

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



**PURPOSE:** The club was organized in 1962 in Sayre, PA to assemble for the purpose of studying and collecting rock, mineral, fossil, and shell specimens, and to develop skills in the lapidary arts. We are members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies (EFMLS) and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

**DUES** are payable to the treasurer BY January 1st of each year. After that date membership will be terminated. Make checks payable to Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. as follows: \$12.00 for Family; \$8.00 for Subscribing Patron; \$8.00 for Individual and Junior members (under age 17) not covered by a family membership.

**MEETINGS** are held at the Sayre High School (on Lockhart Street) at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria, the 2nd Wednesday each month, except JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, and DECEMBER. Those meetings and events (and any changes) will be announced in this newsletter, with location and schedule, as well as on our website [chehannarocks.com](http://chehannarocks.com). Visitors are always welcome.

**FIELD TRIPS** are scheduled regularly from May through September; dates and details will be announced in this newsletter and on the club website.

**ARTICLES** submitted for publishing should be emailed to the editor using any text (ASCII) format; attempt will be made to use whatever is sent. Please make paragraphs obvious.

Deadline for submissions to the next Shin-Skinner issue is **23-July-2018**. Whatever you send me is likely to get published, so please **clearly mark** any part you don't want to see in print. Articles without by-line are written by the editor.

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**BOARD** meetings are held at 6PM on odd-numbered months unless special meetings are called by the president.

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## Notable this month...

**Sunday, July 15: 10am, food between noon and 1pm — Che-Hanna picnic — Satterlee Creek Park**

**Sat-Sun, July 21-22 — Herkimer Diamond Gem Show — Herkimer County Fairgrounds, Frankfort NY**

Visit us at our website: <http://www.chehannarocks.com>

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## President's Note

I took my job as President because no one else would. I don't mind the job; I was President at another club before I retired 27 years ago. I'll be absent about half of the time, but you know that.

The July meeting is the first I'll miss because it conflicts with the Syracuse show. I'm in 4 other clubs. Hope you enjoy the picnic. Your lunch will be a lot tastier than mine.

It's summer time; time to get out and get more rocks. It doesn't matter if you dig them or buy them. When the snow's on the ground, it's time to sort, grade, label, and/or make something using them. Any extra but good 'stuff' can go to the Pebble Pups.

Starting in September, I'll be asking two or three people to take three minutes or less for show and tell for the previous month.

I will be at the August picnic with geode cutting, polish a flat rock, fun and games, and lots of rocks for the raffle. It all starts at 10 a.m. Food will be ready between Noon and 1 p.m. at both picnics. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. Picnic is at Satterlee Creek park, Sunday, July 15th.

—Roc Doc

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## Sunshine Report

Hope you all are enjoying this warm weather. Good weather for picnics and reunions, etc. I know a lot of you are affected with the heat and humidity, so stay in where it's cooler and drink lots of liquids. Should cool off soon.

Happy Birthday wishes to Cameron Shepler, July 4th; Helen Tracy, 8th; Chaunty Leljedal, 15th; Carli Yeager-Hall, 18th; Ann McBeth, 24th; and Bella Sites, 31st. Hope you all have a nice day.

One of our founding members of Che-Hanna celebrated her 94th birthday on June 29th. Flossie Lines had family and friends surrounding her at the Bradford County Manor in Troy to help her celebrate. She's not doing too well, but reminisced about a lot of things and had an enjoyable day. Please send a card to wish her well. Room 118 at Bradford County Manor, Troy, PA. She likes to get

cards and phone calls. God Bless Flossie.

Thank you to Dave Millis, Anna Markevitch, and Bob McGuire for their mineral, fossil and fluorescent programs they did for Sayre Public Library. Kids, and adults, enjoyed and was educational. Thanks to the Library for having them.

Don't really know of specific illness so hope any of you are a little under the weather feel better soon. If you do know of someone that needs some cheer, please let me know and I'll take care of it.

Happy summer and see you at the picnic on July 15th at Satterlee Creek Park. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. I think Inga is doing entertainment since Dave will be at the Syracuse show. Hope you can make it.

—Miss Sunshine,  
JoAnn

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## The Ask

I've asked asked for Shin-Skinner submissions in the past; some of you have been very generous in contributing content — text and pictures.

From now on, I intend to have a specific place for requests. This is it.



Please tell me your favorite collecting location, or one you've never been to, but wish you had.

- June 2018. images of **interesting mineral specimen labels**
- July 2016. images of your **favorite rock garden rocks**

—Editor



## Club Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened by President Bob McGuire, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The Che-Hanna Rock and Mineral Club held their annual dinner on June 13, and it was a great success with a lot of good food.

President Bob McGuire presented Honorary Life Memberships to Ted Rieth, Tom Beck, and Frank Meadows. Members Tony and Lou DeMarco also received Honorary Life Memberships but were not present.

A brief discussion about the annual picnic at Satterly Creek . Volunteers are needed.

Sunshine report given by Joann and Bob McGuire included wishing Bruce and Trish Benish a happy anniversary June 20th.

Joann McGuire thanks everyone who wrote and called during her recent illness.

Flossie Lyons will be celebrating her 94th birthday on June 23rd. Cards would be appreciated.

Inga is currently away and did not attend the annual dinner.

Questions were asked by Trish Benish regarding location of the trailer and signs. The possibility of getting a new sign was discussed.

New officers and their nominations were the next topic, resulting in David Mills being nominated for President, Bob McGuire for Vice-President, Anna Markevitch for Secretary, and Trish Benish as Treasurer.

Jeff Benish, Mary Wells, and Bruce Benish have been appointed to the board. Marv Remaley was also considered as a possible member. Resignation of some of the board members and their years of service were brought up also.

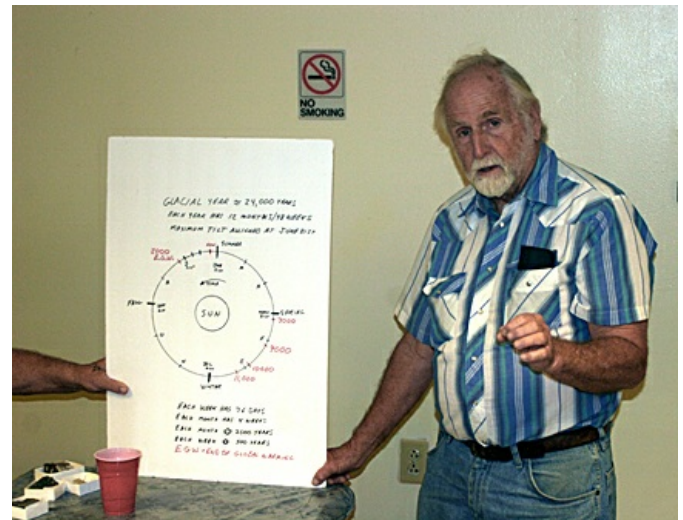
David Mills is planning to display his amazing mica castle at the Syracuse Onondaga Community College, SRC Arena 4585 West Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse NY 13215. We wish Dave the best of luck with his exhibit.

Tom Beck brought two lovely examples of his artwork, including an amazing geode.

David Mills gave a brief program involving the relationship between glacial and astronomical activity and the migration of early man in the Americas. Dave also sponsored a rock raffle by ticket at the end of the program.

President Bob McGuire closed the meeting, seconded by Bruce Benish.

—Anna Markevitch



## Upcoming Shows



### July

#### 7-8...

ERIE, PA: 50th Annual Show & sale; Gem City Rock & Mineral Society, JMC Ice Arena; 423 W 38th St; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Admission \$4, Seniors \$3.50, Children under 12 free; contact Robert Gallivan, 427 Colleen Drive, Erie, PA 16505, (814)-454-6770; gallivan@lycos.com

#### 14-15...

SYRACUSE, NY: Gemworld 2018 @ SRC Arena/4586 West Seneca Turnpike/Onondaga Hill; Sat 10-6 Sun 10-4. [Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse](#)

#### 21-22...

FRANKFORT, NY: Herkimer Diamond Gem Show & Festival; Herkimer County Fairgrounds; Sat 9-6, Sun 10-5; adult \$5; 135 Cemetery St [herkgemshow.com](#). 4th year.

### August

#### 23-26...

MT. MORRIS, NY: 29th Annual show; Genesee Valley Flint Knappers Assoc; Letchworth State Park - Highbanks, Park Road - Mt. Morris Entrance, Highbanks Recreation Area; Thu 12-5, Fri 9-5, Sat 9-5, Sun 10-2; Free Admission; Contact us for more information: johncappellini@verizon.net; [gvknappers.tripod.com](#)

#### 25-26...

CANTON, NEW YORK: Annual show; [St. Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club](#), Canton Pavilion; 90 Lincoln St.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-2; Free Admission; contact William deLorraine, (315)-287-4652; wdellie@gmail.com;

### September

#### 15-16...

HARRISBURG, PA: 53rd annual show; Central Penna Rock & Mineral Club; Harrisbury Consistory, 2701 N 3rd St; Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5; adults \$6 (coupon on website), children (under 12) free; 2 rooms of dealers, children's activities, daily talks by renowned geologist Jeri Jones, free rocks for kids; contact Betsy Oberheim (717) 469-2243, cell (717) 439-6549; aoberheim3@comcast.net [www.rockandmineral.org](#)

#### 22-23...

POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK: Annual show; Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.; Gold's Gym, 258 Titusville Rd.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5, Seniors \$4, Students \$2, Children free under 12 with adult; contact Carolyn Reynard, 110 College Ave. [www.mhvgms.org](#)

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### Editor's Note

I noticed from Miss Sunshine's report this month that Dave Millis, Anna Markevitch, and Bob McGuire did some rockhound programs at the Sayre Public Library. That was really terrific.

Whenever you know about such programs being scheduled, please let me know, so I can put announcements in the Shin-Skinner.

I think such outreach activities should be an important part of Che-Hanna's mission. If you know of an appropriate venue, please let a club officer know.