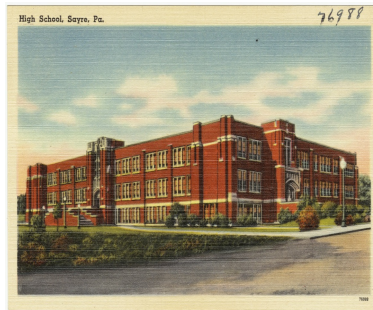
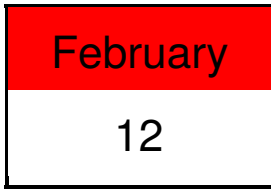


Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc.

The Shin-Skinner News — January 2020



Our monthly club meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, at 7pm. The program will be "The Feldspar Mineral Group" by Dr. Bruce Oldfield. [Reminder: if school is canceled, so is the meeting.]



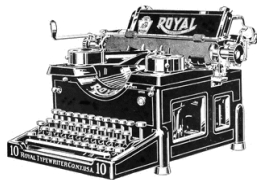
In January, we had a board meeting and club meeting that were very full of Show business; the program was gem trees and micromounting.



The next big show is the Gem, Mineral, and Fossil show at the NY State Museum February 22-23, 2020. It's jointly sponsored by the [Capital District Mineral Club](#) and [New York State Academy of Mineralogy](#).



Che-Hanna's time to shine will be here before you know it; our show is March 28 & 29, 2020.



Still working to get into a new schedule for Shin-Skinner production; the intent is to publish as soon as possible after each month's meeting. Please bear with me as I get into a new rhythm.

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

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February Program



Our February program will be by Dr. Bruce Oldfield on the complicated and very important "FELDSPAR MINERAL GROUP". Important because it makes up over 50% of the earth's surface.

The regular meeting will take place after the program.

—Bob McGuire

Sunshine Report

Was nice to see Max Grimm at the meeting. He's been having health issues and has been going to the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio to see what can be done to help him with heart problems.

After being down with the flu, Inga is feeling much better and able to make the meeting. She helped some with wire wrapping.

Marv and Hazel were still not quite up to par and with the weather being very windy and snowy, they decided not to venture out to go to the meeting.

Bill Dimmick is having problems with his feet again. Hope all turns out well and he won't have to have surgery.

Get well to Faith Toth who had back surgery on the 9th. Hope she's recovering nicely.

The flu bug is going around, along with colds. Hope those of you who haven't been sick, stay off the sick list.

If you know of someone who isn't feeling well, let me know and I'll send a card or give a phone call.

Stay warm; stay well.

—JoAnn,
Miss Sunshine

Minutes of the January Club Meeting

- There were 22 members present.
- Frank Meadows arrived for the regular meeting.
- The minutes were read and approved. 1st Bruce Benish, 2nd Bob McGuire.
- Trish Benish read the treasurer's report. \$150 went to SRAC as a donation from the Christmas party. There are still members that have not paid their dues. Treasurer's report filed for audit.
- Joanne McGuire gave the sunshine report.
 - Max Grimm was in attendance. Max has been having some major health problems. He has been going back and forth to Cleveland to see doctors. Max will be going back to Cleveland next week.
 - Inga and Duane Wells had a four year anniversary and Inga had the flu. Hazel and Marv Remaley have both been feeling under the weather.
- There will be a field trip to the Ace of Diamonds on April 1st, 2020.
- Bob McGuire gave a report of where things are with the show.
 - The fire department will only be serving hot dogs and beverages for the show.
 - It was mentioned that we are allowed to bring in desserts. The desserts have to come from a professional supplier. Homemade desserts are not allowed due to food safety laws. We are looking into business to possibly get the pies from. If this should all go thru there will be a need for volunteers to cut and sell the pies.
 - We will be getting a 100 lbs of medium size geodes. There are plenty of the other sizes. Geodes have gone up in price to buy, so we will have a price adjustment

January Minutes (continued)

- We'll also be looking into buying a dob wax melter (\$100 budget). We need to check how many preshapes we have. More dob sticks need to be made up.
- Volunteers will fill 5 display cases
- The mini mine will be running. It needs small, non-sharp specimens, if you would like to donate.
- We need your help all 3 show days.
- Inga Wells presented Trish Benish with a gift for the time and energy she gives to the club. Thank you, Trish.
- Adelaide King received a certificate from Bob McGuire for Rock Hound of the Year. She received the award for all the time she volunteered working the mini mine.
- Meeting was adjourned. 1st Bob McGuire 2nd Ted Rieth
- After the meeting members went back to working on their projects. Micro mounting was also provided by Bob McGuire.

—Mary Walter,
Secretary

Minutes of the January Board Meeting

Bob McGuire filled in for Frank Meadows, who was acting president for the month.

- Lots of discussion about the upcoming show:
 - Lots of volunteers are needed.
 - Bob McGuire gave Trish Benish the money for the dealers table fees.
 - The fire hall will only provide hot dogs & beverages this year. They don't have people to support anything more. The club was once told it could provide dessert. We're not allowed to bring in anything homemade due to food laws. The club will be looking for a business that makes pies. If this happens, we'll need volunteers to cut and sell the pie.

- We need to have more dob sticks made for the cabbing station. Blank sticks are in the trailer. Jeff Benish is looking into buying a wax melter for the club, \$100 budget.
- Jeff Benish will be buying 100 lbs of geodes for the club. There is a need for the medium size geodes, with enough of the other sizes. Geodes have gone up quite a bit in price, so there'll be a price adjustment for some of the sizes.
- Inga Wells will be running the mini mine. The mine is looking for donations of small, non-sharp specimens.
- The Benish's will be taking the old display case that is in the trailer. The club has tried to sell it a few times and there weren't any takers. The case is taking up alot of space on the trailer.
- Pizza will be provided at midday for members who help with setup on Friday, as well as on Sunday for those who help with takedown. Trish Benish will get some beverages & paper products for both times.
- There are still some members that have not sent in their yearly dues.
- Next year's Christmas party well be held at the Towanda Elks Club on Saturday December 12th. Trish Benish will be sending in a deposit.
- Trish read the treasurer's report.
- More keys were made for the trailer.
- Bob McGuire has the key to the locked box.
- Sandy Keener was concerned about members who come only to the Christmas party but still receive a gift. A suggestion: only members who attend at least 5 meetings and help with the show should receive a gift. Nothing was decided as of yet.
- During the board meeting some members started working on wire wrapping projects. Inga Wells provided the supplies.

—Mary Walter,
Secretary

Upcoming Shows & Events



February 22-23... ALBANY, NY:

Annual show; New York State Academy of Mineralogy & Capital District Mineral Club; New York State Museum, 222 Madison Ave.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$5, free admission for children under 12; contact Jared Borelli, (518) 633-163; Email: postmaster@nysam.org; [Website: nysam.org](http://www.nysam.org)

March 21-22... BUFFALO, NY:

Buffalo Geological Society's 52nd Gem-Mineral-Fossil Show. The Fairgrounds in Hamburg, Market, Grange & State Police Buildings, Hamburg, NY. INFO: Jerolde Bastedo, jcbastedo@gmail.com.

March 28-29... WYSOX, PA:

Annual show; Che-Hanna Rock and Mineral Club, Inc.; Wysox Volunteer Fire Co. Social Hall, 111 Lake Road ; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$3, students \$1, free admission for children under 8; Special exhibits, fluorescent show, dealers selling minerals, fossils, lapidary, gems and jewelry, activities for children; contact Bob McGuire, 224 Church St., Lopez, PA 19628, (570) 928-9238; Email: uvbob1942@gmail.com; [Website: chehannarocks.com](http://www.chehannarocks.com)

March 28-29... PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA:

Annual show; Philadelphia Mineralogical Society and the Delaware Valley Paleontological Society; Lu Lu Temple, 5140 Butler Pike; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$7,

kids 12 and under \$2, free admission for uniformed scouts; Dealers selling fossils, minerals, gems, with exhibits, speakers, activities for children; contact Douglas M Klieger; Email: dklieger@verizon.net [Website: www.philamineralsociety.org](http://www.philamineralsociety.org)

March 28-29... CHAMBERSBURG, PA:

Annual show; Franklin County Rock and Mineral Club; Hamilton Heights Elementary School, 1589 Johnson Road; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5, free admission for children under 12 when accompanied by a paying adult; Dealers offering jewelry, gemstones, minerals, fossils, with displays and demonstrations ; contact Michael Mowen, 5979 Altenwald Road, Waynesboro, PA 17268, (717) 264-9024; Email: mlmo@innernet.net; [Website](http://www.innernet.net)

April 16-16... BIGLERVILLE, PA:

Show and sale; Franklin County and Central Pennsylvania Rock & Mineral Clubs; South Mountain Fairgrounds, 615 Narrows Road; Sat. 8-3; Adults \$1, free admission for children; 35th annual show with a great diversity of fossils, rocks, minerals, books, associated equipment, an opportunity swap, buy and share stories; contact Tom Smith, 10 Roger Ave., Shippenburg, PA 17257; Email: tsmith1012@comcast.net; [Website: http://rockandmineral.org/](http://www.rockandmineral.org/)

April 25-26... FRANKLIN, NJ:

Show and sale; The Franklin-Ogdensburg Mineralogical Society, Inc. (FOMS); Littell Community Center, 12 Munsonhurst Rd.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$7, children (ages 6-16) \$4; Indoor and outdoor sales of minerals, rocks, jewelry, crystals, gems, beads and fossils; contact Gavin Hannah; Email: green4gavin@hotmail.com; [Website: http://www.fomsnj.org/Events.aspx](http://www.fomsnj.org/Events.aspx)

(more) Upcoming Shows & Events



April 23-23... FAIRLESS HILLS, PA:

Annual show; The Rock & Mineral Club of Lower Bucks County, PA, Inc.; Christ United Methodist Church, 501 Wistar Road; Sat. 9-2; Adults \$2, free admission for children 12 and under; contact Brian Schwab, 539 Sycamore Avenue, Croydon, PA 19021; Email: www.holschw2@aol.com; [Website](#) or [Facebook](#).

June 6-7... CANANDAIGUA, NY:

Annual show; Wayne County Gem and Mineral Club; Greater Canandaigua Civic Center, 250 N. Bloomfield Rd.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$3, free admission for children under 12; 20 vendors, exhibits, demonstrations, fluorescent mineral program, geode cutting, and activities for children; contact Fred Haynes, 10 Country Club Drive, Rochester, NY 14618, (585) 203-1733; Email: fredmhaynes55@gmail.com; [Website](#): <http://www.wcgmc.org/>

June 19-20... QUARRYVILLE, PA:

Annual show; Lancaster County Fossil and Mineral Club; Solanco Fairgrounds, Hoffman Building, 172 South Lime St.; Fri. 10-5, Sat. 9-4; Adults \$4, children (6-12) \$1, free admission for children under 6; contact Eric Miller; Email: emill1960@embarqmail.com; [Facebook](#)

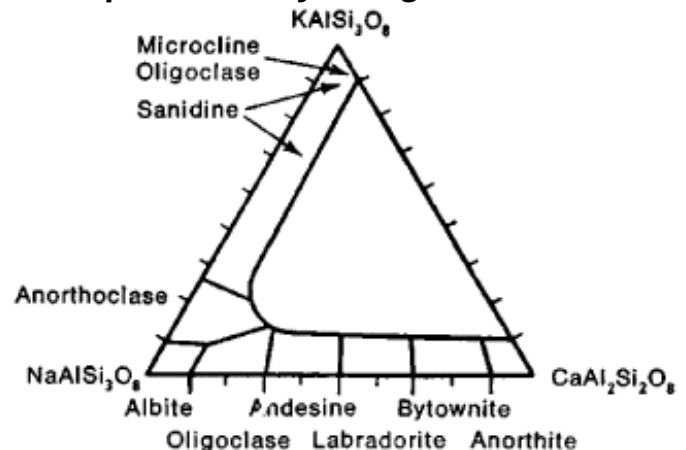
August 22-23... CANTON, NY:

Annual show; St. Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club; Canton Pavilion, 90 Lincoln St.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-3; Adults \$2, free admission for children 12 and under; Dealer sales, free mineral kits for children, field trips, gem tree classes, and a mineral identification table; contact William deLorraine, 1 Indian Head Trail, Gouverneur, NY 13642, (315) 287-4652; Email: wdellie@gmail.com; [Website](#): www.stlawrencecountymineralclub.org

November 7-8... OAKS, PA:

Annual show; Tuscarora Lapidary Society; Greater Philadelphia EXPO Center, 100 Station Ave, Hall D & E; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$6 (two-day ticket \$9), children under 12 \$1, free admission for scouts in uniform when accompanied by a scoutmaster; 51st Annual Show: Gemarama 2020 - Pictures in Stone, with 27 vendors, demonstrations, exhibits, mini classes, and activities for children; contact Linda Green, Tuscarora Lapidary Society, 24 Upland Rd, Brookhaven, PA 19015, (610) 490-5252; Email: information@lapidary.org; [Website](#): www.lapidary.org

Feldspar "Ternary" Diagram



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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 St) 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. 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 **15-February-2020**. 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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