

Rocky Reader

Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club Craft Center 2453 Tremainsville Rd Unit B, Toledo, OH 43613

TOLEDO GEM & ROCKHOUND CLUB CRAFT CENTER • CLASSES • WORKSHOPS



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From the Desk of the President

As I'm writing this, I'm looking out the window at the rain and dreary weather. I won't let it get me down, instead I'm making plans to attend all the fun classes and events we are having this month. We are delighted to have Erik Rintamaki for our speaker at the Wednesday, March 15th meeting. Erik is better known as the "Yooperlite Guy".

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**Leather w/
Copper
Bracelet Class**
March 18th
12pm-3pm
Sign up Now!



**Weekly Work
Sessions**



1

**CLUB
MEETING**
March 15th
6:30pm

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LEATHER
Bracelet Class
March 18th
12-3pm

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**JUNIORS
MEETING**
March 18th
3:00-5pm

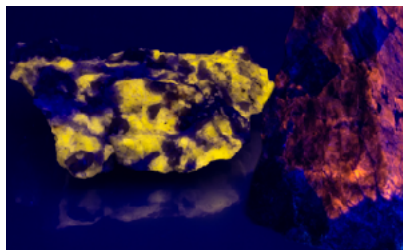
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From the Desk of the President (cont.)

He discovered Yooperlites on the shores of Lake Superior. There will be a meet and greet with Erik at 6:30pm. He will have various fluorescent lights and Yooperlites for you to check out before his speech at 7pm. Hope to see everyone there.

Thank you Joanna and Sarah for taking the time from their busy schedules to teach classes in February. Everyone had a good time. We had new members join as a result of these classes. Sarah will have another class on March 18th. Class size is limited so hurry and sign up before it's too late.

At the February meeting, we chose a theme for this year's show. It is "Treasures Unearthed". This is a fun theme because we know everyone is a treasure hunter always on the lookout for that special rock or mineral.



Fluorescent
Sodalite
"Yooperlite"

We will distribute the scholarship money to UT and BGSU at the April meeting. We should be proud of the amount we raised from our raffle sales at our show last year.

Happy Spring!

Diane Bieber

quartz1tgrc@gmail.com

"Treasures Unearthed" is the theme for this year's show. Keep your eyes open for new club swag!

Make-n-Take Classes: We are having another leather with copper bracelet make-n-take class this month. Sarah Speer is the instructor. This class will be Saturday March 18th 12-3pm and space is limited so contact Michelle Grigore as soon as possible to reserve your spot. Flyer and info included in this newsletter.

Check the website calendar to make sure the class or work session has not been cancelled, especially if Lucas County calls for a Level 2 emergency.

Happy St Patrick's Day



March Birthstone: Aquamarine, $\text{Be}_3\text{Al}_2(\text{SiO}_3)_6$, a variety of the mineral beryl. Beryl generally forms inside granites as magma (molten rock) cools deep inside the Earth. Beryl comes in many different colors, ranging from clear to the deep green of the stones we know as emeralds. Aquamarine, though, is usually blue-green in color due to the presence of iron within the mineral's structure. Less desirable yellow or clear aquamarines can be heat-treated to produce the vibrant blue-green hue.

What's Up In The CLUB?

www.rockyreader.com



Organizing is already underway for the Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club's September 2023 show and advance publicity is being planned. First order of business was to create a slogan or show theme for the event. Club President Diane Bieber sent out a call for ideas to club members challenging them to come up with a theme for this year. A prize for the winning entry was promised. Members enthusiastically responded with 18 different ideas, which were shared and voted on at the February club meeting. The final choice selected by the members is "Treasures Unearthed," submitted by Jim Novak.

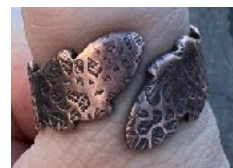
Jim explained his inspiration. "Since the gems, minerals, crystals, and even the metals we cherish and use to make our treasures are all mined from the Earth, 'Treasures Unearthed' seemed to sum it up nicely." The prize of \$20.00 was given to Jim, who promptly donated it back to the club.

Thanks to all who participated and shared their many clever ideas. This can be seen as proof that the club's creativity isn't limited to crafting outstanding gems and jewelry!

Beaders met Monday 2/27/23 12-2pm with 5 in attendance and we learned how to wire wrap an oval cabochon with 18 gauge and 20 gauge round copper wire in a simple, no-swirl design.



Metal Crafters were busy with classes and work sessions last month. We had 3 well attended textured ring forming classes with Joanna Toepfer and a sold out leather and copper bracelet class with Sarah Speer. Work Sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays produced some fun finished pieces including flame painted titanium cuffs by Kiara. Please send photos of your finished projects to Kealy for publication on social media or in our newsletter.



Submitted by Jim Nowak



Upcoming Rock Show Events



**50th Annual
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HOURLY RAFFLE PRIZES & DAILY GRAND PRIZES

Sponsored by: **THE ROAMIN CLUB**
Auction Benefits Schoolcraft College's
Roamin Endowment Fund &
Tom Williams Scholarship Fund

Mar. 4 - Mar. 5, 2023
Saturday 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sunday 12:00 NOON - 6:00 PM

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
VistaTech Center
18600 Haggerty Rd.
Livonia, Michigan

For Information Contact: Todd Gail 313-548-5800 or Charnice Sterling 313-544-4401
Website: <https://www.rockmineralsociety.com>
ROAMIN Club is sponsored by Lumber Park & Raceway

**Rock & Mineral
Auction**

March 4-5, 2023
Saturday 11-6
Sunday 12-6

Schoolcraft College
Vista Tech Center,
18600 Haggerty Rd.
Livonia, MI

Hosted by
The Roamin Club to benefit a
Schoolcraft Scholarship Fund
www.rockmineralsociety.com

**Eastern Indiana Gem & Geological Society
Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry
SALE & SHOW**

Friday, March 3, 2023
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday, March 4, 2023
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday, March 5, 2023
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Admission:
Adults: \$5 / \$6+ : \$3
Kids: \$1 / under 7: free
Scouts in uniform: free

Kuhlman Center • Wayne County Fairgrounds • 861 Salisbury Road N • Richmond, IN

Chicago Rocks & Minerals Society's 72nd Annual Silent Auction

Plus a Special LIVE Auction of High-end Specimens During the Last Half-hour!
Rocks, Minerals, Fossils, Geodes, Jewelry, Books, Magazines and Lapidary Treasures

Saturday, March 11, 2023 ~ 6 to 9 p.m.

St. Peter's United Church gymnasium, 8013 Laramie (at Oakton), Skokie

First table closes at 6:30. Fun for the entire family. Free admission and free parking.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, contact Jeanine Mielecki, 312/623-1554, jeanine9@aol.com
Like Us on Facebook ~ Chicago Rocks & Minerals Society • <https://chicagorocks.org>

Michigan Gem & Mineral Society Annual Show
March 17-19, 2023

Just DIG It!

Times:
Friday 10am - 7pm
Saturday 10am - 5pm
Sunday 11am - 5pm

Cost:
Adults: \$4.00
Seniors: \$2.00
Students: \$1.00
Veterans are Free on Friday

Kids Activities **We ROCK!** **Silent Auction**

Kesley Park - Jackson Oak Fairgrounds
American One Center
280 W. Casson Rd. - Jackson, MI

Dealers:
Archives Rock Shop
Dave's Curvies
Earth Prospecting
Harris Gems & Minerals
Jude Rocks
Mammoth Rocks
M&M Minerals

Displays
Demonstrators

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Friday & Saturday: 10am-6pm Sunday: 11am-4pm

Gems - Minerals - Crystals - Pearls - Jewelry - Crafts - Beads & More

**Gem Jewelry Mineral
Expo 2023**

March 3, 4, 5

Sharonville Convention Center
Downstairs
11355 Chester Road
Cincinnati, OH 45246

\$6 Admission
(12 & Under FREE)

\$1 OFF with this AD

April 1-2, 2023: Sat. 10 AM-6 PM & Sun. 11 AM-5 PM

Mineral, fossil & gem dealers with treasures for sale from around the world ♦ Silent auctions
Speakers ♦ Lapidary demonstrations ♦ Educational exhibits ♦ Free specimen ID ♦ Gold panning
Door prizes ♦ Just for kids: silent auctions, junior geologist fossil dig, games & activities

Ohio Expo Center-Rhodes Center, 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus OH 43211

Same location, new building: From I-71 take exit 111, go west. Building on north side of 17th Ave. Parking \$5

Adults (16+) \$7, Seniors (60+) \$6, 2-day pass \$12, Youth (6-15) \$3, Under 6 FREE

FREE: Scouts & 4-H in uniform, Teachers with school ID, Military with ID

Please note: Tickets are available at the door; **cash or check only**. Credit/debit cards cannot be
accepted for admission or silent auction purchases but our vendors can process credit/debit cards.



Sponsored by the Columbus Rock & Mineral Society

We are a non-profit organization and the only family-oriented, educational rock show in Central Ohio that welcomes
children. All show proceeds benefit scholarships for Ohio earth science majors. We invite you to come and
explore the exciting world of geology as a family. Learn more at www.ColumbusRockAndMineralSociety.org.

Dealer contact → Craig Kramer 614-436-4511 or show-info@ColumbusRockAndMineralSociety.org

Bring in this flyer for \$1 off adult & senior ticket prices. One discount per ticket.

**KALAMAZOO ROCK AND
MINERAL SHOW**

May 5, 6 & 7 2023

Kalamazoo County Expo Center
2900 Lake St. Kalamazoo, MI

KalamazooRockClub.org

GEM CRAFTER WORK SESSIONS

SATURDAY 10-3PM

MARCH 11TH & 25TH

CHECK THE ROCKY READER CALENDAR
FOR SCHEDULE UPDATES

MODERATOR: SHERM KARDATZKE
STEVE STALKER RESUMING THURSDAY
CLASSES BEGINNING APRIL 9

METAL CRAFTERS

TGRC METAL CRAFTERS FEBRUARY 2023 WORK SESSIONS

METAL CRAFTER OPEN

WORK SESSIONS-

TUESDAYS NOON-3PM

WEDNESDAYS 5-8PM

SAT 3/4, 3/11, 3/25 NOON-3PM

METAL CRAFTER WORK SESSIONS- NO EXTRA COST IF
YOU BRING YOUR OWN MATERIALS. \$2/HR FOR MEMBERS
TO LEARN AND CREATE IN OUR METAL CRAFTING STUDIO.

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BEADERS

The art of connection

Monday 3/27/23

12pm-2pm

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No experience
necessary
Contact Kealy for
more info

Extreme Beaders

Tuesdays 10am

Work independently in a friendly group

Moderators- Kathy Petersen
Shirley Stieb



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Leather bracelet class with jewelry embellishment

Saturday, March 18th 12pm-3pm

Class fee \$20 members, \$25 non-members

Instructor: Sarah Speer

Noon-3pm

Students will learn how to solder and rivet copper jewelry components to a leather cuff. All materials are provided for the class fee. Taught by Sarah Speer, you will make and take home a nice gift for yourself or a loved one. Space is limited, so sign up today by contacting Michelle Grigore mgrigoretgrh@gmail.com at least a week before class. Samples of Sarah's work are shown below:

March
18th
12-3pm



LEATHER BRACELET CLASS WITH SARAH SPEER



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JUNIORS?

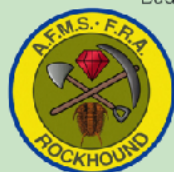
MARCH 18TH 3-5PM



FLUORESCENT
MINERALS

TGRC Juniors

Future Rockhounds of America
Badge Program
AGES K-12



ROCK SWAP ~ TRADING POST

*BRING ONE TO TRADE, ONE TO POLISH, ONE TO REFINE



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families welcome!

CONTACT KEALY GODDALE
FOR MEETING INFO
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Make Your Own Pendant

with Michelle Grigore
METAL CRAFTERS
LEARN SILVERSMITHING TECHNIQUES
USING CABOCHONS



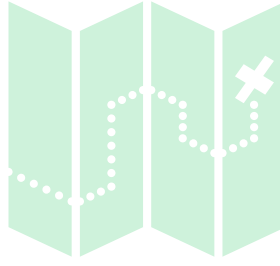
Make your first pendant class: Students will learn how to cut metal, make a bezel and back plate, solder, polish and set a stone. There are two parts to this class; the first three-hour session is scheduled by contacting instructor Michelle Grigore at mgrigoretgrh@gmail.com at least a week before the first session. The second session to finish and set your stone will be scheduled at a convenient time for instructor and student. Members pay \$45, non-members \$55. All materials provided to complete a small sterling silver pendant with a polished gemstone cabochon.

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First Pendant Class April 1st 11-2pm

Sign up deadline March 25th

Field Trips



Geode Exploration and Hiking Devils Backbone Crawfordsville, Indiana Weekend of May 13th and 14th

Explore if you dare!!

This one is for the **fit and fearless.**

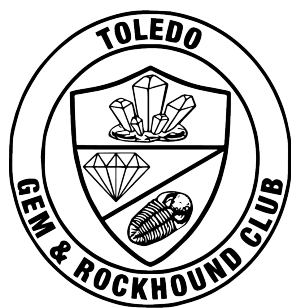
Keep an eye on our Facebook Group
“Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club” for
links, maps, and meet ups for this trip.

More information can be found on
www.hikingproject.com

Google search “Devils Backbone Indiana” and when the website of fyrnelake.com shows up about geodes, it will give detailed directions on the best place to find them. It says near Mitchell, Indiana, drive through Tunnelton into a one lane tunnel under a railroad track and as soon as you exit the tunnel, GEODES are visible in a small creek off to the right. This tunnel marks the entrance of Geode Country. ~Kevin of Fyrne Lake

Contact Ray Kuras for details





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WE INVITE MEMBERS AND VISITORS TO JOIN US EACH MONTH ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY @7:00 PM AT OUR TGRC CRAFT CENTER 2453 TREMAINSVILLE RD UNIT B, TOLEDO, OH 43613 FOR CLUB UPDATES, AUCTIONS, SPECIAL SPEAKERS AND PRESENTATIONS. WE WILL BE HONORED TO HAVE AT THE GENERAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 15TH 6:30PM, ERIK RINTAMAKI, THE "YOOPERLITE" GUY. THE FOLLOWING MONTH ON APRIL 19TH 7:00PM, WE WILL PRESENT THE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS TO BOTH UT AND BGSU WE COLLECTED FROM THE CLUB RAFFLE AT LAST YEAR'S ANNUAL ROCK SHOW.



**Club Meeting
YOU'RE INVITED
3rd Wednesday of
each month**

