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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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**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 18, 2019**

**PROGRAM: Video Presentations: The Agate Lady: Hunting for Agates; and Yooperlights: Erik Rintamaki's story on Yooperlights and how to find them.**

**REFRESHMENTS: Members with Initials L - Z Please Bring Goodies**

**Location and Time:** The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on April 18, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

## **Calendar for winter 2018**

April 4, 2019 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

April 18, 2019 - Membership Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

May 2, 2019 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

May 16, 2019 - Banquet

June 6, 2019 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library

June 20, 2019 - Membership Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

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

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

April 18 - Video Presentations: "The Agate Lady" and "Yooperlights- What are they and how to find them."

May 16 - Banquet, speaker TBA, See Dan Sine for tickets.

June 20 - Work Bee for annual show, Prepping Egg Crates.

## **NEW MEMBERS - WELCOME**

**Danielle Smith- Lansing**

**Alexis Crook - Grand Ledge**

## **MAY BANQUET**

Banquet date is May 16, 2019, 5:30 social hour, 6:30 dinner. Please bring a snack for the social hour. **Members are encouraged to bring guests.** Tickets now available- adult \$10, 12 and under \$5, To reserve tickets, contact Dan Sine at 517-316-5713 or [daniel.sine@opm.gov](mailto:daniel.sine@opm.gov). Our banquet speaker is still TBA.

## VACANCIES ON THE BOARD

The following positions need staffing. Please consider volunteering for your society and helping out. It's a nice way to get to know members.

**Display Chair** - sets up the memorial displays at the club show and takes to other rock shows.

## CLUB NEWS

**Outreach Committee:** We are always in need of volunteers to help with school science fairs, talks and presentations at schools and other organizations, and educational opportunities.

Contact Theresa Hubbard, thrshubbard@yahoo.com to lend a hand.

Science Nights:

**April 12** science night at Hiawatha Elementary School. Let Theresa know if you want to help out. You don't need to bring anything but a smile and an answer to a question. The kids are great!

**Library:** Check out the new books in the library boxes. Always something in there, old or new, for all interests. Please use this valuable resource, we have noticed a decline in book lending.

### Field Trips!

None scheduled at this time. See Carl Mennare to sign up and for more information. Cell phone 517-599-1882 or cmenn@yahoo.com. Please contact him if interested in getting emails as field trips are set up.

### Perky Specimen Boxes Available

Roger has a few different size perky specimen boxes available, they are great for displaying and showing off your collections. Roger will have some available at the next meeting to look at and let him know if you are interested.

**LOOKING FOR A PERSON TO HELP OUT** with submitting information to the Lansing State Journal for their Sunday Non-Profit Spotlight article. This would be a good way to publicize our society and annual show to the greater Mid-Michigan community. For a look-see at the form that has to be filled out online, go to "lsj.com/nonprofit". The LSJ will write the article from our submission of the completed form.

## UPCOMING SHOWS

**April 13-14: COLUMBUS, OH** Columbus Rock & Mineral Society Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 5 pm. Northland Performing Arts Center, 4411 Tamarack Blvd., Columbus. Contact: Craig Kramer, (614) 436-4511; show-info@columbusrockandmineralsociety.org [www.columbusrockandmineralsociety.org](http://www.columbusrockandmineralsociety.org)

**April 27-28: CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH** Summit Lapidary Club and Akron Mineral Society Semi-Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 10 am - 5 pm. Emidio and Sons Expo Center, 48 East

Bath Rd., Cuyahoga Falls. Contact: Sandy Shorter, 8510 Grouse Ridge Dr., Chardon 44024; (440) 479-0069; gemboree@outlook.com

**May 3-5: KALAMAZOO, MI** Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society Annual Show. Fri 4 - 8pm; Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 10 am - 5 pm. Kalamazoo County Expo Center, 2900 Lake St., Kalamazoo.

**May 4-5: SHARONVILLE, OH** Cincinnati GeoFair 54th Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry Show of Greater Cincinnati. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 5 pm. Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Rd., Sharonville. [www.genfair.com](http://www.genfair.com)

**May 18-19: ST. JOSEPH, MI** Blossomland Gem and Mineral Society Annual Show. Sat 9 a.m. - 6p.m., Sun 12 - 6 p.m. Lake Michigan Catholic Elementary School, 3165 Washington Ave., St. Joseph, MI. Contact: [blossomlandrockclub@gmail.com](mailto:blossomlandrockclub@gmail.com)

**May 18-19: NORTH OLMSTED, OH** Parma Lapidary Club Show, Sat/Sun 10-5. Soccer Sportsplex, 31515 Lorain Road, North Olmstead. Contact: [www.parmalapidary.com](http://www.parmalapidary.com).

## CMLMS MINUTES

### CMLMS, Membership Meeting, March 21, 2019

**Call to Order:** President Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. at the Masonic Center in Okemos.

**Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors:** Danielle Smith, Jim Heinzman of Grand Ledge and Erin Beck of Laingsburg - guests; Josh Yurich of Howell - new member, first meeting attended.

**President's announcements:** 1. Two science nights on March 22 - Kinawa Middle School and Beagle Middle School; April 12 at Hiawatha Elementary School.

2. Midwest Federation Convention this weekend in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

3. Several rock shows coming up in Michigan and Ohio are listed in the newsletter. MWF newsletter and website have lists of more shows being held around the country.

**Treasurer's Report:** Elaine Beane 1. Reported on the balance through February 28, that it had changed little from the previous report. She transferred funds from savings to checking to accommodate show expenses which were school buses and printing show flyers. The CDs are now earning over 1% in interest.

2. She is still working on getting everyone who submitted a membership application at the last show caught up.

3. Acknowledged the \$1,000 contribution from Lyle Laylin that will be added to the scholarship fund.

4. She is working with Larry Irrer who makes our name badges.

**Vice President:** Steve Smith said he has 2 videos for the April meeting.

### **Announcements:**

**1. Field Trips:** Carl Mennare 1. Invitation from Jackson Club to hunt geodes in Danville, Kentucky on weekend of April 26-28. He has flyers. 2. Announced the survey for field trips that

was printed in the newsletter. Please complete and send response to him so he will know what is wanted by the membership and be able to plan for future club-sponsored outings.

**2. Education:** Theresa Hubbard wants to present a mineral or rock of the month and is asking for suggestions on what to showcase. Contact her with ideas.

**Door Prizes:** Dan Sine was late, no door prizes.

**Adjournment:** Elaine Beane moved to adjourn the meeting and Roni Sionakides seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

**Program:** Annual silent auction.

Respectfully Submitted, Roni Sionakides, Recording Secretary Pro Tem.

### **CMLMS, Board Meeting, April 4, 2019**

**Board Members Present:** Ernie Augenbaugh, Elaine Beane, Sue Casler, Jessica Clark, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Nate Krupp, Lyle Laylin, Roger Laylin, Carl Mennare, Roni Sionakides, Robin Smith, Steve Smith and Chuck Taricska.

**Board Members Absent:** Mary Gowans.

**Members Present:** Lee Laylin, Fay Mennare and Dan Sine.

**President:** Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Okemos Public Library. The banquet speaker was discussed. Larry Bean was not available. Suggestions were offered for a speaker including member Bob Reszka who has written a book on U.P. waterfalls. Nate will contact these other possibilities. He also mentioned the upcoming science night at Hiawatha Elementary School-Okemos on April 12 and made a list of volunteers for the event.

**Vice-President:** Steve Smith said the April program will be 2 twenty-minute videos on the Agate Lady and Yooperlite hunting. June will be a show work bee preparing egg cartons for mineral kits and silent auction/talk by Lyle Laylin on 2 fossil formations. After discussion on this being too much for the meeting, **Elaine Beane made a motion that the June program be only a work bee making egg cartons.** Steve Smith seconded. The motion was approved. Lyle's talk and one by Theresa Hubbard will be considered for a future meeting, possibly in September.

**Treasurer:** Elaine Beane presented the report for the banking statement ending February 28, 2019. She was concerned about unreported status of both revenue and expenditure activities from the bank statement, especially a large check for the 2018 show for advertising in the Lansing State Journal that had not been cashed and she was trying to resolve. Ernie Aughenbaugh reported he had checks from 8 dealers (out of 13). Elaine said we would be contributing \$50 to the MWF scholarship fund from show demonstrator Nancy Collins who donated her demonstrator fee. Larry Irrer has returned the newly engraved plaque for the Rock of Authority.

**Recording Secretary:** Nate Krupp said the engraved name plate for 'recording secretary' was returned from Dave Berquist. Roni Sionakides passed a card to Nate from one of the Okemos library personnel who asked the society to create a display for the library's case. She also mentioned she would send draft minutes to the president and publications chair for review before they were printed in the newsletter. Minor problems in the newsletter were also discussed.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Theresa Hubbard sent a get well card to Bonnie Eckhardt. Roger Laylin suggested one be sent to George Heaton also.

**Directors:** 1. Lyle Laylin had no report.

2. Chuck Taricska had no report.

3. Jessica Clark will work with Danielle Smith on the society's Facebook page.

**Roster Secretary:** Elaine Beane presented 2 new memberships applications. **She made a motion that the board approve Danielle Smith of Lansing and Alexis Crook of Grand Ledge for membership.** Carl Mennare seconded. The motion was approved.

**Liaison Officer:** Vacant position.

**Past President:** Sue Casler discussed whether new members were presented by Roster Secretary or Membership Chair. It was determined that the Membership Chair takes the new member applications to the board for approval then gives them to the Roster Secretary. She passed around 2 newsletters and Rock and Gem magazine with an article on Yooperlite. She also brought up the special door prizes for the banquet and that she has emailed Elaine Angstman on the banquet prayer. Dan Sine said tickets are printed and he is selling them. Notice will be put in the newsletter. Roni Sionakides will create the programs a few days before the banquet.

**Membership:** Robin Smith created 3 new membership forms (Family, Student, Adult) and a 2-page Welcome to the club information paper. She has added extra categories for volunteering. She also discussed the membership list and who should keep it. She will create a new up-dated list. She also inquired about sending out notices regarding membership renewal.

**Field Trips:** Carl Mennare mentioned a field trip on April 26 to Danville, Kentucky that the Jackson club is sponsoring. Insurance through the MWF was discussed and that it is not updated on their website for us. He will send in the paperwork to update.

**Publications:** Roni and Sue mentioned a couple minor problems with the newsletter that need to be corrected. Throughout the meeting items that should be submitted to the newsletter editor were mentioned as a reminder to board members.

**Education:** Theresa Hubbard will contact Fairview Elementary School (now under a new name) and check on their science night status. The building is still under construction.

**Community Outreach:** Mary Gowans, absent, no report.

**Library:** Former librarian Lee Laylin has four boxes of old books that have not been to a meeting for the last 5 or so years. The cart can hold only 12 boxes and she has 16. She would like to liquidate them. She also said the other 12 boxes are full to overflowing and need to be weeded out. It was suggested if we purchase new books that the same number be discarded. **Steve Smith made a motion that the books be divested at a silent auction in the future.** Carl Mennare seconded. Motion was approved. Sue said she would make the auction slips for the books. Theresa said she needs to know if the books were purchased as a memorial so she can make a note in the memorial book.

**Display:** Vacant position.

**Finance:** Milt Gere said he sent reminders to the interview panel on the date. He has 5 students to interview tentatively on Aril 10th.

**Web Master:** Lyle Laylin had no report. Jessica will work on the Facebook page. Lyle discovered that Elliott Wood is the administrator and will follow up with adding additional administrators.

**Show:** Roger Laylin discussed the note from Kalamazoo club about other clubs volunteering to help at their show on May 3-5. They have sent an email requesting that interested persons contact them directly to volunteer and he sent that email to the board members. He is not going to respond. We have 2 volunteers and one demonstrator helping at Kalamazoo's Show May 3-5 and we hope they reciprocate for our show.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Adjournment:** Elaine Beane made a motion to adjourn the meeting, supported by Lyle Laylin. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Roni Sionakides, Recording Secretary Pro Tem.

**SPRING HAS SPRUNG! THE SNOW HAS RIZZ!**

**DOES ANYONE KNOW WHERE THE SUN IS?**

Donovan Duz the Weather - Elkhart, Indiana, 1950s