



# THE TULIP CITY CONGLOMERATE



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**To All 25 Show Committee Members and everyone who helped put together a wonderful Show.**

**Special Thanks to Patty Valentine for a wonderful job as Show Chair!**

It is truly amazing to see the Holland Civic Center transform into the Tulip City Gem & Mineral Club's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Show - Petrified Wood: Ancient Forests! On Friday, the opening day we were ready for the busses to start rolling in! As the kids came off the busses, it was evident to me that this is one of the great moments where the TCG&M Clubs Mission comes to life. *"To develop interest in and increase knowledge of minerals, rocks, gems, fossils, and the lapidary arts."* During the show I heard some older teen's state: "We had a great school field trip here in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, so we are back to check it out!" ~ Karri Nienhuis



This beautiful little girl was using the Braille at the Touch Rocks.



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## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Birthstone: **Opal**

10/2 Laura Leffew  
10/2 Rudy Silich  
10/4 Gary Vanderstelt  
10/6 Like Kaechele  
10/6 Patti Schieringa  
10/8 Steven Mainville  
10/8 Amy Moored  
10/10 Peter Riemersma  
10/11 Pam Wedgwood  
10/13 Angelica Leggio  
10/23 Evan Sanford  
10/14 Carol Belknap  
10/15 Vasha Zenk  
10/16 Ann Sinke  
10/20 Kris Johanson  
10/26 Mark Cistaro  
10/27 Jan Sjoquist  
10/29 Elly Luttikhuizen  
10/29 Nick Smith  
10/29 Taylor Smith  
10/31 Carl Jaeger



## OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

10/11 Carson and Helen Mantooth  
10/17 Lucas Katt  
10/26 Jose and Anita Soto

During the show, the Club was given two very generous, unrestricted donations. A fine, full-round petrified log, 5"x8", polished on one end was donated by Ken Hesch of Zeeland who is not even a Club member. (One dealer appraised it at up to \$200.)



Bill and Linda Heyworth, "Beauties of Creation," have contributed a nice amethyst cathedral -as they did last year!



The Board will determine what should be done with both of them.

*Our thoughts and prayers to the friends and family of **Lester Hintz Sr.** Les passed away, Thursday, September 15, 2011.*

*Les retired from the Holland Board of Public Works after 30+ years. He served in the US Army during WWII and was a long time member of the Tulip City Gem & Mineral Club. Picture of Les at the July 2011 Club Picnic.*



## CLUB CALENDAR

September 28 - Show Wrap-up Meeting  
Howard Miller Community Center 7pm  
East Activity Room

October 12<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting 7pm  
Hope College - Schaap Science Center

*See below for Hope campus map and parking  
Hope College - Schaap Science Center,  
College and 12<sup>th</sup> street, Holland, MI*

October 26<sup>th</sup> - General Meeting  
SILENT AUCTION set-up 6:30pm  
Meeting to begin at 7pm  
Hope College - Schaap Science Center

November 16<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting 7pm  
Howard Miller Community Center, Zeeland  
East Activity Room

November 30<sup>th</sup> - General Meeting  
Elections & Field Trip Presentation  
Howard Miller Community Center, Zeeland

December 7<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting 7pm  
Location TBD (to be determined)

December 21<sup>st</sup> - General Meeting 7pm  
Installation of Board &  
Favorites - Show-n-Tell  
Location TBD

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dave Nienhuis

We all should be thankful for all efforts put forth for another great show this year. Unfortunately, we can't sit back for long as we have new opportunities ahead this year.

Also, I have had reports that the Nominating committee is struggling to find people willing to participate on the Board. Being part of the Board is one of the best ways to get the most out of your membership, while learning more about our hobby.

Contact Cindy Root at [d-root@sbcglobal.net](mailto:d-root@sbcglobal.net).



We are sorry to announce that the Holland's Herrick Library is closing Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

We are fortunate to have TWO alternative locations to choose from!

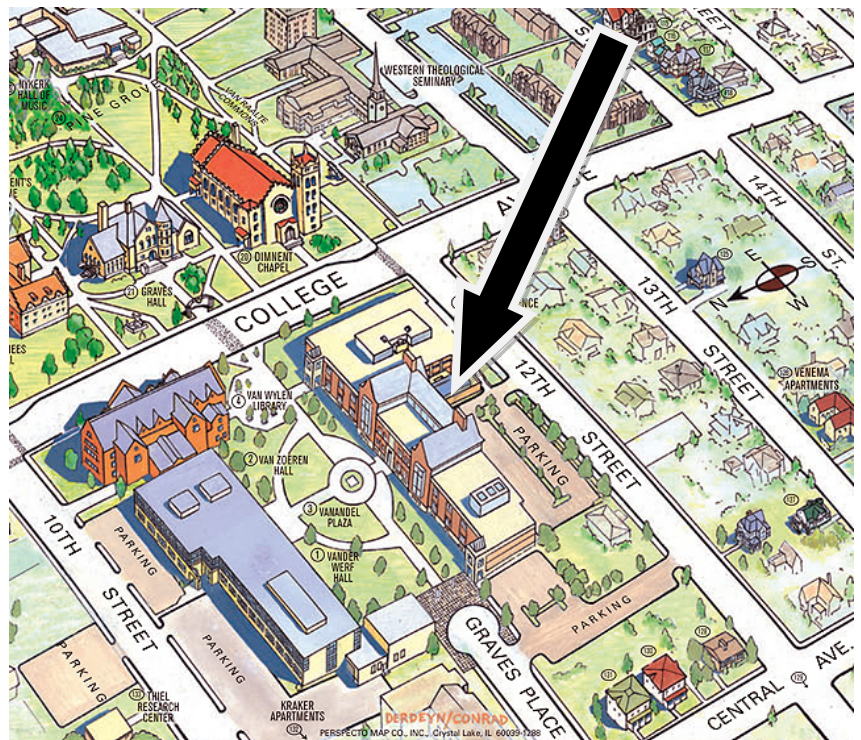
Hope College - Schaap Science Center located at College and 12<sup>th</sup> St. Holland, MI.  
See Hope College Campus Map below.

Howard Miller Community Center located at 14 S. Church Street, Zeeland, MI.  
(The Library is part of the Community Center. Phone 772-0974.) See Zeeland Map on page 6.

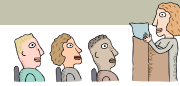
*We want input from the membership to be part of the decision for our new home, so we will have meetings at both the Howard Miller Community Center and at Hope College, see club calendar.*

There will be *no cost* for either location and we do not have to be out of the room(s) until 10pm!

Map of Hope College Schaap Science Center, Parking is off 12<sup>th</sup> St or West end of the building.



## BOARD MEETING MINUTES, August 17, 2011



Present: Dave Nienhuis, Kathy Steffler, Karri Nienhuis, Rebecca Cistaro, Cindy Root, Shari Luttkhuizen, Betty Hoekstra, Jon Mull, Bob Sherwood, Esther Kirkendall, Linda Winkelmann, Julia Sherwood, Patty Valentine, Trudy Fetters  
 Absent: Chris Cooper, Rick Smith. Guests: Ken Hoekstra, Chet Smith, Tom Steffler, Mike Graebner.

The meeting at the Zeeland Community Center was called to order by President Dave Nienhuis at 7:03 pm. The meeting began with all present taking a tour of the building to evaluate the suitability of the location for our club. Bob Sherwood reviewed the information regarding our use of the facility: there would be no rental fee and the building is open until 10pm. Several adjacent rooms are available to be used for the juniors and general meetings.

Old Business: Minutes of the July Board and General meetings were reviewed. Correction in the Board minutes was Shari was added to absent list. Correction in the General minutes was the spelling of "Hoffmaster" State Park. Bob moved that we accept the minutes as corrected; Jon seconded. Passed

The Treasurers report was distributed and reviewed.

A Thank You note was received from Baseline Middle School for the donation in memory of Kathy Brumbaugh.

Shari reported that membership is preparing for the upcoming Show.

Patty reported on Show preparation. There is still a need for volunteers to do overnight security. Shirts for our volunteers can still be ordered and delivered in time for the Show. Patty told us that we have enough Petoskey stones for the polish station. Members who have material for Club Sales can bring it to the August meeting at the Civic Center. Julia is still collecting Petrified wood for a display at the Show. Please label your specimen with your name. Linda read a list of material that she could use for "Touch Rocks" at the Show. Kathy asked about whether to use the Club refreshment supplies at the Show; the Board requested that separate supplies be purchased for the Show. The Show wrap up meeting will be the last Wednesday of September.

Bob gave a field trip update. Refer to July newsletter for details.

Julia gave a report on the Midwest Federation. She read a slate of officers including our member Cindy Root for President. All offices are unopposed except the nominating committee. After discussion, Tom Whitlatch and James Marburger were selected for our vote. Julia will cast the vote for our Club.

Jon passed around a mock up of a calendar using the photos selected as winners of the contest. Winners will be announced at the next meeting. There was discussion regarding the price and what is included. Jon will contact the printer and clarify details.

Bob moved and Linda seconded that we use the Zeeland Community Center as our official meeting location. Motion did not pass.

Bob will talk to Holland City Hall/Rec Department to verify our standing with them in regard to the use of the Civic Center for our Show if we were to move our meeting location outside of Holland.

Unless notified otherwise, the next Board meeting, Sept. 7, will be held at Hope College. Trudy suggested that the Board meet at Hope College at 6:00 pm on August 31, prior to the General meeting in order to preview the facility.

At the Aug. General Meeting, there will be an auction of material that has been donated to our club with the specific intent that the proceeds will be used to purchase Agates III, cost including shipping is \$141.35. Material will be displayed prior to the auction. Jon and Cindy will act as auctioneers.

Dave reviewed the Budget with year-to-date expenses.

New Business: a 2011 Nominating Committee has been appointed: Cindy Root, Rolland Malone and Deb Smith.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Submitted by Kathy Steffler, Secretary

Note: Board Meetings are open to all Club members.

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES, August 31, 2011

The Meeting at the Holland Civic Center was whistled to order by President Dave Nienhuis. A new member, Bob Sinke, was introduced. Minutes of the July Board and General meetings were reviewed and accepted as published.

Dave summarized the Aug. Board meeting—discussion about selecting a new meeting location, the Show report and a Midwest Federation report.

Bob Sherwood outlined the field trip to Flint Ridge, Ohio. There will be two other field trips later in the fall. There will be an opportunity to attend a field trip to Alpena with another club on Saturday, October 1, and the Sherwood's will open up their beach to members, details to come.

VP Jon Mull reported on the Calendar that is being produced with the pictures from the photo contest. He provided two 16 month versions, one saddle stitched and the other wire bound. He also had a 12 month version. With a show of hands, the club voted to have a 16 month calendar.

Jon the demonstrated a 300 psi Babb Spot Remover. It is like a hand held power washer that he used to clean rocks. You must wear a heavy glove, goggles and ear protection. If any member has a "trick" or idea or piece of equipment to demonstrate, check with Jon and he will arrange for a 10 minute spot on the program.

Rebecca Cistaro gave the treasurers report; she welcomed questions, but there were none.

Question of the month was read by Karri Nienhuis. The winner was Jon Mull.

Cindy Root shared that there were flyers available detailing the Detroit Show. Cindy also reported on the nominations committee; all Board positions except President are available. If you are interested in any position, contact Cindy Root, Deb Smith or Ral Malone.

Cindy and Jon conducted a live auction of materials that had been donated to the Club. After a competitive bidding war, all materials were sold. Approximately \$180 was raised. Bob Sherwood moved that the money be used to purchase Agates III to be used as a memorial and that the balance be saved for further memorials. Shari Luttkhuizen seconded. Approved.

Patty gave a summary of the daily schedule of the Show and at 8:30pm we were dismissed to sign up for work details and able bodied members carried up Show materials from the basement.

Submitted by Kathy Steffler, Secretary



## FIELD TRIPS by Bob Sherwood, Field Trip Chair

[bobandjulia@accn.org](mailto:bobandjulia@accn.org) or 269-637-7097

### Saturday, October 8 - Field Trip To Alpena, Michigan, Lafarge Quarry

Our club has been invited to join others from four clubs on a trip arranged by June Downing of the Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society. She will be your supervisor as the Field Trip Coordinator. This is a great opportunity for all ages to easily collect a variety of marine fossils with minimal work or tools in this large Devonian era limestone quarry. Specimens include **Petoskey heads, horn corals, favosites, brachiopods, crinoid stems, bryozoans, stromatolites, and** if you are very lucky, perhaps a **fish scale**. Fossils are very abundant in this quarry! If you are unfamiliar with some of them, Herrick Library's collection includes "Geology of Michigan," by John Dorr and Donald Eschman, with illustrations to help you.

*No age limit on this field trip!* Remember, when on field trips, the club is in need of material for our 2012 show.

**Required Safety Equipment:** Hard hat, **steel-toe safety boots**, safety glasses, reflective safety vest; long pants—no shorts. **Basic tools** are all that are needed: Garden claw, geologist pick, chisels, an old tooth brush for cleaning specimens. Additional considerations: wear appropriate clothing; gloves, rain gear, water, a snack if you wish and collecting buckets, boxes, egg cartons for fragile specimens plus paper toweling or newspaper for wrapping.

**Meet at Lafarge/Alpena Quarry at 8:30am in the Gatehouse parking lot, 1435 Ford Ave.** Each person will sign in and receive instructions from our local host, Don Oliver, who will then guide the vehicles into the quarry. You may collect **until 2:00pm**. You may wish to pack a lunch.

Mileage to Alpena from Holland is approximately 280 miles, so you may choose to travel there on Friday afternoon and stay the night. You may wish to join others at a local restaurant for dinner. This half-day field trip allows you to return home Saturday evening or stay over in Alpena if you wish.

**Friday night motel recommendation:** *Days Inn*, 1496 M-32 West, (989)356-6118. Cont. brkf, pool, wifi, Applebees nearby. 2 persons, 1 Queen, AAA/AARP (10%) approx. \$90 tax included. \$10 pet fee.

**You must be a current member and contact me at the below telephone number prior to October 1 if you plan to go. If you sign up and must cancel, let me know of your change of plans by that date as well.**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS WHO SIGNED UP AT THE 2011 SHOW

Irene Bartlett - Holland, MI

Paul, Emily, Adam Damato -  
Grand Rapids, MI

Patricia Gardner - Holland, MI

Mike, Jodi, Luke and Lin Kaechele -  
Hudsonville, MI

John, Melainy, Michaela, Gavin and Joey  
Keefer

Steven, Janet and Olivia Mainville -  
Holland, MI

Amy Jo Malus - Holland, MI

Janet, Steven and Oliva Mainville -  
Holland, MI

Amy, Ken, Nathan and Maddie Moored -  
Holland, MI

Terry Tatsch & Ann Meskauskas, Danielle  
& David Tatsch - South Haven

Vickie Priebe - Zeeland, MI

Lisa Resseguie - Fennville, MI

Patti Schieringa - Holland, MI

Richard & Beverly Schultz -  
West Olive, MI

Christine & Rudy Silich - Holland, MI

Lesia Simonds - Holland, MI

Gary, Tammy, Gary and Greg Vanderstelt  
- Hudsonville, MI

## Lake Michigan Beach Collecting, Saturday October 1

Club members are invited to "pick" rock from the beach near the base of Bob and Julia Sherwood's property north of South Haven. This is an opportunity to collect a variety of rocks, including septarian nodules.

Plan to arrive at 10am, bring a sack lunch and stay as long as you wish. The brave may swim in the Lake, (sometimes doable even later in October) but be prepared to hike the 179 steps to the beach and return with your load up the bluff! Suggested equipment: collecting buckets, beach shoes, water to drink, and energy. Some may prefer to hang out on the bluff and just socialize.

Directions: I-196 south to exit 26 (Pullman Rd). Drive 1 mile west to the stop sign, cross over Blue Star Hwy., and follow Adams Rd. 5 houses to 916 Adams. 269- 637-7097 if you get lost.

**OTHER EVENTS:****West Michigan MWF Study Group**

The next meeting of the West Michigan MWF Mineral Study Group will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2011, from 7-9pm, at the home of Kreigh Tomaszewski, 653 Burton St. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49507. We will be studying the Tourmaline group. All West Michigan rockhounds are invited to attend. Please look up a few facts about the topic mineral(s), and bring along specimens of the topic mineral(s) to let others look at (the more, the merrier, but please feel free to come even if you can't bring a specimen). We hope you can join us as we learn about minerals from each other. Kreigh@Tomaszewski.net

**OCTOBER:**

**14-16:** WARREN, MI, Annual Greater Detroit Show, Michigan Mineralogical Society, South Macomb Community College, Expo Center, Bldg P, 14500 12 Mile Rd, Fri 9:00-7:00, Sat 10:00-7:00, Sun 11:00-5:00, Contact: Carol Werner, 3401 Briarhill Rd, Hartland, MI 48353, (248) 887-3906, briarhillwerner@comcast.net

**15-16:** CHICAGO HTS, IL, 42nd Annual Show, South Suburban Earth Science Club, Prairie State College, 202 S Halsted St, Sat, Sun 10:00-5:00, Contact Jan Podbielski, PO Box 911, Peotone, IL 60450, (708) 258-3791, sscscus@yahoo.com

**15-16:** COTTAGE GROVE, MN, Annual Show, Minnesota Mineral Club, National Guard Training & Community Ctr, 8180 Belden Blvd, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4, Contact: [info@minnesotamineralclub.org](mailto:info@minnesotamineralclub.org) or Rita (651) 457-4285

**15-16:** CLIO, MI, 44th Annual Show, Flint Rock & Gem Club, Carter Middle School, Rogers Lodge Dr, Sat 10:00-5:00 Sun 10:00-5:00, Contact Ed Hearn, 10395 Ataberry Dr, Clio, MI 48420, (810) 687-2339, edleo324@comcast.net

**21-23:** FT WAYNE, IN, 50th Annual Show, Three Rivers Gem & Mineral Society, Allen County Fairgrounds, 2726 Carroll Rd, Fri & Sat 10:00-7:00, Sun 11:00-5:00, Contact: Michele Yamanaka, 4336 Charter Ln, Ft Wayne, IN 46815, (260) 424-5070, yamanakam@cs.com

**21-23:** Mason, MI, Central Michigan Lapidary & Mineral Society, 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Show. Ingham Cty Fairgrounds, 700 East Ash St, Mason, MI. Fri 6-9, Sat 10-7, Sun 11-5. [Facetman60@yahoo.com](mailto:Facetman60@yahoo.com) (517) 641-6125

**LOOKING AHEAD TO 2012:**

A celebration of Agates! July 26-29, 2012  
Minnetonka, Minnesota  
Info: [www.minnesotamineralclub.org](http://www.minnesotamineralclub.org)

**GET TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW MEMBER:**

Linda Winkelmann, Junior Club Advisor

**Interests/Hobbies:** Naming minerals/rocks (using books), gardening, reading

**Favorite Rock:** All of them! Love the Periodic Table.

**Do you have a workshop:** Wish I had a chemistry lab!!

**What do you read:** Science magazines & Mystery novels

**Favorite food:** Toast with eggs & hash

**Least favorite thing:** Sewing

**What is your profession:** Administrative Asst.

**One thing no one knows about you:** Used to be a scuba diver

**What is the weirdest thing in your home:**

Knobby log like an Owl

**Best trip you took:** 3 months in Alaska!

**Trip you would like to take:** Tour of Europe or New Zealand

**Involvement or favorite thing about the club:** Junior Club, of course!!

Howard Miller Community Center located at  
14 S. Church Street, Zeeland, MI.  
(The Library is part of the Community Center.)



## It's July - It's Yupper Time

by Rance and Anne Westover, July 11 - 15, 2011

Short trips are always welcomed when gas is expensive. A trip across the bridge even when raining feels like a vacation. The prices for motels were good, as tourism seems to be down. After picking up stones at Presque Isle Pt., we checked into our Marquette motel. The second day we drove to Norway, Michigan. The Kingsley North Store was smaller than expected but had everything we were after. A new slabing saw should help for years and a few chunks of various rough stone and a few beads will keep us busy.



Upon the return trip to Marquette we tried to get to the Champion Mine Dumps. The road was gated off. After discussions with some locals we did find some mine dumps to check. We brought back some nice pieces of Specular Hematite.

Between Champion and Ishpeming we saw our first moose in Michigan, a cow and her calf - kept watching and wondering why so many people were stopping along the road.

After a quick trip to the Lindberg Quarry we headed back to the bridge. There were still some places along Lake Huron we wanted to check for Petoskey & pudding stones. So with maps in hand and motels in Roger City and Alpena we checked Lake Huron wherever we could. We did find some nice fossil plates at Rockport Road. We found some Petoskey & Pudding stones but not nearly what we had hoped to find,

Perhaps the Rock Fishing will be better next time.




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## BOOK REVIEW *Agates: Inside Out*

by Karen Brzys

With its limitless combinations of bright colors and intricate patterns, agate is one of the most intriguing and widely collected of all forms of quartz. Thanks to its popularity and beauty, agate is the subject of a plethora of books ranging from simple primers and collecting guides to the most detailed, technical treatises of the theories of agate formation. And in terms of its comprehensive content, readability organization and superb color photography, Karen A. Brzys' *Agates: Inside Out*, released in 2010, is among the best.

Brzys, who owns and curates the Gitche Gumee Agate and History Museum in Grand Marais, Michigan, begins by defining quartz itself and emphasizing the differences between the macrocrystalline and microcrystalline varieties. She then guides readers through the fascinating world of agates, explaining everything from the inflow and silica-gel theories of agate formation to the origin of agate's complex banding patterns, channel structures, and array of delightful colors.

After describing the 31 major types of agate, from botryoidal, brecciated and cloud to the shadow, tube, and water-level subvarieties, the author includes an informative and helpful chapter on agate hunting that will inspire any reader to plan a field trip. Brzys ends the book with a detailed listing of notable agate-collecting localities in 14 American states and eight foreign countries.

The 248-page, 6-inch by 9-inch, soft cover book includes 240 color photographs, 20 explanatory diagrams, footnotes, references, and an index. It retails for \$22.95.

- Steve Voynick

Via Agate Explorer Oct. 2010

Gitche Gumee Agate and History Museum, PO Box 308, Grand Marais, MI 49839; [www.agatelady.com](http://www.agatelady.com)

# 2011 Show



## by Patty Valentine, 2011 Show Chair

Many thanks to all the members who came to the Civic Center over the weekend to work a shift or two. About 20 to 25 members must have been living there because every time looked around – there they were again! Thanks also for the generous contributions to the Door Prize supply, Club Sales rocks and especially the wonderfully yummy food some of you brought. Special Thanks to the 6 men, Tom Steffler, Chris Cooper, Chuck Cizek, Jon Mull, Mark and Tom Cistaro who gave up a night's sleep to 'guard the goods'. Their duty saved the Club hundreds of dollars in expense.



## Great GVSU Display!

Our financial summary is not yet complete, but preliminary numbers look better than last year. It's not too early to start thinking about new ideas for the 2012 Show and decide where you will give service to the Club.

~Rock On!



WHTC the Van 92.7 did the radio announcing for the show!



# More Show Pictures!

# Terrific Demonstrators

## Kids Games



## Fun at the Petosky Polish



Many cracked open a Geode and were the first to see inside!



Our club is a non-profit organization, sponsored by the Holland Recreation Department. It is a member of the Midwest Federation and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies. The general purpose of this club is to develop interest in and increase knowledge of minerals, rocks, gems, fossils, and the lapidary arts. The objectives of this club shall be promoted whenever possible, through family participation.



2011 Show Display by Ken Zeedyk

Advertising rates for Club members are: \$5 for business card size, \$10 for ¼ page, \$15 for ½ page, \$30 for full page. Double the rates for non-members. Payment by check; made out to: TCG&M; to be submitted with ad copy to Editor.

Deadline for Article Submission to the Editor is the Friday after the Board Meeting.

*Articles in this bulletin may be reprinted, provided credit is given to the source, author and bulletin.*

Dues: Family \$20 Single \$15

Meetings are held monthly on the last Wednesday of the month. See Calendar for meeting location announced in this TULIP CITY CONGLOMERATE. A Junior Club welcomes young rockhounds and meets separately during the evening.



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