Rockhound News

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 21ST

PROGRAM: Bountiful Ohio, Minerals, Fossils & Rocks

REFRESHMENTS: K THRU Q please bring goodies.

Program: To prepare us for summer field trips, we will be looking at slides of Ohio

Minerals, Fossils & Rocks.

Club Calendar

April 16th Field trip to Laylin's backyard. 10a.m.-? SEE ARTICLE

April 21st Regular meeting. North School 7:30

April 23rd Field trip to Laylin's backyard again. 10a.m. to?

May 5th CML&MS board meeting 7:00 Okemos Library

May 19th ANNUAL BANQUET Masonic hall in Okemos. 5:30 social hour -6:30

dinner

President's Notes

The Board and I would like to ask the Club Members if there is someone interested in the Field Trip Chairman's position, it could be handled by an individual or as many as two to three persons. There are those who have gone on these trips in the past and found some wonderful items for display, polishing, or items for the show auctions. If you could help in this endeavor please contact me at (517) 882-1565 or let us hear from you at our next meeting. And "Thanks" for all your help.

Have you ever noticed the smile on a child or adults face when they see a ROCK that's been polished! It starts the heart to pump just a little faster and the eyes get bigger and that hand goes out to touch it!

And that feeling you get when you have touched it and held it too!

Now if it could only belong to ME! you say inside, "May I ask how much this beautiful stone is?" "It's free" you say to them and they smile

and stumble on some words to say Thank You, Thank You, Thank You! Becoming a ROCKMAN can have it's very precious moments and belonging to the Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society can and will bring a smile on every ones face come SHOW TIME IN OCTOBER.

Richard E. Miller
FIELD TRIP !!!!?

Plan for an interesting time on Sat. April 16th and/or Sat. April 23rd. Meet in the backyard about 10 A.M. (or any time you can make it) both days.

We will travel vicariously to Copper Country, Alpena, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas with side trips to Africa and other unknown locations. Hard Hats NOT required. If you can stay most of the day bring a sack lunch or there are several fast food places with in two miles. (McDonalds, Burger King, IngCredible, Arbys, Subway, Little

Caesars Pizza and our personal favorite Backyard Bar-B-Que. Coffee, tea(hot or cold) milk and water will be provided.

Object of the trips is to sort and consolidate the materials we received last fall from D. Walling of St. Johns, so we know what we have for silent auction, childrens table, egg cartons etc.All are invited, reservations NOT

required and the more the merrier. Who knows you might even even get a speciman to take home.

BANQUET ----- BANQUET ----- BANQUET BANQUET

We will be having our banquet at the Okemos Masonic Temple, (at the corner of Livernois and Hamilton) in Okemos (same location as last year). This year the membership voted to have chicken dinner. The cost of the dinner is \$10.00 adult, \$4.00 for 12 years and under. Tickets are available and can be purchased at the April 14th meeting or mail a check (made payable to CML&MS) to:Ernie Aughenbaugh

P.O. Box 67

St. Johns, MI 48879-0067

Ernie will send tickets for mail orders received. The deadline for ticket purchase is May 14th.

Daniel Sine is in charge of displays for the banquet. He needs 5-6 displays. If you are willing to set up a display, contact Daniel at 381-0805 or e-mail him at daniel.sine@mail.dss.mil.

Remember to circle May 19 on your calender for our banquet. It starts with a social hour at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30. The program and door prize drawing will follow. Speaking of the social hour please bring your favorite appetizer to share, crackers and punch will be provided by the club.

We are looking forward to a fun evening. Our snow birds will be back, guests from neighboring clubs will be here,

If you have not paid your dues, but still wish to be a member, its not to late to get them to- ERNIE AUGHENBAUGH, P.O.Box 67, St. Johns, MI. 48879-0067. \$10.00 for individuals, \$15.00 for family ,\$2 student under 18. Dues can be mailed to Ernie at the above address or paid at the meeting. It is to late to be included in the 2005 directory.

WELCOME BACK TO Phyllis White and John Engel

UPCOMING SHOWS, SWAPS, ETC.

Mt. Clemens - Macomb County Gem and Lapidary Socirty's Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show. April 22 10-7,

April 23 10-7 and April 24th 11-5. Roseville Recreation Department 18185 Sycamore Roseville, Michigan.

Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society's Gem & Mineral Show and Sale. April 29 4-8, April 30, 10-6, May 1 10-5.

Kalamazoo County Center Building. Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds, 2900 Lake Street, Kalamazoo, MI

NOTE FROM LIBRARIAN

A big thank you to all those members who returned books. There are still a few thing that have not been returned, please look around and find them and bring them to the April meeting. You may check out books at the April meeting to have over the summer. As April is the last meeting at North School until Sept. the libery will be at the Laylin's for the summer. If you need something during the summer call and I will make arrangements for you to get it.

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Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society

Membership Meeting

March 17, 2005

- a. Call to Order. The March membership meeting was called to order by President Richard Miller at 7:37 pm at the North Elementary School.
 - b. Welcome and Introduction of Guests/Visitors. Diane Churchill (visitor).
- c. Minutes of Last Meeting. January and February Meeting minutes were

- printed in the March club newsletter. No changes were noted.
- d. Treasurers Report. Treasurers report was given by A. Hukill.
 - e. Announcements.
- *The rescheduled 16th Annual Science is Fun Day at Chippewa Middle School, will now be Saturday, March 26th from 11 am to 3 pm.
- *Another Science Fun Day (actually Night) will be at Rayla Elementary School, April 22, 6 pm.
- *Invite to club members to the Rock and Mineral Show at the Southgate Arena, May 13-15.

*Noted that member Melissa Carswells husband passed away.

*Door prizes were won by Richard Miller, Karen Kanine, Sue Seelye, Grit

Turner, Alice Turner and Martha Nachreiner.

*The Annual Club Banquet will be May 19th, 5:30 pm Social, 6pm Dinner,
Tickets will be approximately \$10/person; committee and volunteers needed
AND we need to vote on the Menu: The meal vote was taken and the results
were Chicken (vs. Swiss Steak), Green Beans (vs. Corn) and Fruit Pies (vs.
Cream Pies). The following folks volunteered for the tasks following
their names: Connie Snepp-Punch/Appetizer Table; Marie Lewis & Lola
Pearson-Decorations; Kristen & Elliot Wood-Ticket takers; Dan
Sine-Displays; Alan Hukill-write invitations to other clubs; Ernie
Aughenbaugh-Ticket Sales and Lee Laylin-Printing the Program.

*Program tonight is the Silent Auction.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Casler, Recording Secretary

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All too rarely, airline attendants make an effort to make the in-flight safety "lecture" and announcements a bit more entertaining. Here are some real examples that have been heard or reported:

- 1. On a Southwest flight (SW has no assigned seating, you just sit where you want) passengers were apparently having a hard time choosing, when a flight attendant announced, "People, people we're not picking out furniture here, find a seat and get in it!"
- 2. On a Continental Flight with a very "senior" flight attendant crew, the pilot said, "Ladies and gentlemen, we've reached cruising altitude and will be turning down the cabin lights. This is for your comfort and to

enhance the appearance of your flight attendants."

- 3. On landing, the stewardess said, "Please be sure to take all of your belongings. If you're going to leave anything, please make sure it's something we'd like to have."
- 4. "There may be 50 ways to leave your lover, but there are only 4 ways out of this airplane"
- 5. "Thank you for flying Delta Business Express. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride."
- 6. As the plane landed and was coming to a stop at Ronald Reagan, a lone voice came over the loudspeaker: "Whoa, big fella. WHOA!"
- 7. After a particularly rough landing during thunderstorms in Memphis, a flight attendant on a Northwest flight announced, "Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because, after a landing like that, sure

as heck everything has shifted."

8. From a Southwest Airlines employee: "Welcome aboard Southwest Flight 245 to Tampa. To operate your seat belt, insert the metal tab into the buckle, and pull tight. It works just like every other seat belt; and, if

you don't know how to operate one, you probably shouldn't be out in public unsupervised."

9. "In the event of a sudden loss of cabin pressure, masks will descend from the ceiling. Stop

screaming, grab the mask, and pull it over your face. If you have a small child traveling with you, secure your mask
before assisting with theirs. If you are traveling with more than one small child, pick your favorite."
10. Weather at our destination is 50 degrees with some broken clouds, but we'll try to have them fixed before we
arrive. Thank you, and remember, nobody loves you, or your money, more than Southwest Airlines."
I know they are not rock jokes but every one needs a good laugh now and then.