Change of show location:

Ingham County Fairgrounds

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Pass the word!!!

REGULAR MEETING: OCT. 18, 7:30 PM

FOLKS WITH LAST NAMES R-Z PLEASE BRING REFRESHMENTS

PROGRAM: VOLCANOES OF CENTRAL AMERICA, LINA PATINO

Dr. Lina Patino, assistant professor of analytical geochemistry at Michigan State University, will present our October program. Dr. Patino's specialty is the origin of lavas from volcanoes in Central America, including Honduras, Guatemala and Costa Rica. Let's have a good turn out for a superior program!

OCTOBER FIELD TRIP-- George Heaton

The field trip for October will be our Gem and Mineral Show at the Marshall Street Armory October 26-28. I hope all of our members will be willing to participate in this event by working at one or more of the many jobs that must be done to put on a good show. The Children's Table will need lots of help, especially during the school tours on Friday morning. And, George would like enough help on Saturday and Sunday so he can goof-off now and then and look at stuff, have a snack, check the silent auction, etc.

SHOW ALERT (jawp)

Due to the state of readiness of our National Guard, we are not able to hold our show at the Marshall Street Armory. **Thankfully, the show board was able to secure the Ingham County Fairgrounds, main pavilion for our show**. Rent will be higher and publicity costs great to inform the public of our change of venue. However, the board and show board agreed that doing our best to maintain the quality of our show was of primary importance.

What can you do to help out?

- 1. Spread the word of the new location. Tell your friends (and enemies). Post a flier!
- **2. Bring a display.** We have lots of room for displays; and, this gives folks a reason to linger at the show a little longer. Fill out the form in this newsletter and get it to Neil Snepp.
- 3. Bring some nice material for the kids table. This & the silent auction are our greatest sources of revenue. Nice stuff, more bucks. But please, please, please make sure anything you bring is labeled & priced!
- **4. Bring a door prize or raffle prize.** Good raffle prizes, more raffle tickets sold. Nice door prizes, happy visitors. Happy visitors come back.
- **5. Donate a little something for the hospitality area.** I'll have lists of specific needs at the meeting. You can sign up then, call 616-948-9589 or e-mail jawp2@voyager.net. Donations of ice, sweet snacks, salty snacks, fruit and vegies ready for eating will be graciously accepted at any time. Yes, ice. There is NO REFRIDGERATION and no kitchen prep area. Please keep that in mind as you plan your donation. Good snacks make for happy dealers and happy club workers.
- 6. Pitch in and work! Those who work two hours earn free admission to the show!
- -- **Thursday** 9:00am meet at Turner's house to begin hauling rock, signs, equipment etc. to the fairgrounds. Set up runs through the evening, usually until about 9:00pm.
- -- **Friday** 8:30 ish am to 1:00 p.m. The invasion of over 1000 school children! We need help selling minerals to these young'uns and monitoring their behavior. Dress comfortably & be ready to hustle!
- --At 1:00 there is a flurry of activity to rearrange things a bit to accommodate the arrival of our dealers, and reorganize the kids table and silent auction for the evening.

During Show Hours:

- --Ticket Sales --Raffle Tickets --Silent Auction --Kids Table
- --Security/Host(ess) --Swap Table --Hospitality

Members interested in swapping, please see Bettie Patterson or Gordon Lewis for guidelines.

Your contributions of time, energy and materials are appreciated and necessary! Do what you can. When push comes to shove, this is a club that pitches in and makes things happen! Sign up for a job or contribution at the meeting, or just show up and say: "Where do you need me?"

The September membership meeting was called to order by President Ed Drown at 7:40 p.m. at the North Elementary School.

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Guests: Bettie Patterson introduced Elsie Anderson. Dave Gearhard is a new member.

Recording Secretary: Minutes were published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Alan reported on the treasury balance.

Corresponding Secretary: Connie's report was published in the newsletter

Roster Secretary: Wayne announced dues can be paid for the remainder of the year

Membership: Earl reported two new members: Thomas Ziegler and Mary Alcroft

Director's Reports: Director Gere - no report

Director Hopkins asked members to sigh up to sell raffle tickets

Director Turner - no report

Liaison: Bettie read news from the Midland Center of Arts and its latest exhibit, Contraptions from A to Z

Past President: Mary Kay - no report

Hospitality - Phyllis thanked those who brought snacks for the meeting's social time

Finance: Gordon - no report

Education: Margaret announced that the Mineral of the Month is Andelucite.

Field Trip: George requested members to attend the September field trip, Sept 22, at Grit's and Alice's to prepare rocks for the children's table.

Library: Lee asked about members who have signed out books but have not return them. She explained the check-out process again -stressing that when a member returns a book or magazine that the members crosses out his/her name.

Display: Grit listed flyers and dates: Sept 21-22 at Hartland and also the Eddy Center; and Greater Detroit, October 12-14; Flint on Oct. 20-21 and Gibralter Trade Center on Nov. 9 - 11.

Door prizes were won by: Ed Drown, Marie Lewis, Sharon Shoemaker, and Connie Snepp

Publication: Jean Ann - no report

Show: Milt reminded members that the list of workers and workers needed was listed in the Newsletter. There will be a Show Committee meeting on Saturday at the table work day. Mary announced that all time slots at the Friday Children's show have been filled. There are 1296 students, 231 teachers and chaperons for a total of 1527.

Old Business: None

New Business: Alan announced that the Mid-West Directory is available.

Bettie read a story called The Little Green Snake.

Program: Jean Ann has a slide show on Pseudomorphs..

Grit made the motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m., seconded and passed.

Mary Kay would like to have cleared up when we have mini-auctions.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Gowans, Recording Secretary

FALL SHOWS

Oct. 20-21 Flint Show. Carter Middle School, Rogers Lodge Drive, Clio MI.

Sat. 10-7, Sun. 10-5

Oct. 26-28 OUR SHOW! Ingham County Fairgrounds, Mason MI. Fri. 6-9, Sat. 10-7, Sun. 11-5

Nov. 6 Dearborn Club Auction. Allen Park Civic Hall, 15871 Philomene, Allen Park MI Sales 6-7; auction 7 pm.

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 rou	igh 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:	