November Shin Skinner 2026

PREZ NOTES

Had a very interesting meeting and program last month. guess you found some new ways that make a rock more interesting. If you think back, you will remember why or how you got into collecting rocks. Thank you to Diane Patzer and hubby Carl for the exciting program.

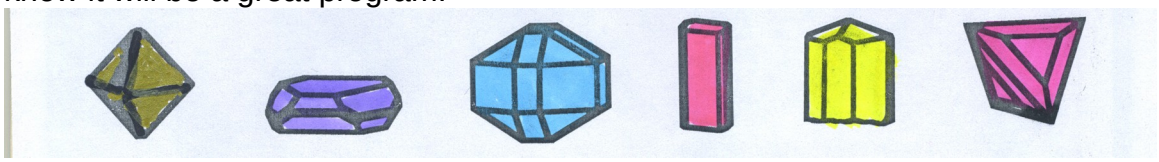






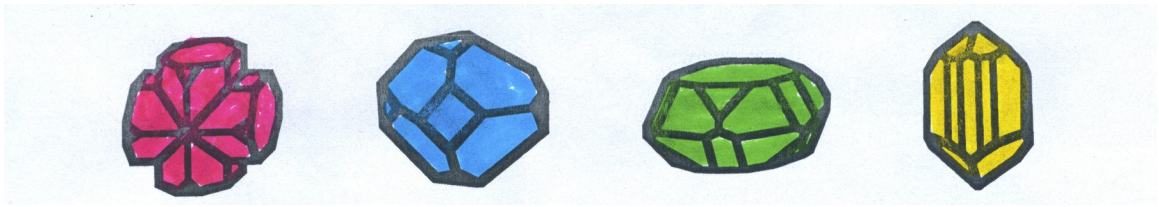
Up coming on 5 December 2026 is our Christmas dinner. Along with the food, will be games like Mary's wrapped ball, the ugly sweater contest, and more like the old gift exchange. You bring a wrapped gift (mark if it is gender specific) and pick a gift off the table in return. The gift should be mineral related $10 to $15 value. Suggestions: books, nice mineral specimens, lapidary, tools (indoor and outdoor - could even be used in good condition), in the past I remember

someone getting a prospector's pick that had some mileage on it but also had a lot of mileage left on it. A lot of fun, try it out. More info will be available at the November meeting, so be there maybe even with bells on.
November program speaker will be George Walko talking about those stones from Lake Superior. George is very informed on many many subjects, and I know it will be a great program.



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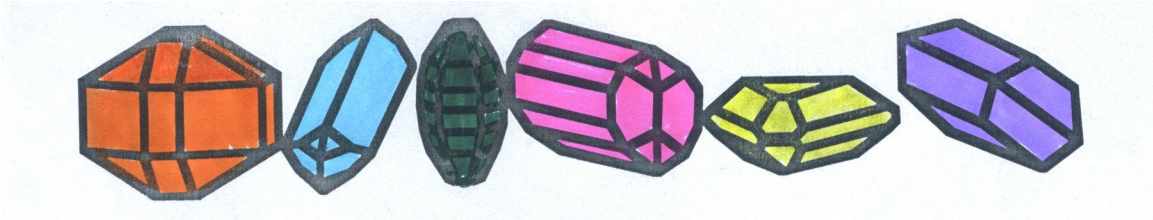
For January, it will be Show and Tell with an emphasis how we used earth materials at our jobs or hobbies.
 I think there is a lot of possibilities there. You did such a great job with that at our last show and tell.
I'm asking the Benish guys to bring the surveyors stuff to show the kids in January. I'm making up a list of this country's founding fathers and local settlers that were surveyors by trade.
I plan on bringing some mineral examples of rocks that help in garden and landscaping.
Thinking someone might do computers.
 Perhaps, Ted can talk a bit on the minerals used in coatings and paints.
We might be pleasantly surprised what folks will talk about.
We will ask Dave to do his pyrite and sulfur talk he just did in Syracuse in February.
March has Rich Gulyas on local native American stuff that should get attention of the folks that come to the show to see those artifacts along with minerals.
Still hoping to the name of the geologist from a nearby college for April or May.
Will go on college website and send inquiries.
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The kids are working on State rocks and symbols with the idea that we will have enough to put in a display at the show.



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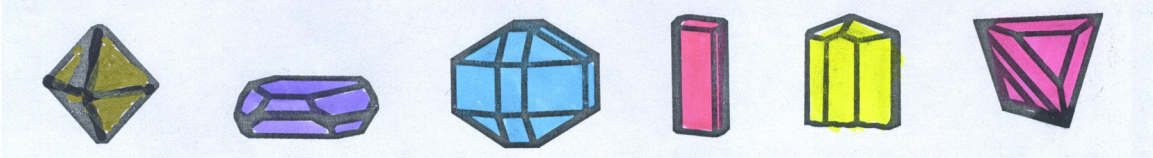
Che-Hanna Rock and Mineral Club October 2026
10 members 1 guest in attendance

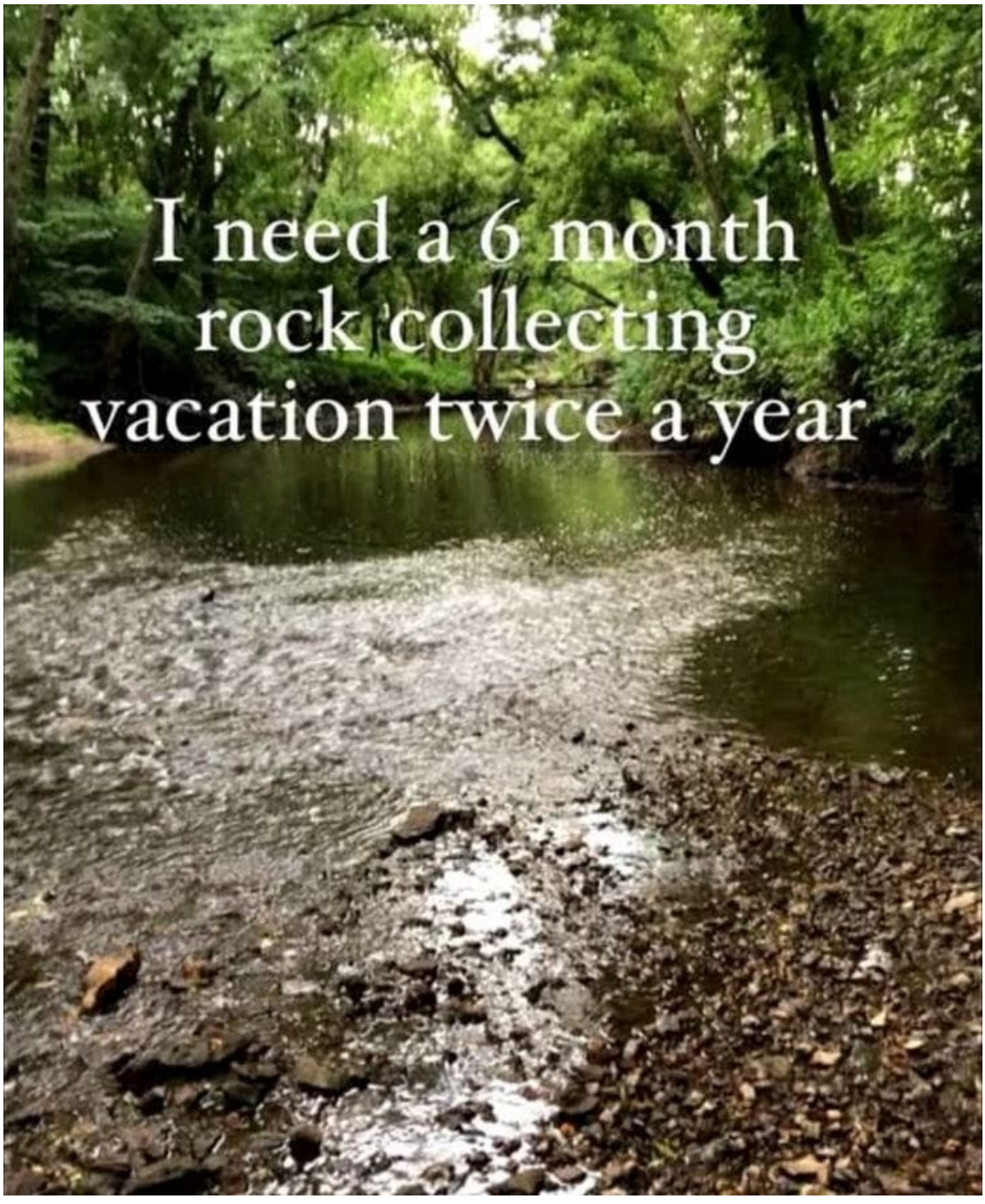
Program
The program, done by the Patzers, was

"What is special about rocks?"
Some properties of rocks and minerals:
-Diamonds are made of carbon and are flammable if they reach a high enough temperature.
-Alexandrite changes color in different light.
-Shatoyance - tiger eye is shatoyance. Petersite is chatoyance. Opal is opaletince. Labradorite has shimmer. These factors are what makes them show their colors.
-Some stones are magnetic. Magnetite.
-Certain stones, if you rub them together, can make a spark to make fire. The starter on a gas grill has flint and quartz in it. Hit the ignite button to make a spark to light the gas.
-Some stones are fluorescents. Put them under a UV light and they change colors.
Stones have many hidden surprises.

Meeting:
It was a small group for the meeting. The Christmas party was discussed. The party will be on December 5th at Yanuzzi's in Sayre at 3 p.m. If you are planning to attend, reservations need to be in by our next club meeting, .November 15th. More information will be via e-mail
Be safe

Mary Walter - fill in Secretary





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Happy anniversary and happy birthday to those celebrating in the month of November. Hope you all have a nice day. Hope all who have not been feeling .well will feel better soon
.See you the meeting

JoAnn


THE WORLD'S
BEST TOYS...
1. STICKS
2. DIRT
3. ROCKS
4. BUCKETS
5. WATER