

Prez Notes: January 8, 2025

Greetings Rockers. A new year to get more things done whether it is collecting, recording, polishing, wire wrapping, demonstrating, or even making the 2025 show really great. We can all pitch in and all have some fun.

Board meeting minutes for November 2024

The board meeting of the Che-Hanna Rock and Mineral Club, Inc was held on November 13, 2024

President Bob McGuire Sr called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Treasurer, Trish Benish, reported that 1000 pens with club logo has been ordered. One per family will be provided.

She presented the treasurer's report. Reports were emailed to board members prior to the meeting. Filed for audit.

She filled everyone in on the Christmas party. It will be held on Saturday, December 7 at noon at the Elk's club in Sayre. Menu: roast beef and chicken marsala; 23 people sent in their reservations. We have only one shut-in this year, and that is Gloria Dick. We still need dessert idea for the party. Trish asked John Milligan to oversee buying desserts.

Plans for the party: Welcome by Bob; Tony will supply the music; games by Mary; ugly sweater contest by paper ballot; past officers will receive a \$ 25 Walmart gift card.

Christmas party members will receive their Outback hats. There are 5 extras.

The budget for the party was \$1400, we are 200 under budget. Donations of \$5 reservation fee by party attendees will go to the Bradford County Humane Society.

Club show: Will be held March 22/23. Bob is looking for club members willing to fill the display cases. He has show flyers.

Club membership dues are due by December 31 and Trish will pay the dues to the Federation. Federation dues and insurance have gone up.

January 8 meeting program will be Show and a Tell and Book Report.

Jeff brought books from the club library for that purpose.

Motion to adjourn by Hazel, motion carried.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Get well wishes to Scott Chaffee as he's having some medical issues. He's home from the hospital and doing better.

Recovery is going well for Trish Benish who recently fell and had to have hip surgery.

Mary Walter is progressing with the healing of her toe and should have her new shoes anytime.

Janet Andrus is doing better but still has off and on pain, which is no fun.

Please keep everyone in your prayers for a speedy recovery. If anyone needs a card or phone call, please let me know at uvbob1942@gmail.com. I will do my best to take care of it.

Christmas party was a lot of fun and the Sayre Elks Club did a fine job with the food and our other needs while we were there.

Our show is coming up in the not too distant future. If you can spare some time to help, please let any officer or club member know. Let's have another great show for 2025.

HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!

JoAnn
Sunshine Lady

OUR CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

Our 2025 party featured brand new flop hats with our club crest on it. everyone except rock-doc, who said he has too many hats, is seen sporting their new dome covers.



For the **UGLIEST SWEATER CONTEST**, the winners were, first place - Mary Walter, second place - Jen Milligan, third place - Joe De Marco.



AFTER THE FOOD, THE FUN BEGAN

The party consisted of food and merriment like games, contests, and raffles. The saran ball was a great hit again thanks to Mary and Lou really got into that. One of the prizes donated and raffled off by Rock-doc was this blue calcite gem-tree. Thank you Rock-Doc.



Next meeting is the 8th of January 2025

VP NOTES

We are having a Show and Tell program as well as club members giving a book report. Open to anyone that has read something interesting about the many facets of our hobby or one of their other hobbies that they would like to share. Bring rocks, minerals, fossils to have them identified.

I have a mica mineral from the herkimer dig that I'm bringing. I had never encountered it at a Herkimer dig.

Maybe we can have Jeff start thinking of getting another free dig at the that place for spring.

I see that Riding with Roger has many interesting trips and many to NY City. We should offer a seat on one of the busses when it's free day in the city and we could go to the museum.

Also, maybe a joint bus trip to Fluorescents show/dig in NJ show with other clubs. I know the Scranton Club hires a van to go. Not sure what trips the Southern Tier club does. Bruce Oldfield should know. He has offered to take us on a fossil trip. Kids are holding their winter fun party on Sunday, January 12 at 1 P.M. at the church.