

ROCK PICKENS



ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB Date: August, 2022

Our August mineral club meeting is Wednesday, August 3rd, 6:00 PM, at the <u>Canton Library</u>. Please attend this very important meeting before our show.



2022

President: William deLorraine Vice President: Scott Sutherland Secretary: Joanna deLorraine Treasurer: Paisley Kodama Field Trip Coordinators: Gary Garlough & Noah King Webmaster: Glen Simonelli

Effective August, 2022 - August, 2023

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Club Dues:

\$15.00 Single Membership \$25.00 Family Membership (per household @ the same mailing address)

Make checks payable to: **St. Lawrence Rock** and **Mineral Club** and mail them to:

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St. Lawrence Rock and Mineral Club
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Gouverneur, NY 13642

2022 Rock & Mineral Shows

<u>August</u>

St. Lawrence Co. Rock & Mineral Club's 55th Show – Aug. 27-28th

Canton Pavilion, 90 Lincoln St., Canton, NY 13617. Sat 9:00-4:30; Sun. 9:00 -3:00. Adults \$3.00, children 12< free. Free mineral kits for kids, mineral ID table, collecting field trip Sat. 9:00 AM. Gem tree classes Sunday 2PM.

Notes From the President:

I thank Scott Sutherland for meeting me at the club's storage bin and assisting with labeling and pricing numerous club specimens. We had a great time doing this in the morning hours – beating the rains that came later on in the afternoon. We later met with Pavilion Director Meghan Richardson to deliver the club's large banner which will be hung out in front of the Pavilion for several weeks prior to the show.

I met with Director Richardson and the Code Enforcement Officer for Canton to review the vendor set-up planogram and possible locations for outside food vendors. The meeting went exceptionally well. All of last year's hard work (and consternation) paved the way evidently and all was smooth sailing this time around.

It may not have hurt either that a "draft" note that I'd penned to Director Meghan in the heat of the moment, when I ascertained that the village raised Pavilion fees, somehow made its way to her Inbox. That was the one where I groused about "cascading series of new regulations and 11th hour fee increases" etc. Well – the Director stepped up to the plate, took the bull by the horns – and made interactions between the Club and Village,



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Code Officer, and Director; seamless. She as Director will handle all issues regarding invoicing, Insurance matters, "Call Before you Dig", etc. henceforth. I was most impressed and expressed those sentiments in an email note to Canton Mayor Dalton who in turn passed them on to the Village Board.

Minutes from the July Club Meeting @ Canton Library

12 members attended the July meeting. Bill called the meeting to order. Introductions went 'round the room. Paisley Kodama gave the Treasurer's report. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report by Barb Decker; 2nd by Jerry Curcio. Bill asked about whether or not we should change the time dues should be assessed moving forward; Jan.-Dec. or calendar year rather than August to August. Bill was asked if there was a better night for the meetings. Gary said Wed. works well. Julie King asked if the show was always the last weekend in August. Bill noted that at times in the past our show conflicted with other shows that our same vendors attend, so better for them to be able to switch from the 3rd to the 4th weekend so they'll be able to attend ours without conflict, but normally it is the 3rd weekend.

We're trying a silent auction this year instead of the traditional "live" auction which will enable all who attend the show -- not just club members and vendors -- to attend it and have a chance to bid. We could announce winners every few hours say, at 11 AM, 1 PM, and again at 3 PM. This will allow us to vacate the Pavilion much earlier both days thus avoiding overtime hours for employees. Heather O'Hara mentioned it would be good to borrow a megaphone. As of this writing a portable, battery-operated, megaphone is on order. Under "Field Trips", Dino had an idea for a

fluorescent mineral hunt Sat. after the show. Some member/vendors don't get to go during the show as they are working. New club member Carlene Berman said she had two cases that we could borrow for the show to display St. Lawrence Co. minerals. She also asked for a full page of the ad to put up at the Historical Building in Canton and other places around Canton. We gave her a copy at the meeting. Noah mentioned that the club could hide mineral specimens during the show and if attendees find them they would get a prize. The cost of reserving the pavilion has doubled from last year. Bill said that they consider us "out of town" customers, so we would have to pay much more this year. The rec. committee set up a lot of new rules and fees earlier in the year, but no one told us about it until the 11th hour. Heather said maybe it is a good idea to look for other venues. She also said we should get some 3x size T-shirts. Paisley made a motion to select another color following which there was much discussion on the T-shirt color. A vote was taken and the color "Hazelnut" was selected. It is hard for our supplier to get shirts from vendors this year because of shipping and supply chain unavailability of certain sizes, colors, fabrics, etc. They informed us they will try to get the closest color and that they'll have them ready in time for the next meeting. (They delivered on that promise!). Megan from the pavilion is checking on the concession stand inside. Scott Sutherland let us know that members Lisa and Mike Morgan have a food wagon business and that we should check with them. Ultimately Mile and Lisa graciously to sign the Pavilion rental consented agreement documents as residents, not "out of town" renters, thus saving the club \$360. enough to purchase this year's Amethyst Cathedral! Joanna won the door prize, a Chrysanthemum stone.