

Summit Gem February 2016

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Mission Statement

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



**Monthly Meeting: Tuesday,
February 2nd^{at} 7PM
At The Quirk Center
1201 Grant Street Cuyahoga Falls**



Host: Everyone... Please bring in something to share.

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

President's Message – by Andy Carey

Good Day Everyone,

WOW! What a busy month at the club house. Between meetings and classes and just hanging out trying to take over the world, a lot of folks have been coming through the door! Awesome! A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to everyone who taught classes this month. You are what this club is all about - People sharing their time and experience. So much fun!

The club is there for you to use every Tuesday night and Saturday morning. Please come down and see what is going on. If you don't feel comfortable using the equipment, just ask, there are many, MANY, members willing to share in your experience working with the saws, grinders, and polishers. The only bad question is the one that goes unasked.

Our February meeting will be at the Quirk Cultural Center. It is "Pot Luck" so please bring an extra something to share.

See you soon, Andy Carey

Summit Lapidary Club, January 5, 2016 General Meeting - Respectfully submitted by Laura McElroy, Secretary SLC

Andy Carey presided.

Hostess: Thank you to Suzanne Shoffner

Visitors, David Macseoinin: Ryan Gagatz 2nd meeting, Bethany Kessle

Classes, David Macseoinin: 1/6 Polymer Advanced Caning with Mari Takai-Manley, 1/21 Beaded Bracelet with Annette Long, 1/31 Beginning Metalsmithing with Dave Macseoinin, & 2/9 Beaded Heart with Deb Salay.

Treasurer's Report, John Kerr: Financial report given. Dues of \$44 are due at or before the January general meeting, \$48 after that until the end of February when a \$25 late fee will be added.

Sunshine, Mari Takai-Manley: JoAnn Harrison is having cataract surgery on 1/19. Merry Ann McLeod-Wolf is having 3 surgeries this year, the first being in January.

Newsletter, Pat Powers: Extra newsletters are available for visitors. Email your email address to Pat if you'd like to receive your newsletter by computer & save us some money. slcnewsletter@aol.com

Gemboree, Bob Powers: Planning has started for the Spring Gemboree. Sandy Shorter is putting out ads already. Evelyn Tryon reported that the contracts are coming in. Any ideas for our 40th Anniversary Gemboree? Midwest Federation is having their Spring meeting at our clubhouse & will be visiting our Gemboree. Suggestion was made to have a poster contest display.

GeoJrs, Evelyn Tryon: Sunday at 1pm, two parents will be teaching. Tryons will be away on tour March, April, & May. Dave Macseoinin retired from GeoJrs at the end of 2015, but will still do field trips. We need SLC membership to volunteer to teach a craft- please talk to Evelyn about what you may be able to teach our kids.

Machine Maintenance, David Moore: Looks like everything is working, no repairs. Trim saw is temporarily down, but the new blade is on its way & it will be running in the next few days. Call David Moore or David Frazier if anything breaks down or isn't working correctly.

Property Maintenance, Frank Mack: Emergency phone in the basement.

Old Business:

David Rich- Everyone is invited to attend Mid West Federation meetings. We're all MWF members.

Mari Takai-Manley: The Agate trip banquet has been reserved. Accepting the rest of the payments by the March general meeting from members attending (\$50 down/ \$150 per person). If you haven't paid by the March meeting your spot may be given away. Agate Symposium is July 6-10.

New Business:

JoAnn Harrison: Motion to give honorary lifetime membership to Evelyn Green, Joe Spohn 2nd. Passed.

Pat Powers: Motion to reimburse \$50 to the meeting hostess if they request it. Amended by Laura Thomas: Motion to reimburse, with actual receipts, the actual amount spent up to \$50 to the meeting hostess if they request it. Joe Salay 2nd. Passed.

Noreen Miller reported that the website says meetings start at 7:30. Andy Carey will fix.

Andy Carey asked if anyone would like to enter the World Tumbling Contest by Feather River Lap & Mineral Society. Tim Antes won this competition a few years ago. Suggested that the club would sponsor paying someone's entrance fee to enter. No motion. No volunteers. Tabled. Think about it and talk to Andy if you're interested.

Andy Carey suggested we consider having a "Lapidary of the Month" honoring an active member each month, and with a year-end prize.

Mid West Federation Newsletter is advertising the Poster Contest we are sponsoring. Any youth up to 8th grade is eligible & does not need to be associated with any member. The contest has already started & ends April 16. Suggestions to post at the libraries & on facebook.

Bill Mackey: MENSA is offering their annual scholarship to any high school senior or person already in college, & adults going back to college also. Google "East Central Ohio MENSA" & click on "scholarship". Submit essay online. Regional & National Scholarships available.

Bob Powers reported that his neighbor, Rose Blue, is in assisted living and her large mineral collection is being sold by the piece. Near Southpark Mall. See Bob for more info.

Paul Glover Jr. is selling off equipment. There were pictures on the table.

MaryAnn Ferguson-Rich received a plaque from Garden Club to post at the club. We sponsor a garden spot each year.

See Jing Wang to order name tags.

Dave Macseoinin: Our t-shirt order is being printed tomorrow.

Dates to remember: 4/23-24 Spring Gemboree, 7/6-10 Agate Symposium Trip, 7/23 Club Picnic at Marty & KathiJo Lappin's, 12/10/16 Christmas party. Need dates yet for the Big Dig & for Fall Gemboree.

Motion to adjourn by Annette Long, Joe Salay 2nd.

SLC Board Meeting Minutes from January 26 by David Mac for filling in for Laura

- Meeting opened 7pm by Andy Carey
- Treasurer report: John Kerr, Property tax bill has been paid
- Gemboree report: Robert Powers, Slow time. Looking for help with postcards. Sandy Shorter doing well with advertising. Evelyn Tryon, Contracts for 30 dealers are in hand. Looking for ideas to help celebrate our 40th year of doing shows. Nancy Yeager is putting together a treasure hunt.
- Geo Jrs: Evelyn Tryon, Many new kids at last meeting. Kim and Rob are doing an excellent job with teaching the group. Project working on is building a mineral test kit.
- Machine maintenance: David Frazier, Trim saw is up and working. Going to purchase new expandable drums for the sanding room.
- Old Business: Try to work with a buddy when in basement. No one without a key to be left in building unsupervised.
- New business: Deb Salay asked if Evelyn Tryon had spoken to Cuyahoga Falls Elementary school contact about speaking in class. Evelyn has set up date. Andy Carey has been contacted by Granger Elementary School Science Olympiad to set up a speaker from the club. He will forward to Evelyn. Nominations for Lapidary of the Month. After the Jan. meeting a few people have expressed interest in participating in the World Tumbling Competition sponsored by the Feather River Lapidary club.
- Midwest Federation news: David Rich President, They are coming to our April show. All are welcome for their meeting on Saturday morning.
- Dates to remember: July 6th Agate trip, July 23rd Club picnic, Dec. 10th Joint clubs Christmas Party

John Tryon motion to adjourn, Frank Mack 2nd
Meeting adjourned: 7:41pm

Classes and Events for February – (more details regarding classes and events posted at the clubhouse)

Feb. 9, Wire Wrap Pendant with Deb Salay – see sign-up sheet

Feb. 16 at 6:30 PM, Mini Gem Trees for Gemboree Children's Table

Feb. 20, Poly Clay Advanced Caning with Mari Takai-Manley – see sign-up sheet

Feb. 27 at 9 AM, Mini Gem Trees for Gemboree Children's Table

Agate Trip News for this July by Mari Takai-Manley

For the 40 members who paid the \$50.00 down payment for the July Agate Trip, the rest of the fee for this trip (\$150.00) is due at the March meeting (Summit Lapidary). Please write your check for \$150.00 per person, payable to Summit Lapidary Club.

Gemboree News – by Bob Powers

The Spring Gemboree is fast approaching and will be here before you know it. Sign-up sheets will be out in March, so be sure to sign up early for your favorite activity.

This is the 40th year for the Gemboree, which started as an annual event then went to a twice a year format. For the first several years, the show was held at the Armory in Stow, but parking was an issue and the venue was changed to Emidio's Expo Center. I hope that one of the original or life members would write an article about those early years to let the rest of the club know more about the early history of the show. We would all like to hear more about those times.

Evelyn Tryon suggested that we set up a large poster-board near the entrance with pictures of the Clubs and the Show over the years. I think that's a great idea, and if you're interested in working on this, please let me know.

There are still plenty of other opportunities for support prior to the Show. These include the Min Gem Trees, Rock bagging, Postcard data entry, Name Tags and Silent Auction preparation. Since we will not have Terry Warner to handle the Silent Auction full-time during the Show, I'd like to have flats of material with prepared bid sheets ready in advance. That will significantly cut down on the need to write out bid sheets during the show. We also need support in slabbing rocks. As always, donations to the Silent Auction are greatly appreciated.

As is mentioned in the board meeting minutes above, the MWF delegates meeting will be held at the clubhouse on Saturday April 23. There will be several meetings that morning but the main meeting will start at 10 AM. That's also the time when we open the doors to the Gemboree, but I don't anticipate any real conflict between the two activities. I hope that interested club members take the opportunity to meet with the delegates and other members of the MWF. Let's "put our best foot forward" in hosting them at our clubhouse and give them a Show to remember.

Sunshine News – by Mari Takai-Manley

- Joan Harrison completed cataract surgery on one eye successfully on 19th of January. She is very happy because she can see things very well. Her doctor is also well pleased with the result. She is scheduled to finish the other eye this Friday. We wish her the same good result for this surgery as well.
- Mary Anne Wolfe completed her spinal surgery on January 15th successfully with a small complication that was taken care of by medication. She is home now recovering nicely. We wish her continuous and complete recovery so that she can be ready for another surgery to come. We send her many good wishes to heal.

Just a Quick Note From Me – by Pat Powers

Important reminders and notices:

- February 2nd meeting at:
Quirk Cultural Center
1201 Grant Ave, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223.
- Evelyn Tryon will be ordering material from EuroTool and ParaWire. If you need supplies please call her with your order or for more information at 330-673-9664.
- Be aware if there is a snow ban listed for Cuyahoga Falls on meeting night the current meeting is cancelled and automatically rescheduled for the following Tuesday. Check with the Cuyahoga Falls PD for weather conditions before you head out. 330-928-2181.

Nothing more to add. Bye and see you next month!