

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 16TH, NORTH SCHOOL

PROGRAM: FALL BRAG/SILENT AUCTION

REFRESHMENTS :R thru Z please bring goodies.

September Program

What did you do this summer? We all like to brag about our great finds, neat places visited and our meetings with old friends and new. Now is your chance, bring pictures and specimans. If only a

few of us have tales to tell we will also have a silent auction.

Club Calendar

September 16th Regular meeting, 7:30, North School

October 2nd Work bee at the Turners. 9:30 a.m.

October 7th Board Meeting at 7:00p.m. Okemos Library

October 21st 10 a.m. meet at Grits Garage to load up show material and childrens table items. 11.30 a.m. until complete or time for regular meeting SHOW SET UP

Main Arena Ingham County Fair Grounds. 7:30 P.M. **REGULAR CLUB**

MEETING AT THE INGHAM COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS MAIN

ARENA.

OCTOBER 22nd 8:30 A.M. School Childrens Morning. We need lots of help. Recruit friends.

1.00 P.M. clean up and help set up for dealers, etc.

6:00 P.M. The show begins!!

SHOW TIME!!!!

Club members, remember last November we committed to hold the Clubs' 39th annual Show . It dosen't just happen. The Show is the result of the dedication and hard work on the part of many CML&MS members working together.

The help of ALL able members and friends is needed in the final days to make the Show a success. On July 17th a work session was held in the back yard and 10 - 12 hard workers completed the 1200 exit gifts and put together 200+ petoskey stone polishing kits. A great lunch was consumed as usual and a good time was had by all.

Remember our October meeting will be held in conjunction with the Show set up at the Main Arena ,Ingham County Fair Ground.

MEMBERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITES

1ST-- SAT.OCT. 2 Potluck Work "B' at Grits garage 9:30 till finish .

Sort and price Kids table Material

2ND-- THURS. OCT.21 10:AM Grits Garage

Load and transfer Kids table and all other Show materials to Arena. Pick-up trucks desired but any trunk load helps.

11:30 AM till complete or Meeting -- Set up for Show , 185 tables , for

Dealers, Demonstrators, Displays, Kids, Silent Auction , Break Area,

Florescent Booth and prepair site to Greet 1200+ Students Fri. AM

Set up Club , Member and Friends Displays.

7:30 PM Club Meeting , Following an abreviated club meeting

complete setting up Displays and other needs.

3RD--FRI.OCT.22 8:30 AM Final preparations and work assignments in readiness to

greet the kids at 9 :AM

1:00 PM Clear up left overs to Kids table and arrange tables for

Dealer set up

6:00 PM SHOW TIME!!!

Welcome Public to the Show . Have Fun ! Meet and

greet old and new friends and do a little work.

4TH-- FRI., SAT. & SUN. Continue with volunteer work assignments , eat drink and spend \$

5TH--SUN. OCT 24TH 5:30 PM BREAKDOWN SHOW ,

TRANSFER LEFT OVERS TO GRITS

GARAGE, help with cars and trucks needed,

Fold and stack tables and chairs.

THANK YOU!!!!

SHOW CHAIRMAN ROGER LAYLIN

MEMBER DISPLAYS

One of the important features of any show are the display cases that the club members and non members bring to the Show to show off their collections or skills. Viewing these displays give the visitors

and club members the opportunity to see mineral specimens and fossils they have never before seen. This is where learning begins and the inspiration for new collections starts.

OFFICIAL "YES, NEIL, I CAN HELP YOU WITH A DISPLAY" FORM

You can count on _____ to bring a display to the show.

I will bring _____ standard club case(s)

_____ pony case(s)

_____ faceting case(s)

_____ something else. Please draw a rough sketch:

_____ Hey, I want to borrow a case.

No, _____ can't display this year, but would be glad to let someone else use my case. Describe case or cases below:

Demonstrators Needed

The time for our Lansing Gem and Mineral show is coming up (Oct 22-23 and 24) and we are hoping that you can demonstrate for us this year, If you can would you please let me know so that I will be sure to save space for you.

Of course Neil would be happy if you brought along any display cases you might like to share. I think that you will be able to set up after 3:00

o'clock on Thur. Of course if you can only demonstrate a few hours or one day we would still be delighted to have you share some time with us.

Thanks, Alice Turner, 2667 Pine Tree Holt Mi 48842. ph 517-694-9596

e- mail gritalice@comcast.net.

CML&MS Annual Show RAFFLE * Drawing on Oct. 24, 2004**

This year's Show RAFFLE still is in need of prizes. First prize is \$100.00 provided by the club. Second prize is a custom faceted gemstone in 14 Kt. gold pendant, donated by a member, and 3rd. prize is a Gemstone World Globe that is donated by a member. A number of additional members have also given or pledged prizes. However, we can always use more prizes to help boost ticket sales and the chance for winning. What can you donate?????

Raffle Tickets will be available for pre-show sales at our monthly club meeting on September 16th. Tickets are priced \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. Be sure to get some early to sell to friends, relatives and others.

Your help selling tickets at the show table is needed too. Tickets will be sold during the show hours Friday evening, all day Saturday, and on Sunday until the 4:00 P.M. prize drawing. A sign-up sheet will be available at the September meeting. GET YOUR BEST TIMES RESERVED NOW!!

To volunteer Prizes, Sign-up for work times, or ask Questions --- Call us. Thank you!

Shar & Milt Gere, 2004 Raffle Co-Chairs, 517-669-8116

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The work to determine nominees for Club Officers for the 2005 year has begun. If you desire to be nominated please notify Chairman Ed Drown or Pres. Mary Gowans.

A & B JEWELS & TOOLS

RETIREMENT SALE

Many items remain available , diamond blades, estwing tools, faceting materials, tumbling supplies and much much more.

Gamblers Sale Percent Off Prices

25% to 70% till 9/13

30% to 70% 9/14-27

40% to 70% 9/28--10/4

50% to 70% till end

Newsletter

We are hoping to have the newsletter available on the our web site. michrocks.org. If you wish to cut down on mail, and you find the Newsletter on the web to work for you, let us know and we will remove your name from the mailing list. Have you visited our web site? It is a work in progress, coming soon you will be able to check to see if we have a book in the library. Many thanks to webmaster Arie and Fred, keep up the great work.

Library

Be cause of the size of the library, not all items will be available at meetings. If you have a special need call the librarian at 349-3249 so we can be sure the things you are interested in will be there. We are looking in to our Magazine subscriptions as they are not being used, so if you wish us to continue with a certain magazine let us know and start taking them out.. Use it or lose it.

Places to go and Things to see and do

Sept.10-12 -Greenfield, IN: 28th Annual Greater Indianapolis Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show. Hancock County 4-H Fairgrounds.Fri.9:30-8pm, Sat. 9-7, Sun.10-4. Sponsored by 500 Earth Sciences. free.

Sept 18-19 -2004 Geology Arts Fair, Gerald E.Eddy Discovery Center, 10730 Bush Rd,Chelsea MI.

Info. 734-475-3170

Oct. 8-10 Greater Detroit Gems, Minerals, Fossils, & Jewelry Show
South Macomb Community College Expo Center Bldg. P,
12 Mile & Hayes, Warren, MI.

Oct. 15-17 Three Rivers 43rd Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Lapidary &
Jewelry Show. Allan County Fairgrounds 2725 Carroll Rd., Ft. Wayne, IN

Oct. 16-17 Flint Rock & Gem Club 37th Annual Show. Carter Middle School
Rogers Lodge Drive
(exit Interstate 75 at exit 131 Vienna Road./M57) Clio, MI

June 17. 2004 Membership Meeting of Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society

The June general membership meeting was called to order by President Mary Gowans, at 7:34 p.m., in the Big "hot" Barn at the Woldumar Nature Center. No guests/or visitors were present this evening.

Vice President: Dan Sine (and Display Chairperson) reported that tonight's program would be on "Datolites - Diversity and Color". Tonight is the last membership meeting until September, program may be a "Fall Brag" or maybe a silent auction;

July and August - Happy Hunting! It was decided at the June Board Meeting that the October 21st Meeting, will be held at the Ingham County Fairgrounds in Mason (this is set up night for our club's show Oct. 22, 23 & 24).

Flyers for upcoming shows were on the front table. And Alan Hukill has flyers for our October show if anyone wanted any to distribute over the summer.

Dan also mentioned that he has been unable to get the club's display to area rock shows, if anyone would like to take the club display to a particular rock show, please see Dan

Door prizes were won by: 1) Milt Gere, 2) Alice Turner, 3) Lila Stevens and 4) Ruth Ann Lehner.

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - There are no minutes for May as that was our Annual Banquet.

Corresponding Secretary: Marie Brooks - No Report.

Treasurer: Alan Hukill - reviewed receipts/expenses and balance to date for the month of June.

Directors: John Juroszek - No report; Christine Juroszek - No report; Gaylord Brooks - reminded us that anytime we meet folks interested in rocks, etc., invite them to a meeting. Connie Snapp added that the website was informative. Both Arie and Fred were present and it was mentioned that they are our Webmasters for the site.

Roster Secretary: Ernie Aughenbaugh - No Report.

Liaison Officer: Alan Hukill - Mentioned that in the Midwest Federation Newsletter, article/and picture endowment fund chairman and vice president regarding a special auction, item went for \$800 (coral of some kind).

Past President: Milt Gere - Mentioned that the new revised/updated Mineralogy of Michigan book was now in print and available for purchase from the Seaman Mineral Museum (MTU) or DEQ-GLMD (Lansing). Sue Casler had a copy at the meeting if anyone was interested in looking at it.

Membership: Elaine Angstman - No report.

Field Trip: Ed Drown - Informed folks that the June field trip was to the Bloomington Swap (Indiana), this coming weekend, June 25-27, 2004 and Ed has information packets available for folks interested. Neil Snapp also mentioned that the Mine Safety class would be available for folks to take at the Bloomington Swap.

Publications: Roger Laylin - 1) packets on display set ups if anyone wanted one; 2) Laylins now have a Laser printer and once they get it working, they will be able to print the newsletter for a penny a page; 3) Roger had some old books from Bettie Patterson for the silent auction (Note: we ended up not having a silent auction because it wasn't noted in the newsletter- books picked up by donation to club); and 4) work picnic scheduled at Laylins on Sat. July 17th, starting around noon with potluck.

Library: Roger Laylin - Added that some of Bettie Patterson's books would be in the club library.

Show: Roger Laylin - Roger asked what the school children attendance was last year, Mary Gowans reported approximately 1200. At tonight's meeting folks were putting barite roses in bags for the exit gifts, Roger stated that 1300 were being done. Karen Kanine asked if some (extra) could be used to give to children at the Okemos Science is Fun Day held generally in January.

Website: Webmaster, Arie Koelewyn reported that they have had visitors to the website; and they have set up proxy e-mails for officers, so personal emails are not on the site.

Old Business: President Mary Gowans thanked Marie Brooks for chairing a successful banquet.

Alice Turner announced that the wire wrap class scheduled for next weekend was cancelled as not enough people signed up.

Alan Hukill reported that the Board voted to join the American Lands Access Association; it is a lobbying group that works toward keeping lands accessible for collecting. Alan also mentioned that individuals could be members of the association.

Mary Gowans reported that the planned bus trip to Chicago would probably be by car since there were only 4 or 5 folks interested in going. They were looking at sometime in July for this trip which would be to the Field Museum in Chicago to see SUE.

New Business: President Mary Gowans announced that it was time to form the Nominating Committee for selecting officers for nomination for 2005. She would like to see five people on the committee, so far she has Ed Drown, Roger Laylin and Ruth Ann Lehner, need two more folks to volunteer. Please call Mary Gowans if interested.

Neil Snapp moved to adjourn the meeting, motion was seconded by Alan Hukill. Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Pres Says:

Welcome back to fall and Club meetings, falling leaves, lots of goodies, talk with returning friends, and THE ANNUAL ROCK, MINERAL AND FOSSIL SHOW. (I was going to add cooler days, but we have been having a few of these all summer.)

You all know about the big event on the Friday morning before the show - The Children's Tour. We need a bunch of good members to help - really need members to just wander around and keep an eye on things, slow down the little runners and maybe help at the exit door if it really gangs up. If someone calls you from the Nominating Committee, please think twice and say, "Yes."

Members, you need to recall your summer travels for the September meeting. Dan Sine can help you if you need a slide projector and screen. Just let him know.

See you on September 16.

Pres G.

Directory corrections. Alan Hukill's e-mail is facetman60@yahoo.com

Lorna Tripp's name was misspelled