

ROCK PICKENS

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB Date: July 2014

July 2014

The next meeting will be held on Wed. July 2nd., 6:00 PM, at the Canton Library. Pot luck dinner; bring a dish to pass, drink, and table settings.

President: William deLorraine

Vice President: Scott Sutherland

Secretary: Joanna deLorraine

Treasurer: Chris Sutherland

Field Trip Coordinator: Jerry Curcio

Show Chairperson: Bob Taillon

Advertising: Heather O'Hara

Newsletter Editor: Bill deLorraine

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Membership Dues from August 2014 to August 2015

Please make sure we have your current e-mail address

We strive to send all newsletters by e-mail

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Please mail dues to: Chris Sutherland; Treasurer,
287 Cty. Rd. 29, Canton, NY 13617

Single Membership: \$10.00. Family
Membership: (Family members under the same
roof at the same mailing address): \$20.00

THE CLUB'S WEBSITE:

www.stLawrencecountymineralclub.org

Available now: "Collector's Guide to the Minerals of New York State" by Drs. Steven Chamberlain and George Robinson. You can purchase a copy at any of our meetings.

Upcoming Shows

July 12-13 Syracuse Rock and Mineral Club, Syracuse
<http://www.gmss.us/annual-show>

July 31- Aug 1-2 Bancroft Jemboree, Bancroft, Ontario, Canada rockhoundgemboree.ca

Aug 8-10 Springfield, MA Gem and Mineral Show

Aug 23-24 St. Lawrence County Club Show, Madrid, NY

<http://www.stlawrencecountymineralclub.org/>

Saturday Field Trip to Powers Farm: **doubly terminated black tourmaline, smoky quartz;**

Sunday Field Trip to Bush Farm: **brown tourmaline.**

Upcoming Field Trips

June 29 (Sunday) - Alden, NY for pyrite nodules and pyritized fossils.

July 19 (Saturday) – Canandaigua Lake excursion, multiple sites, very kid friendly

To sign up, e-mail Bill Chapman at batnpill@empacc.net or call [607-868-4649](tel:607-868-4649)

Notes From the Prez

Club members keep the dates below in mind. Our club is sponsoring an **exhibition featuring geodes;** "Big ones, little ones, round ones, straight-sided ones, Cathedral-shaped ones, purple ones, yellow ones, brown ones, white ones, quartz-filled, calcite-filled, celestine-filled; you name it,



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we've got it!" The show will run for a month at the Gouverneur museum. The museum's board is planning a reception to open the exhibit; reception tentatively scheduled for September 6th. It would be wonderful if many of our club members attended the opening to represent our club as they really do put on an impressive, professional grade reception .

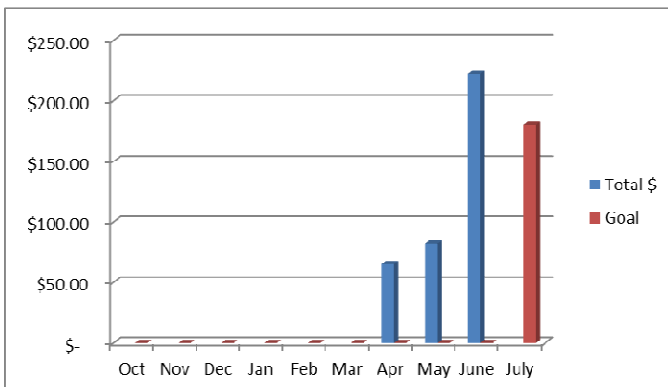
The room at the museum for the exhibit will be available from Saturday, September 6th until Saturday, November 1st. The exhibit will run from September 17th through October 18th. That will give exhibitors plenty of time before and after to set up their display and take it down.

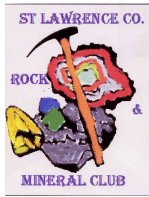
Please keep these dates in mind and consider contributing your time, resources, and energies to this event sponsored by the Gouverneur Museum in conjunction with the St. Lawrence County Rock and Mineral Club.

Minutes from the Last Meeting.

Members and new members introduced themselves to each other before the pot luck dinner. 10 members were in attendance at the June meeting. Scott Sutherland won the drawing but took his ticket out of the running so... Heather O'Hara won the drawing for the malachite specimen! Bill distributed copies of the agenda for the night. Joanna read the minutes from the May meeting; Chris gave the treasurer's report. Signup sheets for the show distributed. It was noted that we will make up new dates for the show signs (done as of this printing) and set a time when we can all get together and affix them to the signs. Heather O'Hara gave a report on the advertising for the show. Heather takes care of advertising at her regular "day job" so she will know all the ins and outs and contacts. Joanna explained how the previous advertising system for the show worked; so as to save advertising monies, press releases work better, there are no charges for them and also the "Community Calendar of Upcoming Events" sections in local papers should have no cost. Joanna passed around the "St. Lawrence Co. Visitors' Guide" within which our show is advertised. Heather asked about the show signs, who passes them out. Bill explained that we will all take some and that he has road maps with different quadrants and locations that will be distributed when we do the sign work. Scott noted that Skyler and Fern gave the club some books and magazines to sell with the profits earmarked for the club. Amongst the magazines was an old original hand written set of by-laws. Our club 1st started Oct. 17th, 1962, with Skyler as its first President. Scott made a motion that we use the original by-laws and then make amendments to them to keep us up-to-date. Chris scanned them into a 24 MB file. Chris and Scott handed out hard copies to those in attendance. This is our 50th year as a club so it was suggested that we use this on our T-shirts and hats. Also it was recommended to purchase a large cake with our

Black Light Bottle Drive 2014





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50th anniversary in the design to be passed out during the auction to all in attendance. \$60.00 collected at the meeting for the "Black Light Bottle Drive". Club member Gary Gonyea sent in a check for \$90!! Contributions are used to purchase black lights for the Kid's fluorescent mineral hunt. We now have a total of \$222.00! We talked about having a drawing for a black light at the hunt for kids; this has been done in the past. We will get Dinos' recommendations for black lights. Bill passed out a sheet enumerating and explaining the duties expected of the show chair. Some discussion stressing the vital importance of communications between President and Show Chair and from Pres. to other officers and members so as to ensure that the show "comes off" with success and that things do indeed "fall into place". Heather O'Hara made a motion to elect Bob Taillon as show chair; motion seconded by Chris Sutherland. All in favor. A big thanks to Bob for his efforts and support every year. We are a small club with a very few members pulling together to make the show a success, and we thank each and every member who donates their time and efforts to accomplish this. Purple was picked for the color of the T-shirts for this year, with maybe gold lettering. Also black hats. (Bill and Joanna have ordered them as of this printing).

Herkimer Trip Saturday, June 14th:



Bill, Joanna, John, Heather, Bob, and Mike
at the Ace of Diamonds mine.