

# The Living Stones

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Livingston Gem and Mineral Society

October 2020

## President's Message

Greetings everyone!

This may not be our annual show, but it's a show hosted by us nonetheless and we need you to do your part! There are still volunteer positions open to work the club table so sign up now! The link is on Facebook to sign up so go there now and let's get to work. The show is on October 3rd from 9 am - 5 pm at the Christ Lutheran Church, 5987 Williams Lake Road, Waterford, MI 48329.

Elections are coming up and we're looking for some new candidates to take over some positions here in our club. The position of President as well as two 1st year directors are up for grabs (the director positions are two year terms). If you'd like to try your hand at leadership, guide the future of the club, or just help out in a more substantial way we'd be happy to have you. Please contact me or one of the individuals on the nominating committee for more information or to become a nominee. You can find the names of the nominating committee in the minutes from our general membership meeting on the 21st of September right in this newsletter.

Just a reminder to look to your email for the new signup each week to come into the shop. The days we're open right now are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-4pm, which is split into two shifts. The shop is nice, safe and sanitized waiting for our members to come back and grind those stones and hammer out some gorgeous silver pieces. Make sure you follow the instructions on entrance to the shop

to make sure everyone is safe and happy. These guidelines are strict and a little difficult, I know, but the school will close us if they aren't followed.

I'm unsure of what will happen in these coming months. Many things have changed again for so many people and it's a very scary time for both the future of our country and the future of each of us. Please, stay strong and seek help if you need it. If you have any questions, comments or concerns about anything coming up, no matter how big or small, give me a call: 517.763.7436 Or Email: [zapalm889@gmail.com](mailto:zapalm889@gmail.com). I hope you're all doing well and staying healthy. Keep those masks up and your minds strong. I'll see you all soon.

Your President, Zachary Palmieri



## LGMS Zoom Board Meeting September 8, 2020 10:00 am

1. Call to Order – 10:14 am
  - a. In attendance: a total of 12 members including board members and website specialist.
  - b. Motion to approve minutes by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marianna. With unanimous vote to approve minutes with no changes.
2. Shop
  - a. REOPEN? – Zach will be meeting on 9/10 with school officials to discuss potential reopening of shop – estimated mid-September.
3. George & Anna Scholarship: September 14<sup>th</sup> at 11 am – George & Anna's award via Zoom with U of M Flint Natural Sciences Division.
4. Rock Swap on October 3<sup>rd</sup> in Waterford, MI: vote taken to charge \$25 to all vendors participating in the swap. Signup will be on line. Mask or face shield required.
  - a. Cinda to set up signup on line with Signupgenius.
  - b. Ed is vendor director. Room for approx. 30 vendors.
  - c. Mariana will do FB posts re: LGMS Rock Swap.
  - d. Isla will send out info to the other clubs re LGMS Rock Swap.
  - e. Bill will be in charge of food booth. (Offering packaged snacks, cold packaged food & drinks. NO hot food. Decision per vote and passed by majority). Fast food is available close by.
    - i. Bill will bring tables for the food and tablecloths.
    - ii. Lori & Zach will bring coolers for cold beverages. Ice is available at 7-11 across street.
  - f. Ann Marie will check on permits, provide a restaurant map for vendors and put up banner.
  - g. Zach & Ann Marie will chalk off 6' between spaces and 10x10' spots. Vote taken that several spots can be purchased by vendors - majority vote, passed 7 to 1.
  - h. Zach will purchase ice from 7-11 across the street & bring tablecloths from the Shop for use at the Club Table
  - i. Linda, Cinda & John Meyer will set up Signupgenius, PayPal, & receipt of payment arrangements.
- j. Marianna: VOLUNTEERS
  - i. Set up – 7-9 am (2-3 volunteers needed) Ed in charge.
  - ii. Food Table – 9 am-1 pm & 1 pm-5 pm, 3 volunteers needed for each shift.
  - iii. Club Table – 9 am-1 pm & 1 pm-5 pm, 4 volunteers needed for each shift.
  - iv. Tear Down – 5 pm- 7 pm, need 4 volunteers.
  - v. Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> – rock movers 12-4 pm will start to load up trucks from storage unit.
  - vi. Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> – rock movers 7 am unload trucks onto club table.
  - vii. Truck volunteers – Cinda? Zach? Gayland? Bryant?
5. Shop Monitors: We will have rules for monitors to follow and signup will be online.
6. Adjournment 12:16 pm – Motioned by Linda 2nd by Ann Marie with unanimous vote taken and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Irvin, Secretary



## LGMS General Meeting Minutes Settlers Park, 9/21/20

1. Call to order 6:00. In attendance a total of 22 members including board members.
2. SHOP
  - a. Reopen – The shop will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays only from 9-4. Members will receive an email from Signupgenius and can sign up for a 3-1/2 hour time slot. Cinda is in charge of sign-up program and can delete or add people. The program doesn't block people from signing up too often so we need to take turns. There are 2 shifts available, 7 slots per shift, 14 people per day. Procedural instructions are on the sign-up posted at the shop.
  - b. RENT September rent was \$300; October rent is \$450. We are still paying per month.
  - c. CLEANING Jim Parker has provided us with 3 gallons of hand sanitizer. The shop will provide heavy duty blue paper towels and the sanitizer needed to wipe down the shop. If tables and surfaces are clear at the end of the day, custodians will be cleaning surfaces at night.
3. ROCK SWAP
  - a. Date is Saturday, October 3, 2020, 9-5 at Christ Lutheran Church, 5987 Williams Lake Rd in Waterford.
  - b. 19 of 27 booth spaces are filled with 15 vendors.
  - c. Volunteers are needed:
    1. Setup 7 am
    2. Move rocks from storage
    3. Concessions
    4. Work club table and selling masks (Volunteer sign-up sheet was available at the meeting)
4. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. President Zach Palmieri picked a nominating committee for upcoming elections in November.
  - b. Offices of President and 2 new first-year directors are up for nomination.

- c. Nominating committee:
  1. Ann Marie McFadden
  2. Cinda Dawson
  3. Marianna Ziegler-Hickey
  4. Bill Magee
- d. Zach has several new proposals he is working on to present in the November newsletter.
- e. Landscape rocks are for sale from Sheila York's house in Holly. They will be sold by weight. See Cinda for pictures of the rocks and details. Rocks must be picked up by purchaser.

### 5. Adjournment 6:45.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Keefer, substitute LGMS secretary



## 2020 Officers and Chairpersons

**President:** Zach Palmieri 517-763-7436  
**Vice President:** Cinda Dawson 810-423-0464  
**Secretary:** Lori Irvin, 810-820-0494  
**Treasurer:** Linda Sheedy 248-624-3605  
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 Sheila York, 810-695-0509  
 AnnMarie McFadden, 248-884-8126  
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 Dan Goodwin 810-252-0026  
 Jim Parker 517-548-0675  
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 General Membership Meetings are held monthly on the  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 6 pm. (Except in January and February  
 when board meetings are held in the shop.)

## **Sanilac Petroglyphs Historic State Park**

8251 Germania Road, Cass City MI, 48726

Rock carvings, known as petroglyphs, etched into a sandstone outcrop are a mystery. Yet they give us a glimpse into the lives of early Native American artists.



The **Sanilac Petroglyphs** are Michigan's largest known group of ancient rock carvings. The park covers 240 acres along the Cass River near Cass City in Michigan's Thumb region and is also home to a one-mile hiking trail that crosses the Little Cass River in two places.

Stone tools and pottery found on the petroglyphs site show tribal groups have occupied the area periodically throughout the last 8,000 years. The petroglyphs were likely carved within the last 1,400 years, with some possibly created in more recent centuries. In December 2019, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe and the DNR signed a groundbreaking Memorandum of Understanding to establish the beginning of the tribe's co-management of the Sanilac Petroglyphs Historic State Park. This will mark the first state/tribal co-management of a state park in Michigan.

Guided tours of Ezhibiigadek Asin (Sanilac petroglyphs) are available in the summer months. Historical interpretation is provided by the **Michigan History Center**.

### ***Our Mission***

*The Livingston Gem and Mineral Society is a nonprofit organization and member of the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.*

*Our purpose is to promote, through educational means, public interest and increased knowledge in the fields of mineralogy, archaeology, paleontology, and the lapidary arts.*





### **Landscaping Rocks for Sale**

10 lbs to 100 lbs per piece

Kona dolomite 3 lbs for \$1

Most others 1 lb for \$1

Serpentine, fluorite, plume agate and more

If interested, call Cinda ( 810-423-0464) before October 3.

These will be sold at the Rock Swap using photos.

Buyer will be responsible for picking up the rocks (using gloves to avoid poison ivy).



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*No General Membership Meeting in October*

*Board members: watch for announcement of a Zoom meeting*

Livingston Gem and Mineral Society was established in 1970. The annual membership fee is \$50.00 for adults and \$25.00 for youth ages 13-17. There is an additional fee of \$1.00 per day for workshop use. Annual dues and annual shop fees are due on January 1 of each year. The Livingston Gem and Mineral Society publishes The Living Stones. Non copyrighted articles may be reprinted provided that they are properly attributed. Newsletter deadline is the 20th of each month. Articles or correspondence can be sent to LGMS Hartland Consolidated Schools, 9525 E. Highland Rd. Howell, Michigan 48843-9098