

Rockhound News

**NEXT MEETING: MARCH 20, NORTH SCHOOL
PROGRAM: SILENT AUCTION
REFRESHMENTS :K thru Q please bring goodies.**

MARCH Program

The March program is the annual silent auction. In the absence of our vicepresident, Mary Gowens, the auction will be run by Gordon Lewis. For those new comers who have not taken part in a silent auction, Gordon will explain how it works before we begin. There will be auction sheets at the membership table as you come in. You need one sheet for each item to be auctioned.

Club Calendar

MAR 20th Regular Meeting, North School, 7:30. This will be our annual Silent AUCTION

MAR 22nd Usual date for Field trip, There is no field trip scheduled.

APRIL 3RD Board Meeting . Not sure where this meeting will take place.

We will announce it at the regular meeting and you will be called if you are on the board. The board meetings are open to all members so if you wish to attend, call Milt Gere to find where and when.

May 15th This will be our annual Banquet. See article.

July 26th Picnic and show work shop at the Laylin'.

August 16th Show work shop and lunch at Grit's Garage

PLACES TO GO AND THING TO SEE AND DO

March 14,15,16 The Michigan Gem & Mineral Society 41st Annual Show. Fri-Sat 10-7
Sun.10-5. Michigan Center Masonic Lodge, 355 Napoleon Rd.
Michigan Center, Mi.

March 22 "Dearborn" Club Swap. Democratic Club of Taylor, 23400 Wick Rd
Taylor, 10-5. If you go ask a member for directions to the Pink Flamingo
for lunch or supper, great food.

March 29-30 Blossomland Show. Berrien Co. Sportsman Club, 2985 E. Linco Rd.,
Berrien Springs, Sat. & Sun. 10-5

April 10-12 Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club's 28th annual show. Rogers Plaza,
(new location) 28th st 1/4 mile west of U.S. 131 in Wyoming. Thur.
& Fri. 9:30-9:00, Sat 9:30-9:00.

April 11-13 Mt. Clemens Show. Mt. Clemens Community Center, 300 North
Grosbeck, Mt. Clemens. Fri. & Sat. 10-7, Sun 11-5

May 2,3,4 Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society Gem & Mineral presents T-
Rex , a full sized cast of Sue's Skull. Fri 5-9, Sat. 10-6, and Sun. 10-5.

Kalamazoo. County Center Building "Fairgrounds"

May 3-4 Geofair 2003. Sat 10-7, Sun. 11-5. Cincinnati Convention Center.

May 23,24,25 Memorial Day Rock Swap. Hidden Hill Campground 3246 Loper Rd.N.E.
Newark, Ohio.

May 30-June 1 "Dearborn Show." Allen Park Civic Arena, 15800 White, Allen Park MI
Fri 5-9; Sat. 10-8; Sun. 11-5:30

BANQUET NEWS - Marie Lewis

At our March 20th meeting, we will be voting on what will be served at our May 15th banquet. Our choices are;

CHICKEN SWISS STEAK mashed potatoes & gravy
mashed potatoes & gravy

biscuits & gravy
dinner rolls

green beans or corn
green beans or corn

cole slaw or tossed salad
cole slaw or tossed salad

pie
pie

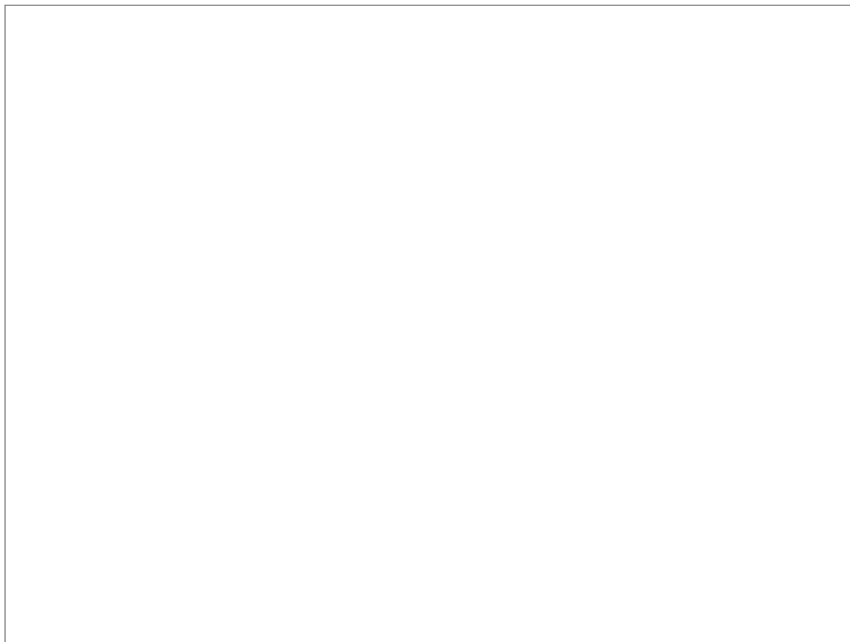
Price for chicken is \$7.50
Price for steak is \$8.00

Dinner for those 12 and under \$3.50. Tickets will be available at the April Meeting. Any one willing to help with decoration, etc, let me know. Marie

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Baby congratulations were sent to Jean Ann & Dave

AURA LEH 2/19/03 6lb 4 oz 20 1/2 inch.



Could this be the first time a baby card was sent from the club?

Corresponding Secretary Continued

A card of condolence was sent to George Olds and family upon the death of Pat Olds. Pat was a long time member of CML & MS and will be much missed.

Milt's Mutterings for March -

Our club runs on volunteers that do many things for us and we always need more members to volunteer to help out. Margaret Green has been an active member that for a number of years has volunteered to help with many things. I'm sorry to report that for health and personal reasons, Margaret has decided to resign her current club duties as Corresponding Secretary and Education Chair. We thank her for all of her help in the past and wish her the best in the future.

This brings us back to last month's request for more volunteers being needed. The Corresponding Secretary position is now open. Marie Lewis has been looking after the office the past couple of months for Margaret. Marie is willing to continue if nobody else wants to take over. This office filling needs to be appointed by the Board. Please contact me or another Board Member soon if interested.

Help is needed on all committees and someone is needed to take over as Education Chair. I hope one of you will volunteer for the Education Chair and others for committee members soon. Please see me. Thank you.

On another note -- Mary Crosby and others have been busy collecting egg cartons for making mineral kits for the show. However, Roger Laylin reports that a bunch of completed kits are left from last year and a huge bunch of cartons are now available. So once you folks turn in the cartons already collected, we will not need any more for this year. Thanks for your efforts

See you at the March 20th. meeting --- don't forget your Silent Auction items! Milt

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY 2003

As expected no matter how hard we try to be up to date there are several changes to be made to the directory. For the next couple of months we will be listing changes so if your entry is not right, please, please get changes to us.

Remove Margaret Green from Corresponding Secretary and from Education chair. Several people have new emails. Walter Davis -ppengrav@flash.net, Marvin Osterle - moesterle@cablespeed.com; Daniel Sine - daniel.sine@mail.dss.mil (we left off the l).

Remove Kauma, Sofia as we no longer have an address for her. Rich & Lila Stevens winter address is RamblersRest Resort #W78 1300 N. River Rd. Venice Florida 34293.

If you know of other changes please let me know. Lee Laylin

Wanted to Buy --- I'm looking for a used 3 or 4-inch wide belt sander at a reasonable price. Preferably wet or dry, horizontal or vertical. All considered. Please call Milt Gere. Thanks.

Show Update.

Show Chair Roger and wife are planning on attending several other shows to get ideas for our show. If you have attended a good show or have just come up with an idea for our show, let us know about it, we are always open to new ideas. Let's make this the best show ever.

Library

We have gone through the CML&MS library and weeded out some older editions of things also duplicates. and will be on the table for the silent auction.

NEWSLETTER by e-mail

At the board meeting someone threw out the idea that to save on mailing cost that people with e-mail might like to get their newsletters by e-mail. Does any one have any ideas on this. It would take your editor a while to figure out how to do it, but if there was lots of interest it could be done. Let me know how you feel about it both

pro or con. I have heard from only 2 people. Both though
this was a good idea. If you are interested please let me know. Lee Laylin editor.