

Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 20, 2008

PROGRAM: Basic Glassmaking

REFRESHMENTS: Last names N through Z - Please Bring Goodies

Program: Basic Glassmaking - Turning Sand into Crystalline Beauty.

CMLMS member Veronica (Roni) Sionakedes will present a program on how ordinary sand becomes a useful and decorative material. Roni has a 30 year history of collecting and dealing in early 20th century glassware. She and her husband co-owned Deer Trail Antiques, and she has given educational presentations on and authored many published articles on glass collecting, particularly the glassware of the Akro Agate Glass Company, the Cambridge Glass Company, and the Duncan-Miller Glass Company.

- Please join us for this interesting program!

Location & Time: The CMLMS November Meeting will be held at 7:30 pm at the North School, 333 E. Miller Rd, Lansing, MI. Please get there a little early to help set up.

CMLMS Calendar for December 2008

December 4, 2008 Board Meeting-7:00 pm at the Okemos Library

December 18, 2008 Membership Meeting at North School

The CMLMS Annual Show was held at the Mason Fairgrounds Arena on October 24, 25, and 26, 2008. About 1,000 children and 300 parents and teachers attended the Children's Tour on Friday. The public show had paid attendance of over 1200 people. Show Chair, Roger Laylin, thanks all the members and volunteers who helped make the show a success!

Nominating Committee

The committee is **STILL** seeking volunteers for 2009 officers. Contact Kris Wood, President. Come on, folks! Take your turn as an officer. The same people can't do this **ALL** the time!!!

Roster Secretary

Message from Roster Secretary Ernie Aughenbaugh: Dues are now being collected for 2009.

To all our Show Volunteers from the Committee Chairs -- Thank You!

Admissions - Elaine Beane thanks Sue Casler, Roni Sionakedes, Mary Gowans, and all the other folks who helped sell tickets to 1208 paying customers. We didn't short-change anyone and made only a couple of mistakes. Pretty good for a well-attended show!

Raffle - Roger Laylin thanks Kris Wood and Marvin Martin. Marvin stood at the Raffle table all day Saturday and Sunday, spinning that beautiful globe donated by Ernie Aughenbaugh - and sold ALL the raffle tickets. That's the first time that has happened in a LONG time. Now if I could only get Marv's very successful sales pitch out of my head.....

Food - Thanks to everyone who brought food, and especially to those who cooked and served it!

Club News

From Corresponding Secretary Mary Anne Hanlon-Smith:

The CMLMS sent a get well card to Alberta Manina.

Former CMLMS member Mildred Ella Malkin has passed away.

Please send any newsletter items to Elaine Beane at (gebeane@comcast.net). The deadline

for each issue is five days after the monthly Board meeting. Check the MWF News for shows to attend this fall and winter. www.amfed.org/mwf.

Things To Watch

Special Notice: The National Geographic Channel will have a program on November 17 (10 pm) about the Cavern of Crystal Giants in Mexico - huge selenite crystals up to 37 feet long. Great photographs!

MINUTES -- Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society -- Board Meeting - October 2, 2008

Board Members Present: Elaine Angstman, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Elaine Beane, Sue Casler, Milt Gere, George Heaton, Alan Hukill, Roger Laylin, Gordon Lewis, and Bob Mosher. [Board members absent: Arie Koewelyn, Lyle Laylin, Jenny Martin, Kara Miller, Dan Sine, Mary Anne Hanlon-Smith and Kris Wood.]

President: Vice President Milt Gere (in Kris Wood's absence) called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm at the Okemos Public Library. **Vice President:** Milt Gere - No official program for October; discussion/preparation for club Rock Show - weekend of Oct. 24-26. The November program will be a talk by club member Roni Sionakides on glass.

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - Summarized minutes of September 4, 2008; will be published in October newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Anne Hanlon-Smith - Absent.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/disbursements for the month of September 2008.

Directors: 3-YR, Bob Mosher - Bob says "Good Evening"; 2-YR, George Heaton - No report; 1-YR, Arie Koewelyn - Absent.

Roster Secretary: Ernie Aughenbaugh - No report.

Past President: Elaine Beane - will take care of placing notices in the newspaper (for Show) based on Mary Anne Hanlon-Smith's notes from last year.

Publications: Roger Laylin - Letter re: ordering of Agate calendars for 2009.

Community Outreach: Elaine Angstman - reported that Kara Miller left a message re: possible Petoskey stone polishing demonstrations at several schools.

Show: Roger Laylin - 1) Postcards (designed by Lyle Laylin) printed, will be sent out to addresses based on the raffle tickets; 2) Raffle - John J. obtained the raffle license and will order tickets; club needs volunteers to sell the tickets at the show; 3) Tables (180) and chairs (140) have been ordered; 4) discussion on layout/table moving/swap table rules, and other items of misc. nature.

Old Business: Federation ballot was completed and sent back.

New Business: 1) Time for 2009 Dues - See Ernie Aughenbaugh

2) Nominating Committee: President Kris Wood nominated a committee of five - Gordon Lewis, Alan Hukill, Elaine Angstman, Elaine Beane, Neil Sneed and Kris Wood.

Elaine Beane moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alan Hukill. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

MINUTES -- Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society -- Membership Meeting -- October 16, 2008

a. Call to Order. The October membership meeting was called to order by President Kris Wood at 7:40 pm at the North Elementary School. Visiting this evening was Rachelle, granddaughter of Ruth Ann & Melvin Lehner.

b. Minutes of Last Meeting. Sue Casler - The September Membership Meeting Minutes were printed in the October newsletter.

d. Treasurer's Report. Alan Hukill - reviewed receipts/expenses to date for October 2008.

e. Announcements.

The Club's Rock & Mineral Show Cometh! October 24, 25 & 26!! Mary Gowans reported on the Children's Tour - Friday, Oct. 24. Bring plastic bags - needed for when the kids pick out a rock from the pebble pond - wet! Also, there is a sign up sheet on the front table for folks to confirm/signup for tasks that day. Roger Laylin - Need a raffle chair person & volunteers to work the raffle table. John J. has taken care of getting the license & raffle tickets. Neil Snepp - wants displays!!

We need Volunteers for officers and directors for 2009!

Welcome Back to Dan Sine! It's door prize time!!

There is no official program tonight - have some treats and get geared up for the Rock and Mineral Show!!

Adjournment. Mary Gowans moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Rick Andrews. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary