TC ROCKHOUNDS

October 2019 issue

Our next regular meeting: Tuesday, October 22 – at 6:45 pm (4th Tuesday due to a library event)

At the Traverse Area District Library on Woodmere

Five Minute Program: Franklin, NC Gem Mining – Lauren Vaughn

Main Program: Rockhounds – Pierre LaFoille

Snack Hosts: Loretta LaFoille, Jenny Sharp, Elaine Sylvain-Riddle, Mary Ann Warner

Door Prizes: Mary Ann Warner, Lauren Vaughn

September Highlights

At the meeting of September 17th, Pierre LaFoille presented a video of his method of drilling holes in stones. The main program featured various stations where attendees could see techniques, tools, rock displays, etc. for “Expert Night”.

Door prizes were provided by Pierre LaFoille, Jenny Sharp, Cynthia Vaughn and snack hosts were, Mary Cagney, Pat Captain, and Janet Ryan. Thanks to our volunteers.

ANNUAL CLUB ROCK AND MINERAL SHOW

The annual club show was held on Saturday, September 28th and Sunday the 29th at the Cherryland VFW post at 3400 Veterans Drive in Traverse City.

Thanks to the many members that volunteered for the several positions. These gifts of time and talents are what makes the show

so successful. Thanks also to our vendors that drew rockhounds, both current and budding new ones, to the show.

There are also some openings on the 2019 and 2020 meeting schedules for snacks, door prizes and programs. Please see Janet Ryan to volunteer to fill in one or more of these openings. Thank you!

Facebook Page

Visit the Facebook page that Jenny Burcroff created. To take a look use this web address. There is also a link on our club website for another way to access the Facebook page.

https://www.facebook.com/TCRockhounds

Tom Fordyce is selling some lapidary equipment, rough, slabs and specimens. Please contact Tom for an appointment at 231-590-4980.

Jenny Sharp is looking for a good, used Diamond Pacific Pixie cabbing machine. Please contact her at 231-879-3702.

One of the founding members, Ed Rothgarber has several gallons of the acid blend used to clean the Canadian amethyst. The price is $6.00 per gallon. Contact Ed at: 231-271-3013.

Upcoming Events

November 17 regular meeting will feature Christmas in November where members can reserve one half or a whole table and offer things for sale that people may want to use for Christmas gifts.

ROCKHOUND OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Deb and Gary Bull.

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