

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB Date: June, 2018

June

The next club meeting is Monday, June

25th. The evening's program is on Lake Superior Agates; DVD from EFMLS. **Note:** We will **not** have a "Pot luck" dinner before this or future meetings.

The library is having their summer events during June so we will not be able to have our regular meeting on the first Wednesday. The the 4th of July is the first Wed. of the month in July so we need to move the meeting to the following week. We would like to take a vote at this meeting to pass the By Laws and make plans for annual show.

Mail checks for annual dues to: William deLorraine, President 1 Indian Head Trail Gouverneur, NY 13642 Club Dues: \$10.00 Single Membership \$20.00 Family Membership

Officers

President: William deLorraine Vice President: Lisa Garlough Secretary: Joanna deLorraine Treasurer: Elaine Hopper

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Minutes from the May Meeting:

8 members attended the May Meeting. We had a pot luck dinner before the meeting. Bill had intended to show a DVD on Lake Superior Agates from the EFMLS library but had to "cancel out" because of multiple technical difficulties with the laptop. The DVD player app on the laptop was out of date and required a download from the internet; the device in the laptop enabling internet access suddenly "died" preventing the required download, etc. He will present this same one at the June meeting. Joanna read the minutes of the last meeting. There was one correction to the minutes. Bob Taillon had won a picture sandstone slab instead of a small cluster of amethyst. Bob accepted the motion and Wes Jennings 2nd the motion. Elaine gave the Treasurer's report appraising us of advertising expenses so far this year; she passed around copies to all. Robert Lake asked about the vendor fees at the show and how deep the spot was if you had only one table. It was estimated about 10-15'. He wondered about what you would do with all that extra space. Different members gave their thoughts that you could use it for; your chair or boxes with extra minerals that can be sold from the table. Julie Hunter won the fluorescent flashlight door prize but she gave it back for another drawing as she said they had one. Bob Taillon won the second pull. Julie said she has a fluorite with a triangle shape in the middle and will bring for our next meeting's "show and tell". Bill said someone sent him an email asking if a specimen pictured therein was a meteorite. It was said to have landed on cement and put a hole in it on impact. The rock fluoresced blue. The picture was fuzzy but Bill thought not a meteorite. Bob noted that on FB there are a couple of mineral groups with meteorites. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm and everyone looked at the "Show and Tell" white quartz crystals and groups that Bill and Joanna brought back from the Macomb field trip.

News and Bits from the Prez

There are a several things I would like to touch base with the membership on at this time. The first is to announce that henceforth we will dispense with the pre-meeting "Pot Luck" dinners as a means of shortening the meetings so that we can get to the meat and substance of club activities thereby having more time to



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enjoy programs and presentations. Such as the last meeting (oops) that I wasn't really able to pull off despite Herculean - but futile efforts. I refer here to the intended program "Lake Superior Agates". We obtained a DVD from the EFMLS librarian. I purchased an external DVD drive for this and future occasions, and thought the show was good to go. But not so. To cut to the quick, we made a trip to the Geek Squad whose personnel made the appropriate fixes and upgrades to the laptop and DVD player app and gave us as well pointers on installing speakers. I'm pleased to report that everything works very well on trial run at home and that we anticipate being able enjoy lots more interesting and enjoyable shows from the EFMLS library in the future. During the next meeting we'll see the "Lake Superior Agate" show followed by "Meteorites" highlighting the July meeting.

Upcoming Shows:

2-3 June 2018 CANANDAIGUA, NEW YORK: Annual show; Wayne County Gem and Mineral Club, Greater Canandaigua Civic Center; 250 N. Bloomfield Rd., Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$3, Children under 12 free; Educational exhibits, free crafts with admission, craft demonstrations, soapstone carving, wire wrapping, sluice, UV Bob fluorescent mineral program, scavenger hunt for kids of ALL ages, geode cutting. Fun for the whole family; contact Fred Haynes, 10 Country Club Drive, Rochester, NY 14618, e-mail: fredmhaynes55@gmail.com; Web site: www.wcgmc.org

21-22 July 2018—FRANKFORT, NEW YORK: Annual show; Herkimer Diamond Gem Show & Festival, Herkimer County Fairgrounds; 135 Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 52; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Admission \$5, Children 12 & under free; Indoor Mineral Dealers, Outdoor Festival booths, interactive kid activities, psychic fair, food trucks and more!; contact Billie Jo Muller, P.O. Box 52, Little Falls, NY 13365; e-mail: mullerbilliejo@gmail.com; Web site: www.herkgemshow.com

28-29—SOUTH BURLINGTON, VERMONT: Annual show; Burlington Gem and Mineral Club, Tuttle Middle School; 500 Dorset Street; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$4, Seniors \$3, Children free; Dealers, exhibits, lectures, demonstrations, children\\\'s activities, silent auctions, door prizes, refreshments, free parking.; contact Arden Fendrich, (802)-

785-9821; e-mail: bob.arden.f@gmail.com; Web site: http://www.burlingtongemandmineralclub.org/show.html

August 25-26 - St. Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club's 52nd Annual Show

Canton, NY @ the Pavilion, 90 Lincoln St. *FREE ADMISSION!*

Sat. 9-4:30, Sunday 9-3:00. Friday on the 24th at dusk, we have a popular kid's fluorescent mineral hunt, lights provided. Contact William deLorraine, President. wdellie@gmail.com <u>315-287-4652</u>

Wayne County Field Trips for 2018:

Bill Chapman – Field Trip Chair batnpill@empacc.net 607-868-4649 or Fred Haynes – Newsletter Editor fredmhaynes55@gmail.com 585-203-1733

June 1-3 GEMFEST in Canandaigua *June 10* (Sunday) – Ilion for travertine (for a second time!)

June 16-17-18 – western Massachusetts, rhodonite, tourmaline, galena and much more (*info-Fred Haynes*) June 22 (Friday) - Ridgemount, Ontario for Eurypterids (*Leader – Stephen Mayer*) July 14-22 (Ontario, Bancroft and Temagami, 3-4 days at each location (*info- Fred Haynes*) August 31-Sept 3 (Labor Day) – 3 day plus trip to Kentucky with CVGMC of NC (fluorite, geodes, etc.)

September – Adirondack weekend mid-month and/or Virginia trip with GMSVP of VA

Reminder: We have set up a St. Law. Co. Rock & Mineral Club bottle redemption account in Gouverneur. We urge you to do the same in your community with the proceeds going to the club to purchase new fluorescent lights for the kid's mineral hunt and accrue toward the purchase of pieces for the Mineral Kits for Kids. We have a most generous - anonymous - donor who is matching any amount we collect!