

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: March 15TH

PROGRAM: SILENT AUCTION

REFRESHMENTS. S THROUGH Z, Please bring goodies.

CLUB CALENDAR

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| March 15th | Regular club meeting at North School 7:30 |
| March 31-April 8 | Field Trip to Mt. Ida with the Tulip City Club(see field trip article below) |
| April 5th | Board Meeting-7:00 at the Okemos Library |
| April 19 th | Regular club meeting at North School 7:30 |

March Program

Well it's that time again-Silent Auction!!!

We are asking all that have rock/gem related items they would like to get rid of to bring them to the big auction of the year, auction bidding slips will be provided. Bring a lot, bid a lot, leave with a lot & have a good time. Please bring small bills and lots of change. That will make it easier for the treasurer.

Member News

Cards of condolence were sent to Marie and Gordon Lewis on the death of Gordon's mother;and Richard and Kara Miller on the passing of Judith Miller (member) and wife of Richard, mother of Kara. Our sympathies go out to all and their families.

The editors are going to try and send the Newsletter by e-mail to those who have e-mail. If you have an e-mail but prefer that the Newsletter **not be sent** to the e-mail **you**

must let us know. Laylin 349-3249 or better by e-mail laylin.leora@acd.net. The April

newsletter will be sent both by snail mail and by e-mail.

Its time to start work on the 2007 directory. To be in the directory your dues must be paid by the March 15th club meeting.

In addition I would appreciate it if you would check the 2006 directory and send any corrections, additions or subtractions to me. I need to have these by or at the March Meeting. I hope to get the directory out by the April meeting. Send changes or corrections to Lee Laylin 349-3249 or laylin.leora@acd.net.

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April meeting.

At the April meeting we will have someone from Elle"s Place to give a short talk and explain how they use polished stones. We have agreed to furnish them with a large number of stones. They need polished stones about the size of marbles (1/2 to 3/4 inch) and of many different colors. Get those tumblers going and plan on bring some stones to the April meeting.

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Thank you note from Okemos Science Day

We are very grateful for the time and effort you and your friends put into our annual Science Fun Day. Children and their parents were fascinated by your collections, and with your help, we were able to provide families with the opportunity to explore hands on science activities on an otherwise cold and snowy afternoon. We have been holding our Science Fun Day for more than 18 years, and rely heavily on volunteers like you to stimulate and excite our young people. We hope that we can count on your help again next year. Thank you again, Connie Deits President, DSD4045 Van Atta Rd, Okemos, MI 48864, 517-347-2968

FIELD TRIPS 2007

Bob Sherwood, Tulip City Gem & Mineral Society, Holland MI. has offered our club the opportunity to join with their Club on their scheduled out of town field trips this season. Prior to the trip he would like to know who and how many folks intend to come. So plan ahead and as the date approaches tell Roger or Neil so we can tell Bob. Of course normal field trip attire i.e.: Boots and Hard Hats are required.

Mar. 31. -Apr. 8 Mt. Ida, Arkansas: Quartz Crystals; and Keokuk, Iowa : Geodes

Daily fees at mines. Safety equipment required . Stay at Crystal Inn Motel

Just out side of Mt Ida. On Return stop at Keokuk Iowa and collect geodes.

Details for this part of trip available later. Approx. 1000 Miles.

Trips in May (12) to Paulding Ohio , Lafarge Quarry and in July (14) to Anderson Ind. , Irving

Materials , Pendleton Quarry are in the planning stages confirmation of these trips will be provided when firm.

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