

Summit Gem June 2019

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Mission Statement

To afford the opportunity to share interest in lapidary knowledge and working techniques



Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, June 4th at 7pm
At the Quirk Center
1201 Grant Street, Cuyahoga Falls



Program: Alan & Rachel from Breathworks

Host: Bill Maki

Dues: Joining fee \$25 then \$48 per year

President's Message – by Becky Kosco

A man goes into a restaurant, sits down and starts reading the menu:

Broiled Accountant	\$ 5.95	per plate
Fried Engineer	\$ 7.95	per plate
Toasted Teacher	\$ 7.95	per plate
Grilled Lapidarian	\$25.95	per plate

The man calls a waiter over and asks, “Hey, why does the Grilled Lapidarian cost so much more?” The waiter says, “Are you kidding? Do you know how hard it is to clean one of them?”

Summer is here and it's time to get out and get dirty – collecting or just enjoying our favorite past times. Though we don't have meetings in July and August there are plenty of activities to enjoy.

The Summer Picnic for SLC is Saturday July 20th from Noon-5pm. For the second year it will be held at Galt Park in Cuyahoga Falls. The club provides the meat, buns and beverages. We ask you to bring something to share. It's always a good time.

There are classes continuing throughout the summer. The classes already scheduled will be listed in the newsletter and any others will be on the calendar at the clubhouse. There will be a return visit by Ron Miller of William Holland fame to teach wire wrapping. Noreen Miller just taught a wonderful Fold Form Bracelet class and has another class scheduled in June. If there is something you want to learn or you want to teach a class then just talk to Dave Macseoinin. Check the calendar at the clubhouse and see if something interests you.

The first half of this year we have been getting some necessary repairs done including electrical and lighting updates. Thanks to Guy Kotch for installing the emergency lighting and for bringing all the fire extinguishers up to date. I appreciate everything that gets done to help maintain our clubhouse!

Doug Shorter our Librarian has inventoried our library and organized it to utilize the new bookshelves. It is so much easier to see what is there – and what resources are available. Thanks to everyone who helped – Sandy, Tom McLaughlin, Guy and Becky.

Last month's meeting at the Polish American Club (PAC) went smoothly. Our speaker Jerry Hartung coined a new phrase "chain mail fraud". Jerry must have enjoyed himself because he joined SLC that night! We need to get him to teach some classes. I hope everyone was pleased with this location. I would like your feedback.

That's all for now. See you in September! - Becky

Summit Lapidary Club, May 7th General Meeting – Respectfully Submitted by Laurie McElroy, SLC Secretary

Becky Kosco, presided at the Polish-American Club.

John Dombrosky, SLC Member, and representative and Sgt at Arms for the Polish-American Club, brandished his sword and thanked us for meeting there. He also invited everyone to any of their many fish fries & activities & to become a Social Club Member.

Thank you to Deb Matcyszyn for hosting tonight.

Visitors, David Macseoinin: Welcome to Selena Surrarer, Jen Alverson, Kiera McCormick, & Kaylie Helwig.

Classes, Dave Macseoinin: 5/19 Beginning Silver with Dave Macseoinin. 5/22 Beginner Wirewrap & Intermediate Wirewrap with Ron Miller, guest instructor. 5/21 Fold Formed Bracelet with Noreen Miller. 6/11 Bronze Metal Clay with Noreen Miller.

Club Secretary will be unavailable for the next Executive Board & General Meetings & Laura Thomas volunteered to take minutes.

Treasurer, Nancy Halloran: Dues are overdue.

Sunshine, Mari Takai-Manley: 5 cards going around today. David Frazier is recovering from gall bladder surgery. Pat Powers has completed a chemo regimen & tumors are shrinking & disappearing! John Tryon is recovering from a stroke & will go home from rehab on Thursday! Mark Manley is having more tests for his difficult-to-diagnose tinnitus & balance issues. Cathy Lee had more intense surgery than expected & has begun chemo & has a good attitude. John Dombrosky is having hip replacement surgery.

Gemboree, Guy Kotch, Mari Takai-Manley, Evelyn Tryon: Very nice turn out. Thank you to all who helped. Thank you to all who had display cases. Our next Gemboree is October 26-27. Flyers & 8 x 11 posters are printed and available for you to start setting out & posting in windows. Laurie McElroy read a list of how much each area brought in. Totals after expenses & club checks will be available soon. Carolyn Dumpke reported that a little girl was trying to resell stones she got at the Gem Mine. A suggestion was made to consider a re-entry stamp at the side door for smokers. That will be taken to the Board.

GeoJrs, Evelyn Tryon: April was a field trip to Virginia Kendall with the Akron U Geology Dept. Small turnout because of rain, but educational & interesting. There were 7 GeoJrs display cases at the Gemboree. They were evaluated by a National level judge. Two vendors rewarded them with treasures. North American Minerals gave each 2 different mineral specimens. Prehistoric Apple, who are moving and will no longer be selling, set out 2 full tables of fossils for the kids to take.

Library, Doug Shorter: The entire library has been inventoried- thank you to all who helped. A list of missing books and the last person to check them out has been printed in the newsletter. If you are one of those people please talk

to Doug. We will try to do closer monitoring now. The new by-laws will have a better explanation of library use. The budget will be used to buy new materials, not necessarily to replace the old.

Property Maintenance: Guy Kotch has replaced or refilled every fire extinguisher. The vestibule light has been replaced. Emergency lights are on order.

Big Dig, Dave Rich: June 1, arrive there between 8:30-9 am. There are maps at the club. There will be a sign-up sheet at Nethers Farm on Dave's tailgate. SLC members must sign in to get the club benefits. This is how we know how much to pay Mrs. Nethers. Bring a covered dish for a tailgate lunch at noon. You must have safety glasses and close-toed shoes or boots. Can also bring gloves, buckets to carry rocks, rock hammer. The club hires a backhoe to dig us new holes. Ed won't dig if there are people in the hole! NO HOLE HOGS. No open toed shoes, flip-flops, shorts- flint is sharp. The club pays member's entry of \$7.50 plus your first 20 lbs. of flint. You take your bucket of flint to the porch to be weighed, and you pay for anything over 20 lbs.

Thank you to the by-laws committee: Becky Kosco, Doug Shorter, Dave Rich, Terry Coburn. The last revision was in 2014.

Ron Miller will be teaching another set of wire wrapping classes, by popular demand. Ron is an instructor at William Holland School of Lapidary Arts in Georgia, and lives near here. A beginner & an intermediate class will be taught on May 22nd. Each class makes two projects. \$25 plus cost of materials.

Bob Tucker brought in a large rock hoping for an ID.

Mark Morrow: Fantasia has invited us to a tailgate party June 15-16 to dig Kyanite in Farmville VA. It's 130 acres and about an 8-hour drive from here.

Motion to adjourn by Laurie McElroy, Frank Mack 2nd.

Speaker was Jerry Hartung, a master at Chain Mail. He has made chain mail pieces for several very popular shows and movies. Afterward he donated a chain mail necktie, that he made during our meeting, as a door prize.

Program for the Membership June Meeting – by Julie Fultz

Back to the holistic topic in June! Alan and Rachel from Breathworks in Richfield will be joining us to share about all things holistic! Bring your questions!

Class and Events for June – More details posted with the sign-up sheets at the Clubhouse

Saturday	June 1 st	The Big Dig at Nethers
Tuesday	June 4 th	Gemboree Meeting before monthly meeting at 5:30pm
Tuesday	June 4 th	Monthly Membership Meeting at 7pm
Tuesday	June 11 th	Bronze Metal Clay
Sunday	June 16 th	Beginning Silver
Sunday	June 23 rd	Wire-wrap beginner and Intermediate class with Ron Miller

3rd Weekend in June Torch Time

Saturday July 20th Club Picnic at Galt Park

Big Dig June 1st – by David Rich

Hello everyone SLC is having the Big Dig and pot luck picnic on June 1 at Nethers farm. The SLC board again has made this a free dig to club members. The club will pay for the mining fee and 20lbs of flint. SLC hires a backhoe that Mrs. Nethers approved to do all the hard work for us.

This also a pot luck picnic. The pot luck picnic has been a long tradition and I might say a very good one in the club. Don't forget your folding chair. We will meet at Nethers Farm 3680 Flint Ridge Rd, Hopewell, Ohio 48746 around 9 - 9:30am. I will have a sign in sheet PLEASE SIGN IN ...

SAFETY RULES

Safety glasses will be worn at all times, I cannot stress the importance of these words. Bring good gloves flint is sharp. **No open toe shoes no flip flops.** Again, a leather work shoe or safety toe shoe works great. Short pants are not advised either.

When the backhoe is digging you will GET OUT OF THE HOLE!

Did I mention-----> SAFETY GLASSES WILL BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.

When you go to leave Nethers farm. Take all your flint over to Mrs. Nethers porch. Mrs. Nethers will weigh your flint and subtract the 20lbs from your total weight. You will be responsible to pay Mrs. Nethers anything over 20 lbs. at \$0.50 lb.

C-Ya on down the trail

David Rich SLC Trustee

Wire Wrap Class – by Sandy Shorter

Last year we had one of the teachers from William Holland teach a class in wire wrapping. Ron Miller will be teaching a class at our clubhouse Sunday June 23rd. There will be a beginner morning class and an afternoon advanced class with a fee of \$25 per class plus materials. The signup sheets are at the clubhouse.

We will bring the signup sheets to the meeting at Quirk June 4th. They will list materials needed as well as a photo of the projects. We need a minimum of 8 people per class for Ron to teach this class.

2019 SLC Summer Picnic!

Though we don't have General Meetings in July and August our club has a Summer Picnic. We provide Burgers and Dogs and ask that you bring something to share. The date will be Saturday July 20th at Galt Park in Cuyahoga Falls from Noon -5pm. You may want a lawn chair to sit outside and enjoy the beautiful park like setting.

Gemboree Report – by Guy Kotch

Working on the next Gemboree! Evelyn has already gotten many contracts back for the Fall Gemboree. Checks have been distributed to both clubs from the proceeds.

I want to thank all who volunteered at the Spring Show! Without your help it wouldn't be as successful as it was. Also, thank you to Kristen Morrow for agreeing to be the back-up for Laurie McElroy (Gemboree Treasurer).

SLC Proposed By-Law Changes

Article III: Membership

As is:

Section 2. The family membership consists of member and spouse or one other family member of the same household, i.e. a son or daughter. Both members have all privileges, including the right to vote, hold office and use the lapidary equipment.

Proposed

Section 2. The family membership consists of two members of the same household. Both members have all privileges, including the right to vote, hold office and use the lapidary equipment.

Article VI: Officers

As is:

Section 1. The officers of the club shall consist of the President, Vice- President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. These four officers shall be elected at the December meeting and serve a one-year term of office, beginning in January.

Proposed

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Section 2. These five officers shall be elected at the December meeting and serve a one-year term of office, beginning in January.

Article VI: Officers

As is:

D. The Treasurer shall collect all dues, pay outstanding bills and take sufficient care to safeguard the funds of the club. The treasurer shall also notify any member delinquent in the payment of dues and notify the Executive board of this action. The treasurer will report the member's response to this action within 30 days.

E. Membership Chair – A board member position responsible for maintaining applications for membership, waivers and dues paid, and a list of membership. This chair will also work with the Gemboree Chair to maintain a list of members in good standing.

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Article VII: Executive Board

As is:

Section 1. There shall be one controlling body known as the executive board. This body shall consist of the four officers, three trustees, the immediate past-president and the editor of the club newsletter.

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Article VII Executive Board

As is:

Section 3

F. Act on or make recommendations regarding members who are delinquent in the payment of dues.

Proposed

F. Act on or make recommendations regarding members who are delinquent in the payment of dues, or any other "for cause" issues.

Article VII Executive Board

As is:

G. None This is an addition to the by-laws

Proposed

G. The Executive Board will create an annual budget, which will be submitted to the membership for approval in the October meeting for the following year.

Proposed SLC rule changes 5-19

- Removal of page of “Golden Rules”
- Add Library Use document to Rule book
- Add Member in good standing paragraph to rules
- Add Hydraulic press to the SLC Work Room Rules and Equipment Procedures

Member in Good Standing

Requirements to be a Member in Good Standing are as follows.

1. Current on membership dues.
2. Have worked for 4 hours in each in the past two Gemboree's that the member has been part of the club for.

Member in good standing status will only be revoked by vote of the Executive Board after consideration of the situation.

Library Use

1. Materials may be checked out of the library for a period of one month. Materials that are checked out will be due on the same date as checkout the following month i.e. checkout February 6 would be due March 6th. Item may be extended by one additional month by changing the sign out date on the checkout card (this must be done when the library is open).
2. The process for checking out materials is as follows
 - a. Place your name and checkout date on both index cards found in the card sleeve found in the materials to be checked out.
 - b. Place one card in the index box found in the library bookshelf under your last name. Keep the other card inside the card sleeve.
3. Process for returning materials to Library when the Library is open.
 - a. Remove the card for your materials from the index box.
 - b. Cross your name off both cards and return the cards to the card sleeve found in the materials that were checked out.
 - c. Return the materials to the proper section of bookshelves.
4. Process for returning materials to the Library when the Library is not open.
 - a. Place your materials in one of the drawers located on the floor under the display case that has a lock that is not locked and lock the drawer.
 - b. The librarian will check in your materials the next time the librarian is at the club.

OVERDUE MATERIAL

1. The Librarian will check the index for overdue materials
2. Materials that are overdue by more than a month will have the name of borrower the name of material and due date listed in the next club newsletter.
3. The individual will be assessed a fine of \$0.05 per day for overdue materials up to the replacement cost of the materials.
4. Any materials overdue by more than 6 months will be referred to the Executive Board for action.

General Information

1. Remember this library is for your use. If there is something you would like to see in the library, let the librarian know and we will see if it can be purchased.
2. If you have any issues with the library please contact the Librarian.

REFERENCE MATERIALS

Items marked as Reference Material are for use in the Club House only. They may not be removed and taken home.

2019 Metalsmithing Competition Submit by November 26th – by Jim Watson

Open to all members of Summit Lapidary Club only. Rules and guidelines for competition:
Use all elements of design. Workmanship will be graded so be neat. Use any metal you wish. For example, silver, gold, copper, brass or bronze. This is for fabrication only. (no metal clay, wirewrap or castings)

Novice level: Open to all members of 3 years of membership or less. Each piece must have at least one stone cut by entrant. No more than 3 pieces per entrant.

Advanced level: Open to all members over 3 years of membership. Work must have 2 or more stones with one stone to be cut by entrant. No more than 3 pieces per entrant.

All entries must be received by Jim Watson no later than November Board meeting November 26th (the last Tuesday of November). Prizes will be awarded at the December membership meeting. Awards listed below.

Novice level

1st prize \$100 plus one-year club membership
2nd prize \$50 plus one-year club membership
3rd prize one-year club membership

Advanced Level

1st prize \$100 plus one-year club membership
2nd prize \$50 plus one-year club membership
3rd prize one-year club membership

S.47 What is it?

S. 47: John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act became Law on March 12, 2019. Law: Pub.L. 116-9 Natural Resources Management Act Summary. This bill sets forth provisions regarding various programs, projects, activities, and studies for the management and conservation of natural resources on federal lands.

Specifically, the bill addresses, among other matters: • land conveyances, exchanges, acquisitions, withdrawals, and transfers • national parks, monuments, memorials, wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers, historic sites, heritage sites and conservation areas • wildlife conservation • helium extraction • small miner waivers of claim maintenance fees • wildland fire operations • the release of certain federal reversionary land interests • boundary adjustments • the Denali National Park and Preserve natural gas pipeline • fees for medical services in units of the National Park System • funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund • recreational activities on federal or nonfederal lands • a national volcano early warning and monitoring system • federal reclamation projects • Search-and recovery-missions.

In addition, the bill reauthorizes the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation Program, National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program, and Recreational Rockhounding. This change in the law has an effect on Public Lands in all 50 states.

Some of these legislative changes will and do have an effect on how and where Recreational Rockhounding activities may be accomplished. The bill (S-47) and the enacted law are 260 pages and too large to print here or to go into very much detail. However, just in California alone 118,653,020 acres of BLM-managed lands have been converted to wilderness areas including some areas near the Hauser Geode Beds. This land has no motorized access, but collecting may be allowed provided it can be collected without wheeled access or any mechanical collecting devices. The National Park Service managing Death Valley Nation Park and Joshua Tree National Park added 92,525 more acres where no Recreational Rockhounding is allowed and the USFS added 7,141 acres to existing wilderness areas. This land, most of which is removed from Recreational Rockhounding, equals over 185,551 Square Miles of Public land. There were some positive effects of the law in California. Six OHV areas were declared in the law and can not be changed by any future legislation, and several Wilderness Study Areas, (WSA) were removed and returned to public multipurpose usage, where Recreational Rockhounding is again temporally permitted.

The BLM has 2 years to create a Management Plan in which Recreational Rockhounding must be included as a recognized Recreational Activity or the Rockhound Community may lose access to these collecting areas. The fate of collecting lies in the hands of the Rockhound Community. If you are interested in learning about any of the Public land actions in your state or area, the bill (S-47) and law may be read at:

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/BILLS-116s47enr/pdf/BILLS-116s47enr.pdf>.

Sunshine News – by Mari Takai-Manley

- Rayannah who is a grand - daughter of Annette and Andy Long is graduating Buchtel High School in late May 2019. She is granted a full scholarship to a Catholic University in West Virginia. She is a beautiful, kind and active student, and her grandparents are so proud of her and her accomplishments. Many congratulations to Rayannah and all the best for her bright future.
- Annette Long is still struggling from her long recovery of her foot. Recently she took a week away from her work to help her recover better. We send our get-well prayers to her way.
- Cathey Lee continues treatments of chemotherapy. Her body was a bit struggling with a soft diet. So, her husband, Richard, bought her a powerful blender so that she could make soft food she needs to get strong. She maintains strong and positive attitude. We wish her well and send our prayers to her way.
- Pat Powers' wonderful test results made us all so happy. But what is the next plan? Can she have a break from the treatments? We can keep her in our thoughts and send our prayers to her way.
- John Tryon is home and continues his recovery. We hope he remembers his exercise. We wish him well, and send him our prayers to his way.
- This very morning (May 29th) I heard that one of our long-term member, Pete Sauricki, passed away. He suffered a stroke. We just saw him at our most recent Spring Gemboree with beautiful smile on his face. I always remember his smile. For a long time, he provided the silver and rocks. He was one of our 'old-time dealer' for the club. He loved and enjoyed this club. He was always ready to share and help with stories, rocks and silver.

His family members are in the process of arranging his funeral. We will miss him greatly. We send our deepest sympathy to all of his family.

Just a Quick Note ... – by Pat Powers

- There will be a Gemboree meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 5:30 at Quirk Center. Please bring your suggestions for improving our show. We would like all Chair Persons - Admissions, Display Cases, Silent Auction, Demonstrations, Geode Cracking, Gem Mine, Set Up and Tear Down, Security, Children's" Table, Hospitality, Mailings, Advertising and Publicity to attend...plus all other members interested in our GREAT SHOW should attend this meeting.
- We need a volunteer or volunteers to make a Xmas tree for the Akron Children's Hospital Tree Festival. We donate a tree every year. Until last year John Hite was creating our donation for many years and won several awards which are on display at the clubhouse. If you are interested let a board member or trustee know.

Nothing more to add see you in September!