

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 17TH

PROGRAM: 'Collecting Earth's Natural Treasures'

REFRESHMENTS: R THRU Z please bring goodies.

Program: Dan Sine- February's program will be a video titled 'Collecting Earth's Natural Treasures'

Door prize for the February meeting is a seven page booklet on 'The Cambrian in North America',

Club Calendar

February 17th **Regular meeting. North School 7:30**

March 3rd CML&MS board meeting 7:00 Okemos Library

March 17th Regular meeting. North School 7:30

Presidents Comments: To The Membership

Think "40th Annual 2005 Show"! What will make this event interesting, well advertised, customers and guests overwhelmed by attending and a plus to the Society. Bring your suggestions to the meetings and let's work together to make this year's event outstanding. We need your help to (advertise it with dignity) and a plan which will overcome the costs involved.

Just a reminder 2005 dues may be submitted and we can then get our Society

Directory information in line for mailing or pickup later this year.

The minutes for the Society Board Meetings are published starting in this issue please take a moment to look them over. comments may be made during the next regular meeting.

Is there someone interested in helping with field trips for 2005 please see me at the next meeting.

Richard E. Miller

DUES ARE DUE ITS TIME TO GET THOSE DUES IN TO ROSTER SECRETARY - ERNIE AUGHENBAUGH,
P.O.Box 67, St. Johns, MI. 48879-0067. \$10.00 for individuals, \$15.00 for family

\$2 student under 18. Dues can be mailed to Ernie at the above address or paid at the meeting. . To save the roster secretary work and to be included in the directory get those dues in to Ernie. This is the last newsletter you will

receive if your dues have not been paid. Twenty six members have not paid their membership dues for 2005.

The Club's Silent Auction is our March program. Silent auction slips will be available at the February meeting. So start planning on getting some of those minerals, etc. ready for this sale. Remember, you keep the money from your sales.

NEW ADDRESS for members Walter Davis

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New Boston, Texas 75570

Oscar Puryear

605 Summergreen Dr.

Frankenmuth, MI.48734

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UPCOMING SHOWS, SWAPS, ETC.

Eastern Indiana Gem and Geological Soc., Inc.

Show and Sale - Wayne County Fairgrounds

Richmond, Indiana MARCH 4, 9-6 MARCH 5, 10-6 MARCH 6, 11-4

The Roamin Club - Special Auction

Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road

Livonia, Michigan MARCH 5, 11-6 MARCH 6, 12-6

Gem and Mineral Show - Macomb, Illinois

W.I.U. Student Union Ball Room

Murray Street, Macomb, Illinois MARCH 12, 10-2 MARCH 13, 10-5

Michigan Gem & Mineral Society Show

Michigan Center Masonic Lodge 355 Napoleon Rd.

Michigan Center, Michigan March 18, 10-7 March 19, 10-7 March 20, 10-5

Midwest Mineralogical and Lapidary Society

Metro Rock Swap- Democratic Club of Taylor

23400 Wick Road, Taylor, Mich. MARCH 26, 10-5

At the January Board Meeting , the Board decided that a summary of the Board Meeting minutes will be published in our monthly Rockhound News.

Summary of the January 6, 2005 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Order of Business for our regular monthly meetings will be as follows;

Call to Order, Welcome and Introduction of guests, Minutes of the previous meeting, Treasurer's report, Announcements, Adjournment. Program or Education Activity will follow.

The Treasurer's 2004 Annual Report was given.

Motion was made to update and redesign our membership applications to reflect separate areas for single and family membership. Motion seconded and passed.

Motion was made that the Club donate to the American Federation Scholarship Fund \$100.00 in memory of Florence Hill. Motion was seconded and passed.

Summary of the February 3, 2005 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Correspondence was received from the Midwest Federation thanking CML&MS for the \$100.00 donation to the American Federation Scholarship in memory of Florence Hill.

Correspondence was received from Peter Sparks, grandson of Norma vonStuck. Norma was a life member of our Club and passed away on January 16.

The Science in Fun day that was scheduled for January 21, at Chippewa Middle School in Okemos, was canceled due to snowfall.

Copies of the January Treasurer's report were given to board members.

A proposed budget for 2005 was submitted to the Board. Discussion followed. Motion was made and seconded that the budget be approved. Motion passed.

Advertising for the Show was discussed.

Correspondence was received from Rayla Elementary School letting us know the date of their Science Day on April 22 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

SECRETARY,CORRESPONDING - Lola Pearson A card of sympathy was sent to the family of Norma von Stuck. Norma was a life member of our club and she passed away on January 16, 2005.

Arie Koelewyn, our Webmaster, reported that the January Rockhound News is not yet on our website. The website has had many hits.

Note: The January 6 and February 3 Board Minute summaries were submitted by Marie Lewis (substituting for Sue Casler).

SHOW NEWS

THE SHOW BOARD MEETING FOLLOWING THE JANUARY FIELD TRIP PROVED TO BE VERY

PRODUCTIVE . IN HONOR OF THE CLUB'S FORTY YEARS OF HOLDING ROCK SHOWS IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY DECIDED TO NAME THE SHOW "RUBY JUBILEE ". WE REVIEWED THE VARIOUS JOBS THAT MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL SHOW AND THE SEVERAL PEOPLE IN CHARGE OF THE NUMEROUS TASKS WERE NAMED. MUCH DISCUSSION WAS HAD CONCERNING ADEQUATE PUBLICITY IN AN EFFORT TO INCREASE ATTENDANCE . DECISION WERE ALSO MADE TO LIMIT THE DEALERS TO ELEVEN AND TO AGAIN TRY A REVISED FLOOR PLAN IN AN EFFORT TO EVEN OUT THE ELECTRIC DEMAND . NEW CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES WERE ALSO SUGGESTED TO BE HELD DURING THE SHOW , PANNING FOR PYRITE , WHEEL OF FORTUNE AND OTHERS. A GOOD REVIEW OF THE SHOW BUDGET WAS ALSO CONDUCTED , THE RESULT BEING AN OVERALL INCREASE TO \$10,090.00, COPIES OF THE FULL BUDGET ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

"BREAKING NEWS "

WE HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT THERE WILL BE A GUEST AT THE SHOW . PROVIDING THAT WE CAN ARRANGE SUITABLE TRANSPORTATION ."SUE " IS COMING NEIL HAS JUST CONFIRMED THAT ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR THE " **TYRANNOUS SUE**" TO BE IN ATTENDANCE . YIP. YIP.

CHAIRMAN'S NOTE--- OUR BIRDING TRIP TO TEXAS WAS SUCCESSFUL SIX NEW SPECIES WERE ADDED TO OUR LIFE LISTS , DETAILS GLADLY PROVIDED UPON REQUEST. I' AM ALSO GLAD TO REPORT THAT DESPITE LOCAL CONCERN THE TIRES DID NOT POP, THE SPRINGS DID NOT BREAK AND THERE WAS NOT AN EARTH QUAKE RESULTING FROM THE SHIFTING OF THE MASS OF 800 - 1000 LBS OF A MOUNTAIN SIDE FROM MT. IDA, ARK. TO MASON.THE EXIT GIFT FOR KIDS MORNING AT THE SHOW THIS YEAR WILL BE QUARTZ CRYSTALS.

NOTE FROM LIBRARIAN

Please return any library books that you have out. Books go out for one month not all year. They can be renewed but I need to know that you know where they are and that they belong to CML&MS. I have been lax in enforcing this rule and we have lost some books because of

this.

NOTE FROM EDITOR

If we are to have a really great show, we all need to do our part to make it come about. Let's all work together to make the "Ruby Jubilee" the best show ever. Involve your friends. Its not to early to start work now. Put on your thinking caps and come up with some great ideas and then round up enough volunteers to make them work.

HAVE A VERY HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Membership Meeting

February 17, 2005

- a. **Call to Order.** The February membership meeting was called to order by President Richard Miller at 7:35 pm at the North Elementary School.
- b. **Welcome and Introduction of Guests.** No guests present this evening.
- c. **Minutes of Last Meeting.** Recording Secretary did not get the January minutes typed to put in the February newsletter; briefly summarized January meeting. Both January and February meeting minutes will be included in the March newsletter.
- d. **Treasurer's Report.** Treasurer's report was given by A. Hukill.
- e. **Announcements.**

*Audit Committee submitted audit report.

*Letter from AFMS was read - thank you to club for donation in memory of Florence Hill for AFMS Scholarship Fund.

*Letter from Peter Sparks, grandson of long time member Norma vonStuck (see note in newsletter).

*British Crown Jewels to be at MSU-Kellogg Center, March 17 from 6-9pm, there is a \$35 registration fee. NOTE: Club meeting w/silent auction is that same night.

*Tulip City newsletter available to look at, note field trips they have planned for the year.

*Aerie K. noted some of the upcoming rock shows and events, flyers on table in the front of room.

*Society Budget for 2005 is completed and approved; copies available if anyone is interested.

*Door prizes were won by Chris Townsend, Christine Wood, Connie Snepp, Jennifer Martin, Kara Miller, Elliot Wood, Milt Gere, George Heaton and Richard Miller.

*T-Rex "SUE" will be coming to our show in October.

*Silent auction slips are available to folks to use for the silent auction at the March meeting.

*Program tonight is on Sedimentary Processes and Formations.

f. Adjournment. Kara Miller moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Mary Gowans. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Membership Meeting

January 20, 2005

a. Call to Order. The January membership meeting was called to order by President Richard Miller at 7:38 pm at the North Elementary School.

b. Welcome and Introduction of Guests. New member, Jan Rygwelski, introduced herself at the meeting.

c. Minutes of Last Meeting. Generally published in the newsletter for membership to read (and notify recording secretary if there are any corrections). In addition, it was decided at the January Board Meeting, that Board meeting minutes would also be published in the newsletter.

d. Treasurer's Report. The treasurer reported that Midwest Federation dues and insurance were paid; and a donation of \$100 was made by the club to the American Federation Scholarship Fund in memory of Florence Hill.

e. Announcements.

*President Richard Miller explained the new agenda format for membership meetings in an effort to shorten the "business" portion of the meeting.

*Audit of club treasury/books has been completed.

*Door prizes were won by Elaine Bean, Lindsey Monroe, Milt Gere, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Lee Laylin and Martin Jacobsen.

*Reminder - Potluck/Field Trip this Sunday, January 23 at 1 pm. Additional information is in the newsletter. There will be a Show Board Meeting following the potluck.

*Tentative reservation for the Masonic Lodge, May 19th for our annual banquet.

*Program tonight is on the Cranbrook Mineral Museum.

f. Adjournment. Kara Miller moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Roger Laylin. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Casler, Recording Secretary