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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, June 21, 2018**

**PROGRAM: Show Work Bee and Silent Auction**

**REFRESHMENTS: Members with Initials A - K Please Bring Goodies**

**Location and Time:** The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on June 21, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

## **Calendar for summer 2018**

June 21, 2018 - Membership Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

July 14, 2018 - Show work bee and picnic at the Laylin home, 9:30 a.m.

September 6, 2018 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

September 20, 2018 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

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

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

June 21 - Show work bee and silent auction

July/August - off for summer

September 20 - Show and Tell

## **SUMMER WORK FOR THE FALL SHOW**

Show Chairman Roger Laylin

IN ADDITION to the work session in connection with the June meeting there will be at least one work day at the Laylin's Rock Barn.

At the June meeting we will prepare the 300 egg cartons for Specimen Kits.

Then on Saturday **July 14** at 9:30 AM the Mineral Specimen Kits will be assembled and possibly Petoskey Polish Kits and what ever else needs work. We will break for a **PICNIC POT LUCK** at about noon so bring a dish to pass. Ice tea and lemonade will be provided, if you prefer another beverage, byob. Work will continue after lunch until finished.

Please put this date on your calendar and plan to come as **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!** And you can get to know your fellow club members.

## **TRANSITIONS**

**Lila Ann Stevens, long-time member, passed away on May 24, 2018.**

Lila and her husband, Rich, who predeceased her, were both lifelong members of the Society. Her adventures of finding rocks, gems and minerals took her and Rich around the world and both were passionate "rockhounds". They were actively involved in the rock club functions, including summer picnics out at the lake. The also did all the children's table rock/mineral kits for many years.

When Jean Ann was club president Rich and Lila Stevens sent a post card of "fly the Grand Canyon" postmarked from Las Vegas, January 6!

“Hi Jean Ann and club members. Today is wash day, getting ready for tomorrow, a red letter day. I have contacted Doris Currinton through my MAPPS guide. A most gracious lady who has invited us on two field trips with their club, January 7 and January 11. Tomorrow is a new area for her but we should find fossils. January 11 is another fossil trip. We went sight seeing out in the valley. Lots of gypsum mines. We did not pick up much but saw quite a bit of satin spar. Will get it next time. Nice weather but in the 30’s every morn. Lila”

If anyone else has memories of Lila and Rich, please share those with us.

### **From Sue Casler, President**

This is the last newsletter until September and I wanted folks to think about serving on your club board. My term as President will end in 2018 and will be an open position. Depending if our current vice president Nate Krupp wishes to remain as VP or run for President, there may be an opening either way. We are also in need of a Roster Secretary as Ernie Aughenbaugh “retired” from that position earlier in the year. In addition, we will need a new 3-year director as Gaylord Brooks’ term ends.

Come Fall we have to nominate a slate for 2019, have elections in November and install officers in December to start in January 2019. So please give it some thought to serve your club and assist in guiding and leading our direction in the coming years. Please let me or any one on the board know of your interest for nomination.

Thank you - Have a great summer! Please come to the work parties this summer, they are a lot of fun and more hands make the work go faster. Happy Rock Hunting!!!

### **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.

Library Chair - maintains the library, checks books out and in.

Liaison Officer.

### **CHARLOTTE, MICHIGAN LIBRARY DISPLAY**

Jan Sjoquist has set up an education rock and mineral display at the Charlotte Community Library for their summer program “Libraries Rock.” She included some rockhounding books from Utah, Montana, New Mexico, Michigan Copper, Michigan fossils with specimens from these locations and crystal specimens. On June 30 the Library will have a program on field guides. Also included is one of our new cards so our name is associated with the display. It will be there for the month of June.

### **OXALIC ACID**

The club received a large amount of oxalic acid from Larry B. If you would like some see Roger Laylin.

## CLUB NEWS

**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. [gowans@msu.edu](mailto:gowans@msu.edu) or 517-351-6136.

**Library:** Check out the new books in the library boxes. Always something in there, old or new, for all interests.

### Field Trips!

See Dan Sine to sign up and for more information. Cell phone 517-316-5713 or [daniel.sine@opm.gov](mailto:daniel.sine@opm.gov). Dan has an email list of all who want to go on the field trips. Please contact him if interested in getting emails as field trips are set up.

Dan is hoping to set up a trip to Alpena in August. Be sure you are on his emailing list if interested. There will be no newsletter in August to make the announcement.

## UPCOMING SHOWS

**July 14: CLIO, MI** Flint Rock & Gem Club Rock Swap. 9 am - 5 pm. Flint Rock & Gem Club Classroom, 11350 N Saginaw Rd., Clio. Contact: Bill Wendling, 9145 Johnston Rd., New Lothrop 48460; (810) 638-5796; [bwrockbarn@centurytel.net](mailto:bwrockbarn@centurytel.net)

**August 4: ISHPEMING, MI** Ishpeming Rock & Mineral Club Annual Show. 9 am - 4 pm. Ishpeming Elks Club, 597 Lakeshore Dr., Ishpeming. Contact: Ernie Johnson; (906) 228-9422; [ejohnson@nmu.edu](mailto:ejohnson@nmu.edu)

**August 10-12: HOUGHTON, MI** Copper Country Rock & Mineral Club Annual Show. Fri 1-8 pm; Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 3 pm. New location at Middle School, follow signs, Houghton. Contact: Norm Gruber, 1850 Clark St., Marquette 49855; (906) 228-6764; [show@ccrmc.info](mailto:show@ccrmc.info)

**August 17-19: SOUTH BEND, IN** Michiana Gem & Mineral Society Annual Show. Fri Noon - 7 pm; Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 5 pm. St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds, Esther Singer Building, 5117 South Ironwood Dr., South Bend. Contact: Joshua Klozinski; (574) 274-8714; [jkos9@yahoo.com](mailto:jkos9@yahoo.com)

**September 7-9: TOLEDO, OH** Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club Annual Show. Fri 7-8 pm.; Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 5 pm. Stranahan Theater & Exhibit Hall, 4645 Heatherdowns, Toledo. Contact: Steve Shimatski; (419) 861-0147; [sjs132@gmail.com](mailto:sjs132@gmail.com)

**September 14-16: HOLLAND, MI** Tulip City Gem & Mineral Club Annual Show. Fri 10-8; Sat 10-7; Sun 11-5. Soccer Stop Sportsplex, 5 River Hills Drive, Holland. Contact Sue Goedert, (616) 452-7843, [sonbeams2000@yahoo.com](mailto:sonbeams2000@yahoo.com).

**September 15-16: HOWELL, MI** Livingston Gem & Mineral Society Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 5 pm; Sun 10 am - 4 pm. Hartland Educational Support Center, 9525 E. Highland Rd., Howell. Contact: Ed Oller, 68 Ganges Blvd, Swarty Creek 48473; (810) 241-8801

**September 22: PORTAGE, MI** Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society Rock Swap and Tailgate. 9 am - 1 pm. St. Michael Lutheran Church Parking Lot, 7211 Oakland Dr., Portage. Contact: Dennis Guy; (260) 651-1314; [dguy3@charter.net](mailto:dguy3@charter.net)

**September 29-30: BELLEVILLE, MI** Midwest Mineralogical & Lapidary Society Rock Swap. Sat 10 am - 5 pm; Sun 10 am - 4 pm. Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Rd., Belleville. Contact: Bill Barr, (508) 803-4888; [wbarr@umich.edu](mailto:wbarr@umich.edu); Tom Morris, Sr., 4583 Shenandoah, Allen Park 48101; (313) 278-5064

**September 29-30: TRAVERSE CITY, MI** Grand Traverse Area Rock & Mineral Club Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 5 pm; Sun 11 am - 4 pm. Cherryland VFW Hall (Post 2780), 3400 Veterans Dr., Traverse City. Contact: Pierre LaFoille, 11788 Snowfield Ct., Traverse City 49686; pals0210@gmail.com

## CMLMS MINUTES

### **CMLMS, Membership Meeting, May 17, 2018**

Annual banquet - no minutes.

### **CMLMS, Board Meeting, June 7, 2018**

**Board Members Present:** Elaine Beane, Dave Berquist, Sue Casler, Ernie Augenbaugh, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Nate Krupp, Roger Laylin, Roni Sionakides, Dan Sine.

**Board Members Absent:** Gaylord Brooks, Mary Gowans, Chuck Taricska, Lyle Laylin.

**Members Present:** None.

**President:** Sue Casler called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. There was a discussion on dues for 4 new members who submitted applications at the October show and that dues should apply to 2018. Sue suggested Additions and Corrections to the Directory will be in future Newsletters.

**Vice-President:** Nate Krupp discussed future speakers and received suggestions. The Membership meeting in June will include a silent auction and work bee. Future Membership meetings will include: September: Show and Tell; October: nominations of officers and setup at the Fairgrounds; November: election of officers; and December 18 is the Holiday Meeting.

**Treasurer:** Elaine Beane presented and explained the Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2018. There was a discussion about reimbursing speakers. Updating the Constitution and By-Laws was discussed.

**Recording Secretary:** Dave Berquist got both business cards printed and available.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Theresa Hubbard had no correspondence to report. She is preparing information on a memorial for Lila Stevens. Attendees mentioned get well, sympathy, and thank you cards to send.

**Directors:** The Directors were absent, and did not send reports.

**Roster Secretary:** Elaine Beane discussed some discrepancies of new members and their paid dues, and their applications not being in her possession.

**Liaison Officer:** Vacant.

**Past President:** Elaine Angstman, absent, no report.

**Membership:** Dave Berquist had no new applications to report.

**Field Trips:** Dan Sine discussed possible field trips to Alpena (LaFarge and Rockport quarries) in August. In addition to our club, two other clubs attended the field trip to the gravel pit on May 19. There were 25 people who attended the field trip.

**Publications:** Roni Sionakides reminded the Board of the Monday 8 a.m. cutoff for info for the newsletter.

**Education:** Theresa Hubbard had no report. Consolidating the Outreach contacts was discussed.

**Community Outreach:** Mary Gowans, absent - no report.

**Library:** Vacant.

**Display:** Vacant.

**Finance:** Milt Gere - no report.

**Web Master:** Lyle Laylin, absent - no report.

**Show:** Roger Laylin said a work bee will be at his home on July 14, 9 a.m. and a potluck. Flyers

will be provided to the State for the travel centers. The arrangements for the special children's activities, i.e. rock trees and dinosaur stone picture gluing. Theresa will be in charge of these activities.

**Old Business:** None presented.

**New Business:** None presented.

**Adjournment:** Milt Gere made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second by Elaine Beane. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Dave Berquist, Recording Secretary

## **2018 CMLMS DIRECTORY ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS**

### Additions

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**HAVE A GREAT  
SUMMER!**

**HAPPY  
ROCKHUNTING!**