel

September 21\textsuperscript{st}: Dr. Willie Reams, Director Lora Robins Gallery, Our First Speaker Returns for our 10\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary”, “Precious Is”
October 13\textsuperscript{th}: Leslie Kinder-Anderson: “Manufacturing Techniques-Repairs”
November 9\textsuperscript{th}: Anna Miller: “Cameos-Old & New”

December 14\textsuperscript{th}: Tenth Annual Holiday Party and 1st Fund Raising Auction held at Hunan Regent, Arlington, VA (48 Reservations-33 Donors-62 Lots-$1,118)

1995 Speakers & Activities

January 17\textsuperscript{th}: Fred Ward: “The Truth About Pearls” held at his home because of hotel renovations.

February 21\textsuperscript{st}: First Tucson Panel Report
March 21\textsuperscript{st}: Richard Drucker, Publisher & Editor: “Deep Mysteries of The Guide Revealed”
April 18\textsuperscript{th}: Appraisal Discussion Panel: Fred Ward, Moderator, Jim Joliff, Gail Levine, Karen Sternberg, Martin Fuller and Jerry Root
May 23\textsuperscript{rd}: First Show & Tell Table at Meetings 7:00 –7:30 PM “Bobby Mann Colorless Stones”
May 23\textsuperscript{rd}: Eitan Goldman: “Clarity Enhanced Diamonds”
May 24\textsuperscript{th}: GIA Class Two Hour Hands On Seminar: “Identifying Challenging Synthetics”
May 31\textsuperscript{st}: GIA Class Two Hour Hands On Seminar: “Detecting Fracture Filled Diamonds”

Appraisal Study Group started by Tom Mangan & Lorin Atkinson “Washington Area Society of Appraisers”

June 7\textsuperscript{th}: Antwerp Diamond Conference, Washington DC (Chapter Invited)
June 22nd: David Federman: “Turnmoil in Pearls”
July 20th: John White: “Gemstones in the USA”


Newsletter: Volume 2 Issue 1 “The District of Gemology” Martin Fuller, Editor.

August 8th: Robert Weldon: JCK Senior Editor, “Photography”
September 19th: Gary Bowersox: “Afghan Gems”
October 19th: Gloria Lieberman: “Skinners Auction”
November 16th: Don Kay: “Appraising Jadeite Jewelry”
December 13th: Eleventh Annual Holiday Party and Second Fund Raising Auction, La Mirabelle Restaurant, McLean, VA
(65 Reservations-51 Donors-87 Lots-$3,100)

1996 –1997 Board of Directors

Fred Ward President
Michele Zabel Vice President
Greg Duncan Secretary (1996)
John Lees Secretary (1997)
Tom Mangan Treasurer
Lorin Atkinson Past President
Bobby Mann Past President
Bill Wise Newsletter Editor
Martin Fuller Past President
Carolyn Chappell Past President
Chuck Hyland Past President

1996 Speakers & Activities

January 18th: Sharon Wakefield: “How to Distinguish Naturally Colored Diamonds From Treated”
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, DC GIA Won 1995 Regional Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award
February 26th: Second Tucson Panel Report
March 21st: Judith Evans: “Krementz Designer”
April 18th: Joe Tenhagen: “How Diamond Cuts Affect Wholesale Pricing”
April 23rd: GIA Class: “Detecting Synthetic Diamonds”
April 30th: GIA Class: “Treated Emerald, Ruby & Sapphire”
May 23rd: Bill Metropolis, Assistant Curator: “History of Gems & Minerals at Harvard University”
June 27th: Toni Greenbaum: “1940-1950 Studio Jewelers”
July 23rd: Christi Romero: “Circa Dating Antique & Period Jewelry”
August 6th: Dag Johnson, Opex Opals: “Opal Mining”
September 17th: Shirley Beck: “Montana Sapphires”
November 19th: John & Gina Latendresse: “Freshwater Pearls”
December 7th: Twelfth Annual Holiday Party and Third Fund Raising Auction: La Mirabelle Restaurant, Mclean, VA (66 Reservations-63 Donors-78 Lots-$5,443)

1997 Speakers & Activities
January 24th: Richard T. Liddicoat, CFA Chairman of the Board,
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, Chapter won GIA 1996 Regional Outstanding Chapter of the Year & Newsletter Award. Fred Ward won 1996 Chapter Member of the Year Award.
February 27th: Third Tucson Panel Report
March 16, 1997 Charter Chapter Member Loren Atkinson Dies
March 30th: Joyce Jonas: “Period Jewelry”
March 31st: Tour “Corcoran-Jewels of Romanovs”
April 15th: GIA Class: “Detecting Synthetic Diamonds”
April 17th: Gary Werner: “American Turquoise”
April 22nd: GIA Class “ID Microscope Challenge”
May 20th: Ralph Joseph: “Appraising”
June 19th: Bobby Mann & Bob Weisblut: “Ivory ID”
First $500 Lorin Atkinson Memorial Scholarship Winner Lynn Sauls
July 18th: Tour-Smithsonian Amber Exhibit
July 24th: Josh Hall, Pala International: “San Diego County Gems”
August 26th: Diana Singer: “Estate Jewelry”
September 23rd: Glen Lehrer: “Gem Carving”
October 23rd: Fred Ward: “Burma Jadeite”
October 31st: Tour: “New Smithsonian Gem Hall”
November 13th: Cynthia Marcusson: “Marketing Color Gems”

Third “Gemological Resource Directory published by Michele Zabel
December 6th: Thirteenth Annual Holiday Party and Fourth Fund Raising Auction, Pulcinella’s Restaurant, McLean, VA, (57 Reservations-63 Donors-80 Lots-$6,631)
1998-1999 Board of Directors

Bobby Mann  President
Davia Kramer  Vice President
John Lees  Secretary
Tom Mangan  Treasurer
Michele Zabel  Member at Large
Fred Ward  Past President
Martin Fuller  Newsletter Editor
Brenda Foreman  Assistant Newsletter Editor
Carolyn Chappell  Past President
Chuck Hyland  Past President

Speakers – Activities 1998

January 21st:  Douglas Hucker, Executive Director AGTA, “Hot Issues on Colored Gemstones”
February:  GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson:  DC GIA Chapter won GIA 1997 Regional Outstanding Chapter of the Year & Newsletter Award.  Bobby Mann won 1997 Chapter Member of the Year Award.
February 19th:  Fourth Tucson Panel Report
March 25th:  Martha McCrory: “Dynasties & Diamonds”
April 21st:  Peter Shemonsky: “Jewels of the Maharajas”
May 14th:  Edward Faber: “Understanding the Mechanical Watch”
May 27th:  GIA Class: “Advanced Diamond Grading Lab”
June 1st:  GAGB Class: Jerry Root & Doug Garrod “The Spectroscope”
June 9th:  GIA Class: “Detecting Treated Gemstones”
June 23rd:  Nicholas Dawes: “The Art of Rene Lalique”
July 23rd:  Smithsonian Tour: “Lalique Exhibit”
July 24th:  Richard Hughes: “Ruby & Sapphire”
August 20th:  Christie Romero: “Silver Jewelry”
October 7th:  Richard Drucker: “Enhancement”
November 11th:  Peter Yantzer: Director AGS Lab

Chapter Brochure Created

1998 $500 Lorin Atkinson Memorial Scholarship Winner Fred Van Doren
December 5th:  Fourteenth Annual Holiday Party and Fifth Fund Raising Auction Pulcinella’s, Restaurant, McLean, VA 64 (Reservations-61 Donors-81 Lots-$6,176)
1999 Speakers – Activities

January 19th: Eric Diamond, Assael: “South Sea & Tahitian Pearls”
February: Fifth Tucson Panel Report
April 5th: Gabby Tolkowsky: “The Journey of Light in Diamonds”, Hyatt Hotel, Arlington, VA This Month Only.
May 12th: GIA Class: “Synthetic Gemstones”
May 25th: GIA Class: “Treated Gemstones”
June 10th: GAGB Class: Jerry Root & Doug Garrod “The Spectroscope”
June 11th: Doug Garrod, GAGB: “Inclusions in Gemstones”
August 16th: Martin Rapaport: “Diamond Market”
September 13th: Kathy Bonnano Patrizzi: “Cartier-Art Deco”
October 12th: Pennye Jones-Napier: “Research on the Internet”
November 10th: Jeffrey Post: “Smithsonian Gem Collection Science & Lore”
December 12th: Fifteenth Annual Holiday Party and Sixth Fund Raising Auction
Marco Polo Restaurant, Vienna, VA, (70 Reservations-65 Donors-101 Lots-$6,780)

2000–2001 Board of Directors

Carolyn Chappell President
Kusam Malhotra Vice President
Melanie Marts Secretary
Toby Fitzkee Treasurer
Brenda Foreman Newsletter Editor
Fred Ward Past President
Michele Zabel Member at Large
Bobby Mann Past President
Chuck Hyland Past President
Martin Fuller Past President

Speakers –Activities 2000

Martin & Colette Fuller started website www.dcgia.org
January 12th: Campbell Bridges: “Gems of East Africa”
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson: DC GIA won GIA 1999 Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award
February 17th: Sixth Tucson Panel Report
March 21st: Shane McClure, GIA Gem Trade Lab: “Forensic Gemology”
April 18th: Robert Weldon: “An Appreciation in Gemstones”
May 30th: Gary Bowersox: “Adventures in the Gem Trade”  
June 19th: Joseph Samuel Jr.: “Period Jewelry”  
July 17th: Ken Scarrett: “Pearls”  
August 23rd: Joel Arem: “Synthetics & Treatments”  
September 23rd: John Bradshaw: “Gem Cutting”  
October 3rd: Tour: Hillwood Museum, Washington, DC  
October 16th: Chip Clark: “Photographing Gems”  
November 11th: Tour: “Faberge Exhibit” Riverfront Arts Center, Wilmington, DE  
November 15th: Don Kay: “Jade”  
December 3rd: Sixteenth Annual Holiday Party and Seventh Fund Raising  
Auction, Marco Polo Restaurant, Vienna, VA, (66 Reservations-66 Donors-106 Lots-$6,266)

Speakers–Activities 2001

January 15th: Dana Schorr: “Tanzanite”  
February: Pinnacle Peak Dinner Social in Tucson  
February 19th: Seventh Tucson Panel Report  
March 19th: Gail Brett Levine: “Jewelry Auctions”  
April 24th: Fred Ward: “Opals, Opals & More Glorious Opals”  
May 12th: 1st All Day Ivory ID Seminar-Bobby Mann and Bob Weisblut  
May 16th: Ron Harper: “Insurance in the Jewelry Industry”  
June 20th: Robin Walker: “A Passion for Diamonds”  
July 26th: Bill Hoffer: “Appraisal Survivor Skills”  
August 14th: John White: “Inclusions in Crystals”  
September 17th: Michael Dyber: “Evolution of an American Lapidary Artist”  
September 29th: All Day Ivory ID Seminar by Bobby Mann & Bob Weisblut  
October 22nd: James Jolliff: “Writing a Strong Appraisal”  
November 6th: Greg Sherman & Branko Deljanin: “HPHT Diamonds”  

Fourth “Gemological Resource Directory” published

December 2nd: Seventeenth Annual Holiday Party and Eighth Fund Raising  
Auction, Marco Polo Restaurant, Vienna, VA (66 Reservations-64 Donors-148 Lots-$10,293)
2002–2003 Board of Directors

Martin Fuller    President
Melanie Marts    Vice-President
Lisa Carp        Secretary
Toby Fitzkee     Treasurer
Fred Ward        Past President
Michele Zabel    Member at Large
Bobby Mann       Past President
Carolyn Chappell Past President

2002 Speakers & Activities

January 21st: Michael Goldstein: “Old Versus New Diamonds”
February: Pinnacle Peak Dinner Social in Tucson
February 27th: 8th Tucson Panel Report
March 14th: Kenneth Scarratt & Bruce Smith: “Fancy Color Diamonds”
April 29th: Dr. Wm. Hanneman: “Gemology”
May 21st: Dr. John Koivula: “Some Current Gemological Problems”
June 19th: Dr. George Harlow: “Guatemala Jade”
June 22nd: All Day Ivory ID Seminar by Bobby Mann & Bob Weisblut
July 18th: Ken Specht: “Watch Market Today, Appraise, Buy & Sell”
August 26th: John Weschler: “Antique Jewelry Roadshow”
September 18th: William Hoffer: “Emeralds Demystified”
September 21st: All Day Ivory ID Seminar by Bobby Mann & Bob Weisblut
October 16th: Richard BO Torrey: “Pearls-Cook Island’s & Mexico”
November 14th: Fred Ward: “Sapphires & Rubies” Marriott Key Bridge VA This Meeting Only
December 8th: Eighteenth Annual Holiday Party and Ninth Fund Raising Auction
Clyde’s, Tyson’s Corner, VA (87 Reservations-71 Donors-206 Lots-$10,000. +)
2003 Speakers & Activities

Chapter took over Web Site www.dcgia.org

January 23rd: Helen Serras-Herman: “Gem Carving & Gem Sculpture”
February 27th: Ninth Tucson Panel Report
March 30th: Sir Gabriel Tolkowsky: “The Eternal Diamond”
April 22nd: Christie Romero: “Antique & Period Jewelry Market”
May 20th: Carlos Valeiras: “Synthesis of Colored Diamonds”
June 30th: Tino Hammid: “Gemstone Photography & Digital Imaging”
July 24th: Bobby Mann & Bob Weisblut: “Evaluating Ivory Carvings”
August 9th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann & Bob Weisblut
August 11th: Peter Keller: “East African Gems & Michael Scott Collection”
September 8th: Albert Gilbertson, GIA: “Diamond History & Brilliance Study”
October 13th: Edward Boehm: “Recent Mining Activities”
November 10th: D. John Emmet, “Lattice Diffusion of Sapphires”
December 7th: Nineteenth Annual Holiday Party and Tenth Fund Raising Auction
Clyde’s, Tyson’s Corner, VA (80 Reservations-74 Donors-166 Lots-$10,802.50)

2004-2005 Board of Directors

Toby Fitzkee President
Bill Scherlag Vice President
Etta Saunders Secretary (until 6-04)
Coni Lynn Gash-Grady Secretary (6-04-12-04)
Michele Zabel Treasurer + (2005 Secretary)
Fred Ward Past President
Davia Kramer Member at Large
Bobby Mann Past President
Carolyn Chappell Past President

2004 Speakers & Activities

February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, DC GIA won GIA 2003 Outstanding
Chapter of the Year Award. Bobby Mann won 2003 Chapter Member of the Year Award.
February 26th: 10th Tucson Panel Report
March 15th: Kathy Bonanno, “Understanding The Art Deco Period & Jewelry”
April 12th: Michael Goldstein, “The Market for Antique Cut Diamonds”
June 12th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
June 28th: Jurgen Maerz: “Platinum Guild International”
July 19th: Joe Tenhagen, “Columbian Emeralds-From the Source”
August 18th: Dr. Penny C. Morrill, Topic “Modern Mexican Silver - Its Past, Present & Future”
September 18th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
September 20th: Kevin Krajick, “An Epic Search for Diamonds in the North American Arctic”
October 25th: John Nels Hatleberg. “Conceptual Gem Artist”
November 15th: Fred Ward, “An Evening with Fred”
December 8th: Twentieth Annual Holiday Party and Eleventh Fund Raising Auction, Clyde’s, Tyson’s Corner, VA (67-Reservations-69 Donors-239 Lots-$9,769)

2005 Speakers & Activities
Fifth “Gemological Resource Directory” published by Michele Zabel
January 12th: John Loring: Tiffany & Company”
SNOV: February Meeting Canceled
March 21st: Don Kay: “How to Appraise Jadeite Jade”
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, DC GIA won GIA 2004 Chapter of the Year Award. Fred Ward won 2004 Chapter Member of the Year Award.
April 13th: Eleventh Tucson Panel Report
May 18th: GIA Class: “Advanced Diamond Grading Lab”
June 5th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
June 20th: Gina Latendresse: “Natural Pearls-The Forgotten Queen of Gems”
July 25th: Daphne Lingon, Christie’s: “Tales from the Auction Block”
September 13th: Al Gilbertson: “GIA Diamond Cut Grading System”
October 2nd: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
October 3rd: Dr. Lore Kiefert: “AGTA Laboratory & Testing Center”
November 8th: Archduke Dr. Geza Von Habsburg: “Faberge-The Workshops & Their Techniques”
December 8th: Twenty-First Annual Holiday Party and Twelfth Fund Raising Auction, Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church, VA (78 Reservations-69 Donors-195 Lots-$10,713)
2006–2007 Board of Directors

Toby Fitzkee          President thru 5-07
Tony Conway           1st Vice President (President 6-07 thru 12-07)
Doris Voigt           2nd Vice President
Donna Sibley          Secretary
Robert Pellenbarg     Treasurer (until 4-06)
Sherlene Bradbury     Treasurer (5-06-12-07)
Fred Ward             Past President
Bobby Mann            Past President
Carolyn Chappell      Past President
Michele Zabel         Past President

2006 Speakers & Activities

January 19th: Gary Roskin: “From the gem desk of JCK Magazine”
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, DC GIA won GIA 2005 Chapter of the Year Award. Michele Zabel won 2005 Chapter Member of the Year Award.
February 28th: Twelfth Tucson Panel Report
March 27th: Diana Singer: “Legendary American Jewelers”
April 19th: Richard Drucker, Publisher of The Guide: “Cutting Edge Issues & Answers”
May 15th: Jeff Post, Curator Smithsonian Gems & Minerals: “Hope Diamond Research”
May 16th: GIA Class: “Pearl Lab”
June 10th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
June 22nd: Bobby Mann: “Ivory Identification Challenge”
July 20th: Fred Ward: “Rubies & Sapphires”
August 17th: Dr. Lawrence Snee: “Emerging Gem Deposits of Afghanistan”
September 17th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
September 25th: Barry Weber: “Discovering Treasures From America’s Jewelry Boxes”
October 19th: Gary Smith: “A Case Study in Fraud-Forensic Gemology”
November 9th: Michael Dyber: “Infinite Design-The Art of a Lapidary”
December 8th: Twenty-Second Annual Holiday Party and Thirteenth Fund Raising Auction, Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church, VA, (72 Reservations-70 Donors-201 Lots-$10,366)
2007 Speakers & Activities

February 21st: Thirteenth Tucson Panel Report
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, DC GIA won GIA 2006 Chapter of the Year Award. Bobby Mann won 2006 Chapter Member of the Year Award.
March 19th: Dr. Brenda Forman: “20th Century Art Deco & Cartier”
April 9th: Richard Hughes: “People & Places: New Directions in Gemology”
May 15th: Dr. Richard Kurin: “Hope Diamond Cultural Tales”
May 19th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
June 21st: Denise Nelson: “Gems & Mines of Minas Gerais, Brazil”
July 23rd: Robert Weldon: “Gemstones of the World”
August 14th: Donna Baker, President, GIA: “GIA & The Future”
September 16th-17th: Alan Hodgkinson: “Visual Optics Workshop” and “Spectroscope Workshop”
October 14th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
October 15th: Gary Smith: “Tool Marks of the Masters-Jewelry Construction Techniques”
November 5th: Elyse Zora Karlin: “Historic Use of the Medusa Image in Jewelry”
December 8th: Twenty-Third Annual Holiday Party and Fourteenth Fund Raising Auction, Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church, VA (55 Reservations-46 Donors-162 Lots-$8,710)

2008–2009 Board of Directors

Bobby Mann  President
Tony Conway  1st Vice President
Doris Voigt  2nd Vice President
Anastasia Kim  Secretary
Andrea Blake  Secretary
Chuck Hyland  Treasurer thru 3-09
Tim Morgan  Treasurer 4-09 –
Fred Ward  Past President (Consultant)
Carolyn Chappell  Past President
Michele Zabel  Member at Large (Consultant)
Chuck Hyland  Past President
Martin Fuller  Past President
Donna Sibley  Member at Large
2008 Speakers & Activities

January 22nd: Antionette Matlins: “Gemstone Treatments Gone Mad”
February 21st: Fourteenth Tucson Panel Report
March 24th: Mathew Hall & Donna Beaton: GIA: “Latest in Science & Services from GIA”
April 7th: Eric Hoffman: “Solving the Mysteries of Old Chinese Nephrite Jades”
May 6th: Reema Keswani: “Shinde Jewels”
May 17th: All Day GIA Seminar: “Identifying Ruby, Emerald & Sapphire”
June 7th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
June 30th: Etta Dotson: “Wish You Were Here”
July 17th: Lee Horowitz: “Gemstones of Peru”
August 21st: Denise Nelson: “Diamonds Out of Africa”
September 23rd: Gail Brett Levine: “Appraising Antique Diamonds”
October 7th: Jim Walker: “East African Gems”
November 12th: Don Kay: “Jadeite Jade”
December 7th: Twenty-Fourth Annual Holiday Party and Fifteenth Fund Raising Auction, Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church, VA (70 Reservations- 66 Donors-214 Lots-$9,822)

Sixth “Gemological Resource Directory” published by Donna Sibley

2009 Speakers & Activities

January 22nd: Richard Drucker: “Gemstone Pricing”
February: GIA Awards Dinner in Tucson, Lois Berger won GIA 2009 International Alumni Achievement Award
February 22nd: All Day Spectroscope Lecture & Workshop presented by Colin & Hilary Winter.
February 26th: Fifteenth Annual Tucson Panel Report
March 10th: Diana Singer: “What Makes Good-Good”
April 27th: Abby Kent Flythe: “Native & Turquoise Jewelry”
May 16th: All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann
May 28th: Helen Serras-Herman: “Gem Carving, Inspiration & Skills”
June 9th: Richard W.Wise: “The Four Cs of Connoisseurship in Colored Stones”
July 6th: Dr. Lore Kiefert: “New & Old Gemstone Sources – New & Renewed Finds”
August 6th: Renee Newman: “Ruby, Sapphire & Emerald - Then & Now”
Coming Soon:

**September 12th** DC GIA 25th Year Anniversary Celebration Party

**September 23rd:** Patrick Stout: “AGS Diamond Cut Grade System & ASET Tools”

**October 12th:** Rui Galopim de Carvalho: “Rene Lalique in Guldenkian Museum”

**October 17th:** All Day Ivory ID Workshop by Bobby Mann

**November 2nd:** Dusan Simic: “Characterization of Pink Diamonds, Natural, Synthetic & Treated”

**December 6th:** Twenty-Fifth Annual Holiday Party and Sixteenth Fund Raising Auction, Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church VA,
Washington DC GIA Alumni Association

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1984-85 Kathryn Everhart
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1992-93 Martin Fuller
1994-95 Bobby Mann
1996-97 Fred Ward
1998-99 Bobby Mann
2000-01 Carolyn Chappell
2002-03 Martin Fuller
2004-05 Toby Fitzkee
2006-May 07 Toby Fitzkee
2007 (June-December) Tony Conway
2008-2009 Bobby Mann

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2000-01 Kusam Malhotra
2002-2003 Melanie Marts
2004-05 Bill Scherlag
2006-07 Tony Conway 1st VP
2006-07 Doris Voigt 2nd VP
2008-09 Tony Conway 1st VP
2008-09 Doris Voigt 2nd VP
SECRETARIES 1984-2009

1984-85 Lou Ann Miller
1986-87 Sherlene Yantz-Bradbury
  1988-89 John Lafeaver
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1992-93 Karen Sternberg
1994-95 Michele Zabel
  1996 Greg Duncan
  1997 John Lees
1998-99 John Lees
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  2002-03 Lisa Carp
2004 (January-June) Etta Saunders
2004 (July-December) Coni Lynn Gash
  2005 Michele Zabel
  2006-07 Donna Sibley
2008-09 Andrea Blake
2008-09 Anastasia Kim

TREASURERS 1984-2009

1984-85 Conrad Mann
1986-1987 Robert McDowell
  1988-89 Robert Davis
1990-91 Robert Davis
1992-93 Robert Davis
1994-95 Bill Dougherty
  1996-97 Tom Mangan
  1998-99 Tom Mangan
  2000-01 Toby Fitzkee
  2002-03 Toby Fitzkee
2004-05 Michele Zabel
  2006 (January-April) Robert Pellenbarg
  2006(May-December)-07 Sherlene Bradbury
  2008- March 09 Chuck Hyland
2009 (April-December) Tim Morgan
MEMBERS AT LARGE 1984-2009

1984-85 Paul Cohen
1986-87 Conrad Mann
1986-87 Charles Sturns
1988-89 Conrad Mann
1990-91 Lorin Atkinson
1992-93 Lorin Atkinson
1992-93 Chuck Hyland

1994-95 (Recommended by President Bobby Mann and agreed to by the Board, that all Past Presidents who wish to remain on the Board can now serve for life.)
1996-97 All Past Presidents who wish to serve
1998-99 Michele Zabel & All Past Presidents who wish to serve
2000-01 Michele Zabel & All Past Presidents who wish to serve
2002-03 Michele Zabel & All Past Presidents who wish to serve
2004-05 Davia Kramer & All Past Presidents who wish to serve
2006-07 Michele Zabel & All Past Presidents who wish to serve
2008-09 Donna Sibley & All Past Presidents who wish to serve
(Fred Ward & Michele Zabel have agreed to serve as Long Distance Consultants to the President Bobby Mann)

Thanks to all members that have served on various committees through the years; they will not be listed at this time, so as not to omit anyone.

Please address all comments, corrections, additions, etc. to Bobby Mann, mannivorymann@aol.com or 301 894 2016.
DC GIA Chapter Awards
(1995-2009)

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Leadership Award: Bobby Mann and Achievement Award: Lois Berger

Lois Berger also was the recipient of the International Alumni Achievement Award.

2008-2009 Leadership Award: Bobby Mann and Achievement Award: Lisa Carp