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### President's Message

The big news this month is obviously the show. It is easy to give John Capuano credit for all of the time and energy that he has put into the show again this year, but every time I see anyone try to thank him he simply reminds them that it is a huge group effort. Nonetheless, he has done a beautiful job organizing that effort, so I am going to thank him. I also want to thank all of those who have helped organized dealers, volunteers, those who have spruced up the showcases and those who are helping with hospitality.

As most of you know, our show is our single largest revenue generator most years, so it is very important to the financial health of the club as it allows us to do what we do for our members, for the community, and for the scholarship funds that we support. There has been an email sent out, there are fliers available, the website has been updated. Please use these tools to invite friends, family, teachers and whoever you can think of to come out and check us out. Between your help with invitations, and all of the hard work that everyone has put into and will put into the show, I'm sure it will be a great time!

See you at the show!

Tonia Wallace, President

### September Meeting

The presenter for September will be Elizabeth Cole who will show rock hunting pictures.

### Announcements:

There will not be a Fossil Fest this year. The park has had staff changes and there is talk of moving the festival. Watch Rocky Reader for updates.

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### Show News:

Volunteers schedule: Please check below for your volunteer slot(s).

Key - Th= Thursday ,F = Friday, S = Saturday, Su = Sunday

Name	Volunteer job day, hours
Trish Beasle	Geode Cracker Su 3-5
Diane Bieber	Touch& feel all days except F 4-6, S 2-4 & Su 1-3
Paula Brown	Admissions S 2-4, Kids games S 2-4 (Savannah)
Carla Burleson	Admissions Su 11-1 , S 12-2 extra
Mike Cloatier	Geode cracker S 4-6
Sandy Collins	Raffle F 4-6 Admissions S 2-4 & 4-6,&Su 1-3 & 3-5 Tear down Su
Gwen Day	Admissions F 2-4 & 4-6
Ron Dover	Admissions S 10-12
Tina Dover	Admissions S 12-2 Kid's games S 10-12
Ben Drake	Kids games Su 11-1
Su Drake	Admissions S 12-2 Admissions Su 11-1
Greg Feight	Club sales all day F
John Fleitz	Set up Th noon - 5
Marcia Fleitz	Kid's games S 2-4
Diana Frantz	Touch& feel all days except F 4-6, S 2-4 & Su 1-3
Fritz Gehring	Geode Cracker Su 3-5
Elie Ghanime	Set up Thurs set up Fri Tear down S
Amberlyn Gillis	Kids games Su 3-5
Sally Gyebnar	Gem trees S 2-4
JoLynne Hall	Raffle F 4-6
Angie Har	Kid's Games Su 1-3
Jennifer Heer	Geode Cracker Su 1-3
Jerri Heer	Setup Th
Deb Hoffmaster	Admissions F 4-6 & 6-8
Diana Holt	Geode Cracker S 12-2
John Hull	Kid's kits s 2-6 Kid's games Su 3-5
Betty Jones	Gem trees Fri S & Su
Lucette Jones	Kid's games S 2-6
Terri Jones	Touch & Feel Su 1-3
John Kalinoski	Kid's Games Sa 12-2
Lyn Kalinoski	Raffle S12-2
Ruth Karmol	Kid's games S12-2
Nancy Klear	Raffle S 2-4, admissions Su 3-5
Penny Larson	Raffle all days except F 4-6 S 12-2 & 2-4, Su 12-1
Jim Leslie	Touch & Feel F 4-6
Cristina Loar	Gem Trees F 2-4
John Maiani	Kids games F 2-4 Geode Cracker F 4-6 & 6-8
Linda Maiani	Kids games F 2-4 Kids Games S 10-12
Mike Mayers	Raffle S 12-4 & Su12-2 & 2-5
Joe Motter	Club sales F & S all day
Leah Munoz	Kids games Su 3-5
Donna Neely	Extra Su 3-5
John Oberhouse	Touch & Feel Su 1-3
Paul Pasternak	Geode Cracker F 2-4
Kathy Petersen	Admissions F 6-8 & S 4-6, set up Th
Pete Petersen	Truck & set up Th take down Su
John Polkinghorn	Geode Cracker S 2-4

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Lucas Polkinghorn	Geode Cracker S 2-4
William Polkinghorn	Geode Cracker S 2-4
Kristi Reuille	Gem trees all day F, S & Su
Patti Ross	Extra F 2-4 & S 12-2 Raffle S 2-4
Linda Scharer	Raffle all days except F 4-6 S 12-2 & 2-4, Su 12-1
Amy Schoenfeldt	Admissions S 10-12 Kid's games S 12-2
Audrey Senghas	Gem Trees all day S
Stephen Shimatzki	Set up Th Extra S 2-4, Su 1-3
Suzanne Shimatzki	Kid's Games S 12-2, Su 1-3 Extra S 2-4
Harry Snodgrass	Geode Cracker F all day S 10-12 & 12-2 Su 11-1 & 1-3
Kent Snyder	Geode Cracker Su 11-1
Shirley Stieb	Admissions F 2-4 Gem Trees F 4-6 Extra S 12-2
Susan Szempias	Raffle Su12-1 Gem Trees Su 1-3
Jonnie Taylor	Kid's Games Su 11-1
Martha Twining	Kid's Games Su 1-3
Bonnie Wheeler	Club sales all day F, S & Su
Jeff Wheeler	Club sales all day S, Su

### **Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club Meeting Minutes**

Date: August 19, 2015

Thomas Bridgeman, Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences at the University of Toledo presented a program on the Microcystis blooms in Lake Erie

Meeting started 810 pm with Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Report – moved for approval by Tom Marok seconded by Amy Shufeldt

Treasurer Report – Finance Report moved for approval by Tom Marok and seconded by Jim Leslie

**New Business** – The garage required and exterminator as it was discovered in July that ants were causing a problem. Thanks to Pete and John Capuano for cleaning up branches and underbrush around the garage per the exterminator's recommendation.

**Old Business** – none to report

### **Group Reports**

Gardens: Please call Nikki at 419-536-5592 to volunteer for the fall plant sale

Gemcrafters: See Rocky Reader for dates

Faceteers: Contact Elie if you have interest in a class in September

Metalcrafters:

See Rocky Reader for dates and information for meeting dates. Due to low attendance, notify moderators of attendance. (see below Metalcrafter section)

October 17 & 18, 9AM Anodizing Workshop (4 openings)

Beaders: three more months then break for the winter

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Extreme Beaders: See Rocky Reader for dates

Juniors: No meeting in September Next Juniors: October 25<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm

Sunshine: No news to report

Membership: 42 members and 1 junior

September - Membership dues renewal \$16.10 single, \$21.45 family  
Please complete form that will be in the Rocky Reader and submit with payment

Field Trips: none planned

Show:

Please volunteer at the show – thanks

This will be the last year for the banner to be hung because Edison will not allow use of the poles in the future.

Donations are needed for the Scholarship Raffle and need to be rock and gem related. Thanks! Anyone who wants a case for the show needs to email or call Nancy Grove - see the 2015 Directory for contact information.

Steve is working on kids kits This will be John Capuano's last year as Chairman.

RockyReader: (Lyn) - Email info to Lyn by Monday following the meeting.

September program Elizabeth Cole will show rock hunting picture Refreshments: Shirley Stieb and Nancy Grove

The meeting concluded at 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Mayers, Secretary

## GROUPS

### BEADERS

Monthly Beaders have resumed. Contact Nancy if you are interested..

### EXTREME BEADERS

Extreme Beaders continue to meet on the weekly schedule, Tuesdays, 9-5, at the Craft Center. Extreme Beaders attendees should be able to work independently and have their own projects, materials and supplies. New attendees interested in Bead Embroidery should contact Shirley Stieb or Kathy Petersen for a materials list, and to schedule initial instruction, if necessary. Extreme Beaders are often working on Thursday afternoons, during Open Gemcrafter days. If interested in beading or instruction during these times, check with Shirley Stieb or Kathy Petersen to verify that beaders will be working that week.

### FACETEERS

Faceteers have regular meetings the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at the craft center. Please contact Elie if you have questions.

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## **GEMCRAFTERS**

A BIG THANK TO JOHN CAPUANO AND ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS WHO GIVE FREELY OF THEIR TIME AND TALENT TO ENSURE THAT "THE BIG SHOW" IS A HUGE SUCCESS!!

We are in preliminary discussion regarding the acquisition of a vertical lap machine. Vertical laps are flat diamond impregnated metal wheels mounted facing the machine user. The machines allow for easy flat finishes to cabochon backs, surface finishing of book ends, face polishing of display pieces, pyramids and other decorative shapes.

OPEN CUTTING HOURS: Wednesday evening 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Thursday Noon to about 4:00 pm. (Closed the 3rd Wednesday each month for the club meeting).

Your Gem Crafter Moderators

Bonnie Wheeler Natalie Hill Greg Feight Chet King

## **METALCRAFTERS CLASSES**

The following schedule is a listing of upcoming classes. To enroll, please make a check out to the Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club and send it to Debra Hoffmaster, 950 Michigan Ave, Adrian, MI 49221

**October 17&18. 9AM.** Anodizing Workshop with Bill Seely. (2 openings) Over the course of two days we will learn the basics of anodizing titanium & niobium with Bill Seely, the founder of Reactive Metals Studio. This workshop is underwritten with proceeds from the Metalcraft auction.

## **METALCRAFTER MEETINGS**

The metalcrafters will meet by appointment on September 6, 10, 20 & 24. Sunday meetings are from 1:30-3:30. To confirm your attendance at a Sunday meeting, e-mail or call Deb Hoffmaster 24 hours in advance. Thursday meetings are from 6:30-8:30. Thursday meetings do not have skill instruction and participants must be able to work independently. To confirm your attendance at a Thursday meeting e-mail or call Kathy Petersen or Shirley Stieb 24 hours in advance. Please note: if you have not confirmed your attendance, you may show up and have no one there. Participants must pay the \$2.00 session fee, and wear long pants and sturdy shoes (no sandals).

**Ring emphasis for the 2015-2016 metalcraft year.** We are going to try something different for the September-April metalcrafter meetings. Each month, we will assist you to make a different ring. September's ring will be a simple addition of a ring shank to the "basic pendant" design. Subsequent months will feature different designs, with the ability to work on the design at any of the four meetings during the month. People who have not completed the basic pendant will be able to substitute the September ring design. People who do not wish to participate may still work independently during the regular meetings.

Participation in this activity is open to anyone who has completed the basic pendant class OR anyone who completes the first (September) ring design. There is no fee for this activity, but participants must supply their own stones and metals. A complete list of the year's projects is available by contacting Deb Hoffmaster ([debhoffmaster@gmail.com](mailto:debhoffmaster@gmail.com)).

We are a collaborative group. We expect that members have their own materials and sufficient experience to work independently. If you are new to silver work, please register for the basic pendant class on March 21. If you are new to the group but have previous experience please e-mail me ([debhoffmaster@gmail.com](mailto:debhoffmaster@gmail.com)) to arrange orientation during a scheduled meeting.

If you are new to the group but have previous experience please e-mail me ([debhoffmaster@gmail.com](mailto:debhoffmaster@gmail.com)) to arrange orientation during a scheduled meeting.

**RockyReader:** deadline is Monday after the meeting for all material. Please send any news, changes to classes or announcements to [editor@rockyreader.com](mailto:editor@rockyreader.com).

**Events From Chetty King's Table:**

**September 11-13** TGRH annual show, Stranahan Great Hall admission, Fri-2-8pm, Sat 10am-6 pm, Sun 11am-5pm. Please come and support your club and the vendors who are part of our show.

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**Thelma Postlewaite's  
Family News**

**September Birthdays:**

7	Mona Archer Chester King III
10	James Markowiak
12	Kahil Haynes Karla Haynes
13	Randy Hendrickson Jeffrey Archer
14	Chet King Jr Paul Pasternak
15	Alan Holcomb Skyelar Raiti
16	Marsha Mruk
17	Shelly Luettker
19	Tina Dover Nancy Grove
22	Zachary Huff William Polkington
25	Tierra Raiti
28	Meg Barnhizer
29	Ruth Karmol Pat Motter
	<b>Don't forget to check your Driver's License.</b>

**September 18-20** Holland Mi, Tulip City Gem and Mineral Club show, Civic Ctr FMI 616-393-9307 or cistaror@mail.gvsu.edu

**September 19** TBG Fall Plant Sale 10am-4pm

**September 19-20** Howell Mi Livingston Gem and Mineral Society Hartland Support Service Ctr FMI 810-241-8801 or camber459@gmail.com

**Oct 9-11** Michigan Mineralogical Society annual show, McComb Community College FMI mmsgeograves@hotmail.com

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**Reynolds Corner Library Display**



**Rosford Library Display**





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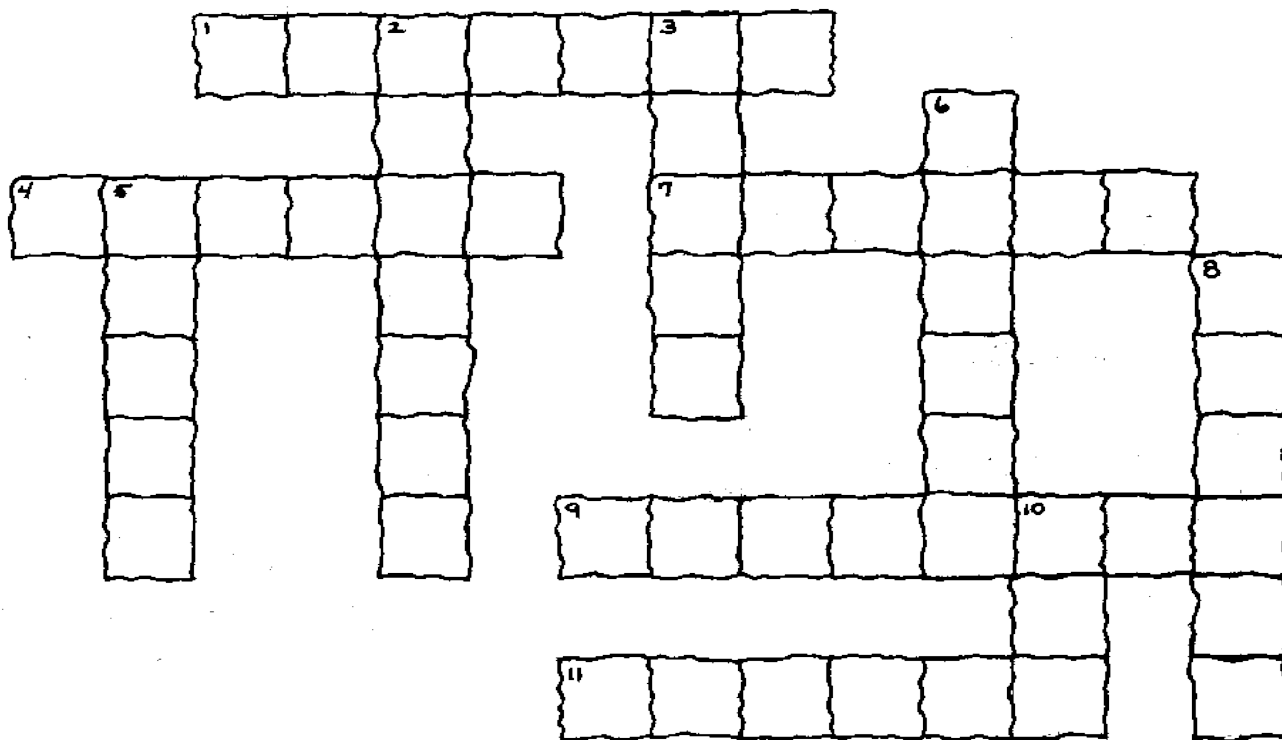
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## Mineral Crossword Puzzle – From August Mini Miners Monthly\*



### Across

1. A blue mineral named after a word which means *blue*.
4. A red variety of the mineral *quartz*. It can sometimes be yellow, too.
7. Also known as “Fool’s Gold.”
9. This mineral contains the element *fluorine*. It comes in many colors.
11. The mineral name for *salt*.

### Down

2. Also called “Television Stone.”
3. This mineral can form crystals weighing hundreds of pounds.
5. A variety of *quartz* with many colors and patterns.
6. This mineral is used in photography and chemistry. It can form long wires.
8. A very heavy mineral with metallic luster. It is an ore of lead.
10. This mineral melts above 32 degrees Fahrenheit.

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**TGRH Club Annual Membership Renewal Form.**

Memberships expire at the end of September each year. You may turn in your renewal at the show or the September club meeting. The club policy is that all membership renewals are due in September regardless of when you join throughout the year. If you are not going to be able to make it to the show or meeting, please use the renewal form below and mail your renewal. Renew today to maintain your member privileges. This is the last newsletter you will receive if you do not renew by the end of the month.

**2015-2016 Membership Renewal**

↗ **Individual \$ 16.10**      ↗ **Family \$21.45**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Changes (if any) to directory information:**

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Please Make Checks out to:  
Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club  
Mail to:  
Pete Peterson  
3558 Brookside  
Toledo, OH 43606

**Please include this form so Pete knows who has paid.**

**Junior Members (ages 6-17), list name & ages / Birthdays**

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\*Price shown includes Lucas County, Ohio Sales Tax of 7.25%

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## Faceting workshop

October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Initial theory class	Oct. 03-04
Follow-up for actual cutting*	Oct. 10-11
<i>*Follow up may change</i>	Oct. 17-18
<i>Based on craft center availability</i>	Oct. 24-25

Due to the amount of faceting machines we have at the club, the faceting workshop used to be limited to a maximum of five (5) peoples only, the changes I made will accommodate as many as the room will take and that is usually about 10 to 12 persons.

The work shop will be divided into three or four weekends depending on the amount people subscribed for the class, the first weekend is only theory therefore we will not be restricted to the five faceting machines, the actual faceting will be scheduled on weekends Saturdays and Sundays for five people at the time, by implementing this change, each student will benefit of four days workshop instead of the regular two days we previously had, therefore you will learn more and you should be able to complete a faceted stone in two days (2<sup>nd</sup> weekend).

However, in order to keep up with expenses and be able to buy new faceting machines and diamond laps for the club, the cost of the workshop will be \$95.00 per person, all material included; this is a very small fee considering a similar workshop will cost well over \$1500.00 and you will have to bring your own faceting machine.

PLEASE NOTE: \$2.00/person will be paid each day for the club rental fee to TBG.

This workshop is designed for **club members only**, in order to have hands-on faceting without the cost attached to it by using the club equipments. The faceting machines are Chet King's machines and thanks to him we are able to give the faceting workshop to our club members; after taking the workshop and you think that you like and enjoy faceting, you can invest in buying your own faceting machine and equipments, on the other hand if you don't, all it will cost you is \$95 plus your time.

The next faceting workshop will be in Oct. 3 - 4

Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Sunday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

If you are interested please send a confirmation email to [eg.therockman@gmail.com](mailto:eg.therockman@gmail.com) ASAP for first come first serve basis. (You can also pay me at the upcoming club show)

Please make your payment by check to the Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club (re: Faceting workshop) ASAP to book your spot.

Please note: If your name is on the list but you did not pay the fee, the next person pays the fee WILL take your spot if no more room left. A minimum of 10 people is required to initiate the workshop.

Thank you,  
**Elie Ghanime**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
		1 Extreme Beaders 9am	2 Gemcrafters 6:30-9pm	Gemcrafters 12pm	4	5
6 Metalcrafters by appt	7	8 Extreme Beaders 9am Faceteers 7pm	9 Gemcrafters 6:30-9pm	10 Show set up Gemcrafters 12pm Metalcrafters by appt	11 Show	12 Show
13 Show	14	15 Extreme Beaders 9am	16 Meeting 7 pm	17 Gemcrafters 12pm	18	19
20 Metalcrafters by appt	21 Beaders 6:00	22 Extreme Beaders 9am Faceteers 7pm	23 Gemcrafters 6:30-9pm	24 Gemcrafters 12pm Metalcrafters by appt	25	26
27 Juniors No meeting	28	29 Extreme Beaders 9am	30 Gemcrafters 6:30-9:00pm			

Group meetings and classes at the clubhouse are for members only. Our club meetings are at the TBG Crosby Conference center, 5403 Elmer Dr. Toledo and are open to the public on the third Wednesday of every month. To learn more about our club, visit us during our Open House held every May and November.



  
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