

Rockhound News

February 16th CML & MS meeting

A thru J bring refreshments

The program for the February meeting of the Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society will focus on Flint and a nearby source of excellent Flint, Newark and Flint Ridge, Ohio. There will be a slide presentation on Flint as a material and on the area of Ohio around Flint Ridge. Members of the Society who have specimens of Flint, whether "raw" or worked into tools are encouraged to bring them to the February meeting. We will have a table with Flint specimens, and a VHS tape on flint knapping, which will run after the slide presentation. Flint is the stone tool material that won Europe and North America for their first human inhabitants. Please join us for this program, and bring your specimens!

Elaine Beane, Vice President for Programs

REMEMBER DUES ARE DUE.

Send your dues to

Ernie Aughenbaugh, P.O..Box67, St. Johns, MI.

48879-0067 or see Ernie at the January meeting.

Remember if your dues are not paid by the February meeting, you will not receive the *Rockhound News* and you will not be included in the 2006 directory. Speaking of the directory please be sure your information is up to date and is correct,

Member News

We are sorry to report the death of Llife Member

Mary Crosby. We are also sorry to report the death of Nancy Collins', husband Don. Our sympathy goes out to both families.

Nancy Collins' address Box74A,rt 1 Porter Rd. Malone, NY 12953.

Lila Stevens winter address 1300 N. River Rd.

Venice, Fla 34293

The address for Lola Pearson is incorrect, if any one has from Lola please let the editor know.

CLUB CALENDAR

February 16th Regular club meeting at 7:30 P.M.at North School. Use the east door off Loretta.

March 2nd Board meeting at 7:P.M. at the Okemos Library.

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EASY FLUORESCENT LAMP

Compact fluorescent lamps ' long wave' are available from **Feit Electric** their **BLACKLIGHT** is carried at Menards @ \$10.00 and it works quite well. I will bring the one I bought to the meeting, Roger. Thanks to *ArrowheadNews* and rockhounds @ drizzle .com .

Michigan's First Petoskey Stone Festival

Come and help us celebrate everything Petoskey, our much treasured state stone, at Antrim County's Barnes Park in Eastport, Michigan, on Saturday, May 27th, 2006, from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Admission to this first of its kind festival will be FREE to one and all!

If people are interested , there is a great Flint Festival

In Flint Ridge Ohio during Labor Day weekend Sept 2-4. This is a trip that should appeal to both the mineral and lapidary people since the flint beds often contain vugs lined with quartz crystals and sometimes have barite and calcite crystals. The Flint Ridge flint is well known for its lapidary qualities and is the state gem of Ohio. The Lithographic Society is sponsoring a large flint knapping show at the Flint Ridge Park and Museum. This event attracts master flint knappers from all over the country who will be demonstrating their ancient art of making flint arrow and spear points and other tools. Roger and Lee Laylin are willing to lead a trip if any one is interested.