

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: November 16th

PROGRAM: Panning For Gold In Nevada.

REFRESHMENTS : S THRU Z please bring goodies.

NOVEMBER PROGRAM : The program for the November meeting will be presented by member Robert E. Mosher, Panning For Gold In Nevada.

CLUB CALENDAR

November 15th Show Board Wrap Up Meeting at the Laylins, 1770 Sandhill Rd.

All Activity Chairpersons and interested members invited.

November 16th Regular club meeting at North School 7:30 p.m.

December 7th Board meeting at Okemos Library 7:00 p.m.

December 21st Regular club meeting at North School 7:30 p.m.

SHOW REPORTS AND NEWS

THANK YOU !!!

Yes a big one to all of the members who took an active part in making this 41st Show a success. Again a special thanks to Mary Gowans, Children's Tour Chairwoman, for her diligent efforts in contacting teachers and arranging the schedule for the 1100 + students and the parents and teachers. Surely their attendance and obvious enjoyment of Friday morning made the efforts by everyone worthwhile. Show attendance was nearly at prior years level. The free pass as a part of the children's gift returned more parents and children than prior years including a next- door neighbor who attempted to enter without a child. We were pleased to welcome the new Dealers Tom and Pam Cotty "Mineral House". We were disappointed that both they and M & W Minerals were the victims of light- fingered attendees.

A special thanks goes to Chuck Collins who stepped in at the last minute in place of Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski and managed the hospitality room. He took over after Jean Ann established the Menu but was required to assist her mother following her mild stroke. Thanks also to the many members who contributed all the good food that we happily consumed during the show. No one went home hungry. What a great membership. That's why we have the wonderful show that we have.

Left over in the kitchen were a small plastic tray and two (2) pair of shears, and on the arena floor two heavy electric cords. They may be from the trailer. I don't remember.

I was pleased with the club member turn out for both set up and tear down and especially for the

Geology Student turn out Sunday evening. Their young eager bodies were surely appreciated when the members there were somewhat tired.

New material will be required before another show. The pebble pond is empty and the fossils that are left are looking very shop worn and skimpy. Individual and group efforts are necessary to replenish these required items.

The efforts put forth by members in charge of the various show functions was again exceptional; publicity, children's table, silent auction, spinning wheel, demonstrator's, displays, admission's, raffle, florescent booth, security, dealer liaison, treasury and last but not least **FOOD**. A special THANK YOU to all of you in charge as well as all of the members who assisted so ably during the show.

There will be a wrap-up Show Board meeting at the Laylins ,1770 Sandhill, Nov.15th at 7 pm all interested members are welcome.

Overall attendance was down slightly but revenue, with apparently most of the bills in is at or slightly above average. We await the final tally. Again thanks to one and aaaaaaaaaaall for the effort put forward to make the 41st Show a success and enjoyable to all.

ROGER LAYLIN, General
Chairman

Nominating Committee Report

This year's committee consisted of Roger Laylin, Elaine Angstman, Alan Hukill, Sue Casler and Ernie Aughenbaugh. The following slate has agreed to represent our club during 2007and is presented for your approval.

President	Elaine Beane	517-272-9661	NOMINEE
Vice-President	Kristin Wood	517-769-6578	NOMINEE
Recording Secretary	Sue Casler	517-694-1233	
Corresponding Secretary	Mary Ann Smith	517-484-7804	NOMINEE
Secretary	Ernie Aughenbaugh	989-224-7619	Roster
Treasurer	Alan Hukill	517-641-6125	
1 Year Director	Milt Gere	517-669-8116	
2 Year Director	Arie Koelewyn		517-332-6988
3 Year Director	George Heaton	517-339-8914	NOMINEE
Liaison Officer	Alan Hukill	517-641-6125	

Past President

Dan Sine

517-381-0805

This month the new officers will be elected, they will be installed in December and take over in January. There will be a need for committee chairs and committee members to help carry on the club's programs and activities through the new year. Please volunteer again. Officers being replaced turn over your folders to your replacement.

See you at the meeting, Thursday, November 16th Ed.

Dues are due: If you have not paid your dues, Ernie will be glad to accept them at the Nov. meeting or by mail. Ernie's address is

Ernie Aughenbaugh, P.O. Box 67, St. Johns, MI
48879-0067

COME TO A SPAGHETTI DINNER!!! The Mason A&W, 628 N. Cedar Street, is holding a benefit dinner, Monday, Nov. 20th from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm, for Adopt-A-Grandparent, Elaine Angstman's non-profit organization, which provides food, medical help, love and care to 145 impoverished senior citizens from the slums of Lima, Peru. The program gets \$2.50 per plate and you get spaghetti, salad and garlic toast. If you have time please come and enjoy dinner and help the Adopt-A-Grandparent program. Thank you. *Elaine*

NEW MEMBERS We are pleased to welcome 6 new members to our club.

Dan Pfeiffer-4913 Grape Arbor, Lansing, 48917; Billy Jean Fogg-Munn, 3031 Annis Rd., Mason, 48854; Lisa Biermann, 1004 Lathrop St., Lansing, 48912; Student members Austin Hogarth, 333 Dexter, Eaton Rapids 48827; Annika Wiesinger, 1160 Grovenburg Rd. Holt, 48842;

Alex Witbeck 3608 West Arbutus, Okemos 48864.

The following are prior board and club meeting minutes, which have not previously been included for various reasons. We are now up to date.

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Board Meeting

June 1, 2006

President Dan Sine called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm at the Okemos Public Library.

Vice President: Elaine Beane - Discussion of possible programs for Fall: September - Show & Tell, Silent Auction; October - No program, Club Show; November - Gold Hunting in Nevada; December - Christmas Party.

Board Members Present: Dan Sine, Sue Casler, Roger Laylin, Alan Hukill, Elaine Beane, Richard Miller, Kara Miller, Kris Wood, Milt Gere, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Gordon Lewis, Arie Koelewyn and Elaine Angstman. Also present were Bob Mosher and Mary Gowan. [Board members absent: George Heaton and Jennifer Martin]

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - Minutes from the May 3, 2006 Board Meeting were published in the May Club Newsletter. Minutes accepted as printed.

Corresponding Secretary: Kris Wood - Sympathy card was sent to the family of Wilma Hopkins. Kris attended the Midwest Federation Meeting, May 20 in Southgate and reported that it was a 5 ½ hour meeting! Elaine Angstman also reported that she has resigned from running the Federation Silent Auction; however, we will donate proceeds from one of our Silent Auction's to the Federation.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/disbursements for the month of May 2006. Alan also asked the Board for direction on what to do with CD when cashed (due to CD up for renewal and the change of banking institutions). **Elaine Beane made a motion to invest \$13,000 in another CD at the best rate possible at Independent Bank with the balance to be put into savings; Richard Miller seconded the motion. Vote taken and motion passed.**

Liaison Officer: Alan Hukill - Shared some rock sale notices he received.

Field Trip: Dan Sine - Mentioned he will have a list at the banquet for folks to sign up who wish to be notified in the event there is a Field Trip opportunity.

Publications: Roger Laylin - Finishing up the Program for the Banquet. The Directory has been printed. Next year Arie Koelewyn will handle publication of the Directory, Roger will forward information to Arie.

Education/Community Outreach: Kara Miller/Elaine Angstman - Kara reported that Petoskey Stone Polishing Demonstrations were made on May 24th at St. John's Library and May 31 at St. Casimir Middle School and that June 1 was Kara's Birthday.

Display: Dan Sine - Need displays for the banquet.

Show: Roger Laylin - Reminder to folks that a work bee will be held on Saturday, July 22 at the Laylins. Work on children's tour exit gifts.

Old Business: Club Banquet - June 15 at 5:30 Social/6:30 Dinner; so far only 30 tickets sold to date! Should we have banquet in June next year or go back to May? Alan Hukill has to reserve North School and sign contract for monthly membership meetings so he needs to know if we need the school for May or not? **Roger Laylin made a motion to leave the Banquet in June until 2007; Elaine Beane seconded the motion. Vote taken, motion passed.**

New Business: Milt and Shar Gere attended the First Petoskey Stone Festival in Eastport on Memorial Day Weekend.

Kara Miller moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Elaine Angstman. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Board Meeting

September 7, 2006

President Dan Sine called the meeting to order at the Okemos Public Library.

Vice President: Elaine Beane - Program for September - Mini Silent Auction, (get DVD set up & TV at North School)

Board Members Present: Dan Sine, Roger Laylin, Alan Hukill, Elaine Beane, Richard Miller, Kris Wood, Milt Gere, Ernie Aughenbaugh,

Gordon Lewis, and Arie Koelewyn. [Board members absent: George Heaton, Sue Casler, Elaine Angstman, Kara Miller and Jennifer Martin]

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - Absent. Thank you to Vice President, Elaine Beane for taking the minutes in my absence.
Corresponding Secretary: Kris Wood - Get well cards sent to Grit Turner and Joe Manina.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/disbursements for the months of June and July/August of 2006.

Liaison Officer: Alan Hukill - Nomination forms for Midwest Federation. Board voted for Fran Gutkowski and Marge Collins.

Past President (& Education): Richard Miller - small organizations and teachers would like stone polishing kits.

Website: Mary Gowans - Received email from teacher: "bring kids to show"; show flyer up; current officer list; program list; library list (?); emails to officers are bounced to personal emails.

Show: Roger Laylin - Report on Raffle, tickets to printer and list of top three prizes, \$100, gemstone globe (donated by Ernie A.), gemstone pendant (donated by Milt G.). Tickets will be available at the 9/21 meeting. Mary Ann Smith is placing notices in various publications for the show - stories for community newspapers, announcement in City Pulse, LSJ and Free Press. Club trailer to be moved to Laylins with work day scheduled for Sat. 9/23 to sort and pack children's table material. At the July work session, 1300 exit gifts were assembled, in addition to 350 polishing kits and 520 egg carton rock collections were put together by Lila Stevens. Discussion of purchasing additional rock materials for children's table - last year purchased pyrite and bornite. Bulk materials can be purchased (or have been purchased?) 30 lbs of pyrite - small bags (\$?), magnetic sand & magnet, pyrite, calcite, mica-biotite, fluorite. Can purchase materials by catalog, GLW shows, other?

Mary Gowans reported on Children Tour - 1,118 to date includes 990 children from 13 schools. 9am-11:30 time slots filled up.

Groups 150-170 at a time. We will have two mineral tables and one fossil table and need more folks to staff them!

New Business: Milt Gere reported that there is a public meeting in Alpena, Sept. 19 - State owns quarry in Alpena-Rockport, public comment, suggest Rockhound Park? Milt also asked about Review of the Bylaws - is this something the Directors do? Appoint committee to review constitution and bylaws. Initial review of constitution and bylaws will be done by the Directors - Milt, George and Arie. Meeting adjourned.

These minutes were typed by Sue Casler, Recording Secretary from the written minutes taken by Elaine Beane, Vice President.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

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Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Membership Meeting

September 21, 2006

a. Call to Order. The September membership meeting was called to order by President Dan Sine at 7:50 pm at the North Elementary School.

b. Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors. No guests/visitors present.

c. Minutes of Last Meeting. Sue Casler (Recording Secretary) - The last membership meeting was May 18, 2006 (not sure if minutes were ever printed in newsletter); Club banquet on June 15th was in place of June membership meeting. The main items in the May meeting were Banquet; and a request to all members to inform the corresponding secretary, Kris Wood and/or Mary Kay Bean if a member passes away so information can be shared with club in a timely manner.

d. Treasurer's Report. Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/expenses for month to date.

e. Announcements.

*Mary Gowans - Children's Tour (10/27 am) review of what it is, what tasks involved and need volunteers to help.

*Lee Laylin - There are some new books in the library from Grit Turner

*Neil Snapp - The Banquet in 2007 will be in June (Board committed to having the Banquet in June again for 2007, if turn out low, will reconsider for 2008)

*Roger Laylin - Reminder that this Sat. 10/23, meet at Laylin's to sort through Children's

Table material and load up the trailer. New layout for show - take a look at.

*Do we want to have a show board meeting? If so, when?

*Mary Ann Smith - will take care of Advertisements in newspapers for Show.

*Alan Hukill - Misc. items, flyers and newsletter; also a teacher at Waverly H.S. telephoned and would like a one hour talk on rock hounding on October 12, 3:30- 4:30pm, anyone interested coordinate with Alan.

*Door Prizes were won by Ruth Lehner, Nate Krupp, Ernie Aughenbaugh, George Olds, Wayne Zittel, George Heaton and Gary Smith.

*Tonight's program is "Show and Tell" about the summer rock hounding adventures; and mini-silent auction.

f. **Adjournment.** Neil Snapp moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Alan Hukill. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Board Meeting

October 5, 2006

Vice President Elaine Beane (in the absence of President Dan Sine who arrived later) called the meeting to order

at 7:20 pm at the Okemos Public Library. Membership meeting on October 19th will not have a program - will be

Discussion on upcoming club show.

Board Members Present: Elaine Beane, Roger Laylin, Alan Hukill, Sue Casler, Elaine Angstman, Kara Miller,

Richard Miller, Kris Wood, Milt Gere, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Gordon Lewis, Arie Koelewyn, George Heaton,

Dan Sine. Members present: Christine Juroszek, Mary Gowans, Mary Kay Bean and Wayne Zittel.

[Board members absent: None]

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - Thank you to Vice President, Elaine Beane for taking the minutes at the

September Board meeting in my absence. [As of this meeting, recording secretary had not typed up minutes -

main topic at September Board meeting was the show]

Corresponding Secretary: Kris Wood - No report.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/disbursements for the month of September 2006.

Directors: George Heaton reported that the November Board meeting will be on WEDNESDAY, NOV. 1

instead of Thursday, due to a scheduling conflict at the Okemos Library. Directors Milt Gere and Arie Koelewyn had no report.

Education: Kara Miller - Petoskey Stone polishing demonstration at Lutten Elementary on Sept. 27, for 60 kids!

Show: Roger Laylin - Work Bee was held on Sat., Sept. 23, Trailer was loaded; Table coverings - color?;

Sacks - need more?; Tables/chairs will be delivered to the arena Thurs. (10/26) am.; 545 postcards were

sent out (from raffle mailing list); 3-day (or 2-day) pass will be \$5.00.

Mary Gowans reported on Children Tour - 1,500 children will be coming on Friday (10/27) starting at 9 am,

will need help in all areas, so try and be there by 8:30 am.

New Business: Dan Sine - 1) email to the Ohio person who had some rock related questions; 2) afternoon

of Oct. 12 at Waverly H.S. and 3) Greater Detroit Rock Show is Oct. 13,14,15 at Macomb Community College

and Taylor Club auction in Nov.

Alan Hukill moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Roger Laylin. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Membership Meeting **October 19, 2006**

a. Call to Order. The October membership meeting was called to order by President Dan Sine at 7:45 pm at the North Elementary School.

b. Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors. Roni Sionahides and new member Lisa Biermann

c. Minutes of Last Meeting. Mary Gowans (Sue Casler - Absent) - Last month's minutes not available.

d. Treasurer's Report. Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/expenses for month to date.

e. Announcements.

*Elaine Angstman - announced that A&W (Mason) was doing a spaghetti dinner benefit for her Peruvian grandparents. Date is Nov. 20 (Mon.) Every one is invited to come.

*Mary Gowans - gave update of Children's Tour (10/27).

*Alan Hukill - read email concerning some rock machines, etc. for sale. Watch website for information or call Alan.

*Door Prizes were won by Cathy Hughes, Lisa Biermann, Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski, Kris Wood, Mary Kay Bean, Bob Mosher, Alan Hukill, and Chris Juroszek.

*Tonight's program - Vice President Elaine Beane, "The Anatomy of the Gem and Mineral Show".

f. Adjournment. Elaine Angstman moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Alan Hukill. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. Respectfully submitted, Mary Gowans for Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Board Meeting

November 1, 2006

President: Dan Sine called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm at the Okemos Public Library.

The President's first order of business was to establish a nominating committee to select and present a slate of officers for 2007 for vote at the November Membership Meeting. A nominating committee was selected and consisted of the following

persons: Roger Laylin, Elaine Beane, Alan Hukill, George Heaton and Dan Sine. The following slate of officers was nominated for 2007: President - Elaine Beane;

Vice President - Open; Recording Secretary - Sue Casler; Corresponding Secretary - *Kris Wood was not present at the meeting to confirm nomination; Treasurer - Alan Hukill; Directors - George Heaton (3-yr), Arie Koelewyn (2-yr) and Milt Gere (1-yr). President Sine also appointed Gordon Lewis and Marie Lewis (pending acceptance) to be the Audit Committee.

Vice President: Elaine Beane - Reviewed a handout she has prepared on Show Protocols (related to talk at last membership meeting).

The November Program will be on "Gold Hunting in Nevada" prepared by Bob Mosher based on when he was a consultant on a gold expedition.

Board Members Present: Elaine Beane, Roger Laylin, Alan Hukill, Sue Casler, Elaine Angstman, Richard Miller, Milt Gere, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Gordon Lewis, Arie Koelewyn, George Heaton, Dan Sine. Members present: Bob Mosher [Board members absent: Kara Miller and Kris Wood]

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - October 5, 2006 board meeting minutes not yet printed in the newsletter, therefore briefly summarized the meeting minutes. Minutes accepted as summarized.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/disbursements for the month of October 2006.

Directors: George Heaton reported that the Children's table sold lots of rocks. Milt Gere and Arie Koelewyn had not yet reviewed the By-laws, Arie would like an electronic copy.

Liaison Officer: Alan Hukill - he has the minutes/report of the Federation meeting in Evansville if anyone interested in looking at; in addition, few other mailings that the club has received.

Past President: Richard Miller - commented that the Petoskey stone polishing demonstration at the show was well attended.

Membership: Elaine Angstman - received six applications for membership at the show last weekend and presented them to the Board for action. **A motion was made by Ernie Aughenbaugh, seconded by Richard Miller to accept all applications for membership to the**

Society. Vote taken. Motion passed. Welcome new members: Dan Pfeiffer; Billie Jean Fogg-Munn; Lisa Biermann;

Austin Hogarth (student member); Annika Wiesinger (student member) and Alex Whitbeck (student member).

Publications (and Library): Roger Laylin - New book purchases for the library were out on the table for display; and does anyone know where the Memory Book is?

Web Master/Site: Arie Koewelyn - he will place the by-laws on the website; and he will update the Library booklist when the information

is passed on to him.

Show: Roger Laylin - A BIG Thank You to everyone for their help with the Show. A show board meeting has been scheduled for Wed. Nov. 15th at 7 pm at the Laylins. Show details/reports will be discussed.

Old Business: The Oct. 12 rockhound talk at Waverly High School was postponed until sometime in January.

New Business: Elaine Angstman - reviewed the handout she passed out with the statistics on the Silent Auction and Wheel. She also asked for the 2007 Silent Auction budget amount up front - this will be taken up at the show board meeting.

Alan Hukill moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Elaine Beane. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

WHAT'S HAPPENING ELSE WHERE

Nov. 11-12 Midwest Faceters Annual Show, Taylor Sportsplex, 33333 Telegraph Rd.(US 24) Taylor,MI

Nov.18-19 Toledo Gem & Rockhound Open House, Crosby Conf Center, Toledo Botanical Gardens,

5403 Elmer Dr. Toledo, Ohio; Sat.-Sun. 10-5.

See you at the November 16th Meeting.

Wishing you all a very thankful Thanksgiving.

