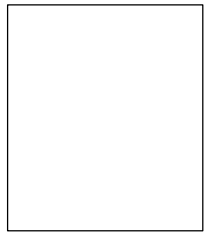


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**To:**

**Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. 9516 N. Rome Rd., Athens, PA 18810**

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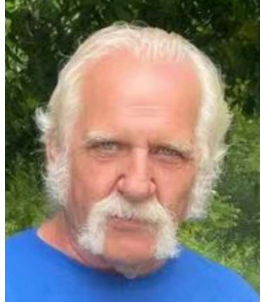
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**Bruce Benish**

## *President's Message*

*by Bruce Benish*

Hello everybody. We had a good turnout at the picnic again. Everyone seemed to have a good time. Trish gave the bimonthly accounting report. She is still looking in to purchasing a new CD and rolling the old CDs over. Hazel reported on the conference.

Our bus trip to the Syracuse show, which is where the conference was, went well. Six of us went. Unfortunately, some folks who wanted to go couldn't make it.

The next meeting is Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup> at Satterlee Creek at 12:00. This may be the last time we get to use the facility. Hope to see you there.

Bruce

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR**

**PLEASE EMAIL ALL INFORMATION BY THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF EACH MONTH TO:**

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**THANK YOU.**

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**NEXT MEETING: SATTERLEE CREEK ENVIRONMENTAL  
CENTER ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>  
MEET AT NOON, EAT AT 1 PM.**

**BRING A DISH TO PASS & YOUR OWN TABLE  
SERVICE**

Photo by JoAnn McGuire



**Bob McGuire**

# VP NEWS

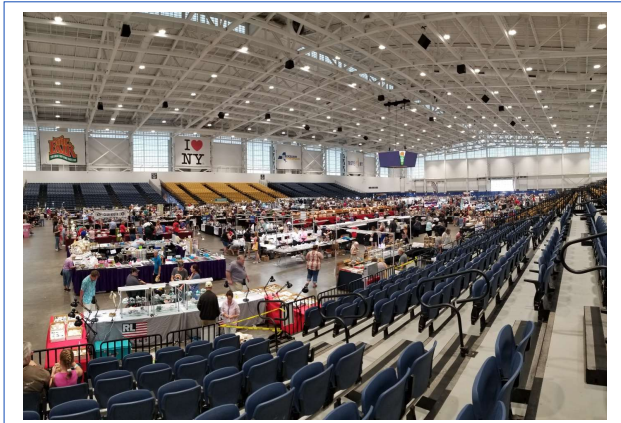
*By Bob McGuire*

Well it has been 4, 5, 7, I don't really know how many years since we had a club bus trip, but we just had one. Bruce drove up to the show and Jeff drove back. The next time i am going to ask Bruce to get a bus that didn't have square tires. Six members went to the Syracuse Show. It was a lot of fun even though I didn't buy a thing. Ran into some old friends and made a few new ones. Ran into Frank who drove up at the last minute. Eric got a fantastic tiger iron dragon and it is really cool. Sorry more couldn't go with us, maybe next time.



PHOTO BY DUANE

Bob, JoAnn, Inga, Jeff, Bruce, and Eric



The July Picnic was great with more in attendance than I expected. Was really nice to see Frank here with his pretty wife Bing. The food was delicious and plentiful. Bruce manned the grill and did the flipping and turning. After a brief meeting we played some MINERAL BINGO and as usual, folks went home with more specimens. Next picnic is August 20, same time, same station. Be there and enjoy.

(Photographs taken by Bob McGuire)



C.Bourne photo

**JoAnn McGuire**

## *Sunshine Report* by JoAnn McGuire

Our August picnic was a nice time for the 18 hungry folks that we had. There was one little spritz of rain and that was it. Lots of good food and visiting. Most enjoyed the Bingo game that Inga had given Bob since she, nor Dave would be there.



Keep Sandy Keener in your prayers as she goes through these medical issues since her fall down the basement steps. We just hope she'll get well soon and on her way home. Max is at his home for the time being. He's doing fairly well. He did have a couple of falls, but good neighbors, the Benish's, have been helping him when they can.

The last summer picnic will be on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at Satterlee Creek. Meet and Noon, eat at 1 p.m. Something a little different will be pulled pork and hot dogs. Bring a dish to pass, your table service and something to drink. Hope to see you there.

If you know of someone who needs some cheer, please let me know and I will do my best to take care of it.

JoAnn  
Lady Sunshine



### *August Birthdays*

1 – Diana Auge  
9 – Mary Walter  
10 – Gerould Keener  
19 – Suzie Milligan



### *August Anniversaries*

19 – Frank & Suzanne Niver

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**Inga Wells**

## *Junior Rockhounds / Pebble Pups News*

*By Inga Wells*

We will meet with the regular club on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at Satterlee Creek Environmental Center. Gather around Noon and eat at 1:00 P.M. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. The meal will be pulled pork and hot dogs.

I'm planning two things for you: Making solar fairy jars and fishing with magnets. I made a bunch of kid's fishing poles for a family resource program and thought it might be a fun thing for you to do. There will all kinds of magnetic stuff to fish for. We could use the creek for this since you love spending time there.

Something to discuss at the August meeting or online before that date. Dave Millis would like to do an all-day craft event in the Valley. He would set up at 10 A.M. in some local park pavilion and offer different classes throughout the day. He had Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> in mind. Some of us thought it would be too soon to get the advertising out and many of us are on vacation and therefore not around to help with other activities. I did not attend the July picnic and do not know what happened with his idea. I do not have a free Saturday in August to help him with this. However, I can send paint, shells, rocks for a painting session. He usually brings fossils to be painted with glitter glue.

I suggested the South Waverly Borough Hall Pavilion since I would like to book that for our September meeting. Thinking we can do a combination of Dave's craft day and our Pebble Pup meeting. I have contacted the Borough secretary and she said it would cost less if a South Waverly resident would book it. We have the Kane family, and Jude had mentioned that he would be willing to take care of that paperwork. The secretary is also checking to see if not-for-profit organizations can book it for free. However, she had no knowledge that it was ever booked that way.

Hope to see some of you in August. Have fun on your vacations.  
Inga

## *August Picnic Activity*

*by Rock Doc Dave Millis*

I'll have the saw setup by about 10:30 and I'm bringing some larger geodes.

I'll teach a class at 11 and I want it to be copper rings, but it could be pendants. The students will decide and of course you have to be there to vote!

After food, I'll have the dice game and then Geoclue. What ever is left over will be raffled. For the record, MSNEPA had so many extra donations that we handed out 44 prizes and still raffled off 100 more.

I'll also have rocks for sale, as usual. Some of you should bring those extras along for sale too.

Last, bring those unknowns to be identified. Someone will know what they are!!

## *July Meeting Minutes*

*by Mary Walter*

The July meeting was held at Satterlee Creek. There were twenty-nine members in attendance.

\* Hamburgers and hot dogs were provided by the club for the meal. Janet Andrus did the shopping for the food items. Janet and Trish Benish did set up. Bruce Benish did the cooking. There were a lot of good side dishes and desserts.

\* There was a short meeting held after the meal.

\* Hazel Remaley gave a review of the Eastern Federation Convention that was held during the Syracuse Show. The Remaleys and Milligans represented Che-Hanna at the convention.

- There are 94 clubs in the Eastern Federation.

- The members that attended the Syracuse Show taking the club-sponsored bus had a good time. Bruce and Jeff Benish did the driving. Bruce hasn't received a bill for the use of the bus.

\* Trish Benish reviewed the Treasure's reports. The scholarship check that was sent to the Federation, was returned for some reason. Money will be moved from the club checking account to a CD. Budget filled for audit.

\* JoAnne gave the Sunshine report. Sandy Keener is not doing well. Let's keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

\* It was suggested that we have a craft day.

\* The next meeting/picnic will be August 20th at Satterlee Creek. The meal will be served at 1 pm. The meal will be pulled pork and hot dogs.

Meeting adjourned 1st Jeff Benish, 2nd Janet Andrus.

## **Recipe – Lemon/Lime Jello Salad**

**by Frank Meadows**

- 1 box instant lime Jello
- 1 box instant lemon Jello
- 2 cups boiling water
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup cottage cheese
- 1 can crushed pineapple
- 1 cup diced walnuts



Directions: Boil two cups of water. While waiting for water to boil, open both packages of jello and spread out across cake pan. Add hot water to Jello and whisk well until all is dissolved. While water is still hot, add sweetened condensed milk and whisk well. Then add remaining ingredients and whisk well. Refrigerate overnight.

*Upcoming Shows & Events From: EFMLS.ORG*

**August 2023**

**5-6: Crystal Fest**

USW Local 1000, 100 Nasser Civic Center Plaza, Corning, NY

**26-27: St. Lawrence Co. Rock & Mineral Club's 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Show**

Canton Pavillion - 90 Lincoln St. - Canton, NY

**September 2023**

**9-10: Danbury Mineralogical Society 2023 Gem, Jewelry, Mineral, & Fossil Show**

**23-4: Central PA Rock and Mineral Club's 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show**

Harrisburg Consistory: 2701 North Third Street, Harrisburg, PA

**October 2023**

**28-9: Rochester Gem, Mineral, Jewelry and Fossil Show & Sale**

New Location: Total Sports Experience, 435 West Commercial St, East Rochester, NY 14446

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Sundays 2-6PM except Aug 13th

