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**June Work
Bee!!**



Rockhound News

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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Midwest Federation of

Mineralogical and Geological Societies, <http://www.mwfed.org/>

ROCKHOUND NEWS

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, June 15, 2023

Work Bee: Making Wire Trees for show

REFRESHMENTS: Bring snacks to share

Location and Time: The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on June 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

Calendar for Summer 2023

June 1, 2023 – Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Okemos Library

June 15, 2023 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

July and August - Summer Break – Have a good summer

Sept.7, 2023 - Board meeting, 6:00 p.m Okemos Library

Sept 21, 2023 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

[Editor's note: the deadline for the newsletter is **Wed, 6pm.** after the board meeting.]

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

June 15 – Theresa Hubbard will be showing the club how to make wire trees. Feel free to bring a pair of small pliers to help make trees. You can also bring in any 3 inch round rocks to work on.

Sept. 21 – Show and Tell the club about your summer adventures! Bring stories and any summer finds from your rockhound adventures

Welcome New Members:

Jessica and Jeremy Timbehrski

Donald Robertson

CLUB NEWS:

Sending out Thanks:

Mattie Newman, our 3rd year Director has taken over Club Membership and Roster Secretary duties. Thank you Mattie for taking over this task from Robin Smith. Also a big Thank You to Robin Smith who has been handling multiple membership duties while organizing, planning and running our annual show!

Dr. Peter Voice gave us a wonderful and very interesting talk for our Spring Banquet. The Club was entertained by his history of Michigan Geologic Resources. Thank you!!

Summer Work Bee

A work Bee is needed this summer for trailer repairs. We need to have a weekend this summer to unload the trailer and make some repairs. Keep an eye out for an email and plan to help out on a Saturday this summer. More details to follow.

Rocks needed for Show:

If you are out collecting rocks this summer, we need some for the show this year: We need petoskey stones for the Polishing Table and we need nice round basalt stones, about 3 inches in diameter for the wire tree bases.

Club Field Trips this Summer:

- July 22, 2023. Rockport State Park which is North of Alpena. Meet at the site at 10am.
- August 12, 2023. Negwegon State Park which is South of Alpena. Near the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. Meet at the site at 10am.

Both are near Harrisville, MI. Camping is best at Harrisville State Park in Harrisville. All of the State Parks are fairly close to each other.

If you have any field trip ideas, please contact Carl at Cell phone **517-599-1882** or **cmenn@yahoo.com**. Please contact him if interested in getting emails as field trips are set up.

Book Now! Summer Tours of The Eagle and Humboldt Mines

Get a behind-the-scenes look at the nation's only primary nickel mine. The Eagle Mine in Marquette, MI offers **free tours** of their Eagle Mine and Humboldt Mill during the summer months. Tours are held on Thursdays throughout the summer, and reservations are required.

Tour participants must be 13 years or older to participate, and an adult must accompany those under 18.

Please Visit <https://www.eaglemine.com/tours> For more info and Dates.

UPCOMING SHOWS

June 10: Grand Rapids, MI, Indian Mounds Rock Club, **Rock Swap**; Woodland Drive-In Church, 2600 Breton SE, Grand Rapids, 9-noon Kreigh Tomaszewski, kreigh@gmail.com

June 10-11: Mid-Ohio Mineral and Fossil Club, Fairhaven Hall, County Fairgrounds, 750 N. Home Road, Mansfield, OH, Sat 10-6, Sun 11-5 Tom Kottyan, themineralhouse@

Aug. 11-13: Copper Country Rock & Mineral Club, 203 W. Jacker Ave., Houghton, MI. Fri noon-8, Sat 9-6, Sun 10-3, George Schriver, pres@ccrnc.info

Sept. 8-10: Toledo, OH; Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club; Pratt Pavilion, County Fairgrounds, 13800 W. Poe, Bowling Green, OH, Fri noon-8, Sat 10-6, Sun 11-5. Jerri Heer
jheerx6@gmail.com

In Memoriam:

Charles "Chuck" Collins

Long time club member and friend Chuck Collins passed away in April. Chuck was a longtime member of our club along with many other Midwest Federation clubs in the area. Many of you knew Chuck from the hospitality kitchen during our annual show- he has faithfully been Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski's right hand in the hospitality "kitchen" at the show every year, making sure all the volunteer's and vendors are fed throughout the weekend.

Charles "Chuck" Collins of Buchanan, Michigan, died of cancer, April 7, 2023 at home. He was born July 1, 1934 in Iowa and grew up in the state of Washington. May 1, 1971, he married Margaret Kleinert. They resided in western suburbs of Detroit while Chuck worked for Ford Motor Co. In 1992, they 'retired' to Buchanan, Michigan.

Charles was preceded in death by his mother, Helen (Collis) Collins, and his brother, Bob Collins. He is survived by his wife, Marge, nephews, Todd Collins and Scott Collins, and their families in the Spokane, Washington area.

There will be no services. Memorial donations can be made to Caring Circle Hospice, 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph, MI 49085. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hoven Funeral Home, Buchanan. Online condolences may be made at www.hovenfunerals.com.

Have a safe and fun Summer. Get out and enjoy the
Outdoors! See you in September!

CMLMS MINUTES

CML&MS, Apr 6, 2023 Board Meeting

Board Members Present: Nate Krupp, Carl Mennare, Ruth Lehner, Mattie Newman, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Robin Smith, Steve Smith, Fawn Dunbar, Mattie Newman, Lyle Laylin, Sue Casler

Board Members absent: Excused: Jessica Clark, Chuck Taricska

Members Present: Roger Laylin, Fay Mennare

President: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library.

President's items:

The Kalamazoo Rock Show is May 5-7, we need volunteers to help as they help at ours. Our annual banquet is next month: progress on ticket sales, need a newsletter note on that, volunteers needed to bring hors d'oeuvres & punch, displays. This month's program is Wire Wrapping with Amy Miller. Any prep. needed, materials, tools?

Upcoming Membership Meetings:

April 20th meeting program is a wire wrap demonstration by member Amy Miller.

May 18th is our annual Banquet.

Perhaps paleontology for June, Nate has a lead to follow up on.

Vice-President: position vacant.

Treasurer: Fawn Dunbar

\$7.80 expended for Show Dealer mailings. We received the matching \$25K anonymous donation for our MSU endowed scholarship. Cashed in one CD for the endowed scholarship.

Recording Secretary: Jessica C. absent but the March Board Meeting minutes were approved with minor corrections; Fawn moved and Carl seconded the motion.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa H. knows of no new elementary school Science Nights requesting a display. She's planning to ask 3 regional nature centers if they need demonstrations for their summer programs.

Director 1: Steve Smith, no report

Director 2: Ruth Lehner, no report – only Show stuff.

Director 3: Mattie Newman; has agreed to take over Membership & Roster Secretary from Robin.

Show: Robin Smith

She convinced the Ingham Co. Fair Board to drop their new fee of \$1/ticket as we are a nonprofit group.

Ruth has had post card Show ads printed. Milt will get our Show dates into Rock & Gem magazine.

Other Show advertising discussed. Carl M. will contact the MSU Geology Club on how to best interact with our club and with our Show.

Roster Secretary/Membership: Mattie N. has agreed to take over from Robin Smith.

Liaison Officer: Carl Mennare

MSU endowment scholarship meeting scheduled for this Sat at the Flying J I-Hop, 3 pm.

Past-President: Sue Casler-the March newsletter reported that we need a Hospitality Chair (?). Sue and Mike have been doing it and don't have a problem continuing. We received the Flint club's newsletter in the mail and their Sep Show is at a new location, Crossroads Village.

Field Trips: Carl Mennare

Wednesday, May 17th in Mount Pleasant at the Chippewa Library, 6 pm seminar on Rockhounding in Michigan. Free, hour-long presentation.

Publications: Chuck Taricska

Absent but reported that the MSU Science Fest is all this month. The next deadline for the newsletter is Wednesday, Apr 12th.

Education and Community Outreach: Theresa Hubbard, no new events or requests to report.

Library: Jessica C., absent, no report.

Display: Vacant position (looking for volunteers).

Finance: Milt Gere

Milt has the check for our MSU scholarship award recipient (Ms. Libby Ashby), which includes \$100 from the estate of Alice & Grit Turner.

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin- our website hosting fee is due & he'll be sure it gets paid.

Old business:

Discussion on logistics of mailing the newsletter to members without an e-mail address.

Kalamazoo Show this weekend, May 5-7, 2023. Need some volunteers to help as they help at our Show.

Board members please look at your position descriptions and see what needs to change.

New Business: None.

Adjournment: Fawn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received was seconded by Steve and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

CMLMS, May 4, 2023 Board Meeting

Board Members Present: Nate Krupp, Carl Mennare, Ruth Lehner, Mattie Newman, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Robin Smith, Steve Smith, Chuck Taricksa, Fawn Dunbar

Board Members absent: Lyle Laylin, Jessica Clark, Sue Casler

Members Present: Roger Laylin, Fay Mennare, Dan Sine, Chris & John Juroscek

President: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library.

President's items:

Peter Voice as banquet speaker has been confirmed, other banquet planning. John Juroscek sent the Board concerns and possible draft policy language on animal parts sales by our Show vendors. What summer vacation announcements do we have? MWF Annual Convention is in Howell Sep 15-17.

Anyone want to represent our Club? Aug 16th registration deadline. Kalamazoo Show volunteers this weekend will be Theresa, Ruth, Fay & Carl, Nate.

Upcoming Membership Meetings:

May 18th is our annual Banquet.

Perhaps paleontology for June, Nate has a lead to follow up on.

Vice-President: position vacant.

Treasurer: Fawn Dunbar

No new activity in the account. Lyle L. has agreed to sign the official MSU Scholarship Endowment paperwork. Voted and approved unanimously.

Recording Secretary: Jessica C. absent but the April Board Meeting minutes were approved with Fawn moving and Carl seconding the motion.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa H. had no activity to report.

Director 1: Steve Smith, no report

Director 2: Ruth Lehner, no report

Director 3: Mattie Newman, has some friends that would like to sign up.

Show: Robin Smith

Chris & John Juroscek brought to the Board's attention the fact that at our Show last October some dealers were selling dehydrated bats and other animal parts and insects. Legalities, potential for diseases, endangered species, depletion demand creation ethics and appropriateness at a rock and mineral show received raucous discussion. Dealer contracts have already gone out for this fall's Show and more

research is needed so the topic was tabled.

Roster Secretary/Membership: Mattie N. has agreed to take over from Robin Smith.

Approved a new member application from Donald Robertson.

Liaison Officer: Carl Mennare

May 12th is the next scheduled meeting with Michigan State University on the endowment.

Past-President: Sue Casler-absent, no report.

Field Trips: Carl Mennare

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Publications: Chuck Taricska

The next deadline for the newsletter is Wednesday, May 10th.

People can now submit their ads on our website.

Education and Community Outreach: Theresa Hubbard, absent, no report

Library: Jessica C. absent, nothing new to report.

Display: Vacant position (looking for volunteers).

Finance: Milt Gere

Milt sent out the MSU scholarship award certificate to our award recipient. Our show dates still aren't on the MWF website calendar but Milt submitted them to Rock & Gem magazine.

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin-no report, absent

Old business:

Kalamazoo Show this weekend, May 5-7, 2023. Need some volunteers to help as they help at our Show. Board members please look at your position descriptions and see what needs to change. Mattie needs the Membership Chair job description.

New Business:

Banquet-Speaker Dr. Peter Voice, Western Michigan University, confirmed. Chuck and Jess need more details on his talk for the newsletter and Banquet program (Nate). Confirm Jess is doing programs again. Dan Sine says we have about 40 signed up so far. Who is bringing punch?

Please bring an appetizer to share for the social hour. It was approved to invite Corie Palmer, MSU Senior Director of Development, with whom we've been working on the scholarship endowment.

Adjournment: Fay made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received was seconded by Milt and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Board Meeting: June 1st, 2023

Board Members Present: Nate Krupp, Carl Mennare, Jessica Clark, Mattie Newman, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Fawn Dunbar, Sue Casler, Lyle Laylin, Robin Smith

Board Members absent: Ruth Lehner, Chuck Taricksa, Steve Smith

Members Present: Roger Laylin, Fay Mennare, Dan Sine

President: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library.

President's items:

- 10/4/23- Central Michigan Garden Club would like our club to give a program on Michigan Rocks, Minerals and Fossils.
- We are trying to figure out the summer rock trailer meeting to fix the inside of the trailer at the Smith's house.
- How did the banquet go? The speaker was good, but meeting was long. Board agreed that it was very good presentation.

- Had a lead on Bruce Bright. A teacher in Dewitt.
- Workday for rock trees, sold at the show. When is that going to be? We need to have about 200 stones per Theresa. Theresa is looking for nice round basalt rocks about 3 inches in diameter.
- Feel free to bring small pliers to make trees (at our June 15th meeting). You can also bring in any 3 in round rocks to work on. The wire is flexible, and you can make trees with your hands.
- Please collect Petoskey stones now, to be donated to the show.

Upcoming Membership Meetings:

- 6/15/23-For the June membership meeting, Theresa will be showing the club how to make wire trees for our October Show.

Vice-President: This position is currently open.

Treasurer: Fawn Dunbar

- Fawn sent out a Treasure's report to the membership board. We do not have any outstanding checks. Cashed in our CD because it came due.

Recording Secretary: Jessica Clark

- Nate's minutes from the May board meeting are good.
- Carl mentioned to approve the minutes, Fay and Fawn approved. Minutes passed as written.
- We will not have minutes from our May banquet.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard

- Theresa will send Mr. Voice a Thank You card.
- No correspondence this month.
- Theresa got a call to voicemail from Mary Gowen's brother, and he wants us to pick up his stones from St. Louis. His nephew now has the rocks and is a geologist.

Director 1: Steve Smith, nothing to report.

Director 2: Ruth Lehner, no report, absent

Director 3: Mattie Newman, no report currently.

Show: Robin Smith

- Last she knew we have one vendor spot left.
- Already have our food truck. The taco truck from last year is Taqueria Monarca.
- Wants to get feather flags to bring people into the entrances. Between \$50 and \$75 each.
- We will need to update our price sign as we enter the door to pay. Robin can print it.
- Robin can print new signs for each of the areas, for example Demonstratos table sign.
- Possible Zoom meeting to discuss the show this summer.
- We need to talk about taking electric payments at the door. Researching it now. (Apple Pay is an option, but we need a phone number)

Roster Secretary/Membership: Mattie Newman

- New members Jessica and Jeremy Timbehrski need to be approved. Fay moved and Theresa seconded.
- Are we still doing badges? Mattie will call him and follow up. And she will look for a new provider as a backup.
- Mattie will not take money for badges at this time.
- Mattie will update the form to say badges are not available at this time.
- She is making a Masterfile that is tracking everything with instructions. She will also add the bylaws.
- Mattie will communicate to members who are active and how to stay active in the club. We need rules in place.
- **Liaison Officer:** Carl Mennare
- Working on our endowment currently. Then they will set up a meeting for the committee soon.

Past-President: Sue Casler

- We are all set with Board meetings for the rest of the year at the library.
- Can we use the Masonic hall October 12th before the show? Roger will check into it.
- It is time in September to get a new slate of officers for 2024. We need to think about who we want to be President and Vice President. In October we need to decide on officers and in December we vote them in.

Field Trips: Carl Mennare

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- August 12, 2023. Negwegon State Park which is South of Alpena. Near the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. Meet at the site at 10am.

Publications: Chuck Taricska

- Get everything to Chuck by next Wednesday, June 8th.

Education and Community Outreach: Theresa Hubbard

- Nothing to report.

Library: Jessica Clark

Having the members bring back books please. I will track how many people are taking out books for the rest of the year to see if we will continue using our library.

Display: Vacant position (looking for volunteers).

Finance: Milt Gere

- Nothing to report.

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin

- Website has been paid for.

Old business:

- No old business.

New Business:

- Do we want our show to be as big as the Kalamazoo show down the road? Something to think about.

Adjournment: Mattie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received was seconded by Roger, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m