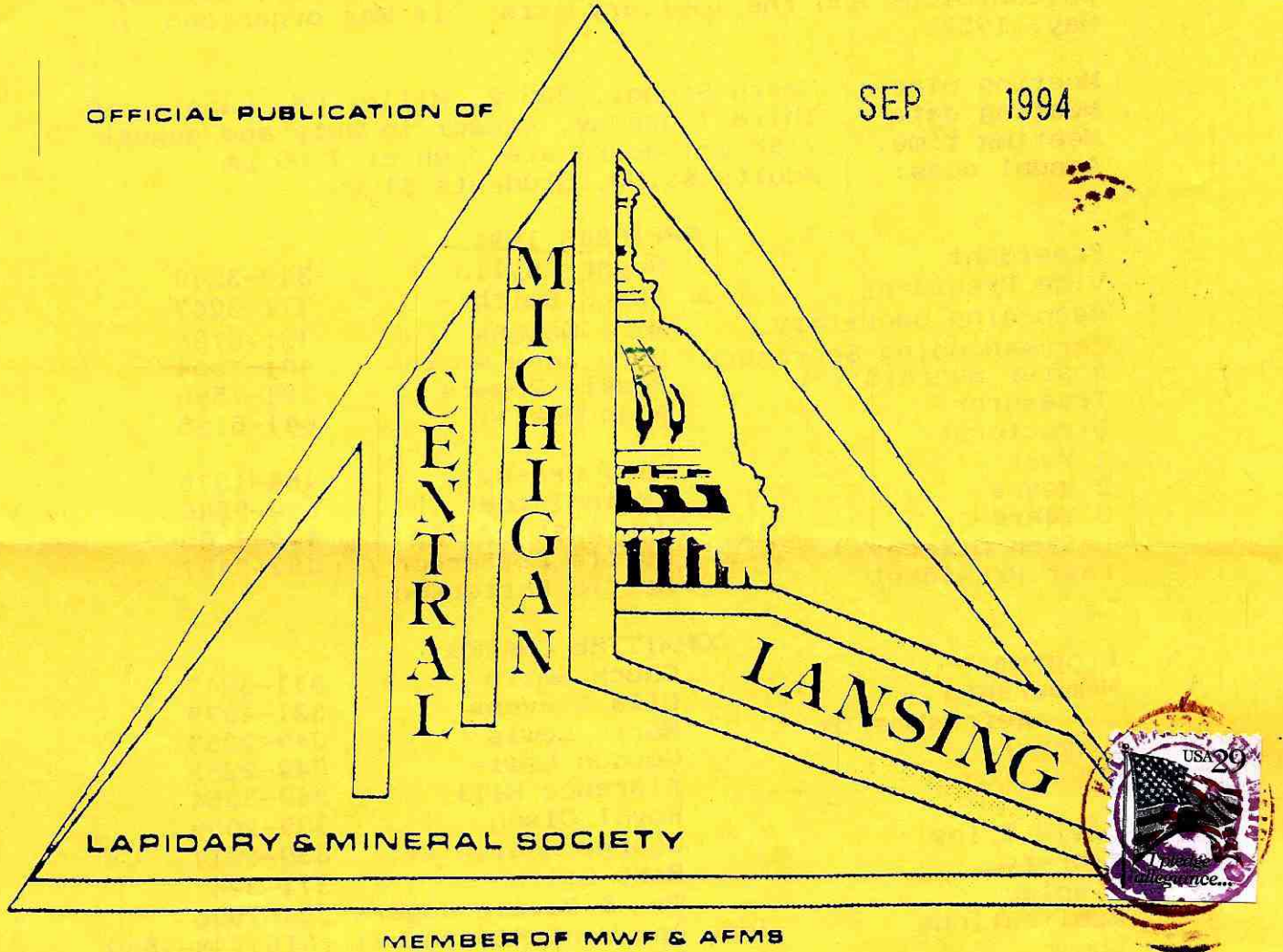


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## ROCKHOUND NEWS

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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.

Meeting place: North School, 333 E. Miller Rd, Lansing MI  
Meeting date: Third Thursday, except in July and August  
Meeting time: 7:30 pm; doors are open at 7:00 pm  
Annual dues: Adults \$5.00, Students \$1.00

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ROGER'S RAMBLINGS

Once again it's time to gather and talk or brag about our favorite subjects: fossils, minerals, rocks and their collection.

Good fellowship was had by all who attended the club's summer activities. George will have a full report on these in the October Rockhound News. It was nice to meet several long-time members who are off to places west and south during our fall and winter activities.

Thanks to all who donated materials for the childrens table, silent auction and raffle; and, to those who made it to Grit's garage to sort and price. More material is always welcome. At this time, and whenever dropping off donations, a proper label of material name, location of collection and suggested price is greatly appreciated.

Please notice the change of the October meeting to October 13 because of the show conflict.

I hope to see some slides of your summer activities as well as found specimens on September 15.

Roger

HELLO— NOMINATING COMMITTEE CALLING! (Roger & jump)

This year's nominating committee will be chaired by Mary Crosby. Her assistants are still being rounded up, though Lila Stevens has volunteered voluntarily.

Once again the phone lines will be hot with requests for club members to fill posts as officers & directors for 1995. If you are asked, please consider it as an opportunity to meet new people as well as to serve and direct the club's activities.

The club doesn't run itself— we need YOU!

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM — SHOW & TELL/ROCK FIND CONTEST (jump)

Once again, we will have our traditional "show & tell" as the September program. I don't know too many rockhounds who don't center their vacations around collecting, so come prepared to show & tell about your summer rock excitement.

Chuck will have a slide projector & screen ready to go for those with slides. Please— don't let the lack of slides keep you from participating! A good story accompanied by your photographs and a few prize specimens is always enjoyed by the membership.

The Education Committee, headed up by Florence Hill & Royal Olson, is sponsoring the "Second Annual Rock-Find Contest." You can read the rules in Florence's education column. Prizes will be awarded to the nicest gneiss & the flashiest fossil.



FOSSIL STUDY GROUP MEETING— Larry & Lorna Tripp

We invite you to attend a meeting on plant fossils at the home of Larry and Lorna Tripp on the evening of Friday, September 23rd, at 7:00 pm. Please bring your plant fossils and tell us all about them. Hope to see you there.

A map is provided at the end of this newsletter.

SEPTEMBER FIELD TRIP -- George Heaton

The September field trip will be to the Wallace Stone Quarry near Bay Port Michigan on Saturday, September 24. We are scheduled to enter the quarry at 10:00 am, so try to arrive at the quarry a little before 10:00 am if possible. I estimate the distance from Lansing to Bay Port to be about 150 miles. You should allow about 3 1/2 hours to drive from Lansing to Bay Port.

From Lansing take I69 east to I75 at Flint. Go north on I75 to Rt. 25 at Bay City. Take Rt. 25 east and north to Rt. 142 and go 2 miles to Risky Rd. I have been advised that there is only one entrance to their quarry now and that it is off Rt. 142 on Risky Rd. From Rt. 142 you turn left (north) onto Risky Rd. After you pass the railroad tracks, just past the 2nd house on your right there is a new sign identifying their new entrance and road which will bring you into the quarry by the office as in other years. We will meet near the quarry office at 10:00 am before entering the quarry.

Material to be found here includes brown and iridescent calcite, pyrite, millerite, selenite, and fossils. Equipment needed includes the usual assortment of tools and safety dress: chisels in assorted sizes from large to small, crack hammer, sledge hammer, hard hat, hard-toed boots and safety glasses or goggles.

I did not have my reports on this past summer's field trips ready for the September board meeting which I could not attend, so I will consolidate all these in one report for the October newsletter.

EDUCATION — Florence Hill

Have you all been keeping your eyes open for interesting things in gravel and stone piles? We are again having a "rock-find" contest at the September meeting. The two categories are (1) gneiss and (2) any Michigan fossil. The entries should be (a) self collected, (b) in Michigan, (c) since September 1993 (d) by any CML&M Society member, with only one entry per person in each category. The fossils should be labeled with the name of the specimen and the location where found.

You will remember that gneiss is a metamorphic rock, fairly common in Michigan gravels and fieldstones. It is very hard. The streaked appearance is due to the alignment of crystals during metamorphism.



Most Michigan fossils are of Devonian, Silurian, or Pennsylvanian age, although representatives of other ages are sometimes found. Plant and animal, vertebrates and invertebrate fossils can be found.

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There were six 4-H entries in the Rocks and Minerals project at the Ingham County fair this year. They are: Heather Macartty of the Cactus Creek Club; Ben Revers and Marie Revers of the East Alaiedon Club; and, Matthew Oesterle, Patty Ruggiero and Greg Walls of the Sandhill Club. They will be invited to our meeting September 15.

#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT -- Mary Smith

The colors of fall and cooler temperatures signal the start of another year of activities-- but first a round up of correspondence over the summer.

In June, a note of congratulations was sent to Tim Lay and his new bride; get well wishes were extened to John Clipp; and, a note of sympathy was extended to George Heaton whose aunt passed away.

In July, notes of sympathy were sent to Nate Krupp and Fred Dunn both of whom lost a parent over the summer. We also lost a life member, John Clipp. A card was sent to the Snepps (Neil & Connie) on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

August saw the loss of another life member, Ken Maxwell. Both Larry Tripp and Norma Kelly are on the mend from hospital stays. A card of condolences was extended to Marie Lewis on the death of her sister-in-law.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE -- Florence Hill

Bettie Patterson hosted two groups at her home this summer to view her collection of minerals and crystals. Attending were thirteen members of the Women's Service Club of the Gumisonville M.E. Church, and fifteen members of the Golden Group of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Lansing. Bettie also took a display for the club to the Clare rest area, where it may be seen during September.

Florence Hill was the project leader in rocks and minerals for the Sandhill 4-H club.

Neil Snapp served as judge for the 4-H rocks and minerals displays at the Ingham County Fair, August 1.

Margaret Randolph gave a presentation on rocks and minerals and their uses to 85 first graders and their three teachers at the Delta Center School, Grand Ledge, on May 23.

With school in session again, and our show approaching, we are apt to receive requests for speakers. If you are willing to do this, please call Florence (349-3554) or Royal (339-2059) and tell us so. Also, if you have given a talk or shown a display, let us know so you may receive credit.



\* FOR SALE \* FOR SALE \* FOR SALE \* FOR SALE \* FOR SALE \*

ELIGER "ROCKY" ROCKWOOD would like to sell his lapidary equipment. He has a 10" slab saw, a 6" slab saw, a 6" grinder and an 8" lapidary plate flat disk & sander. He would also like to sell some slabs and rough rocks. If you are interested in any of these please call 694-3769.

Many items from the collection of OLETA & BRUCE BROCKWAY are available for sale including greenstones, thomsonite, slabs and rough rock. GORDON LEWIS is taking care of this for Oleta, so please call him if you are interested, 349-2263.

BETTIE PATTERSON will be having a sale of JIM'S lifetime collection of rough & slabs at her home, Sept. 24 & 25 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Lapidary equipment and supplies such as wheels & blades will be included. Bids will be taken on Jim's special 14" precision slab saw.

BOARD BRIEFS FROM THE SEPT. 1 BOARD MEETING (jawn)

--13 members and 1 guest were present.

--Congratulations are extended to Alice Turner who won 1st place in the American Federation program competition with her wire wrap video.

--Liaison officer Bettie Patterson has received several advertisements which she will bring to the regular meeting.

--Three new members were accepted:

James & Vicki Slayton, 16200 Tucker Rd, Holly MI 48442  
(810) 634-6506

Edward Ponist, 1620 Gordon Ave., Lansing MI 48910  
371-3853

--Bettie Patterson will be the club delegate to the Midwest Federation Convention (Labor Day weekend). The Board advised to oppose the proposal that individual membership be allowed for the American Federation. (The American Federation currently is made up of the regional organizations such as the Midwest Federation.)

--Bettie Patterson would like to express her thanks to all who came to help her move rocks back in June.

--It was decided that excess material from the club display collection be disbursed within the club as prizes and silent auction material.

--Jean Ann & Dave Piotrowski would like to invite everyone to the Third Annual Harvest Lunch & Pumpkin Pie Extraveganza on Saturday Oct. 29, noonish. Maps will be available at the show. The pumpkins are growing nicely. This year's entree will be homemade pizza.



**"ROCKHOUNDS' DREAM" DEPENDS ON YOUR HELP--** Jean Ann W-P

Wow-- it hardly seems possible that summer is over and our show is just around the corner. Time to buckle down and get those last few jobs done!

1. Fill out the display form attached to this newsletter & get it to me! Then set out to the task of rounding up your pretties and organizing a display. If you don't feel that you have enough material personally, consider sharing a case with another member. Or let me know, and I will round up something small and lockable for your treasures.
2. Do you have a spare display case available for loan? If I have empty cases available, I can usually find someone to fill them. Please let me know if you are willing to share.
3. Sell those raffle tickets.
4. Make something for the raffle or select a "killer" specimen that you are willing to donate.
5. Make something for a door prize or select a good quality specimen to donate.
6. Put children's table material in flats (beer & pop can boxes work great), label the outside on both short ends, and put a notecard inside indicating name of material, where found and PRICE (usually somewhere between 5 and 50 cents). If you have big specimens for the kids (6" or bigger), please label them individually with the above information.
7. Gather up those grocery sacks and have them near your other show supplies so they aren't forgotten.
8. Set aside plenty of time in your schedule for Oct. 20-23 to help out and enjoy the show!
9. A flier is attached. Please post it at work, on your car, or at business you frequent.

**SAFETY TIP:** When breaking a rock with a hammer, to avoid hitting your thumb, either hold the rock with both hands.... or let your wife hold the rock.

(via Michigan Gem News 6/94, Joe Dikeman)

**CALENDAR**

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|-------------|--|
| Sept. 15    | Regular meeting, North School, 7:30<br>Rock-Find contest; Show & Tell  |
| Sept. 16-17 | Holland Show, Holland Civic Center, 150 W. 8th Street, Holland MI Fri. 10-10, Sat. 10-9                      |
| Sept. 24    | Field trip, Wallace Quarry, Bayport MI, 10:00  |
| Sept. 24-25 | Bettie Patterson's rock sale, 10am - 5pm   |
| Sept. 28    | Board meeting, Bettie Patterson's home, 7:30   |
| Oct. 1-2    | Eddy Geology Center, Geology Arts Fair, 10730 Bush R., Chelsea MI Sat. 10-5, Sun 10-4                        |
| Oct. 1-2    | Livingston Show, Hartland High School, 9529 Highland Rd, Hartland MI Sat. 10-7, Sun 10-5                     |
| Oct. 14-16  | Detroit Show, Light Guard Armory, 4400 E. 8 Mile Rd. Fri. 9-7, Sat. 10-9, Sun. 10-4                          |
| Oct. 21-23  | OUR SHOW -- BE THERE!  |
| Oct. 29     | Harvest bash at Dave & Jean Ann's house, noon  |
| Nov. 5      | Mid-Michigan Gemcraft & Mineral Society Swap, 9am-5pm, Midland Community Center, 2001 George St., Midland MI |

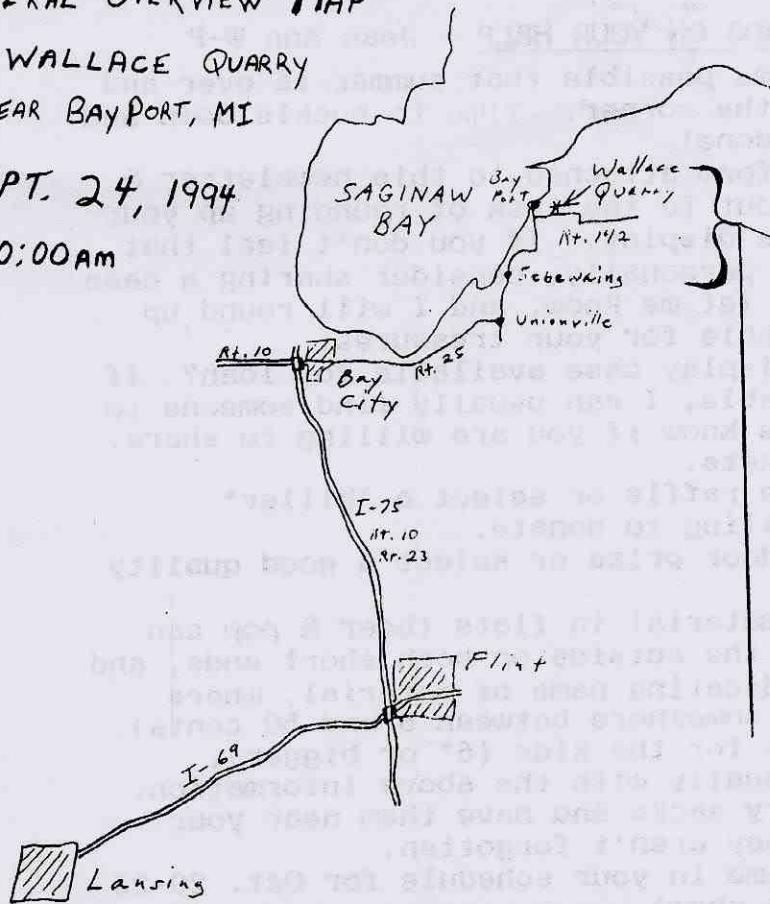


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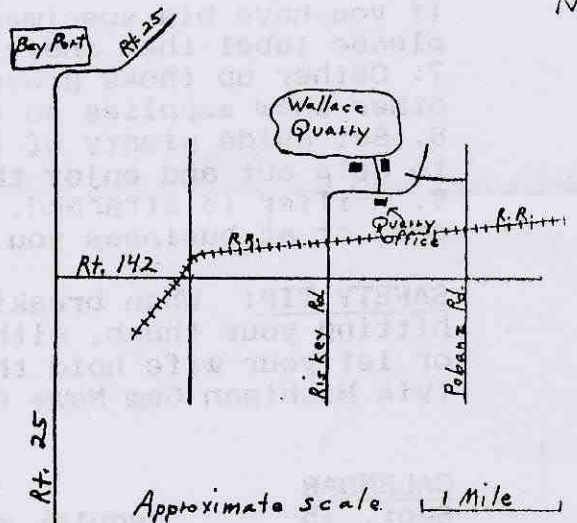
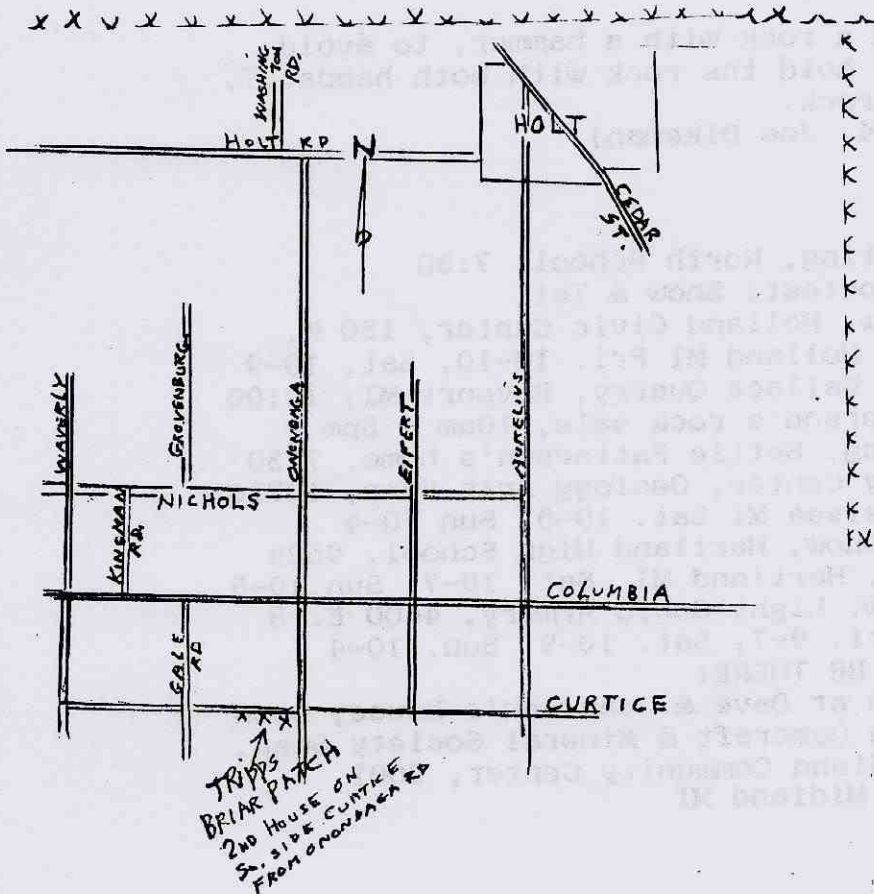
TO WALLACE QUARRY  
NEAR BAY PORT, MI

SEPT. 24, 1994

10:00 AM



Crude Map of Wallace Quarry  
& vicinity near Bay Port, Mich.



FOSSIL STUDY GROUP MEETING

FRIDAY, SEPT. 23 7:00 pm

at LARRY & LORNA TRIPP'S

"BRIAR PATCH"



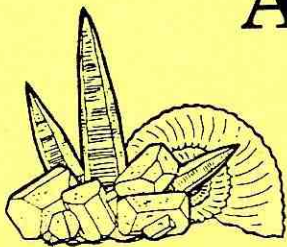
# "Rockhounds' Dream"

29th ANNUAL (1994)

## Gem & Mineral Show

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At

**Marshall Street Armory**  
Lansing, Michigan



**FRIDAY**

Oct. 21 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.



**SATURDAY**

Oct. 22 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.



**SUNDAY**

Oct. 23 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **DEALERS -**

Moorehead Rock Shop  
BJ's  
A & B Jewels and Tools  
Archy's Rock Shop  
Artcraft Enterprises  
R & M Gems  
Red Metal Mineral Co.  
F & L Minerals  
The Outcrop

Free Parking - Silent Auction -  
Supervised Swap - Children's Table -  
Exhibits - Demonstrations - Raffle -  
Door Prizes - Refreshment Booth



**ADULTS \$2.00, TEENS \$.50**  
**12 AND UNDER, WITH ADULT, FREE**



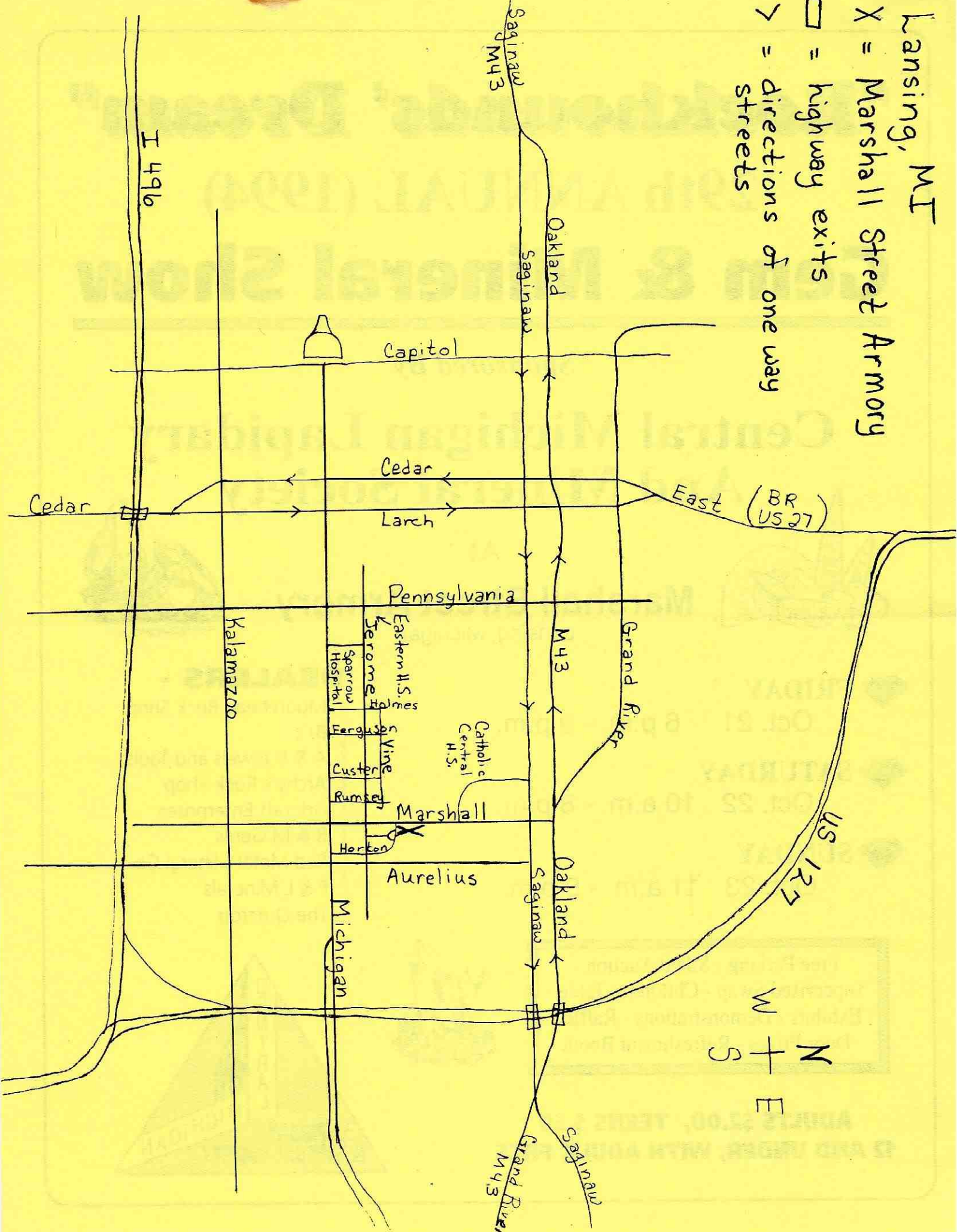


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X = Marshall Street Armory

□ = highway exits

> = directions of one way streets





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Dates: October 21, 22, 23, 1994

Place: Marshall Street Armory, Lansing, MI

Set-Up Time: Thursday Oct. 20, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Friday Oct. 21, 1:30- 5:30 pm

Removal Time: Sunday, October 31, 5:00 pm

All displays will be non-competitive. Exhibitors must furnish their own extension cord, properly identified.

(tear here)

I wish to exhibit at the 29th Annual Gem & Mineral Show, "Rockhounds' Dream" sponsored by Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society.

Classification of exhibit \_\_\_\_\_  
(mineral, fossil, lapidary, etc.)

I will furnish \_\_\_\_\_ cases.  
(number)

Size: \_\_\_\_\_ wide x \_\_\_\_\_ high x \_\_\_\_\_ deep. Lighted? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

I would like to borrow a case. \_\_\_\_\_

The Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society will furnish security and take all reasonable and expected precautions to protect the property and person of the exhibitor.

The Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society shall not be liable to any exhibitor for any damages to or for the loss or destruction of any exhibit. This shall include the property of an exhibitor or injuries to his/her person resulting from any cause.

Submission of a signed application constitutes acceptance of all rules and regulations.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Send application to or call:

Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski  
1407 Coats Grove Rd.  
Hastings, MI 49058  
(616) 948-9589



