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# Rockhound News—December 2021

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**Holiday  
Celebration!**



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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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# ROCKHOUND NEWS

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Dec 16, 2021 @ 7:00 pm**  
**PROGRAM: Holiday Party and Rocky Gift Exchange,**  
**installation of new officers, mini silent auction- please wear a**  
**mask.**  
**REFRESHMENTS: Bring your own holiday treats/beverage**

**Location and Time:** The CMLMS membership meeting will be held on December 16, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., at the **Masonic Center, 2175 Hamilton Street, beautiful downtown Okemos.**

## **Calendar for fall and winter 2021**

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

December 16 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center

January 6, 2022 - Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Okemos Library

January 27, 2022 - Membership meeting, 7:00 p.m., Masonic Center (Topic TBA)

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

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

**December 16** -Installation of officers, Christmas party and Rocky Gift Exchange, mini silent auction. Members can bring items to sell in Silent Auction. Remember to bring small bills and change to pay for items you want to bid on. We also have some 'rockhound' themed carols we can sing. Milt will swear in the Club Officers.

### **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 related. Gifts may be:

- a) rock or mineral specimen, fossil,
- b) books, magazines, or articles about rocks, minerals or gems,
- c) small tools/materials related to rock collecting or faceting,
- d) toys, clothing, or anything else related to our mineral interests.

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

## **Message from the Membership Chair Robin Smith**

### **Dues are now being collected for 2022**

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 2022 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. **Renewal forms are available on the web site <https://www.michrocks.org/club-info/join-us> and a copy is attached to the end of the newsletter.**

**DO IT TODAY BEFORE YOU FORGET!!!!!!**

Bring your dues to the meeting or mail to the P.O. box-  
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## **Message from the Education and Outreach Chair**

### **Theresa Hubbard**

#### A BIG THANK YOU!!!

We received many positive comments from people about the Children's Craft Activities at the show this year. It takes a lot of work to put the activities together and I would like to recognize and thank those who have made them possible.

A big thanks to Ernie Augenbaugh for cutting up the wood we needed for pictures and Lyle Laylin for making the molds we used to make plaster fossils as well as inventing a tree making tool.

Next it was Ruth Ann Lehner's work at making wire trees and the plaster creatures that was invaluable. She also helped staff the area throughout the weekend. Thanks also goes to Fawn Dunbar for creating the stencils for the puffy paint boards.

Lastly, I would like to thank Christi Mansfield for gluing pictures and helping at the activities table and packing everything up at the end. Also, a big thanks to Cynthia Krupp and her daughter for staffing the table. With such great help the 2021 Children's Activities table went smoothly all weekend and was certainly a hit with the kids.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

**Ryan Sepesi, Whitmore Lake**  
**Alan Coe & Dawne Botke-Coe, Lansing**  
**Scott Voigt, East Lansing**  
**Bill Carney, Grand Ledge**  
**Bets & Bob Caldwell, East Lansing**

## **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 sets up the display at other rock shows- Jackson show/ Tulip City Show/ Kalamzoo Show.

**Liaison Officer** – handles correspondence with other clubs and organizations, keeps tabs on P.O. Box mailings.

-Interested folks can speak to President Nate Krupp (nathan.krupp1@gmail.com), other officers, or one of the long- term members for job descriptions and time commitment.

**To all recent club members:** We are delighted that you are interested enough in the Club's activities and stated mission to join the group. We wish you to truly JOIN by becoming involved in our activities and welcome your thoughts about Club activities. All are welcome to attend Board meetings and share your thoughts. We value your participation since 'many hands make light work.' - Roger Laylin.

## **CLUB NEWS**

### **Field Trips!**

Field Trip reminder for the weekend of May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 field trip to Fishermen's Island State Park. Petoskey hunting and beach combing. **Reservations ARE NOW OPEN** for those planning on camping for the weekend. Michigan State parks are very popular so make your reservations now if you are thinking about coming on this trip. You can always cancel your reservation further down the road.

Cell phone **517-599-1882** or **cmenn@yahoo.com**. Please contact him if interested in getting emails as field trips are set up.

If you have been on any trips and would like to pass along field trip ideas or good locations, please email Carl so he can put together a list of future field trip spots- thanks

**Library:** There are quite a few materials from the library that have been checked out by members and have not been returned and are overdue. If you have library materials please return at the next meeting

**Demonstrators Wanted!** If you have a Lapidary or other skill you would like to share with the club, the group would love for you to do a short demonstration during a club meeting. We have gotten a few requests for a “hands on” activity for a club meeting. This does not have to be some huge program. It can be as simple as someone bringing in samples of something, showing how they do something, talking about a specific mineral that they know about, or a program on their rock hounding experiences/ trips, a step by step/ how to, etc. Email Nate Krupp ([nathan.krupp1@gmail.com](mailto:nathan.krupp1@gmail.com)) if you are interested.

### **Online Activities:**

#### **Welcome to the Geology Wing:**

Explore this series of exhibits that will take you on a journey through the history of the Earth, with stops at particular points in time to examine the fossil record and stratigraphy.

<https://ucmp.berkeley.edu/exhibit/geology.html>

#### **How to Grow Sodium Chloride Crystals at Home:**

Very detailed tutorial with photos on growing amazing clear cubic salt crystals. Great winter activity

<https://crystalverse.com/sodium-chloride-crystals/>

### **UPCOMING SHOWS**

**Feb 27-28: LIVONIA, MI** The Roamin Club Auction. Sat & Sun. Schoolcraft Community College, 18600 Haggerty Rd., Livonia.  
Contact: Todd Gall, (248) 345-0676

**April 8-10: WYOMING, MI** Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club Annual Show. Thurs./Fri 9:30-9; Sat 9:30-7. Rogers Plaza Town Center, 972 - 28th St. SW, Wyoming. Contact: Kreigh Tomaszewski, (616) 243-5851

## CMLMS MINUTES

Date: Nov 18, 2021 Membership meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. at the Okemos Masonic Temple

Guest: New members Bets & Robert Caldwell attended for the first time.

**President's Announcements:** Membership voted to approve the modified slate of officers.

**Treasurer:** Acting Treasurer Sue Casler forgot to bring the latest statements but we are still solvent. See Pres. Nate for a copy of the October balances with many Show bills still outstanding.

**Field Trips:** Carl announced a scheduled trip to Fisherman's Is. State Park for May 21, 2022. State Park reservation system for 2022 opens this coming Sat Nov. 20.

**Education & Outreach:** Club members have contacted over a dozen schools but there are no Science Nights or anything scheduled because of the COVID pandemic.

**Officer & Chair Announcements:** Theresa H. said we received many positive comments on the kid's activity table at the Show. Thanks to Ernie A. for suggesting it. Lyle L's fossil molds were a big hit and Christine M. and Ruth L. spent many hours making wire trees for the older kids to glue gems onto.

**Show:** Robin thanked everyone who worked to put on another successful Show. As Membership Chair she also reminded everyone that dues are due for next year.

**Door Prizes:** 10 prizes were given out.

Adjourned at \_\_7:32 pm\_\_ with Dan S. moving to do so, seconded by Carl M.

**Program:** A silent auction of club and member specimens, jewelry and books.

**Happy Holidays! Have a Wonderful New Year!**

Date of Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Rcvd: \_\_\_\_\_ Ch #/Cash Dues Year: 2022 Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Renewal Membership

Individual Member \$10.00

Family Membership \$15.00 Adults in same household, Children under 18

Student \$ 2.00

### PLEASE UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION FOR OUR RECORDS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Additional Household & Email Address: Please include age of children

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### **SIGN ME UP! CLUB FUNCTIONS** Would you be interested in helping with:

- Field Trips     Contributing to Newsletter     Presenter     Board Position     School Liaison  
 Silent Auctions     Annual Club Rock Show     Hospitality     Annual Banquet     Handy Person  
 IT/Web Design

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Member

Please return completed application with payment to the Membership Chair OR

Mail completed Application with payment to: CMLMS, PO Box 24202, Lansing, MI 48909

Checks payable to: CMLMS

Annual Dues for the Calendar Year are due in January.

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### RECEIPT OF DUES RENEWAL - CENTRAL MICHIGAN LAPIDARY & MINERAL SOCIETY

Dues for: 2022

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_