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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: Masonic Center, Hamilton Street, Okemos, 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, September 18, 2014
PROGRAM: Show and Tell - Sharing Stories
REFRESHMENTS: Members with Initials A - L Please Bring Goodies

Location and Time: The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on September 18, 2014, at 7:30 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos, 2175 Hamilton Street.**

Calendar for Fall 2014 and later

September 18, 2014 - 7:30 p.m., membership meeting
September 27, 2014 - show work bee and picnic, load trailer
October 2, 2014 - 7 p.m., board meeting, Okemos Public Library
October 6, 2014 - October newsletter deadline for submission of articles
October 16, 2014 - 7:30 p.m., membership meeting
October 24-26, 2014 - Show
November 6, 2014 - 7 p.m., board meeting, Okemos Public Library
November 20, 2014 - 7:30 p.m., membership meeting

SEPTEMBER SHOW AND TELL: SHARING STORIES

The September program will feature our summer activities. Share your summer rock adventures and misadventures! Bring in some of your finds! Share stories of rock places visited!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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

October 16, 2014 - DVD "Devil's Tower: Igneous Enigmas." About 30 minutes. Professor Michael Wyession, Associate Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis. From his lecture series on The World's Greatest Geological wonders: 36 Spectacular Sites.

November 20, 2014 - Marvel Mitchell will talk about making her beautiful stone handle knives. She set up a display at the banquet.

December 18, 2014 - Installation of officers for 2105, Christmas party with the Rock gift exchange. DVD "Cave of Crystals: Exquisite Caves," 30 minutes. From same lecture series above.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2015

The following two elected offices need to be filled: 1. Vice President/Programs (two-year position) and 2. Three-Year Director (three-year position).

Please consider running for office and joining the board. We're a fun group! Haven't been ousted from the Okemos Library yet! If interested, please let one of the board members know. Remember, without a board, our society will cease to exist.

FALL SHOW NEWS IT'S GET READY TIME AGAIN

Hello September is here; October 24th is coming soon and if we are going to have a good **SHOW** we have work to do! The Club Trailer will be at the Laylin's sometime during the week of September 27th, the week after our meeting to accommodate a number of schedule conflicts. We need to sort and repack the contents left from last year's Show which have been left in the trailer all year. If you have time during the week call me at 349-3249 to help get ready for Saturday.

On Saturday, September 27, weather permitting, alternate date September 28, we will start about 9:30 am. There is much material to be sorted, boxed, priced and moved to the trailer, this time especially as the donations from the Snepp's have yet to be processed. **Please** bring any materials you may wish to add to the children's table this day as it creates unnecessary problems if brought to the Show. Remember we can always use stones for the **PEBBLE POND!** Jointly we have made over 300 Mineral Kits which added to the left overs should be enough. Hopefully we will run out this year. Spearheaded by Dan Sine, Exit Gifts are mostly ready to be passed out. There may be some left to complete.

We will work until the jobs are completed, with a break for a **picnic lunch**. Bring a dish to pass. Drinks and table service will be provided. Please come for the fellowship at the picnic even if you feel that you would be no help in sorting and pricing as this job is an inexact science.

Kris Wood is again chair of the Raffle this year. John Juroszek will obtain the license, and arrange for the tickets. Let's make the Raffle a good one again by donating interesting gifts and specimens.

There will be sign-up sheets at the September and October meetings for the different types of show work. Please come prepared to be involved and sign up! Also **invite your friends** to join in on the Friday School Tour morning. We can always find a spot for them to help.

A reminder: the Show Committee will be enforcing the rule that in order to have free admission to the show a member must put in at least 2 hours at some show duty, enter a display, or demonstrate a lapidary skill. Remember that the club hospitality-break area is intended for use by the dealers and actively working club members. **Free admission** tickets are available for volunteering friends!

If we want to continue to have a show, members must step up and take part in the activities. Please plan to show up on September 27th and give me and the club your support. If you cannot make it Saturday please call 349-3249 and find another time to put in some support time. Help can be used during the preceding week. There are still lots of materials to go through at the Laylin's barn.

If you don't want to help in the trailer, Lee said to come and sit on the back porch with her and make items for the kids jewelry table, critters, rings and necklaces. The materials, tumbled stones, findings and glue guns, are all available.

The Club has several display cases that are available for member use. Contact Nate or myself to reserve one for your display.

If you can't make it to the meeting, but can help at the show, please call the Chairperson of the work area that you want to sign up for. The chairpersons are as follows:

Friday Morning Children's Tours = Theresa Hubbard - 203-9620

Displays = Nate Krupp 626-1136. Goal is to have 60 displays, so let's help out!

Children's Table = George Heaton 339-8914

Fossils = Dan Sine 749-0414

Fluorescent Booth = Nate Krupp 626-1136 & Lyle Laylin 485-7908

Jewelry-Critters-Mineral Kits = Lee Laylin 349-3249

Silent Auction = Elaine Angstman 676-4172

Demonstrations Coordinator = Ernie Augenbaugh 989-224-7619

Admissions Coordinator = Elaine Beane 272-9661 & Sue Casler 694-1233

Raffle Coordinator = Kris Wood 517-769-6578

Show Announcer = Sam Febba (Children's Morning)

Hospitality Break Room/Food Coordinator = Jean Anne Piotrowski 269-948-958 or local phone Lee Laylin 349-3249

All these folks put in many hours to make the show a success, so let's plan on giving them lots of help. Involve your friends, especially on Friday, Children's Morning; we can offer volunteers a free lunch and a free admission to the show.

Raffle Tickets may be available at the September meeting. Please bring items that you wish to donate to be included in the raffle, or notify the Chairperson about your items.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE BOARD IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE IN OR OBTAIN A NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

Roger Laylin, Show Chairman

OFFICIAL "YES, NATE I CAN HELP WITH A DISPLAY" FORM

You can count on _____ to bring a display to the show.

I will bring _____ standard club case(s); _____ pony case(s); _____ faceting case(s); or _____ others.

Please draw a rough sketch on the back of this form if you are bringing an "other":

_____ I need to borrow a case. _____ I can't display this year, but will let someone else use my case.

If you are willing to loan a case or cases, please describe them on the back of this form.

Please sign your name _____

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 or 517-351-6135.

Field Trips! See Dan Sine to sign up and for more information. Cell phone 517-316-5713 or daniel.sine@opm.gov. Dan would like to set up an email list of all who plan to go on the field trips. Please contact him if interested in getting emails as field trips are set up.

October 4, 2014: Graymont Quarry, Genoa, Ohio; guest of Michigan Gem and Mineral Society. Contact Jeff Stevens scidoc4@gmail.com; there are only 2 openings left.

October 18: Grand Rapids Gypsum mine. Contact kreigh@tomaszewski.net. Limited numbers.

Minimum age for 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.

**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.**

Beginning 4-hour basic Metalsmithing / Jewelry Making Classes are scheduled for September 23, Tuesday, 10:30 - 2:30, and again October 16, Thursday, 11 - 3. A second 4-hour class to learn basics of cab mounting will be offered September 24, Wednesday, 12:30 - 4:30 and again October 17, Friday, 12:30 - 4:30. Tools, materials and instruction are included at a low cost. Call Absolute Gallery, located in 'Old Town,' Lansing for details or to sign up for the classes. 517.482.8845, www.absolutegallery.net. You may also ask club member Milt Gere if you have questions.

UPCOMING SHOWS

- 1. September 13 & 14: Muskallonge** Lake State Park will host its seventh annual "Rock On! With Lake Superior Agates" rock show Saturday, Sept. 13, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 14, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Muskallonge Lake State Park is located in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, approximately 28 miles northwest of Newberry on Luce County Road 407. For show details or camping information, call 906-658-3338. Admission to the show is free; however, a Recreation Passport is required for vehicles entering Muskallonge Lake State Park. Contact: James Dzelak, 906-658-3338 or Debbie Munson Badini, 906-226-1352.
- 2. September 19 & 20: Digistar 5**, a new full-dome program available at Abrams Planetarium at MSU at 8:00pm. Family time is Sunday at 2:30. This has some interesting cartoon animation. Call Mary Gowans for more information or the Planetarium.
- 3. September 20 & 21: Livingston Gem & Mineral Society, Annual Show**, Hartland Education Support Service Center, Howell, Michigan. Contact Chuck at 248-787-6586 for more information.
- 4. September 27 & 28: Traverse City Show and Sale**, History Center of Traverse City. Contact Laure at 231-342-3613 or www.trockhounds.com for more information.
- 5. October 10, 11, 12: Greater Detroit Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show**, Macomb Community College, www.michmin.org for information about the show.
- 6. October 17, 18 & 19: Three Rivers Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Lapidary & Jewelry Show and Sale**, Allen County Fairgrounds, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Call Michele 260-427-2196 for more information.
- 7. October 18 & 19: Flint Rock & Gem Club Annual Show**, Carter Middle School, Clio, Michigan, www.flintrockandgem.org for information about the show.
- 8. October 18 & 19, 2014: MWF Convention**, in conjunction with the 59th Annual Des Moines (Iowa) Lapidary Society's Gem, Mineral and Fossil show, at the Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center, Iowa State Fairgrounds. Alan Hukill requested a delegate to the Midwest Federation Annual meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, October 17-19, 2014. The club will pay milage, banquet and 2 nights in a hotel. Contact Elaine Angstman or Alan if you are interested.

CMLMS MINUTES

CMLMS, Membership Meeting, June 19, 2014

Call to Order: An abbreviated June membership meeting was called to order at 7:48pm at the Okemos Masonic Center by President Elaine Angstman. This evening is a work bee and silent auction.

Announcements: by President Angstman:

1. An invitation was extended by a Spring River, Arkansas rock club for a rock swap of a flat rate box of assorted local specimens. See newsletter notice for more details.
2. Pudding Stone Festival will be held in Cheboygan, Michigan on August 8 and 9, 2014.
3. Meeting place for membership meetings next year: Mary Gowans made a **motion to meet at the Okemos Masonic Center for the coming 2014-15 year.** Lyle Laylin supported the motion; a vote was taken with the majority of members in agreement.
4. A field trip sign-up list was circulated. Dan Sine will use this information for field trip notification.
5. The Midwest Federation will have the 74th Annual Meeting in Des Moines, Iowa on Saturday, October 18, 2014. This is in conjunction with a Des Moines show. CMLMS is invited to send a delegate; please contact President Angstman if you are interested.
6. Roger Laylin announced work dates to be held at the Laylins' barn:
Saturday, June 21, 9:30am to sort the Snepp donations.
Saturday, July 19: Work and potluck; bring dish to pass and table service. Come for as long as you are able.

Special Program: Danita Brandt, Associate Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences at MSU, presented for our review the DVD, *Earth Movement Through Time*. This could be used for our educational outreach.

Program: Work bee and silent auction.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Sjoquist, Recording Secretary

CMLMS, Board Meeting, September 4, 2014

Board Members Present: Elaine Angstman, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Sue Casler, Milt Gere, Mary Gowans, Theresa Hubbard, Alan Hukill, Nate Krupp, Lee and Roger Laylin, Lyle Laylin, Gordon Lewis, Jan Sjoquist, Dan Sine, Roni Sionakides.

Board Members Absent: Elaine Beane, Jennifer Martin, Kara Miller and Kristin Wood.

President: Elaine Angstman called the meeting to order at 7:05pm at the Okemos Library. President Angstman passed around information about upcoming events in the area. This information will be available in the newsletter and at the membership meeting in September. Elaine shared correspondences from the Midwest Federation (MWF), which included the ballot of MWF officers and the proposed change of the bylaws to change micro-mounts from permanent committee to a sub-committee. There was a short discussion and approval of the by-laws change and officers.

Vice-President: Sue Casler presented these programs for membership meetings: September 18, 2014 - Show and Tell; October 18 - Devil's Tower DVD; November - Speaker, Marvel Mitchell, demo on stone knife handles; December - Rock exchange / holiday gathering. She also mentioned Archaeology Day at Michigan Historical Center on October 18.

Recording Secretary: Jan Sjoquist, no report

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard has prepared a letter to the families of deceased members to determine their memorial wishes and to gain permission for a notice and photograph on the CMLMS website. These letters will be included with a sympathy card to the family and will contain a return-stamped envelope. Theresa spent considerable time trying to match member's names and membership numbers in the memorial book. Starting in 2007, a family membership was assigned only one number and this caused confusion about who was actually a member. Ernie Aughenbaugh recognized the problem and has recently assigned each family member an individual number. This system will continue to remedy the confusion.

Directors: Milt Gere (1yr.): no report. Lyle Laylin (2yr.): has began work on the new black light case.

Nate Krupp (3yr.): no report.

Roster Secretary: Ernie Augenbaugh, no report.

Liaison Officer: Alan Hukill requested a delegate to the Midwest Federation Annual meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, October 17-19, 2014. Expenses will be paid. See Alan if you are interested.

Past President: Elaine Beane, absent, no report.

Membership: Elaine Angstman, no report.

Field Trips: Dan Sine: **1. October 4, 2014:** Graymont Quarry, Genoa, Ohio; guest of Michigan Gem and Mineral Society. Contact Jeff Stevens scidoc4@gmail.com; there are only 2 openings. **2. October 18:** Grand Rapids Gypsum mine. Contact kreigh@tomaszewski.net. Limited numbers.

Publications: Roni Sionakides: newsletter deadline is Monday.

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

Community Outreach: Mary Gowans: October 18 is Archaeology Day. There are many schedule conflicts that day and she will approach the membership about volunteering for this event. Mary informed us of the new full-dome programs available at Abrams Planetarium at MSU on September 19 and September 20 at 8:00pm. Mary suggested having a CMLMS field trip to Abrams. This will be considered later in the year.

Library: Lee Laylin presented duplicate library books to consider the best use for them. An old American Federation display rules book will be transferred to the Federation for their archives.

Display: Jan Sjoquist, no report.

Finance: Gordon Lewis, no report.

Web Master: Lyle Laylin now has the show flier on the website.

Show: Roger Laylin reports that Nate will be in charge of the displays. Club cases are available. Milt will have Cleveland Cliffs do a display. There is a question about Lansing Community College because of the retirement of the geology professor.

Ernie Augenbaugh: dealers are in place and are paid.

Theresa Hubbard reports that Dean Transportation has discounted bus transportation and thus transportation costs will be reduced. Teachers have contacted her about show information missing from the website. Lyle updated the page today. Theresa repeated her plea for tri-fold educational boards for the students to explore as they are entering the show and for use at other events. Teachers are expecting this information to keep the focus on education. Elaine Angstman will do boards on the rock cycle and Jan Sjoquist will do a board to demonstrate the difference between a rock and a mineral. Please contact Theresa if you can prepare a much-needed educational element to the show.

Show work day: September 27. The trailer will be prepared at the Laylins.

Old Business: The Okemos Library will be available for board meeting (renewed every 3 months).

New Business: Election of Officers: Candidates are needed for Vice-president and for Director (3 year). Please volunteer and bring your ideas! Slate of Officers (2 yr.):

President: Sue Casler

Vice-president: _____

Treasurer: Kris Wood

Recording Secretary: Jan Sjoquist

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard

Directors: 1 year: Lyle Laylin

2 year: Nate Krupp

3 year: _____

Adjournment: Lyle Laylin made a **motion to adjourn the meeting.** The motion received a second from Lee Laylin. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm

Respectfully submitted, Jan Sjoquist, Recording Secretary