# The Summit Gem - November 2024 Newsletter



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## **Mission Statement**

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



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November 12th, 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

Speaker for November - Mark Manley: Gemstones that can be faceted such as beryls and tourmalines.



## President's Message

President's message by acting president Finley B. Lahmers

Wow, lots of things have happened this month. As you can see, I am President for the remainder of this year. Annie McNeilly resigned from the position early morning on Oct 29th. We are having elections in December, and we will need people to step up to take the reins to help revitalize our club. Try not to wait unit the last moment and get your name in. If you are interested be sure to contact the election committee chair Susanne Schoffner. My thanks to the 27 members who joined me at our last PAC meeting, crammed in a back room, with lots of distractions! We talked a lot about upcoming election procedures. We also informed members of the Big Dig. On Nov 2nd I attended the dig at Nethers farm, the weather was great. Lots of new members got to experience digging Flint, Ohio's gemstone. Remember the Christmas party will be next month, we will need your reservations and fee at the November PAC meeting. Finally, it is also time to get your yearly dues in.

Thanks

Finley

#### **Gemboree news from Cathy Milhoan:**

Hello club members, I hope everyone has recovered from Gemboree!

Thank you to all that put in numerous hours & worked your hineys off, it is appreciated.

There will be a Gemboree meeting Nov. 12, we will start at 6 pm promptly, (at PAC) that gives us about 45 mins before the Lapidary meeting starts.

I encourage all SLC & AMS members to attend, it is all of our Gemboree.

Remember without all of us there is no Gemboree, that is not a catchphrase, it is the truth.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the meetings!

Thank you,

Cathy M

<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

**Newsletter from John Kerr**: 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:**

A big kudos (thank you) to one of our new members, Adam Klaum, who is working on fixing our saws.

Saw #5 needs a new part. Here is what Adam wrote:

Hi Mary. I'm not going to be able to make it out there on Saturday. I did want to let you know though that Highland Park got back to me, and I've ordered the correct part for the saw. The total is \$59.97.

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 with one of our shop tenders</u>.

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:**

Wire Wrap Workshop Nov. 21, 2024 @ 7:00pm W/Kathi Hampton

Cabbing Workshop Nov. 28, 2024 @ 7:00 pm. W/Kathi Hampton

Metalsmithing Workshop Nov. 23, 2024 @ noon W/Dave Macseoinin

Penannular Pin Dec. 3, 2024 @ 7:30 W/Dave Macseoinin

Wire Wrap Workshop Dec. 19, 2024 @ 7:00pm W/Kathi Hampton

Beading Workshop Nov. 23, 2024 @ 7:00 pm W/ Kathi Hampton

Faceting Workshop Jan. 4, 2025 @ noon W/Dave Macseoinin

Flame Painting Jan. 16. 2025 @ 7:00 pm W/ Mary Myers

Soft Soldering Jan. 21. 2025 @ 7:00 pm W/Mary Myers

Metalsmithing Workshop Jan. 25, 2025 @ noon W/ Dave Macseoinin

#### 2024 Annual SLC & AMS Christmas Party:

December 14th at Saint George Fellowship Centre 3204 Ridgewood Rd. Fairlawn, OH, 44333.

The cost is \$13 per person if a member belongs to both clubs. \$26 per person if a member belongs to one club.

Festivities begin at 5:30 PM with assorted cheese and crackers and a cash bar.

Dinner will be served at 6:15 PM.

Blue Sign-up sheets at the Clubhouse and November 12<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting at PAC.

Checks payable to Summit Lapidary Club.

Susanne Shoffner is collecting the monies.

## Club Members' Meeting Minutes from October 2024:

General Meeting Minutes 10/08/2024

Fin L brought the meeting to order.

Scot Bentley was supposed to be the speaker for the night, and he is in the hospital.

The board minutes were amended to include the 11,000 check from the spring Gemboree.

Secretary- I have name tags for Brenden and Jane.

**Treasurer-** Laura T gave an update on the club's funds.

Sunshine- Mari TM will send Scot a get-well card.

**Geo Jrs-** Evelyn T spoke about a picture in the MWF newsletter showing David M teaching 4 Geo Jrs how to make cabochons.

Library- No news.

**Gemboree-** Cathy M reminded members to sign up for the coming Gemboree.

This Sat. Oct 12 we will be making gem trees for the show from 9 to 1.

There will be no rock bagging as we have enough from the last show.

Sign up for displays went around the room. Susie has room for 10 displays.

**Classes-** We have a flame painting class and a sun pendant and earring class this month. Metal smithing will be on Oct. 19 at noon.

Game Night- is this Thursday, Oct. 10 at 7:00. Come and meet members and have some fun.

**Machine Maintenance-** 3 saws are down. We are looking for someone to take over servicing the machines that we have.

**Property Maintenance-** Bob S spoke with Anthony H regarding cleaning gutter and will schedule a time to do the work. He is insured. Becky K mentioned that having an annual contract to clean the gutters would be a good idea.

Trustees- No issues.

**By Laws-** state that a budget for the year be passed in October. Laura T had the budget prepared and copies to pass for anyone that wanted to see it.

David M made a motion to approve the budget and Jeffery R seconded. The budget was approved.

Christmas Party- The date is Saturday Dec. 14 at St. Georges. The cost has yet to be determined.

**Big Dig-** Nov. 2 at Nether's farm. If you want to carpool, meet at the club at 7:00. Members are responsible for the entrance fee and 1.00 per pound of rocks.

**Newsletter-** John is not here.

**MWF t-shirts-** Today is the last day to order t-shirts. Laura T is accepting applications.

**Election of officers-** List of members running will be published at November meeting. Zoom will allow a free 40 minutes for those who wish to vote that way. We will also accept email votes if members are not able to make the meeting.

Cathy M stated that there are currently 110 members. Joyce K made a motion to keep the voting as it is and Mary M seconded. Discussion followed by Bob S made a motion to table the discussion.

**Akron Mineral-** Mark M spoke about their meeting this Saturday, Oct. 12 at 6:30. This month's focus is on Feldspar which includes Labradorite, Moonstone, Sunstone and Amazonite.

Pauline brought up the devastation in Georgia and North Carolina. People are asking for supplies, and she recommended Samaritan's Purse as a group to donate to. Fin's daughter is in Florida and hopefully weather the coming hurricane.

David M introduced new members Adam and Aden.

Kathi H made a motion to adjourn and Bob S seconded. We are adjourned.