


# The Summit Gem - 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (Oct., Nov., Dec.) 2022 Newsletter



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### Mission Statement

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

**December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Monthly Meeting**  
**(the SECOND Tuesday of the month!)**

held in person

(and online only if tech savvy people attend 😊)

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 2022 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: Member's Meeting (Rekurs Monthly, 2022)  
Every month on the Second Tue, until Dec 13, 2022.  
Dec 13, 2022 07:00 PM



**Here is the link for the monthly MEMBER'S Meetings**



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81742465223?pwd=OS9jOTFtdjhZODJTTWVZaWM5NDQrdz09>

**MEMBERS' MEETINGS** →

**MEMBERS' MEETING ID: 817 4246 5223**

**Passcode: 526586**

**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.**

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.*

**And here is the 2022 link for the monthly BOARD MEETINGS**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82749786164?pwd=VjNBNTRUQVltOHFTVHc2QjdUR3NtQT09>

**BOARD MEETINGS** →

**BOARD MEETING ID: 827 4978 6164**

**Passcode: 234899**

Topic: Summit Lapidary Board Meeting, 7:00 PM (recurs monthly, 2022). Time: Mar 29, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada). The last Tuesday of each month, until December, 2022, 12 occurrences.

Dec 27, 2022 07:00 PM

**President's Message – by Gene Willis**

It's the end of the year, and it's time for me to step down as the President of the club. Several other people are also stepping down. It's time for some new blood to step up and volunteer to keep the club running. Please come to the December meeting to volunteer your time and to vote for those who will volunteer with you.

I am so grateful to all of you who have given of your time and talents these past 3 years. It's hard to believe that 3 years of my role as President have gone by already. I especially thank Becky and Dave, and so many others, too numerous to mention, when I extend my gratitude to all those who have kept this club afloat this year. We are coming out of the throes of Covid, and now we need, once again, to grow our membership.

Thanks to Becky, Dave, and Mary who worked with me in the very messy job of cleaning the trim saw and saws 1,3,4, and 5. The motor for saw #2 is here, and it is waiting for someone with muscles who will help move the saw so that the motor can be replaced. We need to physically pick up and move the saw forward out of its oil tray into the middle of the room so that the motor can be replaced. Then the saw must be moved back into place once the motor has been replaced. It takes some heaving lifting and the four of us couldn't handle the weight. It will take at least two strong individuals to move, even with levers.

Bonnie and I look forward to our December cookie and election night meeting, and we look forward to the change of leadership in the new year.

Stay safe and healthy,  
Gene Willis

**GEMBOREE NEWS – Final news from Becky:**

Please make sure that Laura Thomas has all the final invoices from this Fall's Gemboree so that we can close the books on the Fall Gemboree. This will be my last Gemboree at Chairperson for now – I need a break. It has been a pleasure working with everyone – members, vendors and customers. See you all at the Gemboree!!

Congratulations go to Mary for having been voted unanimously as the new Gemboree Chair by both Akron Mineral and Summit Lapidary. Please support her in this role, as you have so supported me. It takes everyone to make the Gemboree successful, not just the Chair.

Thanks, Becky

**Gemboree news from Mary:**

**Our next Gemboree meeting will be held at 6pm on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, before our SLC meeting at PAC.**

Thank you for your vote of confidence in me as the new Gemboree Chair. I am calling for a Gemboree meeting in January, right before our next SLC meeting, at 6pm in the PAC. I need to know what financial expenditures the leads for each section will expect to need filled so that these funds can be dedicated. I am hoping that each of you who have assumed a lead role in the past will continue in those roles with me. I will really need your help in making our 2023 Gemborees successful!

Thanks, Mary

**SLC Dues** –2023 Dues can be paid to Laura Thomas. (If you have any questions as to whether or not you've paid for this year, contact Laura PLEASE! The initial registration fee for new members is \$25.

**The annual dues are \$48 per year and just \$44 if paid before March 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Dues can be brought to our meetings or sent to **Summit Lapidary Club, 244 Chestnut Blvd., Cuyahoga Falls, Oh 44221**. Let's get those paid soon!

**Sunshine News:**

I have wonderful news for the club. Mari Takai-Manley has once agreed to take over our sunshine news once again! Yeah! Thank you, Mari! Mari herself still has some more surgery coming but we very much look forward to Mari's updates each month. Thank you so much, Mari!!! Welcome back! We missed you.

**Library news from Doug Shorter:** Please return your materials on Saturday mornings. You can also usually check out items on Saturday mornings.

**Newsletter from Mary:** This is my LAST newsletter. We need someone to step up and take over this duty. I will certainly do what I can to assist whoever agrees to handle this. I am sick and not thinking clearly right now, so I apologize for this abbreviated format, but our newsletter can certainly be much simpler than I've been making it in the past 3 years, and I think that this is good start for the next person who becomes editor.

**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](mailto:cthymilhoan@yahoo.com). Please update your contact information to Cathy if you move or change your phone number.

**Shop Tender Days:**

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. It is so nice to see members coming back to the club!

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 you must make an appointment 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.

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**Classes and Events:**

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**Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>:** Board Meeting at 7:00pm at the clubhouse. Gemboree Meeting at 6:00pm.

**Sunday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>:** GeoJuniors will be meeting at the clubhouse.

**Week of Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Congratulations to the club members who are going to William Holland for classes! Three years in the planning is finally coming to fruition. Thanks to Sandy Shorter!

**Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>:** Summit Lapidary Club members meeting at the Polish American Club at 7:00pm.

**Saturday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>:** Metalsmithing workshop with Dave Macseoinin at Noon.

**Tuesday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>:** Board Meeting at 7:00pm at the clubhouse.

**Sunday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>:** GeoJuniors will be meeting at the clubhouse.

**Tuesday, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Summit Lapidary members meeting at Polish American Club at 7:00pm.

**Saturday and Sunday, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>:** **Our Fall Gemboree!!!**

**Tuesday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00PM:** Wire wrapped earrings by Kathi at the clubhouse.

**Saturday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>:** **The BIG DIG** at Mrs. Nethers' Farm.

**Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>:** GeoJuniors will be meeting at the clubhouse.

**Tuesday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm:** Beaded bracelet with matching earrings by Annette Long at the clubhouse.

**Saturday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>:** Annie McNeally is offering a class on making a Byzantine bracelet by the traditional means at 1:00pm-4:00pm.

**Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> at Noon: TorchTime by Dave.**

**Tuesday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm:** SLC Board Meeting

**Tuesday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm: Auntie Laura’s Annual Holiday Earring Extravaganza** at the clubhouse.

**Saturday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm:** The Christmas Party and Games at the Royal Buffett on Buchholzer Blvd.

**Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>: GeoJuniors**

**Tuesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>: Annual Cookie meeting at PAC.**

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**Club Members’ Meeting Minutes**  
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**September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022:**

Thirteen of our members were at William Holland, including Kathi and Mary. Notes taken at the meeting have been temporarily misplaced.

**October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Members’ Meeting Minutes:**

We had 29 members sign in and 6 visitors at the meeting.

Members who went to William Holland did show and tell.

Upcoming events-

**Rock Bagging:** Oct 15 at 9:00 at clubhouse.

**Torch time:** Oct 15 at noon.

**Wire Wrapping:** Earrings on Nov 1 at 7:00. Needed supplies 24 gauge wire and 2 each of 4, 6, 8 mm beads.

**Big Dig:** Nov 5 at Nethers Farm at 9:00-9:30. Cost 7.50 and .50 per pound of rocks.

**Jewelry making:** Nov 15 at 7:00 pm Earrings and Bracelet. Cost 5.00.

**Byzantine Bracelet:** Nov 19 at 1:00.

**Aunti Laura’s Christmas Extravaganza:** Dec 6 from 6-9. Earrings at cost.

**Christmas Party:** Dec 10 from 6-9 at Royal Buffet. Alcohol is available. Social 5-6 and dinner at 6:30, game at 8:00. Evelyn needs to let Royal Buffet know the count by Nov 14.

Key exchange is ongoing. Must turn in old key to get the new key. Old keys will not work after Oct 17.

Christmas Tree for Children’s Hospital: David is working on tree with the help of Mary and Kathi. It will be displayed at the Fall Gemboree.

Library: Doug is uploading all the faceting books to computer.

Newsletter: Sept newsletter is out and Mary is working on Oct newsletter.

Gemboree: Becky had meeting before the general meeting. Asking all members to sign up on sign up genius. We have 32 vendors for this Gemboree. Any and all vounteer hours will be appreciated.

Mari is back as the sunshine chairperson.

Web site: Chelsea expressed interest in working on the web site. She will get together with Sandy.

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**November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Member Meeting Minutes:**

Gene called the meeting to order.

Courtney gave a talk about the flint pieces from the Big Dig on Saturday. It was a beautiful day and about 30 members came to collect rocks. Thanks to David Rich for setting it up.

**Sunshine-** Mari suggested that Wally and Oma be given lifetime memberships if they aren’t already. A motion was made and passed that they be considered as lifetime members.

**Christmas Tree donation-** David put new lights on the tree and dropped it at the Knights Center.

**Classes-** Annette has a **bracelet and earring class on Nov.15 at 7:00**. Amie has a **byzantine bracelet class on Nov.19 at 1:00**. David has **Torch Time on Nov. 20 at noon**. Kathi has **crochet wire bracelet on Nov. 27 at noon**.

**Aunti Laurie's Christmas earring class- Dec 6 at 6:00.** Friends are invited.

**Gemboree-** Attendance was 1672, slightly down from the spring show. Money was doubled counted throughout the day. All the money is not in yet. Susanne suggested that 6 sets of the display liners need replacing. Becky is stepping down as chairperson. Mary was nominated to be the next chairperson. David made a motion and Guy seconded it. All approved. Becky and Mary will go to the Mineral meeting on Saturday for their vote. For set up we had 25 members; Saturday 51 members helped out; Sunday 40 members helped out and 20 members helped tear down that night.

**Membership-** We have 81 members to date.

**Geo Jrs-** There were 2 student displays and 4 members there there to evaluate the displays. Dec is their Christmas party. David will be taking over Geo Jrs.

**Library-** Doug is looking into the library going to electric. Faceting books are uploaded to the club's computer.

**Newsletter-** Mary is looking at combing Oct, Nov and Dec. newsletters. There is an opening for a newsletter editor since Mary will be the Gemboree chairman.

**Midwest Federation-** David said our newsletter came in 4<sup>th</sup> in the nationals. Marianne is the new President of Midwest Federation. The National convention will be held in Billing MO Aug 3, 2023. It would be a good convention to go to. The Midwest Federation will be held in MI. There will be a slogan contest for the t-shirts for nationals.

**Christmas party-** Evelyn needs to know by Nov 15 how many people are coming. Party is Dec 10<sup>th</sup>. Social hour 5:00-6:30, Dinner 6:30 and games after.

**Web site-** Sandy has corrected for the meeting place.

**Clubhouse-** Mark offered to fix the old siding and gutters to the downspout. The shed roof has damage.

Attract new members- Suggested offering classes at the library and the Parks and Rec in Cuy. Falls.

Next month meeting is Dec 13<sup>th</sup> is a cookie exchange.

Meeting was adjourned.