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Holidays!**



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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Please check out the website and Newsletter of our Affiliated club:

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

ROCKHOUND NEWS

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Dec 19, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

PROGRAM: *Holiday Party and Rocky Gift Exchange*

REFRESHMENTS: Everyone please bring Holiday Goodies! BYOB

Location and Time: The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on Dec. 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

Calendar for Winter 2024

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

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

Jan. 2- Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Okemos Library

Jan. 16 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m.

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

Feb 20- 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

Dec. 19 – Holiday Social, Rocky Gift Exchange, bring a dish to pass, swearing in 2025 Officer's

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

February 20- Theresa Hubbard: Keweenaw Stamp Sands

March 20- Silent Auction

December 19 Meeting:

-Installation of officers, Holiday Social and Rocky Gift Exchange. Milt will swear in the Club Officers.

Please bring a dish or holiday snack to share!

Special Instructions for the Rocky Gift Exchange (Please Read This!!)

If you want to **get a gift**, you must **bring a gift!** Gifts should be rock/mineral/lapidary related. Gifts may be:

- a) A special rock, mineral specimen, or fossil,
- b) books, magazines, or gifts related to minerals, gems or lapidary,
- c) small tools/materials related to rock collecting or faceting,
- d) toys, clothing, or anything else related to our club interests.

****Please wrap the gift you bring with you.**

2025 Officer List:

President	Nate Krupp
Vice President	Vacant
Recording Secretary	Jessica Clark
Corresponding Secretary	Theresa Hubbard
Treasurer	Fawn Dunbar
1 Year Director	Mattie Newman
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3 Year Director	Fay Mennare
Roster Secretary	Mattie Newman

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>

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!!

UPCOMING SHOWS

No upcoming shows due to Holidays.

**CMLMS Minutes:
September 5th 2024, Board Meeting Minutes**

Board Members Present: Nate Krupp, Carl Mennare, Jessica Clark, Fawn Dunbar, Milt Gere, Lyle Laylin, Chuck Taricska, Greg Miller, Theresa Hubbard, Mattie Newman Helms, Sue Casler, Brian Miller

Board Members absent: Ruth Lehner, Robin Smith, Jessica Clark

Members Present: Roger Laylin, Fay Mennare, Richard Miller

President: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library.

President's items:

- Planning first quarter and beyond
- Show prep and October meeting location-early 1 week at the Okemos Masonic Temple
- Midwest federation are electing officers on their ballot
- Rock I.D. request-Sue and Milt will resend to Nate (Jeanne Riddle-Aug 12)

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

Vice-President: This position is currently open.

Treasurer: Fawn Dunbar

- Treasury report presented
- A couple checks deposited
- Raffle check sent to Lara, will do raffle paperwork
- Fawn and Sue will be co-chairs on the raffle

Recording Secretary: Jessica Clark

- Approval of the June 2024 Board Meeting draft minutes.
- New minutes will be delayed for approval until the September meeting or October membership meeting.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard

- Thank you card received from Jan Sojquist
- Flint club fliers were mailed to us on their show (Sept 28 and 29)
- MSU professor wanted to sell rocks locally, forwarded to Ruth
- Mason schools want to come to our show-perhaps-1230-130pm on Friday, 3rd graders, 3 schools (<100 kids)

Director 1: Ruth Lehner

Director 2: Mattie Newman Helms

Director 3: Brian Miller

Show: Robin Smith via Theresa

- Vendors and demonstrators are all set
- Will notify vendors of kids coming in early
- ATM machine is reserved
- Trailer reorganization 14 Sept 930-1pm
- Milt sent Rock and Gem magazine our show dates
- Robin notified Midwest Federation and Geological Societies

Roster Secretary/Membership: Mattie Newman Helms

- Putting together a short presentation on membership and when dues are due at the

September meeting

- She'll send out updated membership roster

Liaison Officer: Carl Mennare

- No report

Past-President: Sue Casler

- Sent around Flint Show fliers
- Made sure raffle arrangements are done

Field Trips: Carl Mennare

- Dan S. mentioned a Roger City quarry is open to the public (Sylvania Minerals Quarry)

Publications: Chuck Taricska

- Has a Steven Vetch new article
- Show stuff
- Get information to him by next Tuesday for the newsletter

Education and Community Outreach: Theresa Hubbard

- Just Mason schools wanting to come to the show

Library: Jessica Clark, absent

- No report

Display: Vacant position (looking for volunteers).

Finance: Milt Gere

- MSU students offered Michigan Tech display, no word
- No CMU response
- WMU is uncertain
- \$150 memorial from Sojquists toward scholarship fund

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin, absent

- No report
- This years show is on our website

Old business:

- Officer descriptions, not a big priority

New Business:

- Brian mentioned a store in Leslie in the old Mitchell building that has polished and unpolished stones and gifts

Adjournment: Fawn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received was seconded by Mattie and the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Membership Meeting, 10/10/2024

Call to Order: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at the Masonic Center in Okemos. Meeting is one week early to avoid show set-up.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors:

Carla Barry, a new member who attended.

President's announcements:

University of Cincinnati Master's Student in the Geology Department is looking for "rocks" and fossils and minerals from adjacent states for a permanent exhibit. The specimens will not be returned and you are responsible for postage, but Danita Brandt (MSU emeritus) can transport. Please give the rocks to her at the show. Label with ID or county and your name as you would like it displayed. They are redesigning and updating an existing exhibit.

Presented slate of officers.

Lyle Laylin was absent so couldn't present him with the rockhound of the year award.

Treasurer:

Have annual rent paid. Have raffle license.

Field Trips:

None scheduled.

Education & Outreach:

No report.

Officer and Chair Announcements:

Nate reported on Lee Laylin's slow recovery from her accident.

Show: All vendor space is sold out. Tables should be up by noon, when volunteers should arrive. Demonstrators have a contract. No more than 6 items for sale at any one time. We have the Michigan Technological Universities display. Mason school kids arrive 1230-2pm. Sign up sheets to volunteer.

Door Prizes:

13 prizes were given out.

Today's Speaker:

Bagged up sharks teeth (fossilized) for kid's gifts/prizes

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Jess moved and Fawn seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Jessica Clark, Recording Secretary.