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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: North School, 333 E. Miller Rd, Lansing MI

Regular meeting date: Third Thursday, except July and August

Meeting time: 7:30 p.m., doors are open at 7:00 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, March 21, 2013

PROGRAM: Annual Silent Auction

REFRESHMENTS: Members with Initials M - Z Please Bring Goodies

Location and Time: The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on March 21, 2013, at 7:30 p.m., at the **North School**, our usual meeting place **through April 2013**.

Calendar for Spring 2013 and later

March 21, 2013 - Membership Meeting, program Annual Silent Auction

April 4, 2013 - Board Meeting, 7 pm, Okemos Library

April Newsletter deadline - April 8, 2013

April 18, 2013 - Membership Meeting, program DVD, *Keokuk Geodes*, by Ed Wagner, Geologist, EPA

May 2, 2013 - Board Meeting, 7 pm, Okemos Library

May 16, 2013 - Banquet, see Ernie Aughenbaugh for tickets

Dues are now OVERDUE!!! Please contact Ernie Aughenbaugh to get paid up!!

SILENT AUCTION IS COMING - BRING LOTS TO SELL!!

Silent Auction information: Now is the time to start thinking about rockcleaning (a more weighty form of housecleaning!) and get together those you want to contribute to the silent auction. Mineral specimens, jewelry, rock-related equipment, books/magazines may be sold at the silent auction. Auction sheets are available at the CMLMS website - www.michrocks.org. Click on the Club Info menu and select Progrms. there is a hyperlink to the auction sheets. They can be printed out with either 2 or 3 sheets per page. Please have your auction sheets filled out when you arrive. But if yo forget there should be a few available at the meeting. Also bring change for cashing out.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Let Sue Casler know if you have any ideas for speakers, or other programs.

April's program - DVD, *Keokuk Geodes*, by Ed Wagner, Geologist, EPA.

May is the annual banquet. Tickets will be available in February.

June meeting will be a work bee if needed at the Masonic Temple in Okemos.

Also note: April will be our last meeting in the North School. In September of 2013 the meeting location will change to the Masonic Temple in Okemos on Hamilton Street.

SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

Committee positions that need to be filled

Display committee: A new committee chair is needed. We also need a person or persons to take the beautiful new cub display cases to shows put on by other mineral, lapidary and gem clubs in Michigan. If you are going to a Michigan show, please consider taking the club's display with you. Call or email Jan Sjoquist to join the committee or President Elaine Beane if you would like to be chairperson.

Show committee: Show Chair *Pro Tempore*, Roger Laylin, needs an apprentice to help with the 2013 show committee and who will be willing to take over the show chair position. Call or email Roger Laylin to join the committee or President Elaine Beane if you would like to be chairperson.

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.

Interest Group forming:

If you are interested in working with a microscope and microfossils, call Bob Mosher. He would like to form a small group.

CLUB NEWS

Field Trips! See Dan Sine to sign up and for more information.

May 18, Sylvania Quarry near Toledo, Ohio, guided trip limited to 20, space still available, contact Dan if interested. Trilobites, calcite. There is a \$10 per person charge to cover rental of a van needed to transport participants into the quarry and space is limited. Instructions are to meet at 9:45 am at 5675 Centennial Road for transportation into the quarry. Be prepared with adequate safety equipment and clothing (hard hat, safety vest), a sack lunch, water for the entire day. Once into the quarry, you must stay with the group with which you are transported.

Minimum age for above trip, again a quarry, is 12. No children under 12 will be allowed at the quarries (their rule). Trips to other collecting sites may have no minimum, or maximum, age requirement. Safety rules in the **Field Trip Guide** are posted at the society website. They should be reviewed, printed out and **taken to every field trip**. Also, insurance coverage for the field trips by the Federation is very limited. It provides only for damage that members might do on-site. There is no personal injury coverage; no coverage underground. Coverage is only for members, so our policy is that field trips are only for members. Members should review this insurance information on our website. Let Dan know of any other locations and contact information that you may know about and would like to visit. Dan does a fabulous job getting these field trips lined up for club members so please take a moment to thank him personally for all his work.

In planning are trips to Pipe Creek, Indiana, Paulding, Ohio, Irish Hills, Michigan, the Crandall Pit of Charlotte as well as a geode trip to Indiana. Contact Dan sine if you have places for field trips.

Lyle Laylin will be in Alpena Memorial Day weekend for three days. If members would like to

visit sites with him, he has planned to visit several locations. Lyle is also inviting members interested in a Western Michigan trip this spring to collect septarian nodules. Contact him for more information, dates and times.

Outreach: Upcoming Science Fairs - please plan to help out. These are fun to do.
Fairview elementary School, Lansing, April 11, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Sign up sheet will be at February and March membership meetings. We have extra tables this year. Please consider helping out.

**PLACES TO GO AND THINGS TO DO—Check www.amfed.org/mwf
or our website www.michrocks.org
FoundMichigan, an online magazine on culture in Michigan—
www.foundmichigan.org**

Check out our website for items for sale. There are links to eBay and Craig's List.

March 15, 16, and 17, 2013 - Michigan Gem and Mineral Society
“Gems of Green in Twenty-Thirteen” gem and mineral show
Jackson County Fairgrounds, 200 West Ganson, Jackson, Michigan
Information: Sally 517-522-3396 or www.mgmsrockclub.com

April 4, 5, and 6, 2013 - Indian Mounds Rock and Mineral Club's 38th annual
Gem and Mineral Show
Wyoming Village Shopping Center, 1220-28th St, Wyoming, Michigan
Information: John Donker MIROCKPAGES.org or 616-457-0556

June 8 and 9, 2013
M.G.A.G.S. Rockhound Seminar
Western Michigan University, Rood Hall
near West Michigan Ave and Rankin Ave, Kalamazoo, Michigan
Information: info@mgags.org or Don 734-421-8159

UPCOMING BANQUETS, CONFERENCES

Midwest Federation convention is in Lincoln, Nebraska on April 6 and April 7, 2013. The theme is “Our Emerald Jubilee.” CMLMS is looking for a delegate to attend the convention. Expenses will be paid by CMLMS. Contact Alan Hukill if you would like to represent our society. Check the MWF website for more information on the convention.

Indian Mounds Rock and Mineral Club banquet
Tuesday, April 16, 2012, 6:15 pm.
Wesley Park United Methodist Church, 1150 32nd Street, Wyoming, Michigan
There is an invitation for two couple to attend. Call Alan Hukill for more information if interested in attending

CMLMS MINUTES

CMLMS, Membership Meeting, February 21, 2013

Call to Order: The February 2013 membership meeting was called to order by Vice-president

Sue Casler at 7:38pm at the North Elementary School in Lansing, Michigan.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors: Welcome to new member Don Dowland and Angela Ransom, renewing member.

Minutes of last meeting: The January 2013 membership minutes and the February 2013 board meeting minutes were printed in the February 2013 newsletter. There were no corrections.

Treasurer's report: Absent, report on file.

Announcements:

1. Mary Gowans, outreach: Six CMLMS members presented at the Bennett Woods Elementary School. Mary shared stories of positive student interaction. Fairview Elementary School will have a Science Night on April 11, 2013 from 6-7:30pm. Members are asked to participate at any levels; sign-up sheet available. Dan and Nate will be providing a belt loop workshop for Cub Scouts on February 28.

2. Roni Sionakides, newsletter: Appreciates articles submitted by members.

3. Banquet is May 16, 2013 and tickets are available tonight.

4. Dan Sine, field trips: May 18 trip to Sylvania, Ohio is filled, but he is accepting names for a waiting list. Other trips are in the works.

5. Lyle Laylin: Will be in Alpena Memorial Day weekend for three days. If members would like to visit sites with him, he has planned to visit several locations. See Lyle. Lyle is also inviting members interested in a Western Michigan septaria trip this spring to contact him.

Door Prizes: Thanks, Dan Sine.

Adjournment: Lee Laylin moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Mary Gowans. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

Program: MWF DVD: *Homer, the Triceratops*

Respectfully submitted, Janet Sjoquist, Recording Secretary

CMLMS, Board Meeting, March 5, 2013

Board Members Present: Theresa Hubbard, Milt Gere, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Alan Hukll, Dan Sine, Roni Sionakides, Sue Casler, Elaine Beane, Gordon Lewis, Jan Sjoquist.

Board Members Absent: Lyle Laylin, Roger Laylin, Elaine Angstman, Nate Krupp, Kris Wood, Kara Miller, Jennifer Martin, Mary Gowans.

Members present: Bob Mosher

President: Elaine Angstman absent. The meeting was called to order at 7:09pm by Vice President Sue Casler. The meeting was held on a Tuesday evening rather than the usual Thursday evening because of a library scheduling conflict.

Vice President: Sue Castler announced March membership meeting will be a silent auction.

Recording Secretary: Jan Sjoquist, March board meeting and February membership meeting will be published in the March newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard. No correspondences. Theresa has been working on updating and doing inventory of memorials using information from the memorial book. Using unfinished notes, Theresa consulted with board members to fill in missing information. She is in the process of organizing the donations according to specimens and books so information can be matched with the memorial display information and to assure accurate memorial information.

There are three Krepps memorial cases that will need some form of permanent identification to identify them as such. These cases are used in educational displays of the CMLMS.

Treasurer: Kris Wood absent, no report.

Directors: Milt Gere (1 year): no report; Lye Laylin (2 year): absent, no report; Nate Krupp (3 year): absent no report

Roster Secretary: No new information

Liaison: Alan Hukill: Midwest Federation convention is in Lincoln, Nebraska on April 6 and April 7, 2013. CMLMS is looking for a delegate to attend the convention. Expenses will be paid by CMLMS. Contact Alan if you would like to represent our society.

Past President: Elaine Beane, no report. She continues to receive MWF information and will bring it to future meetings.

Elaine and Bob Mosher are willing to host a microfossil study group, using microscopes. Contact them if interested.

Membership: Elaine Angstman, absent, no report.

Education: Kara Miller/Jennifer Martin, absent, no report.

Outreach: Mary Gowans, absent following a fall.

Dan Sine reports that he and Nate presented a geology belt loop workshop for twenty Scouts on February 28, 2013. The three rock groups were studied, as well as the hardness scale. Rock samples were given to the participants and a prize to the Scouts with the correct answers to a questionnaire.

Dan is preparing 200 packets for distribution at the Fairview Elementary Science Night on April 11, 2013. These packets contain club information, rock information and rock samples. Sign up at the next membership meeting if you are interested in helping at this event.

Field Trips: Dan Sine is still accepting names for the May 18 trip to Sylvania, Ohio. There is a \$10 per person charge to cover rental of a van needed to transport participants into the quarry and space is limited. Contact Dan. Instructions are to meet at 9:45 am at 5675 Centennial Road for transportation into the quarry. Be prepared with adequate safety equipment and clothing, a sack lunch, water for the entire day. Once into the quarry, you must stay with the group with which you are transported.

Other field trips are coming up. Watch your newsletter or contact Dan.

Publications: Roni Sionakides needs articles submitted by March 11.

Finance: Gordon Lewis is expecting contact soon from MSU in regards to the scholarship selection.

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin absent, no report.

Show: Roger Laylin, absent. Ernie has sent out eleven dealer contracts and is searching for a twelfth dealer.

Display: Jan Sjoquist: Betty Patterson memorial specimen is ready for display. Sent email to Jackson club regarding display.

Old Business: CMLMS Banquet is May 16. Tickets are available. Dan and Sue are preparing ten door prizes. Roni will do the programs. No displays?

New Business: The need for an improved memorial system has become apparent during frequent and longstanding discussions. As a result, Bob Mosher made a motion: **to study and develop ideas of an on-line memorial and to draft by-laws change.** The motion received a second by Alan Hukill. Board members supported the study. Elaine Beane and Bob Mosher will begin that process.

Adjournment: Alan Hukill made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Elaine Beane seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Sjoquist, Recording Secretary