

CHIP & LICK

Official Publication of the Miami Valley Mineral and Gem Club

VOLUME 51, NUMBER 6

SEPTEMBER, 2005

MEETINGS: Second Sunday of the month except, July and August.

PLACE: Small Business Development Center, 300 E. Auburn Ave.,
Springfield, OH 45505. Phone: 322-7821

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

Guests are always welcome!

EDITOR: Phil Lind
6104 Springfield-Xenia Rd
Springfield, OH 45502

WEB SITE: www.mvmgc.org

**MATERIAL IN THIS BULLETIN MAY BE COPIED PROVIDED FULL
CREDIT IS GIVEN TO THE AUTHOR AND TO THE BULLETIN.**

Purpose and Memberships

The objectives of the Miami Valley Mineral and Gem Club are:

To promote interest and increased knowledge in the fields of mineralogy, geology, and the lapidary arts.

To further the art of mounting and setting stones.

To encourage the collecting, identifying and displaying of specimens in these fields.

The annual dues are \$7.50 for an individual membership, \$10 for a couple, or \$12 for a family membership.

This club is a member of the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical and Geological Societies (MWF), which is a member of The American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).



MIAMI VALLEY MINERAL AND GEM CLUB, INC.**2005 OFFICERS**

President	Hugh Fulton	322-1021
Vice President	Andreas Ruben	390-2081
Corresponding Secretary	Katrin Ruben	390-2081
Recording Secretary	Dick Faux	383-1212
Treasurer	Joyce Perry	372-8228
Editor	Phil Lind	322-7916
Librarian	Joyce Perry	372-8228
Curator-Historian	Becky Dobbs	372-9022
Trustee (2005)	Marie Shinabarger	426-2289
Trustee (2006)	Becky Dobbs	372-9022
Trustee (2007)	Udean Babyak	342-1511

2005 COMMITTEES

Anti-Litter	All Members	
Canceled Stamps	Kay Faux	383-1212
Chaplain	Udean Babyak	342-1511
Christmas Banquet	Udean Babyak	342-1511
Field Trips/ Safety	Phil Lind	
	Ken Newman	
	Tim Fosberg	
MWF Liaison	Hugh Fulton	322-1021
Photographer	Andreas Ruben	390-2081
Program	Andreas Ruben	390-2081
Refreshment	Joyce Perry	372-8228
Scholarship	Joyce Perry	372-8228
Show Chairman		
Spring Banquet	Udean Babyak	342-1511
Sunshine	Joyce Perry	372-8228
Swap	Hugh Fulton	322-1021
Webmaster	Katrin Ruben	390-2081

SEPTEMBER PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Unavailable due to editors communication gap

MIAMI VALLEY MINERAL & GEM CLUB MINUTES**JUNE , 2005 MINUTES**

Andreas Ruben called the meeting to order in the absence of Hugh Fulton.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

A combined treasurer's report for April and May was read and accepted.

REPORTS: Joyce Perry reported that she was working on a list of books in our library which is being printed in Chip and Lick. She hopes this will make it easier to know what our library contains.

LIASON: Andreas Ruben shared with us information that the club had received. One flier gave helpful information on a museum and mineral collecting site in Franklin, New Jersey.

PROGRAMS: The September meeting will be a time to complete plans for participating in the Springfield CultureFest. There will also be a silent auction that will help us finance participation in the CultureFest... In October, there will be a program on Optical Minerals.

OLD BUSINESS: Andreas Ruben reported on the results of his enquiries about the Springfield CultureFest. We can secure an education vendor booth for \$90.00. The event will be open from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM on September 17th. There is a June deadline for registrations. Andreas Ruben proposed that we vote on paying the registration fee and participating. There was unanimous approval. It was suggested that we plan a display with the theme Minerals and Fossils of Ohio.

Katrin Ruben informed us that it was time to pay our annual web site fee of \$75.00. There was unanimous approval of authorizing the treasurer to write a check for that amount.

JUNE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE
(Belated since no June newsletter was completed)

June meeting? Did you realize we have not had an official June meeting at our regular meeting place since -- well its been a long time maybe ever. And it will be the first meeting that I have missed in a long time.

Graduation time 2005 we have four grandchildren graduating from four high schools and one university. The kids each having commencement two same day and time. Graduation parties each weekend with Memorial Day weekend sandwiched in we pretty well know what we'll be doing for a while. Did the math get you? One graduates from Joint Vocational School and her home High School.

Wasn't that a great program last month on Thunder Eggs? I think we all learned from it. The technology of new AFMS programs make them so professional. Like the ones Andreas makes.

Now what I want to know did Clyde Spencer, have to buy Phil Lind, lunch? As I remember Clyde, stated he would buy lunch if he "Clyde" did not find gold flakes on the Cincinnati Mineral Society field trip.

Sorry to miss the program today on South American fossils. We will be at a graduation party. Do you wonder if the Cotton wood tree will know its time to let the cotton fly without our presence? This is first time without a rock swap there for quite some time too.

Have a safe, fun summer and please remember to come back in September, the eleventh at 2PM be here. Hugh Fulton



MIAMI VALLEY MINERAL & GEM CLUB MINUTES

MAY, 2005 MINUTES

Hugh Fulton called the business meeting to order.

Udean Babyak led the club in devotions appropriate for Mothers' Day.

The minutes of the April business meeting were read and corrected to report that 110 lb paper would used for the business cards. The Treasurer sent a report saying that no action had occurred in the treasury since our last meeting.

Chip and Lick editor, Phil reported participating in a mine safety training program. A book by Joel Vickar was available. The purpose of the program is to qualify Rock Hounds to visit mines.

CORRESPONDENCE: Andreas Ruben reported that people continue to make contact with the club through our web site. Phil Lind reported on plans for a gold panning trip under the auspices of the Cincinnati Mineral Society and encouraged members to participate. Phil also reported that Cincinnati had a flint knapping program that was open to the general public. Hugh Fulton shared information from various rock shows and rock shops. There was also a letter from Paul and Elsie Smith.

LIASON: We received the AMF and MWF newsletters. They emphasized information on the joint AMF and MWF conventions that will be held in St Louis in August.

PROGRAMS: The program for June will be a report on recent fossil discoveries in South American mountains.

OLD BUSINESS: Ken Newman reported that the supplies for our business cards had been purchased and the printing would be done soon. Andreas Ruben had secured information about the Springfield Culture Fest. It is a one day event. There is a \$90 fee for a booth. There will be retailers and people selling food. Andreas will get an application form that we can use if we wish to participate. We might use our Wheel of Fortune and our Silent Auction program in the booth.

Udean Babyak offered a motion that we make Johnny Mercer an honorary member of the club. He would stay on our roles without paying dues and receive Chip and Lick, Kay Faux seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. It was decided to send Emory and Beth Stewart a note, thanking them for sharing the rock pile at their old home with us.

The meeting was adjourned for refreshments and a program on Thundereggs. Following the meeting, some of the members revisited Emory and Beth Stewart’s rock pile one more time.

Richard Faux, Recording Secretary



SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

September Program: - Field Trips 2005 + Silent Auction Refreshments - Dick & Kay Faux

(Members will talk about their 2005 field trips and bring rocks they collected on the field trips for Silent Auction)

Future Programs and Refreshments:

October Program: - “Gemstones” Video

Refreshments: - Jim & Udean Babyak

Springfield Culture Fest 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. September 17th, 2005

Club will participate in Springfield Culture Fest - Theme: **Minerals and Fossils of Ohio**

(We need posters to put on an exhibition wall in the booth, 1 or 2 displays, goodies to give away and small rocks for the Wheel of Fortune) and of course members to assist in the booth. This should be a good way to encourage new members for our club.



UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS:

- **Springfield Culture Fest 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. September 17th, 2005**



FEDERATION NEWS



The Federation newsletter will be available for reading at the monthly meeting. Be sure to check it out.



AFMS

Newsletter will be available for reading at the monthly meeting. Be sure to check it out.



A sign-up sheet will be available at the monthly meeting refreshments, displays, and programs. Please sign up. I know each of you has a specialty that would interest the entire club.



BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARIES THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

JUNE BIRTHDAY

JULY BIRTHDAY

David Perry Jul 4
 Beth Stewart Jul 10
 Dick Faux Jul 25

AUGUST BIRTHDAY

Mabel Husted Aug 12

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY

Marie Shinabarger Sep 7
 Becky Dobbs Sep 14
 Glenn O. Russell Sep 28

JUNE ANNIVERSARY

Joyce & David Perry Jun 10
 Ginny & Russell Bignell Jun 19
 Jim Babyak Aug 16
 Ed Shinabarger Aug 30

JULY ANNIVERSARY

Phil & Joyce Lind Jul 03

AUGUST ANNIVERSARY

Udean & James Babyak Aug 6
 Becky & Brad Dobbs Aug 31

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY

Marie & Ed Shinabarger Sep 5
 Dick & Faye Faux Sep 30



Franklin NJ - Fluorescent Minerals

By Andreas Ruben

The last week of May brought me to New Jersey. Preparing my trip I noticed that I would come about 50 miles close to Franklin, the famous area of fluorescent minerals. There are two museums, the Franklin Mineral Museum and the Sterling Hill Mining Museum in Ogdensburg close by. The only problem being on a short business trip is the timing because museums usually are closed before I ever would get there in the evening. Nevertheless, at least I wanted to see the area to get an impression where all the beautiful fluorescent minerals come from.

Arriving at the Sterling Hill Mine at 6 pm I met Richard Hauck, one of the museum's guides, who just closed the gates. What a timing! The unbelievable thing was that he offered to go back with me into the museum after a short dinner. Richard helped transforming the mine into a museum in 1989/1990 and has been working there since then. After dinner he and his wife gave me a short tour around Franklin, showing me the Franklin Mineral Museum and the location of the Buckwheat dump collection site. Later Richard took me back to the Museum and opened the fluorescence display for me. It is the largest collection of fluorescent minerals from all over the world I've ever seen, just beautiful. Thank you Richard for this evening!

In addition there is the Mining museum with over and underground exhibits and a 1 hour guided tour. Every last Sunday the Mine Run Dump that is adjacent to the concession building is open for collecting. Twice a year they have a collection night!

Also the Franklin Mineral Museum allows mineral collecting in the buckwheat dump. You just have to be there during normal opening time. Information can be found at www.sterlinghill.org and www.franklinmineralmuseum.com. When you visit the Sterling Hill Mine Museum take a piece of fluorescent mineral with you to trade there. They also have fantastic specimen for sale.

Daffy-nitions:

ARBITRATOR: A cook that leaves Arby's to work at McDonalds.

AVOIDABLE: What a bullfighter tried to do.

BERNADETTE: The act of torching a mortgage.

BURGLARIZE: What a crook sees with.

CONTROL: A short, ugly inmate.

COUNTERFEITERS: Workers who put together kitchen cabinets.

ECLIPSE: What an English barber does for a living.

EYEDROPPER: A clumsy ophthalmologist.

HEROES: What a guy in a boat does.

LEFTBANK: What the robber did when his bag was full of money.

MISTY: How golfers create divots.

PARADOX: Two physicians.

PARASITES: What you see from the top of the Eiffel Tower.

PHARMACIST: A help out on the farm.

POLARIZE: What penguins see with.

PRIMATE: Removing your spouse from in front of the TV

RELIEF: What trees do in the Spring.

RUBBERNECK: What you do to relax your wife.

SELFISH: What the owner of a seafood store does.

SUDAFED: Bring litigation against a government official.

PHIL LIND - EDITOR
6104 Springfield-Xenia Rd
SPRINGFIELD, OH 45502

SAVE COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

