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This bulletin is the official publication of the Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society of greater Lansing, Michigan. It is published each month except July and August.

The Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society is a non-profit organization, meeting to promote interest and increased knowledge in the fields of mineralogy, geology, paleontology and the lapidary arts. It was organized in May 1957 and celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2007.

Meeting place: Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, Okemos, MI

Regular meeting date: Third Thursday, except July and August

Meeting time: 7:00 p.m., doors are open at 6:30 p.m.

Annual Dues: Adults \$10.00; Families \$15.00; Students under 18 \$2.00

Board meetings: First Thursday, except July and August; 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

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ROCKHOUND NEWS

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, February 21, 2019

PROGRAM: Gold Mining operations in the U.P. by club member Richard Lassen

REFRESHMENTS: Members with Initials L - Z Please Bring Goodies

Location and Time: The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on January 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

Calendar for winter 2019

February 21, 2019 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

March 7, 2019 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

March 21, 2019 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

April 4, 2019 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

[Editor's note: the deadline for the newsletter is **Monday, 8 a.m.** after the board meeting.]

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

February 21 - Membership meeting will be Richard Lassen, he will speak on gold mining operations in the UP.

March 21 - Annual Silent Auction.

NEW CLUB MEMBERS – WELCOME

Greg and Danni Burns

Carrie Anthony

NEWSLETTER EDITOR/PUBLICATIONS CHAIR

Our new chairperson is Chuck Taricska who will taking over beginning with the February 2019 issue. Please contact him if you have anything you want to submit for publication. Please note that there will no longer be any paper copies sent. You will be sent an email copy before the membership meeting. If you do not have email please arrange with another member who does to get a copy of the newsletter.

VACANCIES ON THE BOARD

The following positions need staffing. Please consider volunteering for your society and helping out. It's a nice way to get to know members.

Display Chair - sets up the memorial displays at the club show and takes to other rock shows.

Liaison Officer.

Message from the Roster Secretary

Dues are now being collected for 2019

It's that time again when you are asked to renew your membership in the Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society. (Membership runs from January through December each year.) Membership dues for 2019 are being collected through the end of December, at which time, if unpaid, you will be removed from the list for the newsletter. If you have not paid, please remember you will no longer have privileges for field trips. **YOU MUST BE A SOCIETY MEMBER TO GO WITH THE SOCIETY.** Please keep in mind that December 31 of each year is the actual date your dues should be paid to the society so the board can plan accordingly for publishing an annual directory and insurance for each member for field trips. **DO IT TODAY BEFORE YOU FORGET!!!!**

Dues may be paid at any membership meeting to the Treasurer or sent by mail to our address: CMLMS, P.O. Box 24202, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

Outreach Committee: Always in need of volunteers to help with school science fairs, talks and presentations at schools and other organizations, and educational opportunities. Contact committee chair Mary Gowans to lend a hand. **gowansma@core.com** [please note change of email address] or 517-351-6136.

March 22 - Kinawa Middle School from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

April 12 - Hiawatha Elementary School from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Let Mary know if you want to help out. If uncertain, you don't need to bring anything but a smile and an answer to a question. The kids are great!

New members: please think about coming to the science night just for fun. You can help the team if anyone needs another "hand" or talk to the children and parents about our organization. I wish that we had a club flyer to pass out. If you have an exhibit, bring it along. But mainly I am hoping that new members will find another thing to do that is fun, helps fulfill our mission and encourage young people to share our passion for rocks and minerals and do fun things.

Mary Gowans
Outreach Chair

Library: Our new librarian is Jessica Clark. She will help you check out books in the library boxes. Watch for new books being added in the very near future. Always something in there, old or new, for all interests.

Field Trips!

Contact our new field trips chairperson, Carl Mennare, for more information and to sign up as trips are planned. Phone 517-599-1882 or cmenn@yahoo.com.

CHECK OUT THE SOCIETY'S WEBSITE at <http://MICHROCKS.ORG>

UPCOMING SHOWS

March 9-10, 2019 Livonia MI Roamin Club, Vista Tech Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road. Contact: Todd Gall, roaminrockhound@gmail.com.

March 15-17, 2019, JACKSON, MI Michigan Gem and Mineral Society Annual Show. Fri 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sat 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sun 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Jackson County Fairgrounds, 200 W. Ganson St., Jackson. Contact: Sally 517-522-3396; www.mgmsrocks.com.

March 23, 2019 Taylor, MI Midwest Mineralogical & Lapidary Society Rock Swap, Sat, 10-5, St. John's Lutheran Church, 13115 Telegraph Road. Taylor, MI. Contact: Lou Talley, ltalley1970@gmail.com

May 18-19, 2019, ST. JOSEPH, MI Blossomland Gem and Mineral Society Annual Show. Sat 9 a.m. - 6p.m., Sun 12 - 6 p.m. Lake Michigan Catholic Elementary School, 3165 Washington Ave., St. Joseph, MI. Contact: blossomlandrockclub@gmail.com.

CMLMS MINUTES

CMLMS, Membership Meeting, January 17, 2019

Call to Order: President Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. at the Masonic Center in Okemos.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors: Ginny Yurich and children Charlie and Vivian of Howell - new members; Danni and Greg Burns of Okemos - new members; Eric Hanson of East Lansing - rejoined member; Bob and Elizabeth McBride - new members; Adam Weber of Lansing - guest; Bill McCrackin - former member did not introduce himself but he's back after a long absence.

President's announcements:

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes of the December 20, 2018 membership meeting were published in the newsletter. Copies of the January 3, 2019 board meeting minutes were available. Dave Berquist has resigned his positions as Recording Secretary and Membership Chair. Roni Sionakides was Acting Recording Secretary. Nate announced our four Board of Director's vacancies: Traveling Display Chair; Liaison Officer; Membership Chair; Recording Secretary and to speak to one of the Board members if interested

Announcements:

1. Roger Laylin reminded the membership that Bennett Woods Elementary School Science Night is coming up on January 24. We will have three tables, set up will be at 5:30 p.m., event 6:30 - 8 p.m.

2. Steve Smith said that he does not yet have a program for February but has 2 leads.

Treasurer's Report: Elaine Beane reported on the status through December 31, 2018. She also said she has the badges from Ernie Aughenbaugh and will have the engraver in St. Johns make name tags and catch up the former Presidents's names on the Rock of Authority. She can order badges for those who want one for \$7.00.

Door Prizes: Dan Sine presided and 10 prizes were won.

Adjournment: Roni Sionakides moved to adjourn the meeting and Sue Casler seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Program: Member Steve Smith brought in rock tumbling equipment and talked about tumbling. Respectfully Submitted, Roni Sionakides, Acting Recording Secretary

CMLMS, January 3, 2019, Board Meeting

Board Members Present: Elaine Beane, Dave Berquist, Sue Casler, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Nate Krupp, Roger Laylin, Steve Smith, Chuck Taricska, Mary Gowans

Board Members Absent: Jessica Clark, Charles Mennare, Lyle Laylin

Members Present: Ernie Aughenbaugh, Roni Sionakides

President: N. Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library.

Vice-President: S. Smith said he has received emails from N. Krupp about contacts for speakers. He has emailed several potential speakers but no response to date. A demonstration of tumbling was offered by S. Smith. At the Membership meeting in March there will be a silent auction. The Membership meeting in April may have a demonstration about cabbings (making cabochons).

Treasurer: E. Beane described some difficulties with reporting to the U.S. Treasury, now shut down due to the Congressional budget stalemate. She suggested increasing the amount and/or number of scholarships to bring our assets below an IRS reporting level. The completed Midwest Federation contact information forms were distributed and explained.

Recording Secretary: D. Berquist took the minutes. He said Society info cards to be given to persons of interest are available.

Corresponding Secretary: T. Hubbard said no report.

Directors: Director 1 - L. Laylin was absent. Director 2 - C. Taricska had no report. Director 3 - J. Clark was absent.

Roster Secretary: E. Beane explained the counting of members for reporting to the Midwest Federation. She described the processing of recent applications and renewals of previous members. The Office Max estimate for making name badges was too high so we'll go back to Larry Irrer in St. Johns.

Liaison Officer: Vacant position.

Past President: S. Casler was present but had no report.

Membership: D. Berquist is willing to send welcome letters to new and renewed members.

Field Trips: C. Mennare was absent with no report sent.

Publications: R. Sionakides will prepare the Newsletter for January, maybe April and September. Roni Sionakides is willing to prepare quarterly emails about upcoming events but is stepping down as Publications Chair. Second Year Director, C. Taricska, volunteered to help edit the Newsletter. R. Laylin explained accessing the Midwest Federation from the website. Typed minutes are to be sent to L. Laylin. Postal mailings of the Newsletter will be discontinued.

Education: T. Hubbard had no report. She is preparing a session on safety for working with stones in a shop and disposal of grindings. Discussed disposal of tailings from ore mining and processing plants as well as lapidary hobbyists.

Community Outreach: M. Gowans - Bennett Woods Elementary School will have a science fair on January 24. Setup is at 5:30 p.m., the fair begins at 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to display stones.

Library: J. Clark was absent.

Display: Vacant position

Finance: Milt Gere provided the budget and the oaths of office for use next year.

Webmaster: L. Laylin was absent with no report.

Show: R. Laylin gave the contracts for dealers to E. Aughenbaugh. The bill for use of the pavilion is in the mail.

Old business: None/ran out of time.

New Business: None.

Adjournment: R. Laylin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second by S. Smith and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, D. Berquist, Recording Secretary

CMLMS, February 7, 2019, Board Meeting

Board Members Present: Ernie Aughenbaugh, Elaine Beane, Jessica Clark, Sue Casler, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Nate Krupp, Roger Laylin, Steven Smith, Chuck Taricska.

Board Members Absent: Roni Sionakides, Mary Gowans, Lyle Laylin, Carl Mennare, Dan Sine.

Members Present: None.

President Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

Nate announced that Dave Berquist has resigned from Recording Secretary and Membership Chair. Roni Sionakides has volunteered to be Recording Secretary. Nate asked for input on potential banquet speakers, discussed interest in speaker from Detroit Salt Mine.

Vice-President: Steve Smith announced that speaker for Feb. 21st membership meeting will be Richard Lassen, he will speak on gold mining operations in the UP.

The March membership meeting will be the Silent Auction.

Nothing yet to announce for the April membership meeting.

May 16 will be the club's annual banquet. Dan Sine will be printing the tickets.

Treasurer: Elaine Beane reviewed treasurer report for 12/31/18 through 1/31/19

Recording Secretary: Roni Sionakides, absent; Sue Casler will be taking the minutes for this meeting.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard. Milt Gere passed around a get well card for Mary Gowans, she fell and is in rehabilitation, our thoughts and good wishes for a speedy recovery are with Mary.

Theresa contacted new members that had incomplete applications and those are now complete.

Directors: Director 1 - Lyle Laylin, absent;

Director 2 - Chuck Taricska, will look into potential science night at Marble School;

Director 3 - Jessica Clark commented on club Facebook page and would like to contribute, currently page has one administrator, Kris Wood, possible for page to have another administrator, discuss with Kris and Lyle.

Roster Secretary: Elaine Beane (pro tem) - Presentation of new member applications:

Motion was made by Elaine Beane, to approve membership for 1) Greg and Danni Burns; 2)

Carrie Anthony, seconded by Sue Casler. Motion passed. Welcome new members!

Discussion ensued about the vacated membership chair position and what is the responsibility of this position relative to the roster secretary position?

Liaison Officer: vacant, discussion on what this position duties are, items were read off, official mailing address (club now has PO Box); keeper of records (club needs to find another source of

storage as records still with Alan Hukill); contact between Federations (Midwest/American), other clubs. Discussion ensued about who contacts other clubs for invite to Banquet. It was decided that in addition to Ernie verbally talking to folks when he is at other shows, Theresa Hubbard would send out postcards to area clubs with invite to Banquet.

Past President: Sue Casler, no report.

Membership: See Roster Secretary.

Field Trips: Carl Mennare, absent.

Publications: Chuck Taricska - new newsletter editor, he met with Roni Sionakides for transition. As newsletter will now only be transmitted electronically, previous deadline of Mon. following the board meeting, may be modified to later in the week, Chuck will advise.

Education: Theresa Hubbard, no report.

Community Outreach: Mary Gowans, absent. Roger Laylin reported that Theresa, Richard Miller and Roger attended the Bennett Woods Science Night which was held on the very cold evening of January 24.

Library: Lee Laylin/Jessica Clark. Jessica reported that she needs to get with Lee to go over some things.

Display: vacant.

Finance: Milt Gere - will initiate contact with MSU for Scholarship.

Web Master: Lyle Laylin, absent.

Show: Roger Laylin - discussed how many flyers and of which type of flyers we are getting printed. Also Ernie is getting ready to send out dealer contracts.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Request from Theresa Hubbard for club to sponsor \$100 award for the Science Olympiad, Outstanding person on a team (at HS in St. Johns). Due to time constraints action on this was deferred to next month.

Adjournment: Milt Gere made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Steve Smith, meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Sue Casler on behalf of Roni Sionakides, Recording Secretary