

# Summit Gem December 2017

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## Mission Statement

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



**Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7PM**  
**At the Quirk Center**  
**1201 Grant Street Cuyahoga Falls**  
**Host: Everyone Please Bring Cookies**



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

## **President's Message** – by Andy Carey

Good Morning Everyone.

During this time of year as the nights grow longer, for me it is a time of reflection. A time to look back and give thanks for all that has been given. I would like to give thanks to our wonderful teachers. I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered their time and energy to make this club a happy place to be.

Thank you! Andy

## **Summit Lapidary Club, November 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 General Meeting** – Respectfully submitted by Laura McElroy, Secretary SLC

Andy Carey presided

Meeting was held in a different room because of voting. Program prior to the meeting was by Pat & Bob Powers on Mt Ida, Arkansas.

Visitors, David Macseoinin: John Lovingood, Terry Coburn, Anthony Hoag, Ruenell Mouldin, & Carrie Lestlie.

Classes, David Macseoinin: 12/3 Beginning Silver, 12/9 Viking Knit, 12/19 Auntie Laura's Annual Holiday Earring Extravaganza (bring tools & friends)

Treasurer's Report, John Kerr: Reported. Dues are due, see the payment schedule in the newsletter.

Library, Doug Shorter: Sold all VHS tapes at the Artisan Craft Fair. Made space for new stuff! A limited-edition DVD on wire wrapping was donated. Three new DVDs have been purchased: one on mastering the flex shaft, one on 'stone on stone', and one on riveting & cold connections.

Newsletter, Pat Powers: 18 email copies sent & about 90 copies made. Always need good newsletter articles. Deadline is always the Executive Board Meeting.

Gemboree, Guy Kotch: Call for final receipts from the Fall 2017 show.

GeoJrs, Rob Rothschild: 22 signed up at Gemboree. Meeting this Sunday will feature Mike Knapp with a Petoskey stone polishing activity. Need volunteers to teach a craft or technique.

Machine Maintenance, David Moore: Last month the saws were cleaned. (Thank you to David Moore and thank you to the volunteers who helped.) Four of our saws are working. Parts have been ordered for the 5th.

Property Maintenance, Frank Mack: David Frazier relined and capped the chimney. The basement should no longer leak. The sewer has been cleaned out.

Artisan Craft Fair, Laura Thomas: 210 guests. Gave out 70 Rockhound bucks and 68 of those were redeemed. Thank you to all who helped.

### **Old Business:**

Christmas Party, Dave Rich for Mary Ann Rich: Sign up now, pay by December General Meeting. Member of 1 club= \$20 per, both clubs= \$10 per. Bring wrapped gifts for "the game". There may be a new twist this year! Cash bar. December 16 at St. George Antiochian Church on Ridgewood Road in Fairlawn.

Wendy Smale: Three weeks ago, she helped with the SLC display & info table at the Cleveland Natural History Museum, along with Dave Macseoinin & Andy Carey, for the Science and Archeology Family Day. They passed out flyers for the Gemboree, GeoJrs, and Artisan Craft Fair. She will volunteer to head it up next year & would like to encourage some more volunteers for what turned out to be a very delightful experience- and a free day at the museum! Maybe we can have a GeoJr table next year, too.

Guy Kotch: We put 2 new bull wheels on the grinder.

Kevin Kimble asked again about an exhaust fan in the basement. It's still being considered, however electrical is an issue that needs solved before a fan can be installed.

Dave Rich: The Big Dig went well with 36 participants. Good lunch, good weather, and all had safety glasses. Dick Hite said it was a good time & encouraged everyone to attend the next one.

### **New Business:**

Jo Ann Harrison: Thank you to Sue Shoffner for bringing all the supplies & sodas for this meeting. No one signed up to host. It's not a difficult job- get supplies from the club & bring them & some snacks for the meeting. Maybe make coffee. A new signup sheet is going around at the December meeting for 2018 hosts for each month. One person can do it, but it doesn't hurt to have more than one share a month.

Dawn Carey: Proposed a trip for 2018! Maybe September? A 2-day-drive trip to Arkansas or Georgia. David Frazier suggested 2 mines: Hog Mine for possible black tourmaline, beryls, aquamarines, amethyst and star rose quartz or Jackson Crossroads with great amethyst. Vote tabled until the December meeting.

Andy Carey: Saturday, 12/2 at 9am at the club, Tom McLaughlin's corner items will be auctioned.

Evelyn Tryon: Next T-shirt order will be in the end of November. Also mugs & bags all with pictures of gems or minerals on them. All \$15. Shirts still need picked up from the last order. You pay at delivery.

The December General Meeting will also be held in this room across from our usual room.

Visitors may visit the club on Tuesday evenings (except meeting night), or Saturday mornings until about noon. That's when members hang out and can show you around. Also, if members want to sign up for classes they can do that at the club & see what's available on the bulletin board.

Ron Maitland donated a faceted stone to our display case that he faceted, and scored 93/100 points on in the U.S. Faceters Guild, Single Stone Competition.

Nametags can be ordered by signing up at the club or talking to Jing Wang. They are ordered twice a year before Gemboree. Pay when ordered.

**By-laws changes being voted on tonight:**

Article VII, Section 3.A reads: The necessary disbursement of funds up to \$500.00 without membership approval. Add: "Such disbursements of funds will be reported to the membership during the next regular business meeting." None opposed. Passed.

Add an additional section to address materials donated to the club: "Donations of materials to the club will be handled in the following manner in the following order:

\*Kept by the club for club use.

\*Offered to ALL club members at a sale by the method determined by the Executive Board.

\*Offered for sale to the Akron Mineral Society/ membership.

\*Offered for sale to the general public by the method determined by the Executive Board (direct sale, consignment shop, etc.)."

One opposed. Passed.

**Motion to adjourn by Kristin Morrow, Joyce Kish 2nd. Passed.**

**December Classes and Events** more information listed at the clubhouse

December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sunday	Beginning Silver
December 9 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Viking Knitting
December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	SLC Board Meeting
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Christmas Party
December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Earring Extravaganza

**SLC Board of Elections**

**Attention!** The Summit Lapidary Club is seeking nominations for our Executive Board. Elections will be held at our December meeting. At that time, we will be electing all board positions, President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary as well as one Trustee position. All terms are for one year except trustee which is for three years. Frank Mack is our Nominations Chairperson. If you have any questions please feel free to ask any board member.

**SLC & AMS Christmas Party News** – by MaryAnn Rich

Time to sign up for the Christmas Party set for December 16, 2017. We are at a new location this year: St. George Fellowship Center, 3204 Ridgewood Road, Akron, Ohio 44333. \$20.00 per person, if you are a member of one club only, \$10.00 per person if a member of both clubs. Cash bar with hors d'oeuvres from 5:30 to 6:30, dinner at 6:30 PM. Beer and wine will be \$3.00 and \$4.00. Our party game follows dinner, please bring one or more wrapped small, inexpensive gifts to share. Make checks out to SLC and deliver to the treasurer or mail it to Mary Ann Ferguson-Rich, 1166 Broadview Road, Tallmadge, Ohio 44278. Any questions, 330-630-9625. Mark on the check how many people you are paying for.

NOTE: If you are vegetarian or have special dietary needs, please notify Mary Ann at least one week prior to the event and arrangements for your meal will be made. We will have some of our traditional favorites, including mashed potatoes and gravy and some new dishes. Please join us! (Payment must be made by the December cookie party meeting on December 5)

**Artisan Craft Fair Report, November 4<sup>th</sup> Show at the Quirk Center**

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual Artisan Craft Fair is in the books. We had approximately 210 attendees, more than double last year. We moved the show up from the third weekend to the first weekend of the month.

A Huge Thank You! To all those that helped get this show together – Gathering up supplies to take to Quirk, Shopping for Café food and drinks, kitchen staffers. Bakers and soup makers, Door prize table monitor, Rock Hound Bucks Designer. Very very Much Appreciated! We will be having a post-show meeting Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 6:30 pm for all Member Artisans and anyone else with ideas for the show. Thanks Again, all!!



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Auntie Laura's  
Annual Holiday Earring  
Extravaganza!!  
Tuesday Dec 19<sup>h</sup> 6-9pm

*Ok to bring one non-member Friend or Relative!*

Due to the ridiculous price of silver and gold, all findings are silver/gold-plated. Instructor is offering these items at COST - rounded to the nearest Quarter \$0.25.

**All Makers of Gifts for Yourself or Others are Welcome!**

Instructor Notes: Please Do Not participate if you plan on SELLING the completed items.

Workshops are to learn, have fun, and to socialize, not to profit from the generosity of club members. Please bring Wire Cutters, Round Nose Pliers, Flat Nose Pliers! Club tools supply is limited!! (keep going missing!)  
*That's my story and I'm sticking to it!*  
*Thanks for your cooperation ;-)*

**Reminder to Members, Club Due Renewal for 2018 Is Happening Now!** – by John Kerr

Summit Lapidary Club 2018 Dues Payment Schedule

	Amount to pay
Anytime in October, November, or December 2017 and up to and including the January 2018 business meeting. (\$4.00 discount)	\$44.00
After the January 2018 business meeting and up to and including February 28, 2018	\$48.00
March 1, 2018 and after. (\$25.00 late fee assessed)	\$73.00

**Sunshine News** – by Mari Takai-Manley

Nothing new to report for December Sunshine News. Happy Holidays to Everyone!

**Just a Quick Note...** – by Pat Powers

- Club Dues are up for renewal - see John Kerr for payment. Nothing more to add. See you next year!