

# Rockhound News

**NEXT MEETING:DECEMBER 15TH,**

**PROGRAM: INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

**REFRESHMENTS :EVERY ONE BRING A TREAT TO SHARE**

## December Program

The December program will be installation of officers for 2006, singing of Christmas carols, exchange of hobby related gifts and eating frenzy. Bring a wrapped specimen.

## Club Calendar

December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Regular club meeting at North School 7:30 p.m.
December 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.</b>
January 5th	Board meeting 7:00 p.m. Okemos Library
January 19th	Regular club meeting at North School 7:30

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**DUES! DUES! DUES!** Dues are now due Please pay them to Ernie at the December meeting or mail them to Ernie Aughenbaugh, P.O. Box 67, St.Johns, MI 48879-0067.

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Reminder if your dues are not paid by the February Meeting you will not be included in the 2006 directory. There were a lot of mistakes in the 2005 directory (most of them my fault) please check your entry in the 2005 directory and if it is not correct please let me know.

More news about this years show

The 2005 Childrens' Tour was bigger this year than all other years with the records that I have.

First of all, a huge thanks to Jeff Angstman and the members who drove to Chicago to bring "Sue" and then return her "home." Another huge thanks to Jeff and Elaine for the new attraction, "Spinning Wheel" and to all our members and your friends who worked so hard at your tables or other locations. There were 50 volunteers, the most that I have recorded. And you were needed because the number of children was the largest on record.

There were 1481 children and 327 adults making a total of 1808.

With that many children, I know everyone had to work and work hard. I asked for lots of volunteers and the members responded. A special thanks to your friends who come every year and those who came this year for the first time. I hope they will come back in 2006.

Childrens'Tour certainly meets one of our most important goals for educating the community, and everyone has so much fun. The teachers of the Lansing area also very much appreciate what we

do.

Thanks again to all members, friends and members who rock-hounded during the year to fill the tables and who worked during the year filling exit gifts, grab bags, egg cartons, and making the critters and other objects.

My appreciation to all, Mary Gowans, Chair Childrens' Tour

Thank You

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed snacks and food to our hospitality room. Please know that your efforts are greatly appreciated by our guest demonstrators, dealers and fellow club members working at the show. We are all more pleasant with a full belly! A special thanks to Chuck Collins who became the de-facto assistant hospitality chair. Jean Ann Wahl-Piotrowski

Hospitality Lost and Found

Two large serving spoons -- one slotted & one regular, and a 9" round metal cake pan were left behind in the show hospitality area. If they are yours, please let me know so I can get them back to you! Jean Ann

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Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Membership Meeting

November 17, 2005

**a. Call to Order.** The November membership meeting was called to order by President Richard Miller at 7:40 pm at the North Elementary School.

**b. Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors.** Pamela Jay-Paralikis (Elaine's friend she stays with in Peru). New members Charles and Cathy Hughes introduced themselves.

**c. Minutes of Last Meeting.** Sue Casler - The October membership meeting minutes were printed in the November newsletter, there were no comments/or corrections noted.

**d. Treasurer's Report.** Alan Hukill - Reviewed receipts/disbursements to date for the month of November.

**e. Announcements.**

\*George Heaton has agreed to complete the term of 1-yr. director-Gaylord Brooks.

\*Roger Laylin (Nominating) announced the proposed slate of officers for 2006:

President - Dan Sine

Vice President - Elaine Beane

Treasurer - Alan Hukill

Recording Secretary - Sue Casler

Corresponding Secretary - Kristin Wood

3-Yr. Director - Arie

Koelewyn

Gail Hopkins moved to approve the slate of officers presented for 2006; seconded by Lee Laylin. Motion was carried.

\*Alan Hukill mentioned a couple of items out of the Midwest Fed. Newsletter

\*Kara Miller and Jennifer Martin reported that they did Petoskey Stone demonstrations at Sheridan Elementary School (11/17) and at Donalee Elementary School (11/11). Pictures and letters from the students would be up at the front table for folks to look at.

\*Elaine Angstman, re: Hospitality, reminded folks about bringing treats to club meetings according to "alphabet" noted in monthly newsletter.

\*Lee Laylin, mineral, T-Rex & fossil T-Shirts, and mugs available for sale if anyone interested.

\*Chris and John Juroszek, and Karen Kanine reported that they went on the 11/5 trip to the Alpena Quarry (set up by the Holland club), feedback-it was a great trip and a very interesting active quarry to visit.

\*It was brought up again that club does not have a field trip chair person and that maybe several folks can work together and plan a field trip or two.

\*Roger Laylin (Show Chairman) reported on the show and thanked everyone that helped. The question was asked "Does the club want to hold a show in 2006?" Enough hands made it up to support the club having a show in 2006. The question was asked "Should we find a new location? Any suggestions on other possible locations? Fairgrounds have mentioned 3-yr. contract.

\*Roger also mentioned that other club newsletters we receive are in a notebook if anyone is interested in looking at.

\*Dan Sine mentioned the upcoming events and show flyers; December program will be a gift exchange - bring a wrapped specimen, your voices for the traditional sing along of rockin' carols and treats to eat! Tonight's program will be on Trilobites.

\*Door Prizes this evening were won by Karen Kanine, Elaine Angstman, George Olds, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Chris Juroszek, Linsey Monroe, Bob Mosher, George Heaton, Cathy Hughes and Sue Casler.

**f. Adjournment.** Grit Turner moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Kara Miller. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society Board Meeting

December 1, 2005

President Richard Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm at the Okemos Public Library.

Board Members Present: Richard Miller, Sue Casler, Alan Hukill, Roger Laylin, Ernie Aughenbaugh, Dan Sine, Elaine Angstman, Mary Gowans, Chris Juroszek, Kristin Wood, George Heaton, and Gordon Lewis. Wayne Zittel also in attendance. [Board members absent: Milt Gere, Arie Koelewyn, and Kara Miller]

Vice President: Dan Sine - December Membership Meeting - An Exchange of Gifts - Bring a wrapped specimen. We will also have the Installation of new officers for 2006.

Recording Secretary: Sue Casler - [Late to Meeting] November 3, 2005 Board Meeting Minutes

were printed in the November 2005 newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary: Kris Wood - get well cards were sent to Roger Heaton's wife and to Richard Miller's wife. Thank you notes were also sent to the show dealers.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Hukill - reviewed receipts/disbursements and balance for the month of November, 2005.

Directors: George Heaton - reported that the room (@ the Okemos Library) for Board Meetings has been reserved through June 2006.

Past President: Mary Gowans - Provided her report on the Friday morning Children's Tour; there were 1,481 children and 327 teachers and chaperones; total attendance of 1,808. [A Big Thank You to Mary for her hard work and excellent organization of this event!]

Membership: Elaine Angstman - Action required by Board on new member application for Cathy and Charles Hughes. **Alan Hukill moved to accept new member application for Cathy and Charles Hughes for membership in the CMLMS, seconded by Gordon Lewis. Motion carried.**

Show: Roger Laylin - Passed out a summary sheet and show budget (2006) that resulted from the Show Board Meeting that was held on 11/30/05. [Summary sheet of items discussed and show budget available on request] Elaine Angstman provided report and summary of the silent auction and "Rock Wheel of Fortune" - both well received and very successful!

Old Business: Alan Hukill - The club needs to have some field trips. We have no chair person for field trips, nor do we have any field trips organized. A field trip does not necessarily have to collecting, but could be to a museum or other item of interest.

Alan Hukill moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Roger Laylin.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm. Respectfully submitted, Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

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**Elaine's Shopping List for Los Martincitos - Senior Citizen Center in Lima, Peru**

1. Money - Most Needed Item	19. Cloth or Canvas Bags
2. Nail Polish - any color	20. Perfume
3. Multiple Vitamins	21. Calcium
4. Iron Tablets	22. Aspirin -Dollar Store
5. Band Aids - Dollar Store	23. First Aid Cream
6. Cortisone Cream	24. Ace Wraps
7. Q-Tips	25. Gauze Bandages
8. Any small medical supplies	26. Tweezers
9. Nail or Toenail Clippers	27. Combs
10. White medical tape	28. New or slightly used Ball Caps
11. Pencils or Pens	29. Plastic Film Canisters

12. Chap Stick	30. Baby Powder
13. Hand Cream	31. Men's Underwear
14. Women's Underwear	32. Men's Socks
15. Men's slightly used wallets	33. Women's slightly used or new bras
16. Toothbrushes	34. Vaseline
17. Toothpaste - small tubes	35. Art Supplies
18. Dental Floss	36. Small cosmetic bags

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Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society

Membership Renewal (please print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ WinterAddress \_\_\_\_\_

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Annual Dues Payable Sept through Feb.

Adult \$10.00 Family Membership \$15.00

(18 yrs or older) Student (17 or younger) \$2.00

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SHOW BOARD MEETING 11/30 05

8 members present.

Hearing no serious objections to the contrary the 2006 Show will be held at the same location. Alan has made a deposit to reserve the Arena for Oct. 26-29, 2006. He advised the arena Manager said they may require a three year contract in the future.

The floor plan will be much the same as last year and we will hold the dealer numbers to eleven with their fee held the same. Electrical limits will be reviewed prior to issuance of contracts. Show hours will be the same.

Admission fees will be the same, the free pass with the "Exit Gift" will be retained and we will try a three day pass at \$5.00 in an attempt to encourage repeat attendance.

There will be NO advertized show theme. A majority of the club shows advertized in the magazines are not named. The EXIT GIFT will be Desert Chalcedony.

We will acquire a greater quantity of the more attractive minerals (pyrite, etc.) and attempt to spread out their availability over the Fri. morning time period.

In addition to membership applications we will place extra newsletter copies at the Admission table for examination by interested persons.

Show flyers will be bright Yellow and show dates will be more prominent.

Mary advised she will make a determined effort to attract more private schools.

A budget for the 2006 Show was adopted , the amounts remained as last year except for Publicity to \$ 2000. and Childrens Table to \$ 1000. The total amount has now reached \$11,240.00 !!

There will be 2 mineral tables and one fossil table.

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Bessie Rogers found this poem while going through some things, I'm sure it will bring back memories to some of the long time members. Written by Red Rogers

### JOLLY OLD ST. NICHOLAS

work	Jolly old St. Nicholas	Bettie wants some lapidary
wear:	Now lend your ear this way;	of husband Jim's to
	Don't you tell a single soul	Red Rogers could use an asbestos wig
	What I'm going to say!	To hide his thinning hair
	Christmas Eve is coming soon;	Bring a drill core fat and round
	Now, you dear old man,	and tall enough for Milo;
	Bring these rockhounds all these things	He needs one that is just right
	Quickly as you can!	To make a nice round silo!
	Alan wants a ton of rocks	Bessie could use some sodalite
	For the children's table	when she bakes a cake;
	Gordon wants more thundereggs	I.J. needs some dog-toothed calcite
	For the auction table	one dog needs an upper plate!
	Grit and Alice want more books	Milt and Sharon need some news
	So we'll be better read;	of what we have done
	No, not books of mica, Santa	to spread the joy of rockhounding
	Printed books instead!	Around to everyone.
	Eva wants a graphite mine-	Now my dear old Santa Claus
	Her pencils just don't last;	I must wind this up.
	Read would like to find a place	Thank our rockhound friends for me
	Where collecting is a blast !	for with this, putting up!
	Nancy wants some crystals long	Have a happy holiday
	To use in a display;	Dear friends, one and all.....
	Florence would like the bulletin	Next year we promise to be good-
	Published everyday!	On someone else I call!
	Thank you Bessie for sharing this with us.	

See you at the December Meeting.

Have a Happy Holiday!