

**OCTOBER 15 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**

**CIDER & DONUTS PROVIDED:** Marie & Gordon Lewis will make sure that plenty of cider & donuts are on hand for our refreshments. Save your goodies for the show.

**OCTOBER MINERAL OF THE MONTH:** Datolite

**PROGRAM:** Talks from our scholarship winners; Mini Silent Auction

**BRING:** raffle prizes, door prizes, self-collected items for the club display

**SHOW ALERT (jawp)**

Your contributions of time, energy and materials are appreciated! Scan the list of needs below & see what suits you. You can sign up for a job at the meeting, or just show up and say: "Where do you need me?"

**CRITTER MAKING PARTY -- Laylin's house, Oct. 19, 1:00 p.m.**

**ENTRANCE DISPLAY-- This will be a group effort this year, highlighting field collected specimens.** Lets show off the bounty of our club field trips! If you are willing to loan a specimen for this display, please bring it to the meeting OR let George Heaton or Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski know what you plan on bringing to the show. It would be especially nice to have some finished pieces like cabs or jewelry made from self collected material.

**WE ARE IN DIRE NEED OF RAFFLE PRIZES!** These should be something real nice which will incite visitors to buy a \$1.00 ticket. Get your donation to Gail Hopkins. **DONATIONS** are also welcomed for **Silent Auction, Door Prizes and the Kids Table.** Please label any of the above with identity & location.

**HOSPITALITY ROOM:** Don't forget to sign the sheet at the next meeting, to work in the kitchen at the show. If the times are not filled the kitchen will be closed. Everyone likes to eat, everyone needs to help. A list will be available also to sign up for food. Thank You, Ruthann Lehner

**DISPLAYS.** We depend on our club members to provide most of the displays at our show. An "application" is attached to this newsletter. Please fill it out & give it to Jean Ann at the meeting, or put it in the mail. If you have an empty case that someone could borrow, please let me know as well.

**WORKERS NEEDED, Thursday**

--9:00am meet at Turner's house to begin hauling rock, signs, equipment etc. to armory.

--till 5pm, limited set up at the armory. (Have to leave room for the 5-7pm dance classes.)

--7:00-9:00pm finish set-up; bring in displays

**Friday**

--8:30 ish am to 1:00 p.m.. The invasion of over 1000 school children. We need help selling minerals to these young'uns and monitoring their behavior. Dress comfortably & be ready to hustle!

--At 1:00 there is a flurry of activity to rearrange things a bit to accommodate the arrival of our dealers, and reorganize the kids table and silent auction for the evening.

**During Show Hours:**

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| --Ticket Sales       | --Raffle Tickets | --Silent Auction | --Kids Table |
| --Security/Host(ess) | --Swap Table     | --Hospitality    |              |

**PROGRAM REPORT** -- Connie Snapp

Last month Ed Drown won the best rock contest with is spectacular celestite specimen from Lime City, while Al Stokes came in second with his group of greenstones from Copper Harbor which he had already polished. Elaine Angstman took first place in the fossil category with her plate of horn corals form Bedford, Kentucky.

The October program will include brief talks from our scholarship winner, Jeffrey Anderson, and also the two American Federation scholarship winners selected by Florence Hill: Karen Stockstill and Michael Brennan. WE will also hold a mini silent auction, so if you have some specimens you would like to turn into cash, bring them along for the October meeting.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**-- Roger Laylin

The proposed slate of officers is as follows:

President                    Larry Bourland

Vice-President            Mary Kay Bean

Recording Secretary    Mary Gowans

Treasurer                Alan Hukill

Corresponding Sec.    WE NEED A VOLUNTEER

2 Year director & 3 Year director: Elaine Angstman, Ruthann Lerner, Alice Turner, Gail Hopkins

Liaison Officer            Bettie Patterson

Other nominations are welcome the night of the election, however, you must have the permission of the person you are nominating.

**OCTOBER FIELD TRIP**-- George Heaton

The field trip for October will be our Gem and Mineral Show at the Marshall Street Armory October 23-25th. I hope all of our members will be willing to participate in this event by working at one or more of the many jobs that must be done to put on a good show. The Children's Table will need lots of help, especially during the school tours on Friday morning. And, George would like enough help on Saturday and Sunday so he can goof-off now and then and look at stuff, have a snack, check the silent auction, etc.

**FIELD TRIP TO CORYDON INDIANA** --George Heaton

Eleven people made the trip to visit the Corydon Crushed Stone Co. Quarry at Corydon Indiana to search for minerals on Saturday, Sept. 26. Besides George Heaton and six members of his family, Neil and Connie Snapp and Roger and Leora Laylin were in attendance.

As usual on a George Heaton arranged field trip, the weather was dry and sunny, but it was also hot for late September. For most of us the collecting was poor since there was no new material on the level I usually find most productive. The exception was George's brother Roger who opened up two vugs of very nice calcite crystals on pink dolomite. He let George have a few crumbs for our children's table. Most of what George collected was only suitable for the children's table which will receive most of what he collected.

Sunday morning George and family visited the road cut east of Salem to collect geodes. The Snepps and Laylins had collected at the road cut Saturday morning before going to Corydon so the Snepps went elsewhere to collect fossils and the Laylins headed for Pittsburgh to visit relatives. At the road cut George did quite well collecting some nice geodes. The others also found a few nice geodes.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER** Connie Sysak, 4141 Sholas Dr., Okemos MI 48864; 349-5994. Connie is a marketing director by trade. Her interests include archaeology, fossils, geology, lapidary crafts, tumbling and wirecraft.

**BETTY PATTERSON'S NEW ADDRESS & PHONE:** 4519 Seneca, Okemos MI 48864, 347-8821

**YOU ARE INVITED TO A "HARVEST LUNCH", OCT. 31**

All members of the club are invited out to Dave & Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski's house in Hastings for some relaxing socialization the week after the show. As it stands now, the menu will be lasagna, salad & plenty of pies (fruit & pumpkin)! Mark your calendar for October 31 at NOON. We are planning a bonfire later in the evening, so anyone who wishes to hang around for left-overs & popcorn/marshmallows at the fire is welcome to stay!

To get to our house, take M-43 West to Woodland. At the blinking light in Woodland, turn south (left) onto Woodland Rd. About 3-4 miles south of Woodland you have a choice of going straight to a stop sign, or taking a 90 degree curve to the west (right.) Follow the curve. You are now heading west on Coats Grove Road. Don't forget to slow down for the village of Coats Grove. We are about 4 miles west from "town." ;) This time, don't take the curve that goes south, but rather continue straight ahead through an arch of trees to the stop sign. This is the corner of Coats Grove & Barber Roads. We are just past the intersection on the North West corner. **DO BE CAREFUL CROSSING THE INTERSECTION AS CARS FLY BY ON BARBER RD.** To help us prepare just the right amount of food, we will have a sign-up sheet at the show. Hope YOU can make it.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT** -- Mary Kay Bean

Cards of cheer were sent both to Char Gere and Preston Whipple who both had surgery during September. Char would be grateful for cards and perhaps a visit at home. Preston was in intensive care at Ingham Medical and not accepting visitors as of October 1.

Marie McElmurry, a charter member, lost her husband to death the last week of September and a card of sympathy was sent.





**CLUB CALENDAR**

- Oct. 15 Regular meeting, North School, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 19 1:00 p.m., critter making party @ Laylin's house
- Oct. 22 Show set up
- Oct. 23-25 OUR SHOW: "Gem\*Stone Journey" Fri. 6-9 p.m., Sat. 10-7, Sun. 11-5.  
Marshall Street Armory, Lansing.
- Oct. 31 Harvest Lunch at Dave & Jean Ann's place, 12 noon

**SHOWS AND SUCH**

- Sept. 18-19 Holland Show, Holland Civic Center, 150 W. Eighth St. Holland MI.  
Fri. & Sat. 10-9
- Sept. 19-20 Falls Fossil Festival, Falls of the Ohio State Park, Clarksville IN. Swap, talks, field  
trips. Sat. 9-7, Sun. 9-5.
- Oct. 3-4 Eddy Center Geology Arts Fair. 10730 Bush Rd. Chelsea MI. State Park motor  
vehicle permit required for entry. Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4.
- Oct. 9-11 Detroit Show. Light Guard Armory, 4400 East Eight Mile Rd, Detroit. \$5.00  
adults, \$3.00 seniors, \$2.00 under 15, Free under 5 yrs old. Fri. 9-7, Sat. 10-8,  
Sun. 10-6.
- Oct. 23-25 CML&MS show: "Gem\*Stone Journey" Fri. 6-9 p.m., Sat. 10-7, Sun. 11-5.  
Marshall Street Armory, Lansing.
- Nov. 7 Dearborn Auction. Allen Park Civic Hall, 15871 Philomena, Allen Park.
- Nov. 6-8 Blackhawk Rock Club Show, Colonial Village Mall, Rockford IL
- Nov. 12-15 Midwest Faceters Guild Show, Dearborn Civic Center,

-----tear here & give to Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski-----  
 other options: e-mail: jawp2@voyager.net or phone (616) 948-9589

You can count on \_\_\_\_\_ to bring a display to the show.

- I will bring \_\_\_\_\_ standard club case(s)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ pony case(s)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ faceting case(s)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ something else. Please draw a rough sketch:

\_\_\_\_\_ Hey, I want to borrow a case.

No, \_\_\_\_\_ can't display this year, but would be glad to let someone else use my case.