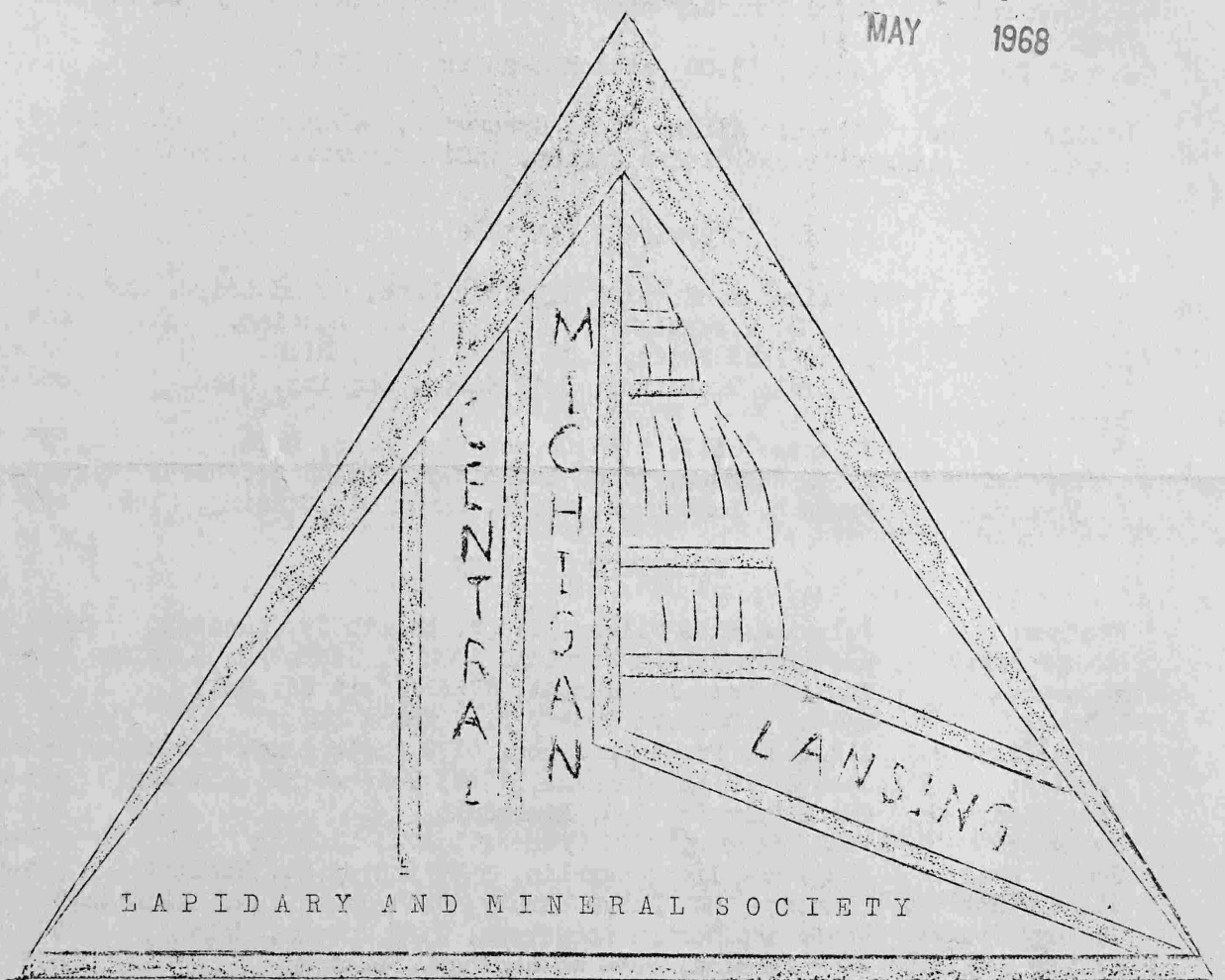


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The Central Michigan Lapidary and Mineral Society is a non-profit organization meeting to promote interest and increased knowledge in the fields of mineralogy, geology, archaeology, paleontology, and the lapidary arts.

Meeting Place: St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 3838 Delta River Dr., Lansing.
 Meeting Date: Third Thursday night each month, except July and August.
 Meeting Time: 7:30 p.m.
 Annual Dues: Adults, \$3.00; students under 18, \$1.00.

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THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS WILL BE PRESENTED WITH A TOKEN
BAG OF ROCKS AT THE MAY MEETING.

LANSING M. GILBERT
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WHY NOT A BOX ALL PACKED AND READY FOR FIELD TRIPS?

Use a box approximately 2' X 2' X 1', put in 2 rock hammers; a
small sledge, 3 cold chisels, an apron or two with pockets, news-
paper, or other to wrap specimens, goggles, rope hatchet, pad &
pencil for labels tape; flash light, extra batteries, magnifier
of some type, magnet, compass, matches, gloves, knife, and any other
items you might think of if your box is not full. Now you are
ready to go off rock-hunting at the drop of a hat, weather permitting.

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GRIT IN YOUR TUMBLER BEARINGS, can ruin them (on your tumbler)

Take extra precautions during inspections and preparations of
beginning a new load, if some should happen to spatter on the
motor wash it immediately, and the same for the bearings.

Above two articles from
The Rock Vein

EXPERIENCE HELPS,

but some how you never have it until just after you need it!

THE MAN WHO KEEPS HIS CHIN UP AND HIS FEET ON THE GROUND,
will someday probably run into a clothesline.

The Society sent 27 pounds of Stamps to Mr. S. Elroy McCaw for the stamps for Food Project.

The second Annual Rock and Gem Show in Lansing, October 13-14, and 15, brought over 15, 000 visitors. An estimated 2300 school children came through during the free school tours Friday. There were 67 displays from our club members alone, with demonstrations of polishing and faceting. A donation of \$25.00 to the Midwest Scholarship Fund was made in the name of the club sending in the largest number of displays.

An Action Committee is presently considering proposals for putting surplus Society funds to the best use. A part of this surplus has been earmarked for the Midwest Scholarship Fund.

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As individuals, our Society members host open houses, give talks, and provide displays to schools and clubs. A partial list of such activities is given. Many members do this as a matter of course, and their work goes without reporting.

Clarence and Gladys Kirkby held an open house for the Charlotte Book Review Club, and again for 65 prospective rockhounds among their friends at church and at work. The Kirkbys placed a large display in the Lansing City Hall. The Kirkbys and the Merrill Flemings displayed and contributed lapidary pieces at the Lansing Avenue School Christmas Bazaar.

Richard and Lila Stevens were guest speakers January 15, 1967 at the Grand Valley Rock and Mineral Society. Their talk was on "Casting Ticks in Liquid Plastic". Lila spoke to a 3rd-4th grad group at the Fowler elementary school, and to a group of 85 4th graders at the Cornell School, Okemos. She has prepared some excellent visual aids and portable displays for her talks. She works with the Eaton County Girl Scouts camping program in their earth science studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kunkel presented a series of open houses to different groups of their friends (including our club members) featuring their travel movies, their specimen collection, and Norm's lapidary work. Norm specializes in spheres, mosaic table tops, and tiffany style slab work.

Frank and Ila Rickerd gave a talk and demonstration to the St. Johns 4-H group.

Bernard Jenkins does tutoring to Handicapped, both homebound and wheelchairbound, in the arts of lapidary referred to him by the Michigan State Department of Vocational Rehabilitation. His son, Jim has conducted classes for Cub Scouts in Grand Ledge groups, and also gave demonstrations to two groups of girl scouts in the Jenkins Dungeon, on How to Make a Cabochon.

Margaret Randolph works with her neighborhood 4-H group in mineralogy.

Florence Hill gave a talk to a 3rd grade class at Wardcliff School, Okemos, and has placed displays of Mineral Specimens at Edgewood and Cornell School, Okemos.

Jeanetta Sloan keeps a mineral display on exhibit at the Glencairn School, East Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Munro gave an open house and talk for the Girl Scouts of the Novi area.

Rita Wilcox spoke to a science group at Sacred Heart School, Flint.

Eleanor Owens spoke to an assembly at Maplewood School, Lansing, and to a group from the same school at her home.

Arthur Karlake has at least seven school appearances to his credit, these include East Lansing, Okemos, and St. Johns.

In the line of publicity, the Lansing State Journal ran a feature article in the Sunday paper preceding the club Rock and Gem Show. Earlier in the year it carried pictures and news stories of the huge bag of stamps contributed to the Stamps for Food Project by the Club, and of our nonagenarian member, Mrs. Ethel Rathke.

As publicity for the show about 2,000 posters were distributed in prominent places in the area. Five club members appeared on two different TV programs originating in the area.

A clipping from the Ingham County News published in Mason, Michigan, and copies of the Club newsletter for the year are enclosed.

Florence Hill

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THE MAY MEETING-----

The May meeting is our Anniversary meeting!

The following people have offered to bring cakes.

Marian Henderson
Lila Stevens
Irene Brett
Cleora Purtil
Lola Pearson
Henrietta Myers
Pat Watson
Annie Passaneau
Edna Browning
Francis Ridgley
Wilma Hopkins
Sally Barker
Nora DeLashmutt
Alberta Manina

Thank you!

Nora DeLashmutt

Coffee and punch will be served. Let's all join in and celebrate our 11th year as a Rock Club.

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ATTENTION ALL MEN!

Check the inside rim of your hat. Are the initials F.R. there? Then this hat belongs to Frank Rickerd and not you, and he would like to have it back, his head has been very cold.

DISPLAY

MAY 3rd, 4th and 5th-Jackson Show

Several of our members accepted the invitation to display at Jackson. At my last contact with Mrs. Van Dam, applications had been received from Oscar Puryear, Bettie Hodgson, William and Bessie Rogers, Frank and Ila Rickerd, and the Albin Andersons. Many Thanks.

MAY 19th through MAY 25th-MICHIGAN WEEK

The Committee will be contacting members for material to change the display at the capitol; also for individual displays.

JUNE 20, 21, 22, 23-FAMILY LAPIDARY CLUB, Waterford, Michigan

This year, as in the past two years, the Family Lapidary Club of Waterford, Michigan is planning a Gem, Mineral, and Lapidary display at the Waterford, C.A.I. Annual Free Fair.

This display will be open to the public on June 20, 21, 22, and 23, 1968. This is not a competition show. Applications and further information in regard to the above shows may be obtained from:

The 1968 Display Committee

Mr. & Mrs. LaVern Davenport, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Fisher, Mr. & Mrs. Al Purtil, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur McFarland, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Randolph, and Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stevens.

Joe Manina-IV 9-0141
Display Committee Chairman

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THERE WILL BE A MEETING FOR THE FOSSIL STUDY GROUP AT THE CONKLINS" MAY 18, 1968 at 7:00 P.M., SO COME ON, YOU FOSSIL COLLECTORS, SO WE CAN GET ORGANIZED. WE NEED DONATIONS FOR OUR PROJECT, A FOSSIL DISPLAY CASE.
Lloyd E. Conklin,
Fossil Chairman

PROGRAM FOR THE MAY MEETING-----

This program will be of particular interest to members who are planning to do rockhounding on their vacation this summer. Several members are to speak of their experiences and give their advices on:

Rockhunting in South Dakota-Clarence Kirkby

Hounding and Hunting for Rocks in the U.P.-
Frank Swagart

Collecting in the N.E. area of the Lower Penn.
Lila Stevens

Tips on Displaying-Bettie Hodgson

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"ATTENTION"

The Annual Swapping Session and Picnic

will be held in Fitzgerald Park in Grand Ledge

At 1:00 P.M., May 26, 1968.

After a Picnic lunch and swapping the group will go to the clay pits for fossils.

Bring a dish, or dishes to pass, your own table service and something to drink!

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HAVING TROUBLE WITH THE EYE IN TIGEREYE?

Then try this method. Look down at the slice at a 60 degree angle, the dark side toward you. This should be the crown or top of the finished stone. by cutting your stone which has been oriented this way, you should have a cabachon with a floating eye in it when you are through the final polishing.

IF YOU WANT TO HASTEN THE SETTING OF EPOXY ON BELL CAPS, place the caps on the stones with epoxy, put in the oven which you heat to 150 degrees. After five minutes shut the oven off and let cool completely before opening the oven door.

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Range Rock & Mineral Club

at ST JOHN'S SCHOOL--351 S. Pine St.--ISHPEMING

Thursday-Friday-Saturday-July 25, 26, & 27, 1968

SHOW HOURS

Thursday & Friday-July 25 & 26--10 A.M. to 10 P.M.
Saturday July 27 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

FIELDTRIP Friday July 26 8 A.M. to Noon.
(Nominal Donation \$1.00-Advance registration required)
ROCK SWAP-Sunday July 28 9:30 A.M. to Noon

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HELP! As many of you know the Editor is "expecting in the next few weeks, many of you who have had interesting experiences, or tips to pass on to other members, please contribute it to the ROCKHOUND NEWS, so as to make the preparation of the next issue a little easier for whoever may have to help out. Thankx.

TWO KINDS OF PEOPLE

There are two kinds of people on earth today;
Just two kinds of people, no more I say.
Not the saint and the sinner, for 'tis well understood
The good are half bad and the bad are half good.

Not the rich and the poor, for to count a man's wealth
you must know the state of his conscience and health.
Not humble and proud, for in life's little span
he who puts on vain airs is not counted a man.
Not the happy and sad, for fast flying years
Bring to each man his laughter and each man his tears.

No. The two kinds of people on earth that I mean
Are the people who lift, and the people who lean.
Wherever you go you find the world's masses
Always divided in just these two classes.
And oddly enough, you will find too, I wean
There is only one lifter to twenty who lean.

Author unknown

ARE YOU A LEANER, OR HAVE YOU CONTRIBUTED SOME
TIME OR TALENT TO THE ROCK CLUB THIS MONTH,
NEXT MONTH, WHY NOT BE A LIFTER?

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