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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; 6:00 p.m., Okemos Library

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Midwest Federation of

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ROCKHOUND NEWS

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Nov 21, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

PROGRAM: Richard Lassin “Developing a Prospect in the Riverton Basin”

REFRESHMENTS: Members please bring snacks! BYOB

Location and Time: The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on Nov. 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

Calendar for Winter 2024

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

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

Dec. 5 - Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Okemos Library

Dec. 19 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m.

[Editor's note: the deadline for the newsletter is **Wed, 8 p.m.** after the board meeting.]

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Nov. 21 –Presentaion by Richard Lassin

Dec. 19 – Installing 2025 Officer's, Holiday Social, Rocky Gift Exchange, Pot luck?

January 16 - Live Demonstration- Using home tools to polish rocks- Dremels/sanders/Drills

February 20- Theresa Hubbard: Keweenaw Stamp Sands

March 20- Silent Auction

November Program:

Richard Lassin

Developing a Prospect in the Riverton Basin in Iron County, MI, and Florence County, WI.

A wealth of information exists in the public domain and can assist in mineral exploration. The Riverton Basin is a good example of this. Published data from the USGS, Michigan Geological Survey, and the State of Michigan Core Repository near Gwinn, MI, can help generate new mineral prospects.

Attendees will learn how to access this information and techniques to better understand Earth's history.

Richard received his M.Sc in geology from Northern Illinois University in 1975 and spent the following 40+ years in mineral exploration throughout the US. Most of that time was dedicated to Michigan's Upper Peninsula and northern Wisconsin. Mr. Lassin and his partner, Erik Kleiman, found the Back Forty Project some 24 years ago. Since then, Richard has been looking at 4 other properties in the UP for base and precious metals. In 2022, Richard taught an economic geology

class at his alma mater and brought students to a quarry in the UP for a field trip.

Currently, Richard is working on base-metal mineralization in the Riverton Basin that is located in Iron County, Michigan and Florence County, WI. Percent levels of copper, zinc, and uranium are documented. Ag (runs up to 3 opt. High levels of V, Sr, and Hg in association with hydraulic breccias are documented).

We will also be voting in 2025 Officers at the November meeting:

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Roster Secretary	Mattie Newman

CLUB NEWS:

Welcome New Members!

Laura Wilcox
Nathan Wood
Ann Adams
Greg Adams
Danie Adams
James Bretes
Amanda Zimmerman
Patricia Huebner
Michael Nation
Casey Bailor
Fred Alatalo
Samuel Brown
Caitlynn Fedewa

We hope to meet you all at an upcoming meeting! We are glad to have you.

Message from the Roster Secretary Dues are now being collected for 2025

It 's that time again when you are asked to renew your membership in the Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society. (Membership runs from January through December each year.) Membership dues for 2025 are being collected through the end of December, at which time, if unpaid, you will be removed from the list for the newsletter. If you have not paid, please remember you will no longer have privileges for field trips. **YOU MUST BE A SOCIETY**

MEMBER TO GO WITH THE SOCIETY. Please keep in mind that December 31 of each year is the actual date your dues should be paid to the society so the board can plan accordingly for publishing an annual directory and insurance for each member for field trips. DO IT TODAY BEFORE YOU FORGET!!!!

You can pay dues at November meeting- Cash or check please!
Dues are \$10 single person, \$15 Family membership

Link to membership forms:

<https://michrocks.org/club-info/join-us>

Show Expenses:

If you made any purchases for the Annual show and need reimbursement, please submit your expense report and receipts to Fawn so we can finalize the show numbers.

Science Nights are back: We have heard from some schools that Science nights are happening again this year. Science nights at local Elementary schools generally run from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Setup at 5:30 p.m. Contact Teresa Hubbard if interested in volunteering to help out as we need some helpers as we get back into putting on these events!!

Central Michigan Lapidary, Fossil, Mineral and Jewelry Show 2024

Another amazing show has taken place at the Ingham County Fairground. We are always the 3rd weekend in October, so mark your calendars for October 17, 18, 19, 2025!

Thank You to all our volunteers that help during the weekend: Kate Wilcox-Leigh, Chris Griffin, Carla Pfeffer, Fay and Carl Mennare, Loki Weber-David, Richard Lassin, Dan Sine, Mike Wolf, Bailey Kasinger, Kayla Lakes, Sally Hedin, Sue Casler, Marie Clark, Kathy Reid, Cindy Devereaux, Chuck Taricska, Suzette Holloway, Marshall Gordon, Nathan Krupp, Gaylord Brooks.

Our amazing demonstrators, **Thank You** to Brian and Amy Miller, Melvin Lehner, Milt Gere, Christopher Persall, John Hoskin, Gary Schaltz, Victor Reynau, Steve Laught and Ernie Aughenbaugh

SPECIAL THANK YOU to members that organize and follow through on very active areas of the show.

Ruth Lehner: Vendor and Demonstrator Coordinator

Fawn Dunbar: Raffle Ticket Sales/Raffle Prizes

Lyle Laylin: Geo Cracking/Florescent Booth/Displays/Trailer and More

Theresa Hubbard: Children's Area
Elaine Angstman: Silent Auction Coordinator
Richard Miller: Petoskey Polishing
Jessica Clark: Admission
Jean Ann & David Piotrowski: Fabulous meals that kept everyone well fed

THANK YOU to all our Vendors for their support: Archys Rock Shop, All That Glitters, A Girl & Her Rocks, Beauties of Creation, Bob & David Sweet, Creations Rainbow, Dave's Rocks & Carvings, Dublin Rocks & Minerals, Earth Art Rocks & Minerals, Ethiopia Gemstone Intl., First Density Minerals, Gary Espie, Gold Prospectors, Gneiss Guy Minerals & Fossils, Jacqueline, J&D Custom Sandblasting, Kristins Krystals, Main Street Rocks, M & W Minerals, Nayab Gems & Minerals, Peacock Rocks, Realtor Rock, Russell's Trees, Source Tailman, Stone House Rock, The Mineral House, Tourmaline King, Wrap n Rock Gems.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Nov. 23-24: Toledo, OH North West Ohio Rockhound Club Annual Show
Saturday, November 23·9:00am – 5:00pm, St James Lutheran Church,
4727 W Sylvania Ave, Toledo, OH 43623 Contact: Suzanne Shimatzki, (419) 376-2650;
sshimatzki@gmail.com

March 2: Livonia, MI Roamin Club Annual Auction
Sunday, March 2, 2025·12:00 – 6:00pm notes Contact: Clarence Sterling, (248) 884-0431;
tripodsfrommars@gmail.com www.roaminrockclub.weebly.com

CMLMS Minutes:

Membership Meeting, 9/19/2024

Call to Order: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. at the Masonic Center in Okemos.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors:

Dana and Hope

President's announcements:

October 10th is our next membership meeting. It is one week early due to our rock show being held the following week.

October 17th, which is a Thursday, we need help setting up for our annual show at the Ingham County Fairgrounds.

We also really need volunteers to sign up to help at the show. Here are the time slots each day that we need help.

Friday October 18th:

12:30-3:00pm

3:00-5:00pm

5:00-7:00pm

Saturday, October 19th:

9:30am-12:00pm

12:00-2:00pm

2:00-4:00pm

4:00-6:00pm

Sunday, October 20th:

9:30am-12:00pm

12:00-2:00pm

2:00-4:00pm

At next month's membership meeting we will have a presentation on exploring base metals in the Upper Peninsula by Richard Lassin, Professional Geologist.

The Bureau of Land Management has a rockhounding website page. Feel free to check it out.

The Detroit rock show, in Warren, is October 11-13th, 2024.

The club has extra display cases to use for the show if folks are interested in showcasing any of their collections.

Treasurer's Report:

The raffle license has been dropped off to the gaming commission. Raffle tickets have been ordered. Our club taxes have been filed. Our accounts are all in good standing. The MSU scholarship money is now in our account.

Field Trips:

Nothing new at this time.

Education & Outreach:

No science nights at this time.

Officer and Chair Announcements:

Membership dues are due to Mattie Newman.

Milt mentioned that Marie Lewis passed away, she was a past member of the club

Show:

We have a full house of vendors.

We may have kids from Mason coming on Friday to the show, before we are open to the public (11:00-1:00 ish).

The show dates and times have been posted on Facebook.

Volunteer forms are available now. SIGN UP!

The Mexican food truck will not be here this year, we will likely eat from the Crestview Café truck that is already on site.

We will have the ATM machine back this year, as we only take cash at the admissions table.

We have insurance for the show.

When you have expense reports, that you incur for the show, they need to be submitted to Fawn to be reimbursed.

Door Prizes:

Prizes were given out by randomly selecting names.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Fawn moved and Jessica seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Program: Stories of summer collecting adventures.

Respectfully Submitted, Jessica Clark, Recording Secretary.

Board Meeting Minutes

Oct 3rd 2024

Board Members Present: Nate Krupp, Carl Mennare, Jessica Clark, Fawn Dunbar, Milt Gere, Ruth Lehner, Chuck Taricska, Brian Miller, Theresa Hubbard

Board Members absent: Lyle Laylin, Robin Smith, Mattie Newman

Members Present: Fay Mennare, Amy Miller, Sue Casler, William Openshaw

President: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library.

President's items:

- We are currently nominating the slate of officers for next year
- We will vote them into office at our November membership meeting
- At October's membership meeting (October 10th) which is one week early due to our show, we will be doing some show prep, members may be asked to put together some bags of items needed for the show
- Richard Lassen will be our November membership meeting speaker. He will be talking about Base Metals in Iron County

Upcoming Membership Meetings: Thursday, October 10th at 7pm at the Masonic Temple in Okemos.

Vice-President: This position is currently open.

Treasurer: Fawn Dunbar

- Paid the Masonic Temple for our yearly room rental
- Fawn is getting the raffle license this week
- Then the raffle tickets will be printed
- If any club member has rocks or rock related items they would gladly be taken as a donation for our raffle at this years show-per Sue
- Our accounts are in good standing

Recording Secretary: Jessica Clark

- Jess will look for the September minutes and type them up, as she was out sick.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard

- Sent Lee Laylin a get well card
- Has been in contact with Mason teachers
- Around 90 Mason students will be coming to the show on Friday between 12:30-2pm
- The students will get to see all the vendors and displays and also receive an exit gift

Director 1: Ruth Lehner, nothing to report

Director 2: Mattie Newman, absent

Director 3: Greg Miller, contacted Ingham County Fairgrounds for us and we can put our signs up early, to promote our upcoming event, Brian will also have 3 displays at the show

Show: Robin Smith, absent, Ruth reports

- We are full on vendors and they are ready to go
- The demonstrators are also all set
- Our food truck fell through, William (a club member) is trying to contact a truck for us
- Please let Ruth know if you know of a food truck we can contact
- If we do not get a food truck we will sell water and snacks at the event, to be determined if needed
- We are asking local businesses if we can put yard signs up early to promote the show, for example on Kipp Road at the Shell gas station
- We still need volunteers at the membership table and ticket table during the show
- Libby from MSU Geology Club will have a table at the show, we could use MSU's help at other volunteer spots throughout the show
- Carl will help at the membership table

Roster Secretary/Membership: Mattie Newman, absent

Liaison Officer: Carl Mennare

- Archaeology Day is October 5th in Downtown Lansing

Past-President: Sue Casler

- Looking for rock related donations from the club for this year's raffle.

Field Trips: Carl Mennare

- William Openshaw may be taking over field trips, as he knows some spots to pick in the area
- Theresa would like to go to Otter Lake near Chassell next year. We would have to book a year in advance. More to come on that.

Publications: Chuck Taricska

- Please get everything to Chuck for the newsletter by next Sunday, October 6th.
- This is a week early due to the show

Education and Community Outreach: Theresa Hubbard

- Mason students will be to the show Friday

Library: Jessica Clark

- Very few folks are using the library if any
- Jess would like to put some of our books into our silent auctions to purge the volume of books that we currently own as a club

Display: Vacant position (looking for volunteers).

Finance: Milt Gere

- Contacted Western Michigan to be at the show, they cannot make this year
- Michigan Tech is sending a copper minerals to display at our show

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin, absent

- Nothing to report

Old business:

- None

New Business:

- If you have a half ton truck or larger we could use your help moving the show's rock trailer- please let Ruth or Robin know
- We need volunteers for the show, sign up online or October 10th at the early membership meeting

Adjournment: Carl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received was seconded by Jess and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.