

ROCKPICKENS

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB Date: January 2015

January 2016



Next meeting is March, 6:00 PM at the Canton Library. We will start looking at any additions or changes to our new By-laws, copies of which were passed out at the December Christmas dinner. This will be the first meeting on the By-laws. Pot luck dinner will be held.

President: William deLorraine
Vice President: Wes Jennings
Secretary: Joanna deLorraine
Treasurer: Ashley Meade
Show Chairperson: Gary Garlow
Advertising: Heather O'Hara
Newsletter Editor: Bill deLorraine
Webmaster: Glenn Simonelli

2016 Membership Dues

Please ensure that we have your current e-mail address!

We strive to send all newsletters by e-mail
Please mail dues to:
Ashley Meade, Treasurer
3715 CR 14
Madrid, NY 13660

Single Membership: \$10.00. Family
Membership: (Family members under the same
roof at the same mailing address): \$20.00
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THE CLUB'S WEBSITE:

www.stLawrencecountymineralclub.org

Minutes From the December Mtg.

29 members attended our Christmas Dinner Party held at "The Club" December 12th. Bill introduced Dr. Jeff Chiarenzelli who gave a great talk on zircons. Jeff, his wife Valerie, and daughter Arianna were welcome guests as well. As normal we went around the table and introduced ourselves and where we live. Bill asked for a big hand for Jeff. First item of business was "where to have our 2016 show"? Our normal show slot in Madrid was inadvertently allotted to another party out so we have to move this year. Bill said it was unfortunate (to say the least!). One choice was the Tractor Museum in Madrid. They were not only very difficult to get in contact with but there was no clear person in charge of the organization capable of making decisions. They wanted \$300 for the weekend, with the additional stipulation that they would operate the concession stand in the same building as we were renting for the dealers.

The next possible choice for an alternative show site was the Elks Club in Gouverneur, who would not give up their Friday night dinner, asking if instead "Could we hold our show on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday?". Scratch choice #2.

Alternative #3 was the Canton Pavilion. Chris and Scott Sutherland took Bill and Joanna over before the dinner to look at it. They charge \$150.00 a day and we would have the use of the large indoor hockey rink space and a second floor which would hold the auction. Also lots of parking area and room for outside vendors and RV's if they wish to set up. They also would run a concession stand for us. Scott said it does stay pretty cool inside in the summer.



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Bob Taillon's cousin, Jon Tyo is the person to contact at the Pavilion. We would need new signs and much more advertising when we change sites. There was a motion by Wes Jennings to move our show to the Canton Pavilion. Annie Butterfield 2'd the motion. The club voted in favor.

Scott said the only disadvantage is that it is "tucked away". Will need time and effort for advertising and signs. Wes said it is a "win – win" situation.

The votes for officers for 2016-2017 were held. Bill stayed on as President and Joanna as secretary and Ashley Mead came on board as Treasurer; all ran unopposed.

There was a tie for VP between Lisa Garlough and Wes Jennings. Lisa graciously conceded to Wes. She said she would help him in any way she could.

Bill presented George and Sue Robinson with coasters as gifts from the club for all the work that they have done organizing specimens donated to the club, boxing and labeling and pricing them. The Coasters came from Shutterfly and had pictures on them that George had taken of agate slices that the club had purchased. Lisa Garlough won the first drawing for the first centerpiece which she gave to the Bancrofts. The Morgans won the second centerpiece and Anne won the amethyst door prize drawing.

February:

13-14—ÅLBANY, NEW YORK: Annual show; capital district mineral club, New York State Museum; Empire Plaza, 222 Madison Ave; Sat. 10:00 am-5:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am-5:00 pm; Admission is \$5.00, Children are free; contact Michael Hawkins, (518) 486-2011; e-mail: michael.hawkins@nysed.gov

March:

5-6—NEWARK, DELAWARE: Annual show; Delaware Mineralogical Society, Delaware Technical & Community College- Stanton; 400 Stanton-Christiana Road; Sat. 10:00 am-6:00 pm, Sun. 11:00 am-5:00 pm; Adults \$6.00, Seniors \$5.00, Students \$4.00, Children are Free w. adult; educational

exhibits of mineral, lapidary and fossil specimens, displays from regional and university museums, a roster of fine dealers of minerals, fossils, gems, jewelry and lapidary supplies, door prizes, demonstrations of gem cutting and polishing and a children's table, where youngsters may purchase inexpensive mineral and fossil specimens.; Contact Wayne Urion, (302) 998-0686; e-mail: wurion@aol.com; Web site: www.delminsociety.org

April:

2-3—JOHNSON CITY, NEW YORK: Annual show; New York Southern Tier Geology Club, Johnson City Senior Center; 30 Brocton St.; Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 10 am-4 pm; Adults \$3.00, Children 12 and under are free; Annual club show \"47 th. Museum of Gems\" Exhibit\'s - Ultra Violet Display - Flint Knapping demonstration - Beads and Supplies - Minerals and Fossils - Door prizes - Food and drinks for sale. Mineral and Gemstone Identification. Lots to do. Come early and stay late; contact Thomas Ogden, 96 West Main St., Bainbridge, NY 13733, (607) 967-8552; e-mail: stonecuttertom@yahoo.com

August:

20-21 -- St. Lawrence Co. Rock & Mineral Club Show, Canton Pavilion, 90 Lincoln St, Canton, NY 13617 -- New Location!--

50th Annual Show - Free admission, free mineral kits for kids, free gem tree classes. Fluorescent mineral hunt for kids Friday, 19th, at dusk. Hrs. Sat. 9-4, Sunday 9-3. wdellie@gmail.com 315-287-4652.