



ROCK PICKKENS

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB

Date: October 2013

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There will not be a meeting in October; the next meeting will be Nov. 2nd at the Canton Library - Pot luck dinner before the meeting!

President: William deLorraine

Vice President: Scott Sutherland

Secretary: Joanna deLorraine

Treasurer: Chris Sutherland

Field Trip Coordinators:

show Bill deLorraine

Scott Sutherland

Newsletter Editor: Bill deLorraine

Webmaster: Glenn Simonelli

2014 Membership Dues from August 2013 to August 2014

**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

Minutes from the Last Meeting

Our last meeting was held
on September 5th. There

were 8 attendees.

Welcome new member
Barbara Decker of Colton,
NY. Barbara won the
monthly door prize of
amethyst crystal cluster!
We went 'round the table
and introduced ourselves to
the new member. Bill gave
a recap of the highlights of
this years' show. Chris
handed out the balance
sheet from the show. We
did as well this year as we
did in years past. Joanna
distributed a graph
depicting net income from
shows in the past years
compared to this year. Bill
noted that the club's table
did quite well this year.

Thank-you notes were sent
to all vendors at the show;
some feedback already to
the effect that that was a
very nice gesture. The
"Mineral kits for Kids"
table also was very busy as
was the geode cracker
tent. Bill thanked all who
helped in any way. The
kid's fluorescent hunt had
another resoundingly
successful year with Dino
in his glory. Another great
job done! The fluorescent
hunt was arranged with
specimens from the

Sterling Mine museum that
Bill sent for along with
many other specimens
donated by club members.
T-shirt sales did well this
year; only a few shirts left
over. Marines Corps
League informed us they
have one table "missing".
Bill contacted vendors
inside the Community
Center Bldg. to see if
anyone might have
mistakenly packed one of
them up; no one did. He
then let Judy Hardgrave
know and they do have a
camera inside the building
that possibly might show
something. Otherwise we
need to replace one table.
The Madrid Comm. Ctr. is
assessing additional fees
next year for coming in on
Friday. As of this year we
have been paying for a half
day on Fridays.
As far as improvements, we
need to do better
advertising follow-up next
year as no ads appeared in
the Watertown paper.
Chris said she would be in
contact with the Chamber
of Commerce sooner in
June next year. We may
well need to establish an
advertising committee.



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Newspaper articles after the show would have been nice; it seems as though all the other events in the county get covered. Bill thanked all who contributed to the bottle drive for the purchase of a new black light. We thank Bruno who bought a new light and Bill who donated another. We need to purchase better geodes next year and fine tune the number of shirts ordered. The hats went over well. We need to set up a sign in front of the main Community Center building in future years as it was noted that some people did not realize there were more vendors inside. Joanna noted that we do have an "Adirondack Mineral Show" sign that should have been placed there; it's in the storage shed. Next year we'll ensure it is there. Also noted that we need field trip signs posted in front of the Community Center building. There was an agenda on the registration table but should it be posted on an easel as in years past? Joanna made a

motion to give Dave Millis a \$25.00 gift certificate. Dave donates his time holding gem and wire wrapping classes each year during the show and normally we buy him dinner as a thank-you. This year we did not have a dinner so this is a nice gesture of our appreciation. Ken West seconded the motion; all were in favor. We need to make sure all show signs are turned in- please bring to the next meeting so that they can be returned to the storage shed. Chris noted that Gary Stacy said our club used to award scholarships to anyone going into a geology career. Our club voted with the result that we will be giving \$500 each to St. Lawrence University and Potsdam State geology departments this year. Our Christmas Party is in December, date to be announced will be held at The Club in Canton, NY.

[EFMLS Website](#)

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Upcoming Shows 2013

October 2013

44th Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show

Saturday, October 19th - 10am - 6pm
Sunday, October 20th - 10am - 5pm
Minett Hall, ROC DOME Arena (the old Monroe Co. Fair & Expo Center), 2695 E. Henrietta Rd., Henrietta, NY 14467

26-27 Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry & Fossil Show. New location, Main St. Armory, 900 E. Main St. Rochester, NY \$6.00 Kids 12 & under free with adult

Available now: Collector's Guide to the Minerals of New York State by Dr. Steven Chamberlain.. It lists for \$ 13.59 on Amazon.com.



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Field Trip to Benson Mines Sept. 14th.
25 went on the field trip, including
college students from Plattsburgh



Dino presents fluorescent demonstration
to assembled group at Benson Mines
field trip. Star Lake

Open Pit at Benson Mine is
over 300' deep.

