



June 2017 issue

Our next meeting Tuesday June 20, 6:45 pm

Place: Traverse Area District Library, Woodmere Ave.

Main Program: Auction Fundraiser for the club

Hosts: Sarah Vanderkleed, Carol Popa, Gary Knudson, Rachel Harper

Door Prizes: Pat Rice, Ken Shug

5-Minute Program: none

This is a members participate type of program. Please bring food or rocks, slabs, crafts, lapidary equipment or tools for others to bid on. Proceeds help to fund our equipment room and club projects. Come and have some fun at the auction!

Rock Club Show

Signs need to be turn in!

Do you still have club show signs? Please turn them in ASAP! Since our next show will be at a new location we need to update all of them with stickers. Cynthia Vaughn is working on this—please let her know if you have a sign.

New Location

September 30 and October 1 are the show dates. The new location is the VFW hall on Veterans Drive. Jim Lufty and Pierre studied the site, a layout has been made, and letters to vendors went out recently.

From the May Meeting:

Don Reed showed slides from his trip to the Tucson Rock, Gem & Fossil shows in February. He took us on a whirlwind tour of the shows with lots of humor and a close-up view of lots of interesting crystals,

sculptures, and rocks. He also brought in some jewelry he made from stone he bought while he was out there.

Tom Fordyce announced that the cab classes are closed for the summer season, and the workroom schedule is full in May and June, and none is held in July. Please pay the treasurer any time you sign up for a class.

John Matz made a Financial Review and reported that all checks were for club business and had receipts to match. No savings withdrawals were made. In other words, everything looked correct!

Our Club dues can be paid now for 2017. The treasurer and membership person hates to take you off the list and then add you back on. If you haven't paid, get with it--the year is half over! Don't miss out.

From the Midwest Federation:

Pierre has a list of upcoming area rock events. See him at the meeting if you want to make a trip!

The Midwest Federation just had their annual convention in Brainerd, MN. Next year it will be in Springfield, IL in the fall, Oct. 6-7. Plan it into your schedule now.

The American Federation Convention will be June 9-11 in Ventura, CA!

Another Field Trip with Randy on June 10

Randy showed some of the rocks that they found on the last trip to Meauwataka Gravel Pit.

Other Upcoming News:

Petoskey Stone Festival, May 27

Tulip City Trunk Sale August 12

July 18 Meeting

Main Program: Pierre LaFoille on Kentucky Agates

Hosts: Sarah Vanderkleed, Mitch Dillon, Pierre & Loretta LaFoille, Judy Stott

Door Prizes: Lucas Vanderkleed, Cathleen Miller, Pierre LaFoille

5-Minute Program: Mike Brown, Diamond Mine State Park

August 20 Club Picnic, meet at 4, eat at 5

(No regular meeting in August) Party is at John & Jane Matz house on Old Mission. Bring table setting, chairs, cocktails, & a dish to share.

September 19 Meeting

Main Program: Mary Ann Warner

Hosts: Sarah Vanderkleed, Alinka Lipchinsky, Diane Buleish, one more needed

Door Prizes: Mary Ann Warner, Alinka Lipchinsky

5-Minute Program: Carol Popa, Baby Blue Stone

October 17 Meeting

Main Program: X-mas in October

Hosts: Sarah Vanderkleed, Mary Ann Warner, Deb & Gary Bull, Elaine Sylvain-Riddle

Door Prizes: Carol Popa, Deb & Gary Bull

5-Minute Program: Library