

# Summit Gem November 5, 2019

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## Mission Statement

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

**Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, November 5, at 7pm**  
**Polish American Club of Akron**  
**Address 472 E. Glenwood Ave,**  
**Akron, Oh. 44310**  
**Ph 330-253-0496**

Program:

Hosts:

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

## **President's Message** – by Becky Kosco

“For a tree to become tall it must grow tough roots among the rocks.” – Frederick Nietzsche

We have a new venue for our SLC General Meetings. We will meet at the Polish American Club (PAC) of Akron the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm. The members of the PAC have really welcomed us and would like us to consider this our second home.

Hope to see everyone November 5<sup>th</sup>!

Another successful Fall Gemboree! Thank you to everyone for all the time and effort you contributed. The profit we make on the Gemboree is what we run our club with. Though your participation is required please know it is never taken for granted. A great welcome to Garry Getz our new Mineral ID specialist. Cathy Lee retired as our Gemologist, so Garry helped bring new direction.

October was a busy month getting ready for the Gemboree. We had several nights at the clubhouse to create mini gem trees and spiders to sell at our event. Honestly, I was disappointed in our membership's response to “All hands on deck”. I am grateful to those

that came and we had a good time. I don't know what contributed to the lack of interest. This is a money making opportunity for our club. If you are bored with what is being made/sold you are free to come up with new ideas. Take part and be heard!

Elections for SLC Executive Board will take place at the December meeting. Please contact Frank Mack if you are interested in any position. All positions are for one year duration. The year you serve on the Executive Board SLC pays your annual dues. Get involved if you want change.

Keep Rockin' - Becky

### Christmas Party

December will bring our SLC and AMS Christmas Party. This is one way the club thanks you for your time and efforts at the Gemboree and throughout the year. Join us for a night of fellowship, good food and of course "the game". The date is Saturday

December 21<sup>st</sup>. Mary Anne and David Rich always do an excellent job planning this event. Please plan on signing up at the November meeting. More information will be available at that time.

### **New Venue for our Meeting**

Though we have a new location we will meet the same date and time – always the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7pm. We will meet at the Polish American Club (PAC) of Akron, 472 E. Glenwood Ave, Akron, OH 44310. Phone is (330)253-0496. The members of the PAC are very excited to share their building with us. They will provide us coffee and water. We can bring food but our rental does not include use of their kitchen.

The PAC also wants to extend an invitation to everyone in our club to their Thanksgiving Dinner (covered dish) the Monday before Thanksgiving. They ask everyone to bring a nonperishable item (ie gift card) to donate to Summit County Veterans Service Commission.

The PAC has a Fish Fry every Friday 4:30-8. One of the best around! The bar is also open for Brown's and OSU games.

I hope everyone will be happy with our new location!

### Bylaws

The Bylaws were approved by the membership at the September meeting. Thanks to the help of our trustees David Rich and Tom McLaughlin and assistance of Doug Shorter we were able to get approval with the physical vote required. We had hoped to have the new bylaws available to hand each member when you renew your dues – but we will get them to you asap. Thank you again to my bylaws committee Doug Shorter, Terry Coburn and David Rich. We really accomplished some necessary updating of our clubs records.

Now everything is on line so future changes will be much easier.

Thank you to Dominic & PattiAnne Gionti for hosting.

Sunshine, Mari Takai-Manley: Our friend & newsletter editor, Pat Powers passed away peacefully at home on September 22. Condolences to her husband, Bob, and family. Cathy Lee is home, feeling much better & dealing with adrenal gland issues now. But husband, Richard, reported that they received a letter two days ago

stating that there was NO cancer detected in her last tests! Congratulations to Cathy & Richard Lee. Joyce Kish fell down some stairs & landed in the ER. Our new newsletter editor, Terry Coburn, ended up in the hospital last week with an e-coli infection. Happy birthday tomorrow to Laura Thomas & to Doc Dumke, and thanks to Laura for diving in & publishing the newsletter this week while Terry was out.

**Visitors**, David Macseoinin: Amanda & Ralph Weaver.

Classes, Dave Macseoinin: 10/3 Greeting Card Party with Theresa Ricks. 10/6 Polymer Clay, Advanced with Mari Takai-Manley. 10/8 Big Gem Tree with Laura Thomas. 10/22 Wire Wrap Hot Air Balloon with John Tryon. 10/15 Spider Night Workshop with Laura Thomas for Gemboree. 10/20 Beginning Silver with Dave Macseoinin. 12/4 Penannular Pin with Dave Macseoinin. 10/19 Rock Bagging for Gemboree.

**Newsletter:** Terry Coburn has accepted the position of Newsletter Editor. Deadline is Executive Board Meetings.

Treasurer, Nancy Halloran: Most expenses this month were for the saws upkeep. Dues for 2020 are \$48, if paid now get a discount at \$44. Everyone now needs to fill out an application with your dues, to update any contact information, please.

Gemboree, Guy Kotch: Decals, flyers & handouts are available tonight on the table. Rob has his laptop here- if you're having trouble with Sign-up Genius please see him tonight. We need more help for tear-down, & returning supplies to the clubhouse. Need Demos! We are bringing in a Mineral ID guy for both days, so if you have stuff you'd like identified, bring it to Gemboree. The Gemboree Committee decided to purchase an AED machine for Gemboree that will be stored at the club.

Machine Maintenance, Gene Willis: Guy Kotch researched and proposed buying a filter pump to recycle & reuse the oil in the saws. **Dave Macseoinin made a motion for the club to purchase the filter pump & filters, Mary Myers 2nd. Passed.** 24 for, 12 against. Gene Willis is putting magnetic signs on each saw with measurements & size chart of what size of rocks can be cut in that machine. Also the rocks cannot ride below the vise- the stones jam, ruin expensive split nuts, & may bend the blade. In addition, there will be an operations manual above the toolbox.

Building Maintenance, Frank Mack: It was reported that the outside of the shed needs some attention before winter. Frank painted it just 2 years ago & will see if it just needs hosed off.

Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair/ Artisan Craft Fair/ Members Only Sale, Laura Thomas: November 2, the weekend after Gemboree, at Quirk Center. Last year we had 55 vendors on 2 floors. Starting to get responses from last year's

vendors for this year. Members get a huge discount & first dibs on tables for themselves. This show is for us to sell. Please let Laura know tonight if you are interested in a table. If you are considering it let her know- this is not a commitment, but gets you in the loop. Volunteers are needed- 2 hour shifts, also soups & baked goods (with ingredients list attached) to sell in the Rockhound Cafe. Plan to vend, attend, shop & help, and support your local club & artisans.

**Motion by David Rich to pay the balance, with AMS, of the costs of the Christmas Party 2019. Lyle Jenkins 2nd. Passed.** Sign up ASAP, and payment is due by the December General Meeting (Christmas Cookie Night!).

### **Old & New Business:**

William Holland Trip: Discussion about other ways to subsidize trips nearer to home & classes that more people might be able to attend. Any member can propose bringing in an outside instructor, or making a local field trip. Hope that people who go to William Holland for an intensive week of learning, & other field trips will come back with an excitement to teach what they learned to the membership. **Motion by Mary Myers to subsidize the proposed trip to William Holland, Lyle Jenkins 2nd. Passed.** 61 for, 5 against.

**By-Laws changes approval by ballot, conducted by the Trustees. Need a 2/3 majority to pass. All passed.**

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Next month, November, we will begin meeting at the Polish- American Club. We can't always get the big room at Quirk, and the Polish-American Club are very excited to have us meet there.

Christmas Tree ornaments, Suzy Shoffner: Our decorated tree needs to be turned in to the Children's Hospital Treefest by early November. Please attend ornament workshops, and donate other pendants, made by you, to be wired to the tree.

GeoJrs, Rob Rothschild: Meetings the 2nd Sunday of the month. Volunteer to teach a subject or craft. We need more help at the Gemboree Children's Table, and the kids and their parents are there to help & to explain the program, so all you have to do is oversee & help visitors with their crafts.

The Golden Rules are listed in the Rules, Regulations, History and By Laws book.

Trip Applications for William Holland are available.

**Motion to adjourn by Lisa Troxell, Tom McLaughlin 2nd. Passed.**

Respectfully submitted by Laura McElroy, SLC Secretary

## Gemboree Chair Report November 2019

Well the fall Gemboree is over, I won't know how much we made yet, but our attendance was 1,984 people total over the two days. Not great but not bad. All of the dealers I talked to seemed pleased with their sales. Only minor problems. People need to sign up and work the show! We had some members that went above and beyond! I appreciate that because it causes less stress for me (trust me, I have enough). As members we have to keep in mind that by making money here we keep our dues low and affordable. I was very pleased with the Mineral ID man, Garry Getz. I had him ID 6 rocks of mine and two geods. I feel that he taught me more than I ever knew about these 2 geods, note to Sandy; next fall we may need to order notepads with our logo for him to use.

A big THANKS to all who worked and showed up for their shifts. We only had 1 call-off due to illness, that is to be expected, Just make sure to let me know so I can make alternate planes.

Guy

### **Classes:**

Polymer Clay Advanced with Mari 06/08 9am-12pm

Beginning Silver with Dave Mac 6/06 noon

Bronze Metal Clay with Noreen 6/11 6pm-9pm

Torch Time – third weekend of the month

Spring/Summer Auntie Laura Earring Extravaganza 06/22 9am-1pm

June 23, Ron Miller, William Holland Wire-Wrap instructor will be here to teach a beginner and then an intermediate class. Bring tools, minimum 8 people for class.

Torch Time 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the Month

### **2019 Metalsmithing Competition Submit by November 26<sup>th</sup>** – 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.

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

#### **Novice level**

\$100 plus one-year club membership

2nd prize \$50 plus one-year club membership

3rd prize one-year club membership

#### **Advanced Level** 1st prize

1<sup>st</sup> prize \$100 plus one-year club membership

2<sup>nd</sup> prize \$50 plus one-year

3<sup>rd</sup> prize one-year club

