

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 20, 2011

PROGRAM: Gold Mineralization in Menominee County [UP]

REFRESHMENTS: Members with Initials A-L, Please Bring Goodies

Location & Time: The CMLMS January Meeting will be held on January 21 at 7:30 pm at the North School, 333 E. Miller Rd, Lansing, MI. Please get there a little early to help set up the tables.

Richard Lassin (2010 CMLMS VP) will give a presentation on GOLD mineralization in the UP!

Calendar for February 2011

February 3, 2010 Board Meeting-7:00 pm at the Okemos Library

February 17, 2010 Membership Meeting at North School. The February speaker is **Michael Velbel** of the MSU Geology Dept. Topic: **Recent Meteorite Recoveries in Michigan.**

Club News

- **2011 Officers are:** President – **Roni Sionakides**; Vice-President – **David Westjohn**; Recording Secretary – **Sue Casler**; Corresponding Secretary – **Sharon Patton**; Treasurer – **Kris Wood**; 3 Year Director – **Jan Sjoquist**; 2 Year Director, **Bob Mosher**; and 1 Year Director, **Mary Gowans**. Officers were sworn in by **Gordon Lewis** at the December 2010 membership meeting.
 - **2011 Banquet will be on May 19:** That's only four months away, and volunteers are needed for all aspects of the banquet, including the tickets, hospitality table, decorations, and overall coordination. The President will find a good speaker, but we all need to help with the rest of the party! **Volunteer Now!!**
 - **Field Trips:** Please contact **Dan Sine** if you are interested in visiting Archie's Workshop. **Archie Ammerman** has invited his fellow CMLMS members to come and see his workshop, but he doesn't have a lot of space and we may need to plan a couple of sessions. If you want to join the group, act now!
 - **Display Chairman, Dave Westjohn** needs help with taking the refurbished club display to shows put on by other mineral, lapidary, and gem clubs in Michigan. If you are going to a Michigan show, please take the club's beautiful display with you! Please call or email Dave and join the Display Committee.
 - **CMLMS** sends congratulations to long-time member **Bessie Rogers**, who celebrated her 90th birthday recently. Best wishes for many more years, Bessie!
 - **CMLMS** welcomes new members **Glen Kuban** of Strongsville, Ohio & **Michele Ballinger** of DeWitt.
 - **CMLMS** sends condolences to Corresponding Secretary **Sharon Patton**, whose husband passed away just before Christmas, after a long illness.
 - **CMLMS** member **Nancy Smith Collins** passed away in July 2010. She was living in New York near her daughter-in-law, who writes, "Nancy loved all things in nature but especially rocks and minerals. She will be missed by all who knew her."
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Roster Secretary Ernie Aughenbaugh: Dues are now being collected for 2011!!! Please pay your dues or you won't be in the club directory and you won't be able to vote.

A Message about Okemos Science is Fun Day:

- **Milt Gere and Roni Sionakides** have secured 10 tables to accommodate displays from CMLMS members at the Okemos *Science is Fun Day*, which will be held on February 12, 2010, from 11 AM to 3 PM at Okemos High School on Jolly Rd. east of Hagadorn. Please contact Milt or Roni by email or phone if you can bring a display or are interested in helping with exhibits. This is a Fun Day!
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Check www.amfed.org/mwf for Place to Go & Things to Do.

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society Board Meeting, November 4, 2010

President: Roni Sionakides called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm at the Okemos Public Library.

Board Members Present: Elaine Angstman, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Elaine Beane, Sue Casler, Milt Gere, Mary Gowans, George Heaton, Alan Hukill, Richard Lassin, Roger Laylin, Lyle Laylin, Gordon Lewis, Jennifer Martin, Bob Mosher, Roni Sionakides, Mary Anne Smith, David Westjohn and Kris Wood. [Board members absent: Kara Miller and Dan Sine]

Vice President: Rich Lassin - Program Review: November meeting -- a talk by MSU Doctorial candidate Summer Ostrowski on "Madagascar Fossil Fishes"; December meeting -- annual "Holiday" gathering with food and a rock-related gift exchange.

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - Summarized October Board minutes (meeting held Sept. 30).

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Anne Smith - No report.

Treasurer's Report: Kris Wood - Reviewed the receipts and disbursements for the month of October.

Directors: [1-YR] Bob Mosher - continuing to study Micro Fossils from the Alpena Quarry. Possible display for 2011 CMLMS Show. [2-YR] Mary Gowans - No report. [3-YR] Dave Westjohn - No report.

Roster Secretary: Ernie Aughenbaugh; **Liaison Officer:** Alan Hukill; **Past President:** Milt Gere. All no report.

Membership: Elaine Angstman - Presented nine (9) applications for CMLMS membership for Board action: 1) Carl & Barb Trost; 2) Charles Wolf; 3) John & Sally Hoskin; 4) John Esch; 5) Michael & Carol Lemense; 6) Majid "Doc" Katranji; 7) Michael Trelfa; 8) Don Lauhoff; and 9) David Houseman. **Mary Gowans moved to accept applications; Alan Hukill seconded the motion. Vote taken and motion approved. Welcome to all new members!**

Publications: Elaine Beane - Requested newsletter materials be sent in by the end of the coming week.

Education & Community Outreach: Jennifer Martin - Reported a potential February classroom visit for Petoskey stone polishing.

Library: Roger Laylin - The library will be returning to the school for the Nov. 18th mtg.

Display: Dave Westjohn - Reported the club display is fixed up and ready to go; anyone going to a show can take the display.

Finance: Gordon Lewis - No report. **Web Master:** Lyle Laylin - No Report.

Show: Roger Laylin - 1) Show Board Mtg. date to be determined after Nov. 18th Mtg.; 2) reminder to ask at Nov. 18th membership meeting for vote on show for 2011. There also was discussion of complaints about religious proselytizing by a group that was in attendance at the show.

Mary Gowans reported on the Friday school tour - Attendance total was 853, with 709 students. Should club propose transportation support (monetary assistance) to schools?

Elaine Angstman presented the silent auction/and spinning wheel reports. Elaine Beane presented the admissions report.

Old Business: Discussion of Impression 5 Science Center scholarships - to be tabled until next spring. By-Laws Amendment for memorials to be discussed at next meeting. Nominating Committee - Elaine Beane, Roger Laylin and Milt Gere. Looking for new VP and 3-yr Director [Roni, Sue and Kris agree to remain in current positions].

New Business: None.

Mary Gowans moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Elaine Beane. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society Membership Meeting, November 18, 2010

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by President Roni Sionakides at 7:40 pm at the North Elementary School.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors. Mike Mann, David Houseman, Pat Scott and Amy Hiltunen. Welcome to all!

Minutes of Last Meeting. The October meeting was held (briefly) at the main arena, Ingham Co. Fairgrounds as members worked on show set-up. President Roni made some brief announcements.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Kris Woods (absent) - No report.

Announcements. Vice President - Richard Lassin announced that tonight's program will be a talk by Summer Ostrowski, MSU Doctorial candidate and club scholarship student. The December meeting will be our "Holiday" party, with rock-related gift exchange. Club member Nate Krupp will be using the club cases for a talk to 8th grade students on Monday. Roger Laylin asked for a vote of the membership to have a show in October, 2011; the motion was approved.

Milt Gere, Nominating Committee Chair, presented the following nominations for the slate of officers for 2011:

President - Roni Sionakides, Vice President - Dave Westjohn, Treasurer - Kris Wood, Recording Secretary - Sue Casler, Corresponding Secretary - Sharon Patton, 1-YR Director - Mary Gowans, 2-YR Director - Bob Mosher, 3-YR Director - Jan Sjoquist.

Mary Gowans moved to close nominations; Richard Miller seconded the motion. Vote taken, motion

passed.

Mary Gowans moved to have the secretary record a unanimous vote for slate; Sherry Sparks seconded the motion.

Vote taken, motion passed.

Adjournment. Kara Miller moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by John Siddage. Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary
