



ROCK PICKENS

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB Date: September 2016

September 2016

Next meeting is Wednesday, September 7th, 6:00 PM at the Canton Library. Pot luck dinner!

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Gem & Mineral Shows

September:

17-18 Poughkeepsie Mid-Hudson Valley Gold's Gym 258 Titusville Rd. 10-5 Sat. 10-4 Sunday www.mlvgms.org

24-25 60th Annual Franklin Sterling Gem and Mineral Show; Franklin Elementary School, 50 Washington Ave, Franklin NJ 07416
Indoor show: Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Sunday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
Outdoor Swap: Saturday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Sunday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Minutes from the August Meeting.

15 members attended our August meeting which started with a pot luck dinner. Dino gave a report on the fluorescent mineral hunt. He said we have 16 good lamps and 2 that have issues. He received \$50.00 in fluorescent minerals from NJ. Also said we are in good shape. He suggested someone place a sign in Madrid at our old club show site. Also said it would be good to poll where people heard about our show. Good job to Bob for placing us on FB.

This is getting egg cartons from Price Chopper. Also Mr. Cotrofeld mailed Bill a large box full of them. We should have close

Club Members

Please pay your annual dues; many of us did not catch up annual dues at the show.

Please mail dues to:
Ashley Meade, Treasurer
3715 CR 14
Madrid, NY 13660

Please ensure that we have your current e-mail address!

We strive to send all newsletters by e-mail

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



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to 250 at this point. Bill had base maps for everyone to peruse as guides for sign "plantings". Dave Millis was present as guest speaker; he delivered a talk entitled "What Makes Amethyst Purple". He spoke about the Adirondack Mountains: "Plutonic Mountains" of intrusive provenance or origin. He gave us the "low-down" on Hackmanite, a photosensitive fluorescent mineral. Also talked about triboluminescent rocks and mineral polymorphs, then polishing rocks and finally -- pseudomorphs. Thank You Dave for a great talk! Dave said he would need 3, 8' tables and 12 chairs for his gem tree classes at the Canton Pavilion. The week after the show Dave will be at Higley Flow Nature Center giving talks to children from 12-5 PM beginning with one hour of "Show and Tell", followed by the classes.

Bill disbursed the maps and signs to members to be placed around the North country as soon as possible.

Upcoming Wayne County Field Trips: Remember to attend a WCGMC field trip you must be a club member, or a member of an affiliated club if you do not live in our region.

Sept. trip to Adirondacks and collecting sites in the area. For this trip, it is imperative that we know who is going and how many need accommodations in a home we have rented in Star lake. If we fill the home, which we should, it will likely be about \$20-25 per night per person. IT WILL BE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED ON AVAILABLE BEDS. Then it will be the floor! We need to bring sheets or sleeping bags/pads. I will provide more detail to those who express interest. Like where we will meet each day in the morning and the sizes of the beds!. You can come for all 4 days or any part. Here is the collecting schedule as it stands now:

Sept 15-18 (long weekend)

Thursday - travel, Moose River, Fine roadcut, perhaps more.

Friday - Valentine Mine, Seavey Quarry, Rose Road at night

Saturday - Benson Mines, Rose Road

Sunday - Talcville (hexagonite), travel some sites still flexible depending on interest of those going. We will need safety equipment at some locations.

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**Pictures of the Show in Canton, NY
Inside the Pavilion**





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The lucky winner of the Amethyst Cathedral Raffle was Stacy French. Hope to have a picture of her with the cathedral she won by the next newsletter publication. Saturday's attendance was close to 700 people, 300 on Sunday, August 28, 2016 and over 200 Friday night for a total of 1200, round numbers. We were featured on the 11:00 Channel 7 News on Sat. evening!



Misc. Observations, Notes, & Highlights

This was the first year we were able to track attendance and including Friday night's Fluorescent hunt we estimate that close to 1,200 people visited the show!

Show "Income" bottom line was respectable, even better than that of many previous years, especially in light of the show being held in a new venue at the Pavilion. The Pavilion staff including John Taillon, Larry Olmstead, and Bob Brothers, were most helpful and accommodating and they were unanimous in wanting our show to return to the Pavilion in future years.

We need to clearly state and post a "dog and pet" policy on the doors to the facility, in our fliers, and online so as to avoid people bringing their dogs into the facility unless specifically designated "assist dogs".

One attendee had family member with allergies to egg residue in egg cartons used for "Kid's Mineral Kits". Either we need to use completely new, unused cartons or carefully screen the "preowned" cartons we do utilize for residues.

