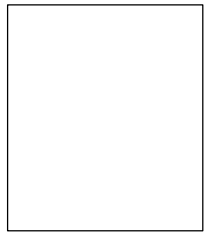


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First Class Mail

October Birthstone



Tourmaline

To:

Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. 9516 N. Rome Rd., Athens, PA 18810

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JoAnn McGuire

Sunshine Report

By JoAnn McGuire

Hope you all are enjoying this nice Fall weather. Temperatures are going down; leaves are falling; and it's getting quite cool early morning.



Get well wishes to Scott Chaffee and hope he's feeling better.

Since I didn't make the last meeting, I really don't have anything to report. Hope all are feeling well. Remember, the virus is still with us and flu season too. Wear your mask, practice social distancing and wash your hands.

Show is coming up very soon....two weeks even. Hope to see all of you there and everyone will do their part to make the show a success. Everyone who helps makes it easier on all involved.

Take care; stay safe.

Miss Sunshine
JoAnn

51st Annual Che-Hanna Gem and Mineral Show

WYSOX VOL. FIRE CO. SOCIAL HALL
111 LAKE ROAD, WYSOX, PA

October 9, 2021 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

October 10, 2021 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

SHOW HELP NEEDED

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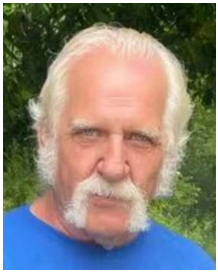
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NEXT MEETING IS OUR ANNUAL AUCTION ON OCTOBER 13TH FROM 5-7 PM. LOCATION WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON OCTOBER 9-10TH AT SHOW.



Bruce Benish

President's Message

By Bruce Benish

Greetings to all. Sorry I missed last month. I just missed the cut off date. August was a busy month.

The field trip to the Kopernik observatory went well. While we didn't see a lot of the meteor showers we did get a guided tour and a look through the telescopes.

The trip for horn corals also was a success. It was a walk up a stream bed where all you had to do was bend over and pick them up.

Trish and Jeff manned the booth at the Le Roy Heritage days. There was a lot of interest in the upcoming show.

The picnic at Satterlee Creek was well attended. September has also been a busy month. Seven of us went to Crystal Grove. I liked the layout of the place, but it still was a lot of digging and breaking rock. Oh well nothings perfect.

We held another meeting at Satterlee Creek. Much headway was made on plans for the show. I would like to apologize to Mary, as she was trying to take the minutes of the meeting and as everyone started talking over everyone else to get what they wanted to say stated. I will try to keep better control of the meetings in the future.

The show is now just about a week away (October ninth + tenth). We can always use more help.

I put a building use application at the Athens Methodist Church, hope to hear back soon.

Bruce

Rock Doc



Dave Millis

Field Trip Report/Program

by Dave Millis

If there is an auction, each member can auction off two items and receive 80% of the highest bid. Minimum bids are \$0.50 for items less than \$5; \$1 for items worth \$5 to \$20; \$2 increments for items over \$20. Items donated will be auctioned in clusters to reduce the number to 5 per person, if we need to.

C.Bourne photo



Inga Wells

Junior Rockhounds / Pebble Pups News

By Inga Wells

Hello club members,

The mini-mine is always in need of new and interesting stuff. If you have some things you are willing to donate, please bring it to the show and give to Dave Millis. We are always short on garnets, pyrite, shark teeth. We need items that are kid friendly and safe. NO sharp edges or dangerous minerals. Small fossils, plastic dinos and other animals, small shells are always a great wow factor for the kids.

If you have items that can be cracked safely into smaller pieces, give them to Dave too. He can prepare them for the March show. I can remember shows where I had to make a trip to the store to buy fish tank stones and other stuff when we ran out of mini-mine supplies.

Thank you in advance.

Inga



October Birthdays

2 – Alyssa Stoddard
8 – Joanne Stoddard
11 – Rand Lindhorst
28 – Ellie Conden
29 – David Walter



October Anniversaries

1 – Hazel & Marv Remaley
13 – Jim & Lynn Pannebaker
24 – Bill & Pat Chapman

September Club Meeting Minutes by Mary Walter – Sept 8, 2021

Held September 8, 2021 at Satterlee Creek 11 members in attendance, 2 members came to meeting but left for various reasons.

Minutes from August were read and approved. Treasurer's was read and filed for audit.

Show business

- there was alot of discussion on varies items
- the fire department gets paid for hall rental during show weekend
- the fire department will not be providing food for this year's show
- there was discussion, we well be selling pizza and bottle water
- there was a lot of discussion concerning the mini mine and polishing cabochons, due to covid. We will be offering the mini mine, members can distance themselves. Dave Millis will be overseeing the mini mine and offering free specimens. Cabochons are in doubt, due the fact members need to stand over and help guests finish their cab.
- geode cutting will go on as usual
- Trish Benish passed around a sheet for members to sign up where and when they can work. Contact Trish if you want to sign up.
- The Kenner's son will be bring the club trailer to the fire hall, Thursday evening and return it Sunday after clean up.
- set up will be Friday 10/8/2021 starting at 9am - coffee and doughnuts will be provided for those doing setting up
- there will be pizza for the dealers Friday evening
- there will be pizza Sunday for members after clean up is completed
- all the display cases will be filled
- there was discussion on the florescent display, not sure what is happening with that
- we are in need of members to provide security during the show.

Other items:

- next meeting 10/13/2021 - October is our annual club auction, donations are needed. You can donate as many items as you would like. If you choose, 2 of your items you can get a percentage of the sale money back, 80% you and 20% to the club.
- Trish Benish has not been getting any response from the Towanda Elks concerning the Christmas party, she will keep trying.
- if we can not be in the SHS cafeteria, there are a couple of churches that are possibilities
- it was decided that the program Dave Millis had planned for this meeting will be done in November, due to the small number of members in attendance.
- Dave Millis offered door prizes. You picked the specimen you wanted and Dave explained about it and where it was from.

Meeting was adjourned

**Help Wanted - We need your help with the show
Any time you can give Set up, working the show, clean up
There is plenty to do. Many hands make lighter work
So, please help when/where you can
-the clock is ticking**

Upcoming Shows & Events From: MSNEPA Newsletter

October 9 & 10, 2021 - Ogdensburg, NJ - Annual North Jersey Swap - n - Sell at the Sterling Hill Pavilion. FREE admission!!

October 9 & 10, 2021 - Wysox, PA. - Annual Che-Hanna Gem & Mineral Show (Rescheduled from March) at the Wysox Fire Hall

October 17, 2021 - Fishkill, NY - Healing Rocks and Gems Mineral Show - Comfort Suites, Rt. US 9 Fishkill, NY

October 23-24, 2021 – Pittston, PA – Treasures of the Earth rock and mineral show - at the Oblates of St. Joseph, 1880 Highway 315, Pittston, PA. 18640

October 30, 2021 - Fairless Hills, Pa. - Annual Ultravioletation Fluorescent Mineral Show

October 30, 2021 - Biglersville, Pa. - Annual Central Pennsylvania Rock & Mineral Swap & Sell, All Outdoors