



ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB

IB Date: March, 2022

Our March mineral club meeting is Wednesday, March 2nd, 6:00 PM, at the <u>Canton Library</u>. Show and tell: bring your favorite specimens that you acquired or collected on last year's digs.



President: William deLorraine Vice President: Roy Rosenbarker Treasurer: Paisley Kodama Secretary: Joanna deLorraine

Field Trip Coordinators: Gary Garlough & Noah King

Webmaster: Glen Simonelli

Effective January 01, 2021 - January 01, 2022

www.stlawrencecountymineralclub.org e-mail: wdellie@gmail.com

Club Dues:

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

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

William deLorraine; President
St. Lawrence Rock and Mineral Club
1 Indian Head Trail
Gouverneur, NY 13642

2022 Rock & Mineral Shows

A Reminder For 2022

The Buffalo Geological Society, Inc.

Presents Our 52nd Annual

GEM MINERAL FOSSIL SHOW

FOSSILS OF NEW YORK

Sat., March 19, 2022 · 10am-6pm Sun., March 20, 2022 · 10am-5pm

Erie County Fairgrounds, 5820 South Park Ave. Hamburg, New York (use South Park Ave. entrance)

Admission \$6 • 2 Days \$9
CHILDREN 12 YRS & UNDER FREE

Demonstrations • Jewelry • Mini-Mine for Children
Exhibits • Dealers with Minerals and Fossils

Freeport Gem & Mineral Show -

Start Date: 04/09/2022 **End Date:** 04/10/2022

Hours: Sat 10:00-5:00 Sun 10:00-4:30

Address: 130 E Merrick Rd

Freeport Recreation Center, Freeport, NY

<u>Crystal Fest Spring Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show</u> sponsored by The Finger Lakes Gem, Mineral & Fossil Club.

100 Nasser Civic Center Plaza – Corning, NY

14830

Saturday April 17, 10am to 6pm; Sunday April 18, 10am to 4pm.

Dealers selling Crystals-Minerals-Fossils-Jewelry-Gems-Beads-Wire Wrapped Jewelry-Metaphysical Stones

Adults \$3; Children 12 & under & Scouts in Uniform FREE accompanied by Adult.

Masks will be required to enter, if you don't have a mask, we'll provide one.





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Gems, Minerals, Fossils, Beads & Jewelry

famous Rock Grab bags, and much more

visit http://www.wcgmc.org/for details

Svracuse Gem, Mineral, Fossil & **Jewelry Show**

July 9-10, 2022

Center of Progress Building at NY State Fair Grounds, 575 State Fair Blvd, Syracuse, New York 13209

St. Lawrence Co. Rock & Mineral Club

Show - 08/27/2022 **Start Date:** 08/27/2022 **End Date**: 08/28/2022

@ The Canton Pavilion, 90 Lincoln St.

Canton, NY 13617

Note: Opening day at Ace of Diamonds Is April 1st!

The Metaphysical Corner

Blue Calcite



Blue Calcite is a calming, relaxing stone with an especially high vibration. It is used in rituals of healing and purification, or carried as an amulet to relieve pain and anxiety. Blue Calcite corresponds to the element of Water and the Throat Chakra. It gently amplifies energy and assists in recalling dreams and astral travel. Calcite is also found in yellow, green, orange, and pink varieties—but Blue Calcite is certainly the most beautiful.

For anyone interested in boosting their creativity and expanding their psychic gifts, blue calcite can be a superb stone for your collection. It can also operate as a healing crystal, typically used to help ease pain and inflammation in the bones and joints. They also know it to





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have several other excellent healing properties.

In ancient history it was also known as alabaster and sometimes it was clustered with gypsum because of its light fair milky color. Because of its light blue color, this type of calcite was indeed considered a more significant crystal extremely powerful spiritual with properties, especially in the hands of practitioners expert with knowledge and understanding Christology. It most recognized as a stone that can help improve healing, recovery, and communication.



Notes From the President

Hello fellow collectors, enthusiasts, sports fans, club members and mineral afficionados; "Sports fans"? How'd that slip in there? Must be Super Bowl and Olympics on my mind... "Rocks" used in the Curling venue are stones made from polished granite that is quarried typically from two places: Ailsa Craig Island off the Ayrshire coast of Scotland and the Trefor Granite Quarry in Wales. Learning something new every day...Yea!

Spring is showing signs of springing upon us and along with that comes the collecting season and resumption of our "Brick and Mortar" club meetings. Several weeks ago,

the Canton Library advised us that their meeting room is reopened and "would we like to reserve it" for meetings as we've done in the past. We accepted the invitation, though with mixed feelings, because the prior meeting room at the Episcopal Church was really a nice place to gather and parking was a lot better as well. Moving to the Library does remove a lot of the burden from Phoebe and Lorie -- having to worry about getting keys and combinations to doors -- so on balance we hope everyone is OK with the transition. Another sign of Spring: **Opening day at Ace of Diamonds Is April 1**st!

Over Rochester the years the Mineralogical Symposium, AKA "RMS", has been for us an early season event that we looked forward to with great anticipation. It's a place and time where mineralogical friends could gather to renew acquaintances, chat, browse vendors' minerals and maybe purchase some for their own collections, bring specimens to donate to auctions for educational and research fundraising efforts, , view display cases of minerals sponsored by individual collectors, Colleges and Museums, and attend talks presented on all matters related to mineralogy . Those included "What's New" in mineralogy, Power Point presentations bγ premier, renowned. photographers featuring their stunning mineral photos, presentations on current mineral research by students, academic researchers and professionals. One of my earliest indelible memories is of the afterdinner auction, a really fun event during the RMS, that can oft-times get loud, jovial, and boisterous, in which a cake is auctioned off. incrementally, in slices, to the tune of something like \$400, or more. So, this year (I don't like to use "so" but tossed it in for chuckles, don't like to use "well" either...) the RMS has to cancel its "brick and mortar" venue because of COVID. Instead, the RMS





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is going to be held virtually this year. There are some advantages to this for our members including less cost and no travel or dining expenses. It affords an opportunity for our members to take a look at what's going on at the RMS so as to get something of a feel for the Symposium. Following is the latest from the RMS convenor: "So, we are going to focus our energy on making RMS 2022 a more robust event online. We'll spread the event over more than one day, April 8-10, we will include longer feature talks, and we will be looking at more ways to improve social connection and have fun over the course of the event."

Well, that's what I have so far. As more information becomes available, I'll share it with you either via newsletter or special email so that you'll have a chance to participate.



Picture from our December 11th Christmas Party

On another note, with reference to our Kid's Fluorescent Mineral Hunt black lights, Dino Zack has been in contact with a person who might be able to sell him bulbs for the UV lamps...they are about \$50 each. He's explored other UV lamp options and believes it would be the best option to replace the bulbs at this time. He's sending a large flat rate box of high-quality fluorescent minerals to his contact to put towards some

of the cost of the bulbs. He's also in the process of putting together kits of fluorescent minerals to sell in the Facebook Mineral Mart (each kit will consist of 10-12 fluorescent mineral samples from his personal Northern NY fluorescent mineral collection...they will be about 1 to 2 inch in size, to fit in a small flat-rate USPS box...the goal is to sell 10 of them.

Plans are to sell them for \$55...\$5 would go toward shipping and the other \$50 would go directly to the club toward the bulbs. Advertisements for selling the kits will state that the proceeds of the sales will go directly to pay for bulbs, and to make out checks/money orders to the St. Lawrence Rock and Mineral Club.

Dino is planning to be in this area on business mid-March, after our club meeting. I plan to meet up with him to contribute anything I have that may help him out with all the nice work he's doing for the club. Please, I call out to anyone having fluorescent pieces they can spare to please bring them to the next meeting so that I can pass them on to Dino. Thanks so much; --Bill—



Blue Calcite Sphere; Valentine Mine, Harrisville, NY