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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: April Meeting is Canceled!!

Due to ongoing health concerns, the Masonic Temple is closed thru May! We are canceling the April Membership Meeting. More information will be sent by email if necessary, and check our Facebook page for updated information.

Stay healthy and we hope to see you soon!

Calendar for Spring 2020

April 3, 2020 - Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Okemos Library **CANCELED!**

April 16, 2020 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center **CANCELED!**

June 18, 2020 – Tentative Spring Banquet

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

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

April 16- **Meeting Canceled!**

June 18- Banquet, speaker Dr. Peter Voice, speaking on The history of mining in Michigan.

JUNE BANQUET (TENTATIVE)

Banquet date is now tentatively scheduled for June 18, 2020 (this is our regular June meeting night), hopefully the stay at home orders will be lifted by June and we will be able to have the banquet. We will send out club wide emails as soon as we have more information.

The Banquet usually begins at 5:30pm for social hour, 6:30 pm dinner. Please bring a snack to share for the social hour. **Members are encouraged to bring guests.** Banquet tickets include a family style chicken dinner with salad, mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes, roll and fruit pie for dessert, and drinks.

Our Banquet speaker will be Dr. Peter Voice, professor at WMU and one of the Michigan Geological Repository managers; topic is History of Mining in MI with a brief summary of the MGRRE

Due health concerns and meeting cancellations- PLEASE order/reserve your Banquet Tickets by EMAIL.

Tickets prices are - adult \$10, children 12 and under \$5

To reserve tickets, email Nate Krupp at president@michrocks.org or call 517-626-1136

Please include the number of adult and children tickets you need, along with your name and phone in your email, **Ticket payment and pickup will be at the Banquet.**

New York Mineralogical Club: Online Meeting:

The New York Mineralogical Club's next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 15th at 7:00pm EST** virtually, **via Facebook Live**. The room opens at 6:45pm EST. The speaker will be **David Tibbits**, presenting '**The Fascinating World of Peruvian Minerals**'.

David is an award winning mineral collector based in Phoenix, Arizona, majoring in Earth and Environmental Engineering at Columbia University in New York City. He will be presenting a lecture about a country famous for its minerals and the home of his ancestors, Peru. The lecture will cover Peruvian minerals both common and rare, where they can be found (treasure maps not included), collecting opportunities (BYOP) and also a bit of history surrounding this fascinating world of Peruvian minerals. In addition, David has promised to test our knowledge with a Peruvian mineral quiz. An extremely valuable virtual prize will be given to the winner!

This meeting is open to EVERYONE. Here is the link to the lecture (presented via David Tibbits' Facebook page): <https://www.facebook.com/david.tibbits.16/posts/1018851475175919>

CLUB NEWS

Newsletter: If you have and club news or information you would like to pass along to the group, please email Chuck Taricska at chuck_taricska@yahoo.com and he will make a note in the Newsletter.

Outreach Committee: Due to school closings, no additional in person events are scheduled at this time. We might want to look into doing a facebook live video showing rock specimens/ fossil collections or other areas of interest to the public.

Field Trips!

[Field trips are on hold until the stay at home orders are lifted](#)

A Petoskey hunting trip is being planned for a weekend in May to Fisherman's Island State Park. We probably want to go a little later in May so the temps are warmer, but check your schedules and Email Carl Mennare at cmenn@yahoo.com or call Cell phone **517-599-1882 if interested**. <https://www2.dnr.state.mi.us/parksandtrails/Details.aspx?id=447&type=SPRK>

We are looking into a field trip to the **57th annual Rockhound Gemboree**- Canada's largest Gem and Mineral Show. The Gemboree is July 30 to Aug. 2 in Bancroft, Ontario. We will have some info sheets at the meeting. Start checking your calendars to see if you can make this trip. We will start discussing plans at upcoming meetings. <http://rockhoundgemboree.ca/>

If you have any ideas for field trips or want to get on the list for field trip notices, please contact Carl Mennare. Cell phone **517-599-1882** or cmenn@yahoo.com.

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UPCOMING SHOWS

April 25-26: BAY CITY, MI Tri-County Rocks & Minerals Society Rocks & Mineral Show. Sat 10 am - 9 pm; Sun Noon - 6 pm. Bay City Town Center, 4101 E. Wilder Rd., Bay City. Contact: Renee Simmons (989) 751-5650; simmonsironman@yahoo.com; or Kim Sherwood, (989) 225-9140 **CANCELED**

April 25-26: CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH Summit Lapidary Club Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 10 am - 5 pm. Emidio & Sons Expo Center, 48 East Bath Rd., Cuyahoga Falls. Contact: Guy Kotch, gemboreechairman@gmail.com **CANCELED**

May 1-3: KALAMAZOO, MI Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society Annual Show. Kalamazoo Expo Center, 2900 Lake St., Kalamazoo. Contact: Wrifton, Graham, (269) 615-7073; www.kalamazoorockclub.org **CANCELED**

May 2-3 SHARONVILLE, OH Cincinnati Mineral Society Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 5 pm. Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Rd., Sharonville. Contact: Terry Huizing, (513) 574-7142; tehuizing@fuse.net; www.geofair.com

May 16-17: ST JOSEPH, MI Blossomland Gem & Mineral Society Annual Show. Sat 9 am - 6 pm; Sun Noon - 6 pm. Lake Michigan Catholic Elementary School, 316 Washington Ave, St. Joseph, MI Contact: Nancy Wolff, (269) 983-4900; nancyswolff@hotmail.com; blossomlandrockclub@gmail.com

May 16-17: NORTH OLMSTED, OH Parma Lapidary Club Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 10 am - 5 pm. Soccer Sportsplex, 31515 Lorain Rd, North Olmsted. Contact: Stephanie Shields, blueflameleather@gmail.com; www.parmalapidary.com

June 13-14: MANSFIELD, OH The Richland Lithic Lapidary Society Annual Show. Sat 10 am - 6 pm; Sun 11 am - 5 pm. Fairhaven Hall, Richland County Fairgrounds, 750 N. Home Rd., Mansfield. Contact: Tom Kottyan, (419) 561-3595; themineralhouse@netzero.net; www.rlls.webs.com

June 26-28: BEDFORD, IN Lawrence County Rock Club Annual Show. Fri 10 am - 6:30 pm; Sat 9 am - 6:30 pm; Sun 10 am - 4 pm. Lawrence County Fairgrounds, US Highway 50, Bedford, IN Contact: Dave Treffinger, (812) 295-3463; www.lawrencecountyrockclub.org

CMLMS MINUTES

CMLMS, Board Meeting Minutes, March 5, 2020

Board Members: Ernie Aughenbaugh, Elaine Beane, Sue Casler, Jessica Clark, Milt Gere, Theresa Hubbard, Nate Krupp, Lyle Laylin, Roger Laylin, Carl Mennare, Fay Mennare, Dan Sine, Roni Sionakides, Robin Smith, Steve Smith, Chuck Taricska, Jake Chybowski.

Board Members absent: Roger L. was attending the Bennet Woods Elem. Science night. Theresa H. was there but staffing was adequate so she came to this Board meeting.

Members Present: Alicia David and baby Loki.

President: Nate Krupp called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Okemos Public Library. Nate announced the death of past member Lorna Tripp and that our Banquet speaker will be Dr. Peter Voice speaking on the history of mining in MI. Banquet planning: Sue is doing door prizes. Nate will contact Dan Sine to see if he can prepare the tickets and programs again.

Vice-President: Steve Smith has planned a silent auction for the March membership meeting. A notice should go in the newsletter, along with the bidding forms and a reminder to bring small bills.

Treasurer: Elaine Beane presented her report based upon statements through Feb 20th (end-of month not yet available). Major expenditures were for the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical and Geological Society's dues and insurance and Lansing Schools' bus fees from the Friday education day before our Show last October.

Recording Secretary: The Feb 2020 Board and Member Meeting minutes were approved with minor corrections. Motion to approve by Jake C. seconded Elaine B.

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hubbard knew of the passing of Lorna Tripp and will send sympathy cards to both daughters. A card was sent to the Manina family last month. Alan Hulkill (past long-time member, Treasurer & President) gave a letter from an elementary student girl to Ernie A. asking for specimens, passed along to Theresa.

Directors: Director 1 - Lyle Laylin: Bought 907 lbs. of geodes, fossil fish, brachiopods, fossil snails, etc. at the Tucson Show and elsewhere for our Show.

Director 2 - Jessica Clark: no report.

Director 3 – Sally Hedin: absent, no report.

Show: Robin Smith: She'll get with Elaine on tracking the \$ at each table of our Show. Ernie sent out the dealer contracts but has only received one back so far. Paleo Joe wants to expand to 8 tables this year to sell fossils so he notified the other dealers selling fossils. All dealers are happy for now. The Yooperlite guy is returning to our show and was at the Tucson show. When there's a MI collection limit of 25 lbs, Ernie wonders how he gets so many rocks to sell!

Roster Secretary/Membership: Robin Smith – no report.

Liaison Officer: Vacant position.

Past President: Sue Casler – no report but she will help with Banquet door prizes.

Field Trips: Carl Mennare – wants to plan a trip to Fisherman’s Island State Park in Charlevoix in May for Petoskey stone collecting. The Kalamazoo show is May 1-3 so it will need to be the 9th, 16th or 23rd. We’ll ask the membership for a vote at the March meeting.

Publications: Chuck Taricska – he’ll include in the newsletter the February minutes, the planned field trip in May, the silent auction notice and bid form, and Banquet information. Pass along newsletter items to him by March 9th.

Education & Community Outreach: Theresa Hubbard – the Bennett Woods Elem. Sci. Night is going on tonight, Beagle Elem. Sci. Night (Grand Ledge) is March 13th, Kinawa Middle School March 20th and possibly Averill Elem. in April. The Grand Ledge summer reading program is looking for specimens to give away as award incentives before March 22nd. Steve S. volunteered to bring them specimens. The INCH homeschooler group wrote a letter back that they are against geological science on religious grounds so we will not be purchasing a table at their convention. Dave B. still plans to attend but not representing the CMLMS.

Library: Jessica Clark – she’s working with prior Library Chair Lee Laylin sorting out books and magazines rarely or never checked out. It was suggested that these could be Banquet door prizes.

Display: Vacant position.

Finance: Milt Gere – there were 11 applicants for our two MSU Geology Student scholarships but some may not meet the requirements. The interview committee will be Milt, Diane K. Elaine B. and Lyle L.

Webmaster: Lyle Laylin – newsletters have now been posted back to 1985 as well as the first two show fliers. He has newsletters from the late 1950s but they’re not yet scanned or posted. He’s looking for volunteers to be in charge of the different areas on our website. Our web domain registration is coming due (approx. \$45) and the host fee will be soon.

Old business: none.

New Business: Sue C. noticed the Schoolcraft Show had a notice that they are no longer a 501(c)3 (charitable) organization and therefore donations are no longer tax deductible. Elaine clarified that we also are no longer a 501(c)3 organization due to tax law changes.

Adjournment: Elaine made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second by Jake and the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jake Chybowski, Recording Secretary.