



ARROWHEAD NEWS

Wyoming, Michigan



**Get ready for our
Silent Auction
October 18th, 2011**



**Jenna S. and another Jr. Rock Hound learning how to tell what they are holding.
Plus, if you look at their faces, they are in deep thoughts.**

Photos by Bryan Brewer

Please note: do not bring Styrofoam items into Wesley Park United Methodist Church!!!

Go Green!!!

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Visitors are welcome at all Meetings! When & Where

Club Meetings are held at **7:00 PM on the third Tuesday**, September through May, and take place in the fellowship hall located in the basement of the Wesley Park United Methodist Church. The church is on the corner of Michael and 32nd Street, south of 28th Street, in Wyoming.

At 6:30 PM, on the third Tuesday, June through August, our club has a **picnic** at Pinery Park in Wyoming, which is on DeHoop just north of 28th St. Our usual spot is behind the north parking lot on the west side of DeHoop. Bring a dish to share, your own drinks, and table service.

Board Meetings are held right after the club meeting, or by special announcement on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Club Membership dues are \$15 per family, \$10 per individual and \$5 per junior. Payment is due by the third Tuesday of September and is for the following January – December. **New** members that join at or after the annual show, pay only one-half of the yearly dues for the current year. Membership includes 9 issues of the Arrowhead News.

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<http://www.indianmoundsrockclub.com/Arrowhead%20News.htm>

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PROGRAM REVIEW Nancy Spalenka

Our new season got off to a fine start with 55 in attendance at our September 20, 2011 meeting. Included in this number were 10 children, four of whom were first timers, and 5 adult guests.

Following "The Pearl Story" DVD, President Jim Elliott told about his experience purchasing pearls in Japan some time back. During refreshments Diane Harvey showed some of us a beautiful string of cultured pearls that have been in her family a long time.

John Donker is the new Michigan State Director of the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical and Geological Societies, and his wife, Julia, is the Assistant Michigan State Director. They will keep us up to date on the MWF news.

John Donker presented Donna Griseto with a certificate for 1st prize in the New Bulletin Editor contest conducted by the Midwest Federation. There are 12 states in the Midwest Federation. She placed 7th in the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies contest, which includes clubs in the entire U.S. Congratulations to Donna and to **all who submitted articles** (I highlighted this -Donna) for her to include in the Arrowhead News each month.

STYROFOAM IS OUT

Kitchen hosts take note. We have been asked by Wesley Park UMC not to use Styrofoam cups or plates at our club meetings. We will be using the cups provided by the church, which are earth friendly. They are made by a company called "Taterware" and are made out of potatoes. They are 100% biodegradable. We can use paper plates or the church plates which are also made by Taterware. If plastic cups and table ware are used, they are to be rinsed out and put in the recycle tub. Thank you.

HISTORIAN'S REQUEST In our club archives we are missing copies of the Arrowhead News from 1987 - 1992. If anyone has these issues and would be willing to part with them, please let me know. The archives is also missing club membership directories from 1966-1976. Does anyone know where we might find these? Nancy Spalenka

NOTICE TO BOARD MEMBERS: The October Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, in the "last room on the left" past the office at Wesley Park UMC.

Kitchen Committee /Sunshine Notes: Eleanor Brummel

October 18th, 2011: Silent Auction!!! Everyone invited to bring something to eat!!!

November 15th, 2011: Barb Yost is on the kitchen committee for November. One more person is needed to help Barb. Please call Eleanor Brummel, 616-453-1658

December 20th, 2011: Christmas Party Potluck!!!

Lois Van Dyke had an appendectomy the latter part of September. She is doing well.

Bob Allen is dealing with problems with cancer. Thanks! Eleanor Brummel

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Dues are due!!!

See Rhonda Leep Secretary for payment or any questions needed.

Check page 1 for yearly dues.

New members 2011

Welcome all!!!

Carol	Briggs
Ken & Valerie	Clark
Jonathan	Clifford
Joan	Conway
Chris	Cooper
Anna	Goddard
Regina	Grover
Carol	Hansen
Lou & Diane	Harvey
Barb	Henry
William	Kovacs
Michael	Larson
John & Linda	Morehouse
George Jr.	Moyher
Vern	Nienhuis
RJ & Vicki	Noorman
Lorraine	Pierce
Kevin	Ponzio
Sue	Prawdzik
Jim & Marsha	Redd
Karen	Rawlings
Doug & Carol	Robinson
Tom and LaDonna	Siebelink
Teri	Smalley
Su	Strysko
Cynthia and Timothy	Swain
Bill	Van Maledegen
Barb & Ben	Yost

New members starting 2012

Sam & Barbara	Bergman
Karen & Laurence	Keshner
Mary	Lacy
Ronald	Pearce
Denise	Pietri
Shelly	Welsh
Ruth Ann	Lomas

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Club Meeting Notes September 20th, 2011

President Jim Elliot welcomed members and visitors to club and self introductions were made by visitors and new members. Dave L. and Rhonda L. were introduced to assist members who wished to pay membership dues. The passing of Jim Splane was discussed and many details are not yet available to our club. Jim introduced Nancy Spalenka and started our program.

Secretary	No minutes read, but the August Board meeting minutes will be included in the September Arrowhead News.
Treasurer	Dave Lehker gave the treasurers report.
Program	September will be a DVD on pearls 'The Pearl Story'. Very interesting DVD on Pearls – one of the few organic gems. Nancy noted that the church is a Styrofoam free facility and to please not bring in Styrofoam cups, plates etc. [if you bring in Styrofoam- take it home with you and do not dispose at the church].
Editor/ Publisher	Donna reminded members have email, if they receive the Arrowhead News by email, that you get our bulletin quicker and in color. Not to mention that it will save the club money on printing and mail.
Web	Have you 'liked us on facebook?'
Field Trip	Kreigh is able to organize 4 field trips a year to the Alabastine mines [we are one of the few –maybe only- rock clubs in the US with direct access to an underground mine]. If you have not made the field trip yet there will be more trips planned in the near future.
Show Committee	John and Julie Donkers are next year's show chairpersons and the focus will be Dinosaur Eggs. John and Julie wondered if more club members would be interested in renting a table or part of a table to sell items at the show. The rental fee would cover the entire show and could include helpers for sales if you could not always be present. Please contact the Donkers if you would like to know more about this option for the April Show. Nancy Wolf and Joan Fewless will start collecting specimens and egg cartons at our November meeting.
Publicity	We still need someone to manage our basic notices for meetings. Please contact Nancy Spalenka for if you are interested.
Sunshine	Eleanor needs help with Sunshine and the Kitchen- please let her know she can depend on us!
Librarians	Rance and Anne Westover have great deals on two additional books on agates that are available for club members to purchase this fall and will be here for Christmas [order extra copies for gifts?]. Anne and Rance will also be taking book orders at the Silent Auction.
Historian	No report.
Sales	Ed K. talked about our successful Summer Sale and a last minute private donation that generated quite a nest egg for our scholarship fund. Ed also talked about the Silent Auction Sale in October. Bring your rocks, wallets, bags or boxes and please remember a donation for the refreshment table. Sale flyers are available on our website if you did not pick one up to distribute.
Correspondence	Flyers and other clubs correspondence can be found on the back table at our meetings as it available. Letter of thanks from our first Scholarship recipient!
Membership	A short report on the number of new members was given and the complete report will be published this month in the Arrowhead News.
Old Business	Scholarship News! Skip Schipper has established a scholarship program through GVSU and we have our first recipient who we can all meet at the November meeting. Reminder of elections in November – What can you do for the club? What would you like to see the club do that we have not done yet??

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Board Meeting Notes September 20th, 2011

Jim Elliot welcomed all members and called our board meeting to order.

- Secretary** No minutes were read at the meeting, but the August Board minutes will be published in Arrowhead News.

- Treasurer** No additional items to report.

- Program** November's Program will be regarding Gypsum and will include a guest speaker and a special event [we hope]. Members could bring in gypsum specimens to show.

- Editor/Publisher** No additional items to report.

- Web** No additional items to report.

- Field Trips** Kreigh has obtained Tourmaline specimens for our Youth Group and will be reimbursed for them. Possibly for the January meeting.

- Show Committee** No additional items to report.

- Publicity** We still need a publicity person contact a board member for information.

- Sunshine** We need another person or persons to help with sunshine and kitchen.

- Librarian** No additional items to report.

- Historian** No additional items to report.

- Membership** No additional items to report.

- Sales** Few items were added from the Club meeting- Ed K discussed staffing needs and plans for the Silent Auction.

- Old Business** We completed the voting request from the Mid West Federation and results will be communicated back to the MWF.

- New Business** LaDonna could use help with the Youth Group. Previous assistant can no longer help. If an assistant cannot be found, a suggestion for a member[s] to help per meeting. A schedule could be established for the Youth Group helpers.
John Donker is the MWF Michigan Director and
Julie Donker is the MWF Michigan Assistant Director – congratulations to both of our members!
Established next month's board meeting to be 4th Tuesday in October and Nancy S. will reserve a meeting place for us.

- Adjourned**
Rhonda Leep 2011

Board Members Present

President	x	Jim Elliot	Publicity	Need
Vice President	x	Nancy Spalenka	Historian	X Nancy Spalenka
Secretary	x	Rhonda Leep (membership)	Librarians	X Rance Westover
Treasurer	x	Dave Lehker		X Anne Westover
Liaison	x	Don VanDyke (past President)	Field Trip	X Kreigh Tomaszewski
Sales	X	Ed Krzeminski		Nancy Wolff
Editor/Publisher	X	Donna Griseto	Show Chair	X John Donker
Sunshine	x	Eleanor Brummel		X Julie Donker
		Ruth Allen	Board Member	Bob Beauvais
Dealer Chair		Kris Quint	Board Member	X Bryan Brewer
		Nancy Wolff	Board Member	X Skip Schipper

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August Meeting was September 13th, 2011

Jim Elliot welcomed all members and called our board meeting to order. Our August meeting was September 13, 2011.

- Secretary** No minutes were read at the meeting, but the May minutes were published in Arrowhead News.
- Treasurer** Dave will give report at regular meeting.
- Program** September's Program will be a DVD regarding Pearls.
- Editor/
Publisher** No additional items to report.
- Web** No additional items to report.
- Field Trips** Kreigh is trying to make field trips to the Alabastine Mine more available.
- Show
Committee** Theme for 2012 show is EGGs- if you have ideas to share or work on please contact Donkers.
- Publicity** We still need a publicity person contact a board member for information. Here is the description from the bylaws:
Publicity: The duty of the Publicity Committee shall be to distribute the Club's news regularly to the appropriate newspapers, radio and television stations, and periodicals.
- Sunshine** We need another person or persons to help with sunshine.
- Librarian** Rance and Anne Westover will have more books for members to order at this months' meeting.
- Historian** Discussion regarding collecting all past programs and secretary minutes.
- Membership** New member report will be made at our regular meeting.
- Sales** Ed K was approved to purchase ads for the Silent Auction and said the summer sale went very well. Thanks to all that bought, sold and helped.
- Old Business** Scholarship was awarded this summer and we have a nest egg for next years' scholarship. Skip received a letter from recipient and shared with board members. Secretary to send thank you to donor that helped with our scholarship funds.
Still interest in vests?
Secretary to order business cards for club to have by Silent Auction.
- New Business** Nominating committee – Jim Elliot, Nancy Spalenka and Dave Lehker- Entire Executive Board is up for election along with Board Members this November.
ALAA Membership- need vote of entire club per bylaws.
Discussion regarding Appointed and Elected Board Members.
Jim Splane contribution from club discussion.
Discussion of new lifetime honorary member to club.
Midwest Directory of all Michigan Rock Clubs being updated – Julie Donker to communicate our club's calendar for publication.
- Adjourned** Rhonda Leep 2011

Board Members Present

President	X Jim Elliot	Publicity	Need
Vice President	X Nancy Spalenka	Historian	X Nancy Spalenka
Secretary	X Rhonda Leep (membership)	Librarians	X Rance Westover
Treasurer	X Dave Lehker		X Anne Westover
Liaison	X Don VanDyke (past President)	Field Trip	Kreigh Tomaszewski
Sales	X Ed Krzeminski		Nancy Wolff
Editor/Publisher	Donna Griseto	Show Chair	X John Donker
Sunshine	Eleanor Brummel		X Julie Donker
	Ruth Allen	Board Member	Bob Beauvais
Dealer Chair	Kris Quint	Board Member	X Bryan Brewer
	Nancy Wolff	Board Member	X Skip Schipper

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**BenchTips by Brad Smith are at
groups.yahoo.com/group/BenchTips or facebook.com/BenchTips**

REMOVING A STONE FROM BEZEL SETTING

If you've forgotten to use dental floss and got your stone caught in a bezel, there's one thing you can try before starting to pry. Find some sticky wax or beeswax. Roll it into a pencil-sized cylinder and stick the end onto the top of the stone. Mold it on well and yank.

If all else fails, you either have to very carefully pry open the bezel with a sharp knife blade or drill a small hole in back of the stone and push it out with the point of a scribe.

MAKING YOUR OWN MOKUME

Ever think about making your own mokume? Here's a link to the detailed steps in the sequence as done by a professional. Look for mokume on <http://www.rchristopher.com/tech/>

FOREDOM STAND

A quick and easy way to suspend a Foredom over your jewelry bench is to use some steel pipe components from your local hardware store. It attaches with a couple screws and costs a little over \$10.00.

I use 1/2 inch galvanized pipe and fittings. To build a stand that attaches to the top of your bench, all you'll need is a flange and a thirty inch length of the pipe. If you prefer a stand that attaches to the side of your bench, you'll need a little longer pipe, three foot, a flange, and a 90 degree "street elle".

Finally, make a hook that goes into the top of the pipe to hang the motor from. You can use heavy coat hanger wire or better yet, a 1/8 steel rod from the hardware store. Brad

A single ideal, if it is right, saves us the labor of an infinity of experiences. –Jacques Maritain

OUR OCTOBER 2011 SILENT AUCTION

FOR ROCKHOUNDS, IT'S CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER!

PART 1: HOW THE AUCTION WORKS, AND HOW TO BUY STUFF

On Tuesday, October 18th, the Indian Mounds Club regular monthly meeting will be replaced by our annual Silent Auction Sale, with the opportunity to buy and sell a wide variety of rockhound items throughout the evening. **Please note that the Auction runs continuously from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.** The Auction will be held in our usual meeting room in the Wesley Park United Methodist Church basement. Sixteen sales tables filled with hundreds of bargain-priced hobby items will be open simultaneously for written bids on individual items. As each sales table is periodically sold (closed) and emptied every few minutes, it will be then be re-stocked with even more new rock goodies, all evening long. Generally five or six hundred rock and mineral hobby items are offered for sale that evening. And at bargain prices you just won't believe! There is definitely SOMETHING there with YOUR name on it!

Happy Birthday Rhonda Leep!!!
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In this section, we look at how our Silent Auction works (for you first-timers), review some buying tips, and ask for your volunteer help.

So... you want to improve your personal collection, but gas prices and time constraints limit your field trips, and most gravel pits and quarries are no longer open to collecting. You wince at the specimen prices online or at mineral shows, and many rock shops have simply vanished. But there is still hope for some amazing bargains on beginner specimens, exotic crystals, fossils, slabs, lapidary rough, loose gems, finished jewelry, findings, beadwork, lapidary equipment & supplies, cabs, tumbler rough, collecting tools, books, magazines, and anything else hobby-related. Well, here comes your opportunity!

Here's how easy it is to buy items at the Silent Auction:

1. Anyone may bid on any unsold item on any open Sales Table. You don't have to pre-register or be a club member in order to bid on items. (Note: These are written bids, not "shout out" bids.) This Sale is open to the public, and will be advertised locally.
2. Every item for sale has a Bid Slip with it. Each Bid Slip lists the item description, seller name, and the Minimum Bid amount. The Minimum Bid is the lowest amount that you may start your bidding at.
3. To place a bid, simply print your name and your bid amount legibly on the next open bid line on the Bid Slip, while a table is still open for bids. Like any auction, this is a binding bid. If you bid, then you are agreeing to purchase that item for that price.
4. If someone's name is already on the Bid Slip, and the table is still open, then you may overbid them by printing your name and a higher bid amount, on the next line. **Your bid raise must be at least 25 cents higher than the previous bid, unless otherwise noted by the Seller. On the Special Items Table, the bid raise is at least \$1.00.**
5. Bidding rules are clearly posted at each Sales Table. When a table is "Sold" (closed), then you may no longer bid on an item. The highest written amount wins the item. If the table closes while you are writing your bid, then your bid counts. Any bidding disputes are settled immediately by the Auction Chairman.
6. When a table is Sold (closed), and if yours is the winning bid, you then pick up your item(s) and their Bid Slip(s) and take them directly and immediately to the Cashier Table for immediate payment.
7. Pay for your items right away at the Cashier Table. Payment is generally "Cash Only", unless approved by the Club Treasurer. All sales are final. You are responsible for safe-keeping your own paid-for items.
8. Any item which is left unclaimed after a table re-opens is then again available for anyone to bid on and buy.
9. The Indian Mounds Club is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged items. There will be some club members assigned to surveillance and general security, but please mind your valuables.

Here are some buying (and courtesy) tips to improve your Silent Auction experience: Get there at the beginning of the Auction (7:00 pm) to get in on the early bidding. If you see something interesting, put a reasonable bid on it right away; otherwise, if you wait too long, that

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giving them a chance to win it. Please don't "hover" over an item; you might just miss out on some other nice stuff. Bring along an empty box (with your name on it) and some tissue to wrap and protect your winnings. Stick around until the very end of the Auction (9:00 pm) for some great discounts, special deals, and "clearance" prices. And have some fun!

The Silent Auction is open to everyone, not just members, so invite your friends and neighbors. The Auction will be advertised in the newspaper and online. Also, please bring some items to sell. Don't forget to bring some extra cash and maybe your checkbook, in case you spot that special deal.

THE CLUB STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP! Auction volunteers are still needed, especially for the Set-Up Team. Extra workers are always welcome. Whether for the entire evening or just a half-hour, your help is greatly appreciated. If you can help, just give Ed a call (530-9571), and I'll find a volunteer spot for you. Also, **don't forget to bring some extra plastic bags (grocery size and smaller) for our Cashiers to use for bagging, plus some snacks and beverages for our Refreshment Sales Table to sell. Set-up Team, please get there by 6:15 pm. Thanks!**

PART 2: WE NEED YOU TO SELL ITEMS!

This section focuses on **how to sell your stuff** at our Auction. We really do need **you** to bring items to sell that evening.

Do you have some extra specimens from collecting sites that are now closed? Maybe your garage or basement holds buckets of decent specimens that will never again see the light of day? Could one of your spare "dust collectors" become a prized specimen for a beginning collector? Wouldn't you rather earn a few bucks from your unused lapidary equipment than to have it just end up in the scrap yard someday? Whether a collecting veteran with museum quality material, or someone who just wants to make a little room on their collection shelf or workbench, you can make a few extra dollars by bringing your rock-related items to sell at our Auction Sale.

After receiving some helpful suggestions from last year's auction, we've tweaked the rules a bit in order to improve the sale by getting a better distribution of material from all Sellers out onto the tables, and keeping the Sale moving. As always, your constructive suggestions are welcomed!

Listed below are the basics of How To Sell at the Indian Mounds Silent Auction:

1. Anyone may sell items in the Silent Auction, including Club members, visitors, or someone who just found Grandpa's old rock hammers in the attic. Items should be hobby-related, or else approved by the Auction Chairman or Club President. All non-member Sellers must pay the minimum \$10 Club membership fee in order to sell their items. If not pre-paid, then the \$10 fee will be automatically deducted from the sales commission check by the Club Treasurer.
2. Commission Fee: 20% of your total sales automatically go to the Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club, and all sales money will be collected at the Auction by the Cashiers and Club Treasurer.

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Dave Lehker shows Aaron S. and Larissa S. how water shows off rocks!!!

3. Payment to you for your sold items will be calculated by the Club Treasurer the week after the Auction, minus the 20% commission and any fees, and then a check will be mailed to you afterwards.
4. Indian Mounds Club members do not have to pre-register to sell items in the Silent Auction. Just show up with your items! Any non-members selling items must register at the Auction with the Club Treasurer, and leave your name, address, and phone number, if you want to receive payment.

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5. Every item for sale must have an approved Bid Slip with it. Only the current version of the Bid Slip may be used. We cannot guarantee payment to you if an older version is used.
 6. Blank Bid Slips are available online to print from the Club's website at: www.indianmoundsrockclub.com. Bid Slips will also be available at the Auction.
 7. Valid Bid Slips must have an item description, plus a minimum bid price, and the Seller's name filled in. If an item's Bid Slip does not have a legible Seller name, it is considered to be 100% donated to the Club.
 8. **IMPORTANT:** Unless you are part of the official Set-Up Crew, please don't come before 6:30 pm. **Between 6:30 and 6:45 pm ONLY, Sellers may place only one (1) item per table** along with its Bid Slip directly onto the Sales tables, if there is sufficient space. All other sale items, along with completed Bid Slips, must be dropped off in the Sale Staging Area for placement by Auction workers. This policy allows Sellers an opportunity to get their highest priority items onto the sales tables.
 9. ONLY authorized auction workers are allowed to stay in the Sale Staging Area and to re-stock sales tables. Once the Auction starts, Sellers are not allowed to put their own items onto sales tables. We are trying to be fair to everyone who brings material to sell.
 10. Security: Although the Club does take some security measures during the sale, if you have an item of special security concern (for example, a small faceted gem), you are urged to keep an eye on your own such items, or to make special arrangements with the Auction Chairman.
 11. Sellers, please take your unsold items home with you immediately after the Auction. We will try to save any unsold material, but we cannot guarantee that it will not get lost, damaged, or donated. Any leftover items are considered abandoned, and may become property of the Club, for disposal.
 12. Any bidding or selling disputes are settled immediately by the Auction Chairman.
- Here are a few selling tips for improving your chances of a successful sale: Give your sales items a good cleaning or dusting, so that they look their best. For slabs and lapidary rough, rubbing with a bit of mineral oil really brings out the colors. Fill out your Bid Slips at home, so that you don't miss out on precious sales time during the Auction. Having a detailed item description, including its source, greatly increases its value. Price your items reasonably; a low starting price often sparks interest and competitive bidding, resulting in a higher sale price. Get to the Auction early to get your items quickly ready to sell. Volunteer to help out wherever needed, because more help means a smoother Auction -- and happy bidders! Happy bidders mean happy Sellers!

Yes, you can be a successful Seller. Tidy up your collection or workshop, sell off some unneeded hobby items, and make some easy cash in the process. It's that simple! The Silent Auction Sale will be advertised locally and online; so, with gobs of buyers coming, all we need are your items to sell.

NOTE TO SELLERS: Sellers will not be allowed to linger in the Sales Staging Area. If your Bid Slips are not completed ahead of time, you will have to fill them out in the Kitchen Area across the hall. Also, there will be a Special Items Sale Table available for items with a Minimum Bid of at least \$25. A copy of a blank Bid Slip is available at www.indianmoundsrockclub.com. **See you at the Silent Auction! -- Ed Krzeminski, Auction Chairman**

Don't forget to wear your new red IMRMC t-shirt!!! IMRMC patches for sale \$5.00 and if you don't have an IMRMC shirt, you are able to pick one for \$12.00.

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October Rock and Gem Shows

21-23—FORT WAYNE, INDIANA: Annual show; Three Rivers Gem & Mineral Society; Allen County Fairgrounds in 4-H & Home Loan Bank Bldgs., 2726 Carroll Rd.; Fri. 10-7, Sat. 10-7, Sun. 11-5; adults \$3, seniors \$2, students \$1, children free; Golden Show anniversary, dealers, demonstrators, kids' games, silent auction, touch 'n' feel table, door prizes, fluorescence room, speakers, displays; contact Michele Yamanaka, 4336 Charter Lane, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

21-23—INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA: Show; Indiana State Museum, 650 W. Washington St.; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 11-4; adults \$7, seniors \$6.50, children \$4; dealers, regional clubs, adult and kids' activities; contact Peggy Fisherkeller, Indiana State Museum, 650 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204, (317) 232-7172; e-mail: pfisherkeller@dnr.in.gov; Web site: www.indianamuseum.org

21-23—MASON, MICHIGAN: Annual show; Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society; Ingham County Fairgrounds Main Arena, 700 E. Ash St.; Fri. 6-9, Sat. 10-7, Sun. 11-5; adults \$3, students \$1, children free; Petoskey stone polishing, fluorescent booth, Touch and Feel table, demonstrations, door prizes; contact Roger Laylin, (517) 349-3249; e-mail: show@michrocks.org; Web site: www.michrocks.org

22-23—CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO: Show and sale; Akron Mineral Society, Summit Lapidary Club; Emidio & Sons Expo Center, [Gemboree] 48 E. Bath Rd.; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-6; adults \$5, seniors and students \$4, children \$1; dealers, door prizes, silent auction, lapidary demonstrations, gem mine, children's activities; contact Evelyn Tryon, 2028 Tallmadge Rd., Kent, OH 44240, (330) 673-9664; e-mail: gemboree76@yahoo.com; Web site: www.lapidaryclubofohio.org

22-23—GURNEE, ILLINOIS: Annual show; Wrap-N-Rock Gems; Key Lime Cove, 1700 Nations Dr.; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; free admission; door prizes, dealers, jewelry, opals, gemstones, wire-wrapped jewelry demonstrations, geode cutting, amber, fossils, minerals, quartz crystals, faceted stones, custom jewelry and cabochons; contact Gere Bunnell, PO Box 7584, Gurnee, IL 60031; (847) 336-1270; e-mail: gerewb@gmail.com; Web site: www.lakecountygemshow.com

29-30—EVANSVILLE, INDIANA: 45th annual show; Evansville Lapidary Society; Washington Square Mall, Green River Rd. and Washington Ave.; Sat. 10-9, Sun. 12-5; free admission; gems, jewelry, minerals, fossils, geodes, silent auction; contact Ruth Reisinger, (812) 424-7618

November Rock and Gem Shows

5-6—CINCINNATI, OHIO: Show; Intergalactic Bead & Jewelry Shows; Sharonville Convention Center-West Hall, 11355 Chester Rd.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; dealers, precious and semiprecious gemstone beads, sterling silver, findings, freshwater pearls, hand-blown glass beads, vintage beads, crystals, demonstrations, jewelry classes; contact Angela, (888) 729-6904; e-mail: angela.couch@beadshows.com; Web site: www.beadshows.com

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5-6—MIDLAND, MICHIGAN: 17th annual show; Mid-Michigan Rock Club; Midland Resort Hotel Convention Center, 1500 W. Wackerly; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; free admission; rocks, minerals, jewelry, fossils, Kids' Korner, fossil dig; contact Deborah Acord, (989) 430-4471; e-mail: jackdanred2@aol.com; Web site: www.midlandrockclub.com

5-6—STURTEVANT, WISCONSIN: Annual show; Racine Geological Society; Fountain Banquet Hall, 8505 Durand Ave.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; free admission; club displays, silent auction, rock identification, door prizes; contact John Lowman, 3223 Spruce St., Racine, WI 53403, (262) 554-5370; Web site: rgs-wi.tripod.com

Decks of "mineral" and playing cards are \$5.00. Also a beautiful agate book for sale also See the Westover's for pre-orders!!!

Agate Inside Out (Ottawa County)

Sunday November 20th, 2011 1:00 p.m. at the **Nature Education Center** at Crossing (Port Sheldon Township). From US 31, travel west on Croswell St. to West Olive Rd. Travel south on West Olive Rd. to the park entrance. The center is at the end of the park drive.
www.miottawa.org/parks for other park information.

Karen Brzys loves agates and is owner and curator of the Gitche Gumee Agate and History Museum located in Grand Marais, Michigan. Karen will begin the afternoon with a one hour program titled "Agates Inside Out" that she hopes will help you to "think like an agate." Karen will cover what agates are, how they formed, and how to look for them. The story will be told in a non-technical manner using photographic images that were taken by award winning photographer Tom Shearer. Directly following the program, Karen will hold a book signing for her new book Agates Inside Out that includes many of the images from her program. Copies of the book will be available for purchase for \$24.95. Karen will also display and sell some of her mineral art including agates, agate sun catchers, plates, night lights, and yard ornaments. The sale will end at 4:00 p.m. Revenues for the book and art sale will benefit the Nature Education Center and the Gitche Gumee Museum. There is no fee for the program; however, advance registration is required. Call (616) 786-4847 (There might also be vehicle parking fees.) For adults and older children.

Corrections in the September Newsletter- Sorry, I didn't notice on the front page that an "o" was left out on "Arrowhead". Since I copy this page for each edition I will make sure that it doesn't happen again. Also on an article by Anne and Rance Westover, I put the wrong year July - It's Yupper Time! July 11 - 15, 2011 and I put "2001". Thank you to all that keep me from spelling wrong.

Thank you to this month's contributions: Brad Smith, Nancy Spalenka, Eleanor Brummel, Ed Krzeminski, Bryan Brewer, Rhonda Leep, and Anne & Rance Westover.

Thank you **ALL** for helping to get this newsletter to win the 2011 Bulletin (New) Editor's Contest from the MidWest Federation (MWF) and for winning 7th place from the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS). Now we need all of you to think how all of us will be able to win in 2012!!! Thank you also to NancyEd K. told our club that on the June 2011 Sale sold over \$2,600.00 in three hours (club took in a little from the sale)!!! Way to go!!! Also, in November our meeting will be about gypsm and who doesn't have this in your house? How many different types do you think will show up at our next meeting? Until next month.... Donna

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