

Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc.
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PURPOSE: The club was organized in 1962 in Sayre, PA to assemble for the purpose of studying and collecting rock, mineral, fossil, and shell specimens, and to develop skills in the lapidary arts. We are members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies (EFMLS) and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

DUES are payable to the treasurer BY January 1st of each year. After that date membership will be terminated. Make checks payable to Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. as follows: \$12.00 for Family; \$8.00 for Subscribing Patron; \$8.00 for Individual and Junior members (under age 17) not covered by a family membership.

MEETINGS are held at the Sayre High School (on Lockhart St) at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria, the 2nd Wednesday each month, except JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, and DECEMBER. Those meetings and events (and any changes) will be announced in this newsletter, with location and schedule, as well as on our website chehannarocks.com. Visitors are always welcome.

FIELD TRIPS are scheduled regularly from May through September; dates and details will be announced in this newsletter and on the club website.

ARTICLES submitted for publishing should be emailed to the editor using any text (ASCII) format; attempt will be made to use whatever is sent. Please make paragraphs obvious.

Deadline for submissions to the next Shin-Skinner issue is **20-January-2019**. Whatever you send me is likely to get published, so please **clearly mark** any part you don't want to see in print. Articles without by-line are written by the editor.

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Mark your calendars ...

Wed, Jan 9 - 6pm (board), 7pm (club) — Che-Hanna monthly meeting — Sayre High School, on Lockhart St

Visit us at our website: <http://www.chehannarocks.com>

We Talk To Each Other - We Help Each Other - We Teach Each Other - We Smile A Lot!

Note from the Vice President

As those who attended know, we had our annual Christmas Party. It was a blast. The highlight for me was getting two specimens from the Jack Walter collection. They were donated by Mary Walter as table prizes for each person. Thank you Mary. After dinner we got exchange gifts and club gifts. Two lovely poems by Dee Margatanski. Then a lot of chit-chat and the day was over.

Our January meeting will be on the 9th with board meeting at 6:00. Program will be hands-on workshops. Trish will be teaching "plastic lacing". Inga will be doing a variety of "modern jewelry making". Hilda will be teaching "wire wrapping". "Micro mounting" will be led by Bob. Come one, come all and bring a friend.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to all.

—Bob

Sunshine Report

Our annual Christmas party, held at the Villa Senna in Towanda was well attended. All have a nice time visiting and gift exchanging. Was nice to see Bill Dimmick there. He's doing much better; is in remission right now. Scott Chaffee was also there and coming along after his medical issue.

Hope you all had a Merry Christmas.

Happy Birthday to Liam Sites, Phyllis Robison and Tony Karpovich, all on January 7th; Suzanne Niver, 8th; Dominic Ferrante, 16th; Scott Chaffee, 28th; Peggy Huffman, 29th; and Halia Kocsis, 31st. Hope you all have a nice day.

Happy Anniversary to Duane and Inga Wells as they celebrate on the 5th of January. Congratulations and have a good day.

Have a Happy, Healthy New Year and hope to see you at the January meeting at the Sayre High School. weather permitting.

If I have missed anyone for birthday or anniversary, please let me know. If you know of someone who needs some cheer, let me know and I'll do my best to take care of it.

—Miss Sunshine,
JoAnn

January Meeting Program

The January meeting program will be workshops:

- Plastic Lacing — Trish Benish
- Modern Jewelry Making — Inga Wells
- Wire Wrapping — Hilda Gardiner
- Micromounting — Bob McGuire

Is this becoming an annual event?

Party Pix —photos by Bob

McGuire



Upcoming Shows



January

1-31...

QUARTZSITE, AZ: several rock & gem (and other) outdoor shows; [website](#)

24-31...

TUCSON, AZ: Multiple Gem & Mineral shows, all over town [shows schedule](#)

February

1-17...

TUCSON, AZ: Multiple Gem & Mineral shows, all over town, including the main Convention Center show [shows schedule](#)

1-28...

QUARTZSITE, AZ: several rock & gem (and other) outdoor shows; [website](#)

23-24...

ALBANY, NY: Annual show; New York State Museum, Empire Plaza, 222 Madison Ave; All proceeds benefit Museum's mineral acquisition fund. Sat 10-5, Sun 10-5; Adults \$5 and free admission for children under 12; featuring minerals, fossils, gems, and books offered by 30 dealers, and displays and museum tours; contact Michael Hawkins, 3140 CEC, Albany, NY 12230; Email: mhawkins@mail.nysed.gov; Website: www.nysm.nysed.gov

March

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Wilmington, DE; 6th Annual Gem, Mineral &

Fossil Show; sponsored by the Delaware Mineralogical Society; Doubletree by Hilton, 4727 Concoed Pike (Rt 2020, Wilmington) <http://www.delminsociety.net/marchshow/marchshc>

23-24...

WYSOX, PA: Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club show **THIS IS US!**; Wysox Vol. Fire Co. Social Hall, 111 Lake Rd. ; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; adults \$3, students \$1, free for children under 8; dealers with minerals, fossils, lapidary, special exhibit by Susquehanna River Archaeological Center, and fluorescent programs by UVBob; contact Bob McGuire, 224 Church St., Lopez, PA 18628; Email: uvbob1942@gmail.com; Website: chehannarocks.com

June

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Macungie, PA: 72nd semi-annual Mineralfest; organized by: Pennsylvania Earth Sciences Assoc; Macungie Memorial Park (Poplar Street); <http://www.mineralfest.com/>