

Summit Gem June 2017

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Mission Statement

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



Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, June 6th at 7PM
At The Quirk Center
1201 Grant Street Cuyahoga Falls



Program: Rachael Smith, Metals Artist
Hosts: Mari Takai-Manley

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

President's Message – by Andy Carey

Good Day!

I hope everyone had a good time at the Auction in May. I hear the club was able to make a few bucks, enough to pay to have digger Ed at the BIG DIG! Thanks!

I would like to take a moment to thank Bob Powers for being our Gemboree chairman. Bob has decided to step down and get some new blood involved running the show. Since my wife and I joined the club, Bob is the only show chair that we have known. Much credit to Bob for the way he has grown our show. The team that he has assembled is doing a marvelous job with all the behind the scenes preparation. With our two shows Bob and the Gemboree committee have a YEAR round job. So all we, as members, have to do is sign up, show up, and work our time. It always runs so smooth! Much thanks and appreciation for making our show one of the BEST in the state. Big shoes to fill for our next Chairperson. Hey Bob, if you are not doing anything next year I hear there might be a few Board positions opening up.....

Speaking of, in December we are having our elections for our Executive Board, President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and one Trustee will be available. If you are interested, or have any questions pertaining these positions please come to a board meeting to see what we do! Our meetings are scheduled the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. We do not meet in June or July.

In this month's newsletter is a small questionnaire, please fill it out and bring to the meeting, or drop at the club. (Questionnaire on page 6)

Thanks, Andy

Summit Lapidary Club, May 1st 2017 General Meeting – Respectfully submitted by Laura McElroy, Secretary SLC

Andy Carey presided

Thank you to Laura Thomas and Deb Salay for hosting.

Visitors, Dave Macseoinin: Mark Cunningham, and Erin Coss.

Classes, Dave Macseoinin: 6/4 Beginning Silversmithing with Dave Macseoinin, 6/18 Metal Workshop- bring your own project, facilitated by Dave Macseoinin. Guest instructor, Drake Collins, will be teaching Chain Maille classes over the weekend of 8/19-20.

Treasurer, John Kerr: Reported, & brought new membership rosters.

Sunshine, Mari Takai-Manley: Paige Frazier, daughter of David Frazier, graduated from high school. Julie Greer, daughter of Ellen & Mehmet Berisha, is suffering with MRSA. Andy Carey's broken foot is healing after surgery. Marty Lappin had neck vertebrae surgery.

Library, Doug Shorter: New DVD on using the rolling mill. Annette Long brought 2 very nice opal books donated by Gail Streeter, one of our Gemboree vendors. Gail also donated big boxes of plastic silverware.

Newsletter, Pat Powers: E-mail copies are available. Please sign up to get your newsletter by e-mail.

Gemboree, Bob Powers: Another successful Gemboree, despite nice weather. Jenn Shernitt, Silent Auction Chair, requested donations of "rock boxes". These can be eclair boxes or potato salad plastic boxes, or similar. Evelyn Tryon, Dealer Chair, reported that every dealer wants to be at our Fall Gemboree. Eight dealers have already paid for Fall. Fall Gemboree flyers are available to start distributing. Suzanne Shoffner thanked the Advertising people for doing an excellent job. Laurie McElroy, Gemboree Treasurer, requested that all final receipts be turned in within the next week, or wait until the next show to be reimbursed. Gemboree meeting 6/6/2017 at Quirk Center at 6pm, before our regular meeting

GeoJrs, Rob Rothschild: Sent e-mails to 50 new contacts from Gemboree. This month's meeting will be held on the 3rd Sunday instead of the 2nd Sunday which is Mother's Day. A field trip is being planned for Penn-Dixie Fossil Park in New York, about 2 hours away. They are having a "dig with the experts" weekend over Memorial Day weekend. If you'd like to go with the GeoJrs, contact Rob Rothschild.

Building Maintenance, Frank Mack: All good.

Old Business:

The saw being replaced is being auctioned off by sealed bid, which can be turned in to any Executive Board member. Bids start at \$500. Winner will have one week after the sale to remove it.

New Business:

There is a new local rock shop, Momma's Rocks, in the Cuyahoga Valley.

Mr. Tolling of North American Minerals needs to be sent a thank you note for his donations to the GeoJrs at Gemboree.

Motion to Adjourn by David Frazier, Sandy Shorter 2nd.

The meeting was followed by the auction.

Respectfully submitted by Laura McElroy, Secretary SLC

Program for the June Meeting – by Dave Frazier

For June's meeting, Rachael Smith will be our speaker. Rachael taught Metalsmithing and Design at KSU last year. She will be bringing great pieces of jewelry art that she designed and fabricated and I've asked her to bring in and give some insight into the design process. I have seen pictures of her art and am excited to see it in person.

Classes and Events for the Month of June (see club calendar for details)

June 16th Folded formed Bracelet
June 18th Metalsmithing workshop
June 20th Woven Bracelet
June 24th SLC & AMS Summer Picnic at the Lappin's House
July 10th Tree of Life
July 16th Flint Ridge – meet at clubhouse at 8:30 AM
August 19-20 Chainmaille

SLC and AMS Our Summer Picnic will be on Saturday, June 24th

Location: Kathi Jo & Marty Lappins House, 2520 Myersville Rd., Uniontown, OH, 44685

Time: 1pm till ?

Club will provide: Meat and Beverage

Bring: Side dish or dessert, chair

Thanks to JoAnn Harrison for being the lead. We will be looking for volunteers to help clean and set up on Saturday June 17th. Thanks in advance!

Directions from club house to Lappin's 2520 Myersville Road Uniontown, Ohio 44685

Get on Route 8 south towards Akron

Go through Akron route designation will change to 77 south

Exit Route 77 at Arlington road exit

Turn left onto Arlington Rd.

At Killian Rd turn right.

Continue on Killian Rd to Myersville Rd.

At Myersville Rd. turn right

Destination will be on right Look for the sign SLC PICNIC

Gemboree News – by Bob Powers

The Financial summary for the Spring 2017 Gemboree is completed and will be presented at the follow-up Gemboree meeting. It will be held at 6 PM at the Quirk Center before the Summit Lapidary Club meeting. By way of summary, the income numbers are similar to 2015 when we had about the same number of attendees. After setting new records for the last several shows, this may seem a little disappointing to some, but overall it was a very good show thanks to the support of all the members.

Agenda items for the Gemboree meeting include a review of the financials, discussion on increasing income to offset the increased expenses, and voting for a new show chairman. Guy Kotch is running for Show Chairman and is, in my opinion, well positioned to take over responsibilities. If anyone else is planning to run for show chairman, please let me know in advance so that I can prepare ballots. Let's all stand behind the new Show Chairman! He deserves support from everyone.

ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR, Saturday November 4, 10 am to 4pm – by Laura Thomas

Start thinking about getting a table at the Artisan Craft Fair this year. This is a Craft show where the Only Vendors are members of the Summit Lapidary Club. You must be a member in good standing, current with dues, worked the Gemboree in order to participate.

If you have never tried to sell your creations, or are a seasoned vendor, this show is pretty good. We have door prize raffles, concessions, and this year we are actively adding More Advertising!!! including WKSU 89.7 FM. We have moved the show date to early in November, a popular Saturday for Craft shows. We are hoping the combo of more advertising and a more popular show date will draw for customers!

Anyone interested in getting a table, helping out by working concessions for a couple hours, see Laura Thomas. Flyers will be available at the club soon. We can also use suggestions for advertising. Two members can also Share a table. The table fee remains at \$ 10.00 per table.

Metalsmithing Competition 2017

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 Dave Macseoinin no later than November Board meeting November 23rd (the last Tuesday of November).

Contest Prizes

Beginner's 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

Prizes will be awarded at the December membership meeting.

Sunshine News – by Mari Takai-Manley

- We have two more new graduates from high schools this May: Guy Kotch's daughter, Danica Kotch from Cuyahoga High School and Skeeter and Joyce's granddaughter, Michaela Macko from Wadsworth High School. Michaela's parents are Tina and Cy Macko. Michaela plans to start the NeoMed program this summer at Kent State University. Congratulations to both for completing high schools! Good luck with your bright futures.
- Andy Carey started back to work today (May 30th). He said his foot was sore, but he was walking on his own without any help of a walker or cane. Good for him! His foot is healing well enough for his doctor to give permission for Andy to go back to work. Congratulations Andy-san.
- We hear that Marty Lappin is recovering through a lot of pain with his spinal surgery. Marty, we hope your recovery is a speedy one, and that your sense of humor is helping you out in the process.
- We heard that Cat Bennington went through a surgery. I remember that she was planning one in relation to her stomach area. I have not gotten details from her yet. I hope that she is doing well. I will find out more.

Just a Quick Note... – by Pat Powers

- Dave Macseoinin - Okay! For all the newbies, I've planned this trip to Flint Ridge on Sunday July 16th. Meet at the clubhouse at 8:30 am and do not fuss out who's driving. We will be carpooling. Away we go at 9:00 AM. Arrive at Flint Ridge around 11:30AM with one comfort stop at Micky D's in at the I-70 interchange. (the last flush toilet.)

Nothing to more to add. Bye and see you in September!

Summit Lapidary Club 2017 Questionnaire

Thank you for being a member! In order to provide for your continued growth as a lapidary artist we have a few questions we would like you to answer. Please bring to the next meeting. Thank you!

Is the Summit Lapidary Club meeting your expectations? If no, what can the club do better?

Are you willing to teach classes? If not, why? If yes, what classes are you willing to teach?

Should the club pay for training of instructors, in order to provide quality classes?

Are you happy with our club house? If not, why?

In order to continue our clubs growth would you be willing to move?

Are you a member of The Akron Mineral Society? What are the benefits of having separate clubs?