



MICHIGAN GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY OF JACKSON

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Dues are payable & due March 25th of each year.

Family is considered as all members living under same roof. Adult: \$15.00 Family: \$20.00

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Jerold Day, Phillip Fox, Ralph King

\*\*\*\* Charter Member \*\*\*\*

Clarence Owens

General Meeting – Dec 10th 1pm

\*\*\*\*\*No BOARD MEETING \*\*\*\*\*

PROGRAM:

Christmas Potluck; Rocko Broken Bow, Oklahoma Dig Place: Leoni Township Hall

COMING EVENTS

THIS MONTHS' ACTIVITIES: Jan. 12th 1-4pm crafters Polymer clay

Dec 10 General Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting were waived.

President's Report: As I bring this term to a close I want to thank everyone for a splendid time. We have had a lot of good times, we have dealt with challenges and we did it all together! I am so pleased to know that this club will be here for our grandchildren.

On to business, as of election time, we still do not have a secretary or an assistant treasurer. We need active members in place to carry on the business of the club and it is fun too!

I am looking forward to being the ex-officio and watching the young folks, like Ron and Linda carry on the traditions of the Michigan Gem and Mineral Society. See you all at the next meeting. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to one and all! Dan Hovater

Treasurer's Report: Additional data was given to Doug Atkins, CPA for the 1023 filing for the 501C3. The Raffle license certificate came and was given to Betty Heath.

Sunshine Report: Michelle Schumacher's grandmother and Ron Schumacher's mom died. A card was passed around for members to sign thanking the township for the use of the hall. Cookies were purchased and left in the kitchen with the card.

Liaison Report: It will cost approximately \$7.00 for members to buy a t-shirt. A survey was conducted and members signed up for two different designs and noted the colors they preferred and the sizes they would need. Interested members should contact Sally about additional t-shirt colors and sizes.

One of our members is in need of a scooter chair. Sally is willing to donate one but requested assistance for buying batteries. The club elected to use the 50/50 drawing money to donate toward the batteries needed.

Field trip report: Lori brought samples of crystals that were found in Oklahoma. Sally brought a CD on the exploits of Cephis Hall but tabled the showing of it until next month where it could be properly shown and discussed. The area they dug at is now closed off.

Show: Signup sheet was passed around. We still need YOU! If you have some time, there is still slate rock to break up and to do prep paint for kid's activities, and tree forms on bases. Most likely, we will do work at the Hoskin's in Grass Lake; or if you need to stay in town, Mike Hoover's on Randolph St.

Election of officers was waived as there were no opposing candidates:

2012 President: Linda Rutan

2012 Vice-President: Ron Bacon

2012 Secretary: open

2012 Treasurer: Lori Tsutsui

2012 Editor: open (If one is not found, newsletters maybe done only quarterly by Dan and Lori.)

2012 Assistant Treasurer: open

2012 Liaison: Sally Hoskin

2012 Webmaster: Mike Nation

If anyone is willing to fill positions or assist, please contact Linda Rutan.

Directors: Thurman Estep, Betty Heath, Pat Huebner

50/50: \$49 was in the pot and \$24.50 won by Thurman Estep. He elected to donate his portion to the battery fund.

Next meeting was tentatively set for January 14, 2012 at Leoni Township Hall, second Saturday; 1 pm.