Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 19, 2009

PROGRAM: SILENT AUCTION

REFRESHMENTS: Members with last names A-L bring goodies!

Program: Silent Auction -- bring rocks needing a new home, supplies & tools for working with minerals, finished pieces, books & magazines.

ALSO - Please being small bills and change to pay for your purchases!!!

Location & Time: The CMLMS March 19 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 April 2009

Thursday, April 2, 2009 Board Meeting-7:00 pm at the Okemos Library

Thursday, April 16, 2009 Membership Meeting at North School

CMLMS Directory -- If you have any changes in your name, address, telephone #, or email address, please email your information to Elaine Beane (gebeane@comcast.net) who will be putting together the changes to the Directory. - Or give Elaine a note at the March meeting!

Club News

- **Display and Field Trip Chair Dan Sine** reports that the annual Okemos "Science is Fun" Day on February 21 at the Chippewa Middle School off Okemos Rd. was a success. Dan, Roger Laylin, & Neal Snepp had four tables of displays and gave away about 150 exit gift minerals and small fossils.
- Dan also is planning the first field trip of the year, which probably will be a **trip to the quarry in**Paulding, Ohio in April. If you are interested, please call or email Dan. Talk with him at the membership meeting, call him, or send him an email.
- If you have fossil or mineral specimens (preferably bagged and tagged) for distribution at school science events, please being them to Dan Sine at the CMLMS membership meeting.

- This also is the time of year that we collect polished stones for Ele's Place, which gives them to grieving children as "remembrance" stones. Ele's Place does a lot of good work, and we like to help them. Please bring your polished stones to the March or April meetings.
- Roger Laylin, Show Chairman, still needs a couple hundred egg cartons. Please bring them to the
 March and April membership meetings. Roger also notes that Archie Ammerman will join the 2009
 show as a dealer. Show fliers are being printed and will be available at the March meeting. Get
 some and post them!!!
- We are just two months away from the CMLMS Annual Banquet, which will be held at the Okemos Masonic Hall (Hamilton St.) on Thursday, May 21. Social Hour starts at 5:30 pm and dinner is at 6:30. Tickets are being printed and will be available at the March and April meetings. Adult tickets are \$10; Children's tickets are \$4; a great price for a good meal and a great program.
- Volunteers are needed for various banquet tasks: ticket taker, invitations to other clubs, help with setting up exhibits, and bringing snacks for the hospitality table. One lonely volunteer cannot do it all, so step up, folks, and help with this annual event. This is the CMLMS' 52nd year!
- **Gordon Lewis** will be working with MSU Geology to select a recipient for the annual scholarship that CMLMS grants to an undergraduate student in geology. **Welcome back, Gordon!**
- For those who have been following this issue at the federal level, the Omnibus Public Lands
 Management Act of 2009 (including the Paleo Protection Act) was defeated by one vote on
 March 11, 2009.

March 28, Metro Rock Swap, Democratic Club of Taylor, 23400 Wick Rd., Taylor, MI. 10 AM – 5 PM. Free! Info: 734-525-1684. Hosted by Midwest Mineralogical & Lapidary Society.

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

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Minimum Bid	
Name Bid	

	Field Trips: Dan Sine 1) See flyer to attend Taylor Club Show, 2) Tulip City Club going out west this summer and others are invited to join or meet them on the route, 3) Dan looking into a possible CMLMS bus trip to Chicago museums.
CMLMS Silent Auction	
Item	Community Outreach: Item announced by Dan Sine Okemos "Science is Fun" Day, Sat. 2/21/09, club members to bring displays, have handouts and fossils for kids.
Minimum Bid	
Final Bid	Publications: Elaine Beane 1) Thanked Marv Oesterle for writing his field trip article for last month's club newsletter. Several members expressed thanks too. 2) Mary Anne Smith had a nice article about the club placed in the Lansing State Journal recently, 3) asked others to write articles for the newsletter too.
Bidder	
Seller	Library: Lee Laylin Library has a new book about the Adventure Mine in the UP (obtained by Dan Sine) and new magazines that may be checked out.
Minutes from the February 19 Membership Meeting	Display: Chaired by Dan, but Roger Laylin said that the 'Krepps Cases' are out of storage and can be used at the Okemos Science Fair and other places.
Meeting called to order at 7:35 P.M. at North School. 26 attended, including 21 members & 5 visitors: Jackie Moore, Lina Moore, Rae Lea Moore, Mikyla Mangles and Kristin Smith.	Neal Snepp's announcements: 1) Norm Hanshue passed away recently. He was active in the Midwest Federation and frequently displayed and demonstrated at our show. 2) Mid-West / Parma, Ohio, banquet in
Announcements: 1) Sue Casler's mother passed away; 2) Gordon Lewis had surgery; and 3) Kara Miller had surgery.	mid-May, will need 2 reps from our club. 3) Our Annual Banquet will be in May. The menu will need to be decided upon soon. Neal will discuss options with the Okemos Mason's. Member Sharon Bacigal volunteered to work on getting the banquet set up. She will need helpers. Please volunteer to help with the annual
V.P. report: Roni Sionakides 1) Tonight's program will be a video loaned by Sue Casler about Carlsbad Caverns; 2) The April meeting program will be our annual silent auction. Remember to bring items and money.	banquet! Door Prizes: Dan Sine prepared 11 door prizes that
	were won by members and visitors.
Directors: George Heaton Arranged for board meetings at Okemos Library 1 st Thursday of March, April & May.	Adjournment: Lee Laylin moved we adjourn, Richard Miller seconded the motion, vote approved. Adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Refreshments were enjoyed and video program was shown. Thanks to Web Master Lyle Laylin for providing digital projection equipment. The program ended at 9:15 P.M.

The Editor thanks 1) Shar Gere for taking notes in Sue Casler's excused absence, and 2) President Milt Gere for typing them! Thanks to All!

Note: A number of Board & committee members were absent or did not have reports to present.