



ROCK PICKENS

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB

Date: June 2012

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Our next meeting is the annual summer picnic held at Bill and Joanna deLorraine's home on Sylvia Lake. 12:00 Sat. June 9th. Please bring a dish to pass, your own table settings and a drink. We also will be having our annual mineral drawings, so if you wish please bring a mineral specimen to donate to the drawings.

President: William deLorraine

Vice President: Scott Sutherland

Secretary: Joanna deLorraine

Treasurer: Chris Sutherland

Field Trip Coordinators:

Bill deLorraine

Skyler Alverson

Scott Sutherland

Acting Co-Editors of Newsletter:

Bill & Joanna deLorraine

Webmaster: Glenn Simonelli

2012 Membership Dues collectible at any time but run from August 2012 to August 2013

If you do not have e-mail please let us know so we can mail you a hard copy of the newsletter.

Otherwise we strive to send all newsletters by e-mail. Make sure we are updated if your e-mail changes!

315-287-4652 or wdellie@gmail.com

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

Have you paid your dues?

It's important if you plan on collecting; you'll need current Club membership and Eastern Federation insurance cards.

Please send a check for your dues to Chris so you can continue to receive newsletters and take part in club events.

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

E FMLS website
www.AMFED.ORG/EFMLS

Minutes from the Last Meeting

19 People attended the May meeting. Guest in attendance were Ann Weaver, Lake Pleasant, Wes Jennings and Julie and Gary and Lisa Garland. A mineral specimen drawing was held and Joanna deLorraine won the specimen of laboriorite from Madagascar. Bill welcomed back long time members, Skyler and Fern Alverson back from their annual winter stay out in Deming, NM. Skyler mentioned that the annual show in Syracuse has now changed to

the Onondaga Community College in Syracuse. The treasurer's report was given by Chris Sutherland and the minutes of the last meeting were read by Joanna deLorraine. Wes Jennings brought specimens he had purchased in a large collection from a lady in Lake Placid. They had been accumulated by her since 1932. She was a past officer of the Lake Placid Club. He has only had a chance to look at a small amount of the collection so far. Gary Garland brought a specimen that he believes to be a meteorite that he found 15-20 years ago on a cement pier. It has faces with two small round balls on it. He brought the piece to be examined. Under old business, President, Bill deLorraine announced that Tim Smith is doing lots of work at the storage shed. He has gone through the collection from Terry Holmes and cleaned and re boxed every piece and stored them in new flats. He also has brought and placed a 6 ½ foot rack in the storage shed and neatly placed everything back into the shed. A great big thank you to Tim for all his hard work. At some point we will need volunteers to do some pricing. Some will go to the auction and some will be sold on our club's table at the show. He said there was one flat of unidentified agates. Bill asked for volunteer to lead the field trip to Sellecks Rd. on May



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19th. Scott Sutherland volunteered. A show of hands was taken to see how many wanted to go on the trip and there were none. If anyone wants to go on the trip please call Scott Sutherland. They will meet at Burger King and leave from there. You can find green tremolite and Brown tourmaline at Sellecks. The Syracuse club has changed their date to the 14th. In 1972 George Robinson had explosives on the ledge and opened up a new area. Some interest in that again. Scott noted he received a call recently from a man who had a mineral collector on his land. He made him leave then the collector went to the neighbor's land. We must have permission from the land owner before attempting to collect on private property. This type of action can only cause problems for our clubs in the future. No air tools should be brought on mineral collecting trips. Bob will talk to Don Butters about the dinner at the show. Ruth and Les McClure will operate the hot dog stand this year, but next year they will be retiring their business to enjoy life and travel. Dino Zack has been contacted to do the fluorescent talk and hunt and Dave Millis has been contacted. Also Dot Badger has been contacted about advertising. Bob noted he saw one article already on the show in a newspaper. Tim noted we will not be able to advertise in the Ft. Drum

newsletter. Chris noted we need to set a date at some point to change the dates on the signs. Chris printed the flyers again this year, a big thank you to Chris. She handed out many to club members to be distributed. The meeting was adjourned.

Three EFTA field trips were set:

**June 16th LaPlatney farm,
Pitcairn**

August 25th, Powers farm

**Times and meeting places to
be announced at a later date.**

Upcoming Shows:

June 2-3 Gem Fest, Wayne County Gem & Mineral Club, St. Michael's School Rt. 88 Newark, NY

June 9-10

Orange County Mineral Society Mineral, Gem, Jewelry, Fossil Show Museum Village 1010 Rt. 17M, Monroe, NY 10950

July 14-15

46th Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry Show, Gemworld Syracuse, NY New location, Onondaga Community College SRC Arena, 4585 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syr., NY 13215

July 28-29, 2012

33rd Annual Champlain Valley Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Burlington Gem & Mineral Club. Tuttle Middle School, 500 Dorset St., S. Burlington,, VT

July 29, 2012

10:00- 4:00, 16th Bancroft Gem Mineral Show Bancroft Legion Hall, Station St. Bancroft, Ontario

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August 4-5, 2012

Rock Swap and Mineral Auction sponsored by the Fulton County Mineral Club. Crystal Grove Diamond Mine, St. Johnsville, NY

August 25-26: 46th annual St. Lawrence Co. Rock & Mineral Club Show, 1835 St. Hwy. 345 Madrid, NY Contact Show Chairperson: Bob Taillon @ 315-322-4032 or club President, William deLorraine 315-287-4652 wdellie@gmail.com

September 15-16

Gem, Mineral, Fossil Jewelry Show Poughkeepsie, NY; Gold's Gym 258 Titusville Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY

September 15-16:

47th Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry show and 62nd Annual EFMLS Convention hosted by the Central PA Rock & Mineral Club. Zembo Shrine, 2801 N. 3rd St. Harrisburg, PA

September 29-30

Franklin Mineral Museum, Franklin-Sterling Hill Gem & Mineral Show, Franklin School Washington Ave. Franklin, NJ

October 20-21

40th Annual Gem and Mineral Show, Bristol Mineral Club, Beals Community Ctr. 240 Stafford Ave., Bristol, CT

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43rd Annual Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry and Fossil Show Monroe County Fair & Expo Center, Henrietta, NY

Long time club member Rene O. Neves recently passed away unexpectedly in Massena. Rene



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and his wife of nearly 66 years. Elvie were both long time members of the St. Lawrence County Rock and Mineral Club. Online condolence may be made to www.phillipsmemorial.com

Directions to Bill and Joanna's camp on Sylvia Lake

These directions are for those traveling north on Route 81 from Syracuse to Watertown and points north. Go past the Arsenal St., Coffeen St., and Bradley St. exits and get off 81 at the next one, the Fort Drum exit. I think it's Rt. 342 and that will take you directly to Rte. 11. Turn left at the light on to Rt. 11 N and drive to Gouverneur.

light and then cross a bridge over the Oswegatchie River. Right after that there is a second traffic light where you'll turn right on to Rt. 58/812 South towards Edwards. Go 6 miles on Rt. 58/812 until you come to a flashing yellow caution light. Take a right turn there on Rt. 812 towards Balmat/Harrisville. You'll drive about 2 miles and you'll pass over a set of RR tracks. Take the second right onto Pumphouse Road, marked by a little green sign, and go up that road. (The first right immediately after the RR tracks is just a little truck entrance to the Talc Company).

The sign on Pumphouse Road will say "Dead End" but just ignore that and keep following the road past the Talc Co. buildings on the left and through what is their parking lot. As you continue on the road it crosses a set of RR tracks again where it becomes a dirt road. Look for a right turn on to "Indian Head Trail" and follow that road flat through the woods then up a steep paved hill. We're right there at the top of the hill on the left; it's a home with vertical cedar siding and brown metal roof.

See you soon!

When you get to Gouverneur you will pass through one traffic