

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: DECEMBER 16TH

PROGRAM: Installation of Officers and celebration of the season

REFRESHMENTS : For the December refreshments, everybody bring a favorite
Christmas goody.

Club Calendar

DECEMBER 16th	Regular meeting place and time. North School, 7:30pm.
November 22nd	Wrapup show board meeting. 1770 Sandhill, 7:00
January 6th	CML&MS Board meeting. Okemos Library, 7:00.
January 20th	Regular meeting. North School 7:30
January 22	Okemos Schools Science Fun Day, Chippewa Middle School 11am-3pm
January 23	January field trip-Pot luck at 1:00p.m. at Alaiedon Township Hall

My last "Pres Says" will be the President's Report.

To the membership:

The year 2004 has been a good year from many perspectives. I want to thank the officers for all their efforts this year - interesting programs, organized records and hours phoning for information or any reason. Everyone worked hard and their endeavors are appreciated.

I thank all the committee chairs who worked hard and efficiently to have our good edibles after meetings and during the show, those going out in the community for presentations, our banquet committee for organizing a wonderful evening, organizing field trips, those keeping us informed through our Rockhound newsletter, keeping our library available and organized, everything else that was done and the yearly MSU scholarship that we have donate.

A new addition to the committees this year, was starting a special committee, Webmaster. Our new webmasters have created a website for CMLMS on: michrocks.org. It started with just a couple of pages and now includes several pages about our club.

I thank the 2004 Show Committee who worked hard for the entire year and members who came the day before to set up and arrange all those tables, who stayed late to take those tables down and pile up tables and chairs for pick-up, and who found time in between to bring their own displays and help at the show. The show was held again at the Ingham County Fairgrounds. The attendance was not up to other years at both the Childrens Tour and the regular show.

And I also want to thank all the members who responded to our requests to help with the club silent auctions, set out the snacks and drinks after meetings, who brought contributions to the hospitality room at the show as well as after meetings and who just helped when we asked.

I have enjoyed my year this 2004 and hope that 2005 will be as good and even better.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Gowans ,President

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Healthy, Happy 2005!!!!

Enjoy our beautiful Michigan winter inside looking over your collections and finding lost treasures to share with everyone at the March Silent Auction, door prizes or next year's show.

Mary G. Pres

WELCOME To new members: Janel E. Rambo #1448	M. Elliot Wood #1449
4825 Bond Rd.	9750 N.Meridian Rd.
Onondaga, MI 49264	Pleasant Lake, MI 49272
517 628-3873	517 769-6578

DUES ARE DUE ITS TIME TO GET THOSE DUES IN TO ROSTER SECRETARY - ERNIE AUGHENBAUGH, P.O.Box 67, St. Johns, MI. 48879-0067. \$10.00 for individuals, \$15.00 for family \$2 student under 18. Dues can be mailed to Ernie at the above address or paid at the meeting.

FOR SALE -- Long time member, John Takis has decided to sell some hobby items that he is no longer using. His list of items includes polishing laps, various polishing powders, lots of faceting designs and articles, a couple of ring mandrels, etc. For more information, give him a call. His phone number is in the club directory.

Note from the editor: Material for the news letter should reach the editor by the date of the board meeting, items received after this may not get in to the newsletter. Items should be sent by e-mail if at all possible as the editor is not a typist.

MINUTES

Membership Meeting November 18, 2004

President Mary Gowans called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and introduced guests.

Vice President - Dan distributed door prizes to: Jeff Seelge, Gail Hopkins, Joe Manina, George Heaton, Wayne Zittle, Rod Curtner, Elaine Angstman, Lindsey Monroe and discussed upcoming events.

Recording Secretary - Elaine Angstman took minutes in Sue's absence. October minutes accepted as recorded in the newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary - Lola Pearson reported that she sent a sympathy card and a thank you card.

Treasurer - Alan reported receiving memorials for Larry Tripp and Florence Hill and reported that most major bills from the show are paid.

Directors: Christine Juroszek reported that she has a thank-you letter for the fund and asks that the club decide what we are going to do with it. John Juroszek had no report and Gaylord Brooks was not present.

Roster Secretary - Ernie Aughenbaugh asked that members hand in any badges that they are no longer using.

Liaison Officer - Alan Hukill had no report

Past President - Milt Gere got a letter from John Takis saying that he has a lot of material to sell. Please contact him for more information.

Membership - Elaine Angstman has received two new members to present at the December Board Meeting.

Field Trip - Ed Drown was not present

Publications - Roger, Lee Laylin were not present

Education - Kara Miller and Jenifer Martin were not present. Richard Miller reported that Kara received a letter from a teacher from Nevada asking for petoskey stone kits. They sent 25 kits to her.

Community Outreach - Elaine Angstman had no report.

Library - Lee Laylin was not present.

Display - Dan Sine reported as vice president. Finance - Gordon Lewis had no report.

Show - Roger Laylin commented that the updated membership form was used and pictures of the show were spread out on the table for members to take.

Webmaster - Arie Koelewyn asked for pictures for past trips to put on our webpage: www.michrocks.org. Also you can find the newsletter on the webpage.

Old Business - none

New Business - A letter from Hazel Morgan was read. She and Bob Hansor attended the Flint Rock and Gem Club banquet as CMLMS guests.

The nominating committee slate for 2005 officers was presented:

President: Richard Miller

Vice President: Dan Sine

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler

Corresponding Sec: Lola Pearson

Treasurer: Allan Hukill

Three-year Director: Milt Gere

Gail Hopkins moved to accept the slate as presented. Shar Gere seconded. Motion passed.

Allan Hukill made a motion to adjourn. Joe Manina seconded. Motion passed.

Program: Milt Gere introduced our speaker, Richard Lassin, whose topic was "Discovery of the L K Massive Sulfide Deposit: Menominee County, Michigan."

Respectfully submitted, Elaine Angstman for Sue Casler

Bits and Pieces

The "MWF NEWS" December Issue, had lots of praise for CML&MS. I will bring it to the December meeting so that others can read it . But will include a few excerpts here. Pres. John Wasburn thanked CML&MS for hosting the fall meeting of the MWF and also wrote "We also want to thank Elaine Angstman, our Silent Auction Chair for her work at the convention and at Lansing for the Endowment Fund". Way to go Elaine and speaking of Elaine, remember that she is going back to Peru and if you have any thing for her to take, please get it to her. She can use soap, shampoo, men's briefs-size small and old billfolds and lots of other things, maybe she will give us some more ideas at the meeting. or give Elaine a call.

Be sure and read "While sitting on a rockpile..." by Kitty Starbuck, she and Marv helped out on Friday morning Childrens day.

DECK THE HIPS

Tis the season to gain five pounds, FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
My butt will be drag-ging the ground! FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Make some cookies, eat the batter! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA, LA!
Look at me, I'm getting fatter! FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Go to parties, eat the buffet. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
This time of year I choose to not weigh. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
My pants, they are all getting tighter! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA, LA!
My stomach she is getting wider. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Eat the fruitcake from Aunt Mabel. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Just because it's on the table. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Crunch some candy canes for dinner! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA LA!
Snarf the fondue, it's a winner! FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA.
Santa's cookies cannot be found. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Oops, I gained another three pounds. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
At least I left the reindeer carrots! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA LA!
Eating veggies, I can't bear it! FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Time to sparkle for the New Year. FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA

What?!? My dress won't fit on my rear! FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Grab the draperies, make a toga! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA, LA!
This Roman look is still in "vogue-a". FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA!
Champagne headache, don't feel OK FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
The "piper's" knocking, time to be "paid" FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA.
I resolve to exercise now! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA LA!
My youngest thinks I am a Moo cow FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
Past the table to the treadmill FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
I spy the brownies sent by Aunt Lil, FA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA LA
The diet can begin tomorrow! FA LA LA, LA LA LA, LA LA LA!
What's one more treat? No one has to know! FA LA LA LA LA.....
LA.....LA.....LA.....LAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA