# Summit Gem - November 2021 Newsletter



Immediate Past President – Becky Koscso

**Mission Statement** 

To afford the opportunity to share interest in lapidary knowledge and working techniques



November 9th, 2021 Monthly Meeting (the SECOND Tuesday of the month!) will be held in person and online at 7:00 PM at the Polish American Club



The Polish American Club (PAC) is located at 472 Glenwood Ave, Akron 44310. The invitations to the Zoom meeting are sent to those who have provided their email addresses.

Here is the UPDATED ZOOM LINK for the 2nd Tuesday of each Month for the Members' Meetings.

Summit Lapidary Club is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: Summit Lapidary Club Monthly Member's Meeting Time: November 9th, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every month on the Second Tuesday, until Dec 14, 2021 (that's for all meetings!)

Nov 9, 2021 07:00 PM

Dec 14, 2021 07:00 PM

You can download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system. Monthly meetings: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEscO6qqTsiEtRXalHuwR1ZccERk5CjT\_XO/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtrzwtG NOVuBGHRpwMBY CKOrwtmJHj7dvpB7MKzVEUFLMNeFnALkqM9Lk

Or you can join the Zoom Meeting right here! https://us02web.zoom.us/i/85177270880?pwd=VE1pUHNaUzVENDdmOXo4Z1RvVHZxUT09

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Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kfQtAgzvK

Computer or Digital Device: You're welcome to activate your camera and speaker settings. Once inside the Zoom virtual meeting, you can type comments in the chat feature to 'everyone' or to another member 'privately'. Your attention and participation are appreciated.

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Please '**mute your microphone**' during the administrative meeting to eliminate background noise not related to the meeting, if you are not actively speaking. This will help us run a smooth virtual meeting; appropriately distanced. Once the general meeting has concluded, you are welcome to stay online to chat it up with other members. \*Consider reaching out to your friends who may not be as versed in digital capabilities as you and offer to lend a digital-techie hand and help bring them up to speed.

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### Program: from Courtney Cable

#### Taylor Jacobs: The importance of Exploring Craft Mediums

Taylor Jacobs is a metalsmith based and working out of her home studio in Cleveland, Ohio. Jacobs graduated from The University of Akron in 2016 with a Bachelor of Fine Art with a concentration in Metalsmithing and currently works at the Lakewood Public Library. Her metal work concentrates on making handmade sustainable jewelry for the eco-conscious consumer. She has an interest in slow fashion, nutrition, community service, and all things you keep crammed in the back of your craft closet.



#### President's Message - by Gene Willis

Many, many thanks for the members who turned out and supported the Gemboree Show's success! See Becky Koscso's Gemboree report for the grand nitty-gritty details of the operation of the show.

The GeoJuniors received a donation from an old club member. See Evelyn's report on the Geo-Juniors for those details.

I see that "Congratulations!" are due to Mary Ann Ferguson-Rich's promotion to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Midwest Federation. Way to go! What a great representation of our club! I believe that the Summit Lapidary Club is now well represented by our members who have accepted various positions in the Midwest Federation.

Please mark your calendars for the December Cookie meeting! And please don't forget that the club officer elections will be held during that December meeting. Please come and vote (and bring your cookies, too).

The Christmas Party is going to be held at the Polish American Club, Evelyn Tryon is chairing this event.

The SLC club has rented a table for the May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Square Dance. Members will be able to sell their jewelry there, sharing 20% of the profits with the club.

Be safe, be happy, Gene Willis

## A former President's Message – by Andy Carey

Hello to all present and former Summit Lapidary Club members,

My name is Andy Carey and I am a former President of the club. I know how you might feel about the last two Covid-years. Up until recently my wife and I were 'former members' of the club, mostly out of our desire for self-preservation with regard to the unknown with Covid. Our participation in the club, in which we loved belonging, arrived at the bottom of the list. It became a thought in the back of our heads as we went along with

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#### November 2021 the day-to-day activities of being safe and vigilant against this insidious disease that unfortunately looks to be with us like the flu for henceforth.

As time has passed, we have been educated on the safety protocols and our society has begun the slow process of opening back up. A much-needed vacation to North Carolina to dig for rubies and sapphires brought the club out of the shadows of "things we used to do before covid" and back to front of our minds. So, we opened that door back up and happily stepped through. Our return to being 'current members' has reminded us of the special friends we have made, and the amazing experiences that we shared as club members. From "the Big Dig," to trips, and the one thing I had truly missed were the classes taught by my fellow club members.

This letter would be truly lacking in not mentioning the thing that started it all for our family personally, "The Gemboree." Much as my family has returned, the Gemboree has made its come back this year with near record attendance! Great job by all involved, much happiness and love of lapidary was spread. Thank you all!

So I am reaching out to all our current and our 'former members,' to hopefully put that spark back in the front of your mind instead of that flickering light in the back of your mind. We are still here ready to offer you and yours the experiences and education, and much more planned for the future. I invite you all to stop in on a Tuesday night or a Saturday morning to say, "Hi." We would love to catch up on everything that has happened since we were last together.

Thanks for the time, stay safe, and stay happy! Andy

## Fall Gemboree 2021 from Becky:

We had a Gemboree! I know it seemed like it would never happen. We had near record attendance! Our venders were happy. So glad we had such a positive show!

As you know I considered this a "transitional show" because we made modifications due to Covid. Hopefully by the Spring we can bring back what we cut out and have an even better show!

Membership of both clubs is down due to the pandemic. That means about half of our members worked to create this wonderful event. Many of you went above and beyond many members worked the entire weekend. I cannot thank all of you enough for all your hard work.

I heard from Pellegrino they are missing two 6ft Core-a-gator tables. We are checking with the venders, but I would also like to ask for your help. If you saw anyone leaving with two new white tables please let me know and I can check with them. Thanks for your assistance.

Thanks again to EVERYONE!! ROCK ON! Becky Koscso

(216) 409-4209



You can email Becky at kingtoast@aol.com. We thank you for all the hours you were able to help!

SLC Dues – (YES! You can still pay these! Do it today! The fee for late dues was cancelled for 2021) Nancy Halloran or send/drop them to Summit Lapidary Club 9432 Outlook Dr 244 Chestnut Blvd Brooklyn, Oh 44144 Cuyahoga Falls, Oh 44221

## October 26th, 2021 Board Meeting highlights:

- 1. The tumbling contest (if held) will have the judging rules printed before it begins.
- 2. The gutters need cleaning and the siding on the east side of the building needs repairs.
- 3. The saws are up and running, one of the grinding wheels needs to be replaced.
- 4. The Square Dance show is set for May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- 5. Elections will be held in December. The Christmas party is set for Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at PAC.
- 6. Evelyn reported on the GeoJuniors' activities and plans for November and December.
- 7. The CDs and safety deposit box have been located. We are working on access on the box.
- 8. Becky reported on the success of the Gemboree. The Square was very useful.
- 9. Fantasia Mining offered a field trip to club members. Mary and Becky are coordinating it, most probably for Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. Members will pay their own expenses and purchases.
- 10. The trustees will audit the books in March.
- 11. A suggestion was made by Andy Carey to contact old members about returning to the club.

## By-law change for SLC proposed by Doug Shorter (second publication)

Currently the by-law reads:

## ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

**Section 1**. Membership is open to any person who has reached the age of 16.

Section 2. The family membership consists of two member of the same household. Both members have all privileges, including the right to vote, hold office and use the lapidary equipment.

Section 3. All other memberships will be considered as single memberships.

**Section 4.** Any member wishing to resign from the club should notify the treasurer in writing and return their key to the treasurer. Those failing to do so will be required to pay the initiation fee to renew their membership

## Proposed change to **Section 2** to read as follows:

Section 2. The family membership consists of two member of the same household. Both members have all privileges, including the right to vote, hold office and use the lapidary equipment. *Although both members of a household are eligible to be club officers, only one member of a household may run for elected office or be a voting member of the Executive Board at any given time.* 

## Classes and Events:

## Kathi's Turtle Setting and Wire Net Class Nov. 18 - 7-9 pm.

I will be teaching how to do a turtle wrap and the scalloped pendant. Tools needed are flat and round nose pliers and wire cutters. Material list: 18 gauge square wire and 18 gauge half round wire and for the scalloped pendant 26 or 28 gauge wire. I charge \$ 2.00 if you don't want to bring material. Please being a couple of cabs to wrap. Hope to see you there.

## Tuesday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm-?

# Auntie Laura's 2021 Holiday Earring Extravaganza – is returning this year at the clubhouse!



Laura is once again offering her *fabulous!* Holiday Earring Extravaganza to club members this year. We are permitted to bring a non-member friend or relative. Laura offers the materials at her cost, (rounded up to 25 cents). Please do not participate if you plan on *selling* the completed items because workshops offered at SLC are meant to learn, have fun, and to socialize but not to profit from the generosity of other club members. Please see the attached flyer for additional information. Oh, and if you see a holiday earring that you'd like Laura to consider adding to this year's collection, please text her at 330-620-3782 or email her at <u>bluecollarbeads@gmail.com</u>.



**Faceting:** Please contact Ron Maitland, if you are interested in learning about faceting. The club has a limited number of faceting machines available for our members. We meet some Saturdays.

**Silversmithing:** If you're interested in learning more about silver smithing, or copper working, please let Dave Macseoinin or Mary Myers know. We have met in the past on Saturday afternoons (when we're not faceting).

### So who wants to teach a class? What classes do you want offered?

If you would be interested in offering a class or scheduling time at the clubhouse, please contact Kathi Hampton or Mary Myers. Please take COVID precautions particularly if you have not yet been vaccinated. We value you and want to keep our members healthy and alive!

**The Christmas Party – Dec. 11th:** The Christmas party is being planned by Evelyn Tryon and is set for Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Our party will be held at Polish American Club, 472 E. Glenwood Ave, Akron, Ohio on Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. Social hour begins at 5:00 PM and Dinner is set for 6:00 PM. For the Gift exchange game: Be sure you would like to take the gift you bring home with you. So bring nothing that would embarrass someone.

The food is being catered, and will be served by club members (taking great precautions for health reasons). <u>Reservations are due by 11/30/21</u>, and <u>payment to Summit Lapidary Club is due by the evening of 12/7/21</u>.

Cost: If a member of one club - \$25. If member of both clubs - \$15. See Evelyn Tryon or call her at 330 673-9664 with questions, reservations or arrangements to pay for your dinner(s).

<u>William Holland (WH) trip and information update from Sandy</u>: This is exciting news! We are now officially re-scheduled for our trip to William Holland for the week of Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. (This pre-Covid trip was originally scheduled for 2019).

There are now some openings for members (who meet the Gemboree hours requirement) for this club sponsored trip if you are interested! (We lost a few more people due to not working the Fall Gemboree). Please contact Sandy Shorter if you are interested in going. Her number is 440-479-0069. We have priority registration for the Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> classes, starting immediately. Please spread the word. Please contact Sandy for specifics about the cost and the classes as soon as possible if you are interested. Just a reminder that down payments on trips cannot be refunded.

Sandy can advise you of the schedule of classes that are currently planned for the week (Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022). Examples of classes that might be available include Beading, Cabochons, Cabochons Advanced, Enameling, Faceting, Glass Arts, Mixed metals/surface design, Opals, Silver, Wire & Fire, and Wire Wrapping. As you can see, there are many different types of classes at this Lapidary School. Contact her soon if you are interested!

Sunshine News from Mari: Mari is still recovering and hopes to return soon. We miss your updates, Mari!

## GeoJuniors Program Information from Evelyn: GeoJuniors have a meeting planned for Nov. 14th.

<u>Library news from Doug Shorter</u>: Please contact Doug if there are any books that you would like to recommend that our library acquire.

**Newsletter from Mary:** Do you have anything that you might like to share? I welcome participation from our members – a short paragraph about something you've learned or a special location related to our lapidary interests would be most welcome! Don't worry about 'polishing' your piece, I'll do that for you (ha-ha!) Please email me at <u>SLCnewsletter2019@gmail.com</u>.

## Proposal to move the meetings back to the Quirk Center:

Mary Myers checked again with the Quirk Center manager, Michael Fallis, and they are still not taking reservations for this facility. She will check back again monthly to check to see if (and when) perhaps we can move our meetings back to that facility in 2022, if we chose to do that.

**Membership information:** If you know of anyone in the club who is not receiving emails or invitations to our zoom meetings, please forward their email addresses to Cathy Milhoan at **cthymilhoan@yahoo.com**. Please update your contact information to Cathy if you move or change your phone number. Membership dues are to be sent either to Nancy Halloran or the clubhouse. (The addresses were provided earlier).

## Miscellaneous items:

## Calls for Volunteers:

We need volunteers!

- Spring Gemboree: We will need many volunteers for our Spring Gemboree on
- We are still looking for members to help with the Rock Tumbler Role, or even to ... TAKE CHARGE!
- Any members planning to go out west who could bring some rocks back home?
- We also need members to volunteer to vacuum once in a while, wipe down surfaces, clean the
  restrooms, swab the floor, sweep the decks, hoist the main, that sort of thing. It's OUR clubhouse. ...
  and I promise kudos to volunteers (if I know about their efforts).

#### Kudos to Our October Volunteers:

- Kudos to Susie for keeping the pop, paper products, water, and all the other supplies refilled.
- Kudos again to Susie for volunteering to help fold the newsletter (even though it wasn't ready yet!)
- Kudos to David Mac again for helping to keep an eye on the place, even though he's working full-time on the second shift now. He's now doing some mandatory overtime at work.
- Kudos to David Mac, Kathi Hampton, Mary Myers, and John Kerr for being shop tenders for the month of September. And to Kathi for her excellent notes, and to Cathy for her tracking of members.
- Kudos to Courtney Cable for planning our monthly meetings, speakers, and programs.
- Many, many kudos to Becky, Guy, Bobbie, Kim, and Evelyn for their efforts on the Gemboree and many, many kudos to all the members who gave far and beyond their 'required' hours there.
- Kudos to our club members who participated in our Children's Hospital Christmas tree this year. (Sorry, Joyce told me the names of all who participated, and I claim old age for I have forgotten the specifics – You know who you are and we appreciated your help on this!)
- Kudos to Lisa Troxell for giving a wonderful presentation to the GeoJuniors on metal detecting!
- Kudos to Gene, Tom, Bob, Tom, and all who keep our saws and equipment running!
- And finally, kudos to all those volunteers whom I have forgotten to mention. (Please let me know who I might have missed.) By the way, the clubhouse is looking good! Thanks to all for helping with that.

## November Shop Tender Days:

During the month of October, Dave Macseoinin, Kathi Hampton, John Kerr, and Mary Myers have volunteered to be 'shop tenders' for any of our club members who do not have a key to the club, or for new members who would like to learn to use our equipment.

Shop tenders can open the club for you and be on hand if you have questions about the equipment downstairs. New members will be able to work on making some slabs or cabochons, but <u>you must make an appointment</u> with one of our shop tenders.

You can call or text David Macseoinin at 234-706-1523.

You can call or text John Kerr at 330-701-1882.

You can call or text Kathi Hampton at 330-690-2070.

You can text Mary Myers at 330-696-4315.

We will be available by appointment only – and please remember bring your masks and safety gear! You must wear safety glasses and a dust mask when working on the machines downstairs. Oil mist, rock dust, and chips are dangerous to your eyes and your lungs.

#### Zoom availability and informal gatherings in the clubhouse - Saturday mornings or on Zoom, anytime:

If you're interested, please come for the Saturday mornings coffee klatches! Remember, we are still limited to some of the Covid restrictions at least for a while yet, and please take proper precautions.

## Minutes from General meeting on October 12th, 2021

Platform: In-person and Zoom	7:00 pm Start Time
Meeting leader: Gene Willis, President	Minutes taken by Kathi Hampton

Cricket Jones was the guest speaker tonight. She spoke on Cricket's Adventures and the Woo Woo.

Welcome to new members Johnny Kay and Jason Hite. Johnny showed the rocks he dug out in his Colorado mines and Jason brought up his web site.

Gemboree- Each station will have a sign-in sheet and we will provide water, coffee, and pop to members. The vendors can order from area restaurants for food. We will have donuts in the morning and pizza at noon for our members.

Geo Jr- Looking for members from age 8 to 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>. They meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month from 1:00-4:00.

Building is OK.

Machine maintenance- All machines are up and running.

Treasurer- Bills are paid and there will be an audit in March of 2022, per the club's rules.

Library- Doug reported the nothing is new.

Tumbling- There will be plenty of tumbled rocks for the show.

Membership- We have not quite 50 members. Let Cathy know if you have a key to the club house.

Square dance show- Nothing new to report. Still set for May of 2022.

Midwest Federation- Susanne wants to work on the All-American award so any activities that we do will need a picture.

Newsletter- Mary is looking to send the Oct. newsletter out soon.

Christmas Tree- Joyce brought the christmas tree swag for Children's Hospital show in. She thanked all who participated.

Classes- We don't have a class this month because of the Gemboree.

Christmas Party- Evelyn sent out survey to see what the members wanted. The party is Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at PAC. She needs to know how many people will be coming.

Web site- Sandy was calling past members to see if they want to return. Chelsea is helping her with the web site.

Return to Quirk- We are considering moving back to the Quirk center sometime in 2022 because of better lighting and parking.

By Laws Change proposed by Doug Shorter - 1st reading in front of membership. Proposed change is detailed in the newsletter.

William Holland- There is 1 opening for the classes next Sept. for any member in good standing. (Members are in good-standing if they help 4 hours each for the 2 shows that we do a year.) Please consider working more hours if you can because of our limited membership.

Hospitality- Susanne wants to know what kind of snacks we want at meetings, individually wrapped. Looking into the cookie exchange for the December meeting.

Nomination committee- Frank will look into who wants to run for offices next year.

Joyce made a motion to give Annette \$100 to buy stuff for the party. Deb seconded. It was approved after discussion of the amount of money to spend.

Facebook page- According to our Facebook page, 120 people signed up to attend the Gemboree on Sunday.

Ron made a motion to adjourn and Deb seconded it. All approved.

#### Gems provided by members: BRAD'S BENCH TIPS

#### MARKING YOUR TOOLS

It makes sense to mark your tools if you ever lend them to friends or take them to classes or workshops. The question is how to mark them permanently. For metal tools, I use a very small ball bur running fast in the Dremel or Foredom to "engrave" my initials. Other times I'll form the initials with a number of hits with a center punch.

But for hammer handles and other wooden tools, the country boy in me came back and thought "Why not make a branding iron?" If you'd like to try one, all you need is a little scrap copper or nickel about 22-24 gauge, a piece of heavy brass or copper for a base, about 6 inches of metal rod and a piece of wood for the handle.

I formed my initials from a couple 4mm strips of sheet nickel. The "S" was one piece, but the "B" was three pieces soldered together with hard. (Remember to form the letters backwards). I then soldered the letters with medium onto a piece of 1/8 inch thick brass bar to act as a heat sink. Finally, I soldered a piece of 1/8 round rod on the back of the brass bar as a shaft to join to a wooden handle.



## NO SCRATCH VISE JAWS

If your bench vise has replaceable jaws, there is a simple modification to customize it for bending sheet metal and holding jewelry pieces without worrying about the jaws leaving scratch marks.

I make a duplicate set of jaws from high density plastic such as Nylon or Delrin. Remove the jaws and use them as a template. Cut two pieces from a 1/2 inch sheet of scrap plastic. Then clamp the steel jaw over the plastic and drill through the steel side and into the plastic. Finally, use a larger drill to countersink the plastic for the screw heads.



Plastic can be obtained from the scrap bin at a local plastics store, can be purchased online from Ebay, or can be repurposed from an old kitchen cutting board.

Happy hammering, Brad Smith

Smart Solutions for Your Jewelry Making Problems Resource: <u>http://amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith</u> Bench Tips, PO Box 491063, Los Angeles, CA 90049-9063 Learn New Skills with Brad's "How To" Books



A SECOND EXAMPLE OF NO SCRATCH VISE JAW COVERS

USING 22 GAUGE COPPER TO MAKE THESE NO SCRATCH JAW COVERS (provided by Mary Myers)

Another way to make no scratch jaw covers for your bench vise can be found in the YouTube video provided by Melissa Muir: How to Make a Copper Liner for Your Vice – Tool Time Tuesday – Melissa Muir at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igTJadaV5ZM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igTJadaV5ZM</a>

Ms. Muir wrote, "Protecting your tools while still holding them secure in a vice is easy to do when you line the jaws with a sheet of copper. In this video I use 22 gauge (0.65mm) copper to create a liner for my vice. The vice in the video is a 4" bench vice from Durston."

I have found this to be an easy solution to hold items in your vise grips without leaving marks from the jaws.



#### INFORMATION ABOUT SOME UPCOMING ROCK AND MINERAL SHOWS

From Mary Myers - Are you interested in attending some of the upcoming rock and mineral shows? Source: <u>https://www.rockandmineralshows.com/search/jewelry-lapidary-shows</u>

## November 20-21, 2021 Body Mind Spirit Expo

Hours: Sat 10:00 - 7:00 Sun 10:00 - 7:00 Venue: Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Rd, Cincinnati, OH Website: https://www.bmse.net/bmseweb/index.php

# And to brighten your day, a little humor from website of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (<u>https://www.amfed.org/rockhoun.htm</u>):

## You Might Be a Rockhound If . . . .

- -----" You can pronounce "molybdenite" correctly on the first try.
- -----" The polished slab on your bola tie is six inches in diameter.
- -----" The bookshelves in your home hold more rocks than books; and the books that are there are about rocks.
- -----" On a trip to Europe, you're the only member of the group who spends their time looking at cathedral walls through a pocket magnifier.
- -----" You think you KNOW how to pronounce "chalcedony."
- -----" You are thinking about giving out rocks for Halloween.
- -----" You planted flowers in your rock garden.
- -----" You purchase things like drywall compound just to have another nice bucket to carry rocks in.
- -----" The club you belong to uses rocks for center-pieces for the annual Christmas dinner.
- -----" The first thing you pack for your vacation is a chisel and a hammer.

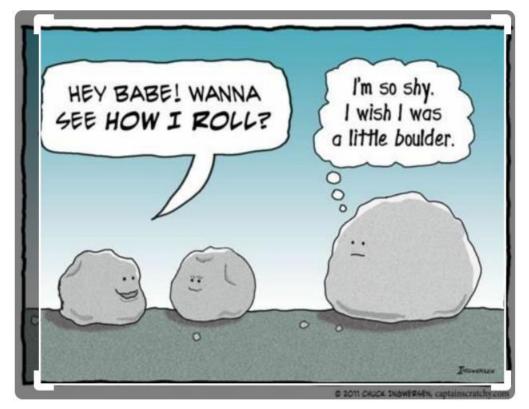
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## But You Might Be a Rockhound here in Ohio If . . . .

- The six-inch polished slab on your bola tie, pendant, desk set, etc., is always colorful Ohio flint.
- The book shelves in your home hold books on collecting/mining rocks from states other than Ohio, except for where to collect flint, of course.
- You wake with a pillow wet with drool when you dream of going to the 2022 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show (which by the way, is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 through Sunday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022).
- You know how to pronounce 'chert' and don't. We all simply say, 'flint,' instead.
- You think it's cute when people paint the little palm-sized field rocks found in Ohio ('cause that's about all you can do with our plain old field rocks) and hide them in neighbors' yards... especially if they don't contain any political messages God knows we get enough of that stuff every 4 years in this state.
- You never take a chance and kneel in your rock garden because flint ... is SHARP!
- You collect interesting rocks mostly from other states or countries if you want something ... besides flint in your rock garden.
- You looked in your driveway gravel for fossils when you were a kid we have tons of fossils here.
- You long for some wonderful Ohio road cutout that might, just might, hold some other kind of interesting rocks instead of just holding some more boring Ohio glacier till and fossils.
- Ok, I admit that I'm about as funny as a typical rock found in Ohio, pretty boring and sedimentary (notice I didn't say: pretty, boring, and sedimentary commas are important), but I'm hilarious when I'm thrown at someone.

This list was written by Mary Myers, member of the Summit Lapidary Club.



This cartoon was uploaded to pinterest by Penny Pennington https://www.pinterest.com/pin/6966574410545619/



# Auntie Laura's 2021 Annual Holiday Earring Extravaganza!!

## Tuesday Dec 7th 6pm -?? At the Clubhouse

Ok to bring one non-member Friend or Relative!

Due to the ridiculous price of silver and gold, All findings are silver/gold-plated.

Instructor is offering these items at COST - rounded to the nearest Quarter \$0.25.

## All Makers of Gifts for Yourself or Others are Welcome!

Instructor Notes:

## <u>Please Do Not participate if you plan on SELLING the completed items.</u>

Workshops are to learn, have fun, and to socialize, not to profit from the generosity of club members.

## Please bring Your Own Tools!!! Be sure they are CLEARLY MARKED!!

Wire Cutters, Round Nose Pliers, Flat Nose Pliers! Club tools supply is limited!!

That's my story and I'm sticking to it!

Thank you for your cooperation ;-)

If you see a photo of a Holiday Earring you like – text to Laura at 330 620-3782, or email to bluecollarbeads@gmail.com