The Summit Gem - May 2024 Newsletter



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Mission Statement

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





May 14th, 2024 Monthly Meeting (the SECOND Tuesday of the month) held in person. at 7:00 PM at the Polish American Club



The Polish American Club (PAC) is located at 472 Glenwood Ave, Akron 44310



President's Message - by Annie McNeilly

Hello everyone!!!

Thanks to everyone who was able to volunteer at our show!!! Also, thanks to everyone who continues to maintain their membership in our club!!!

This is a short message this month, I'm at William Holland taking a chainmail class. Wishing everyone a great Memorial Day holiday and say thanks to our Vets and remember all who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Annie

Gemboree news from Mary Myers:

<u>SLC Dues</u> –2024 Dues can be paid to Laura Thomas. (If you have any questions as to whether 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 only \$44 - IF PAID BEFORE MARCH 1st.

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 from Mari: No News

Library news from David Macseoinin: No News

<u>Newsletter from John Kerr</u>: Please forward club news or articles you would like included in the newsletter to slcnewsletter2023@gmail.com.

<u>Membership information</u>: 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.

Machine Maintenance: No News

Midwest Federation News: See attached MWF newsletter.

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 <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.

Classes and Events:

Special Event:

Announcing the Leaf and Blossom annual plant sale on Saturday May 18th from 10 to 2 on the SLC lawn. We will have an assortment of annual flowers, some perennials from our yards, and tomato and pepper plants. Please come and get some good things for your yard. If heavy rain Saturday, then Sunday same hours.

Club Members' Meeting Minutes from April 2024:

Annie brough the meeting to order.

Treasurer- Laura is swamped at work so the report will be at next month's meeting.

Secretary- Name tags are in for those who ordered them.

Sunshine- 2 sympathy cards are going around.

Geo Jr.- 5 members came to the meeting. Evelyn to show how to set up a display.

Summer Picnic- Will take place at Donelle's on Aug. 10. We will provide burgers and hot dogs.

We are looking into where to hold the Christmas party.

Midwest Federation- Last month Dave was in the newsletter showing Geo Jrs how to make cabochons.

MF has updated its web site and there are pages geared towards kids.

Library- no news.

Classes- Wire weave earrings April 20th at noon.

Metalsmithing at noon on April 20.

Rock bagging will be on Saturday April 20 from 9:00 to 10:30.

Maintenance- Gene fixed the looseness on saw4 and the arm on saw 1.

Cleaning Party- Susanne wants to have a cleaning party in the summer to spruce up the club house.

The Mineral Club meeting is April 13 at 6:30. The color this month is Red. Mark Manley invited anyone interested to come.

Chair lift- Mary has a chair lift she wants to donate for the club but needs a professional installer.

Zoom is gone.

Gemboree- Getting vests or t-shirts for the volunteers at Gemboree was mentioned but too late for the Spring show.

John Wallace is calling for more slabs for silent auction.

Please sign up on Sign up genius to schedule volunteer hours to work the show.

Mary bought Kentucky geodes and Joyce and Skeeter washed them and Mark and Kristen cut them. They are beautiful.

Mary had the internet line and the mesh networks installed for the Spring show.

Pellegrino extended our contract for 2 years since we put the internet line in.

Advertising- Akron Life Magazine will put a blurb in about our show and Mary bought an ad for this month for the Gemboree. She has reached out to radio stations and WAKR will run commercials during the week of the Gemboree.

Joyce has a long list of advertisers she has reached out to.

April 13 at 12:00- We will be attaching small rocks to business cards to hand out at the show. She also had a business card printed for the Grand Prize drawing.

April 25 from 12-1- Susanne needs help packing the items needed for the show.

April 25 from 1-4- Volunteers are needed to set up the Gem Mine and Geo cracker because Noon Day Cleveland will come to Emidios at 9:30 to advertise the Gemboree.

April 26- Set up is from 8:30 to 12:30.

Security is needed on Friday from 4:00 to 7:00 when Nancy Halloran will be there.

Mary is still looking for a lead for the Children's table.

Mary and Laurie set up a link for E tickets.

Mark Morrow calculated the cost for the gem mine bags, roughly \$1.10 a bag.

He will have 5 different barrels with different rocks in the bags so kids can collect many kinds of rocks. The decision was made to table increasing the cost of the bags till the Fall show.

Ron made a motion to adjourn, and Becky seconded.