

# THE ROCKFINDER

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Michiana Gem & Mineral Society  
15358 Kerlin Drive  
Granger, IN 46530*

*\* \* The 1994 \* \*  
\* Summer Picnic \**

*Is coming up,*

*Mark your  
calendar  
Sunday  
August 21  
at Clay Park*

*See Details  
inside this  
RockFinder.*

# MICHIANA GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY

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## Regular Meetings

Time: 2:00 PM EST	Place:	Wesminster Presbyterian Church
4th Sunday of each month		1501 W Cleveland Road
June - Field Trip Meeting		South Bend IN
July - No meeting		just west of the St Joseph River
August - Annual Club Picnic		
December - Christmas Party		

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\_\_\_\_\_ Individual \$ 6.50 per year  
\_\_\_\_\_ Family \$ 10.00 per year  
\_\_\_\_\_ Junior \$ 2.00 per year

Please send your dues and this form to  
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Please make address corrections to the mailing label on the reverse side and fill in the optional information below. Your Birth Mo/Yr \_\_\_\_\_

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Will attend meetings \_\_\_\_\_  
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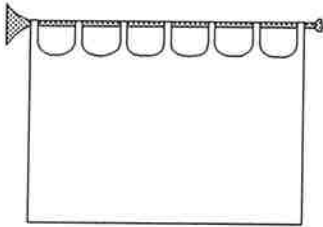
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Meeting: Meeting: None till September  
Doors Open 1:30 PM  
Meeting at 2:00 PM

SUMMER PICNIC - August 21

Place: To be announced

Hosts:



Summer Birthstones -

June - Pearl

July - Ruby

August - Peridot

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## Summer Happy Birthdays

June

- 6 Sue & Tom Fields (anv)
- 9 Cathrine McHugh
- 12 Jessie Zieger
- 14 Brian Hess
- 15 Marge Collins
- 21 Elizabeth Jordan
- 25 Dawn & Jim Cytacki (anv)
- 28 Mary Evelyn Miller



July

- 1 Chuck Collins
- 1 Pat & Tom McLaughlin (anv)
- 12 Fred Niebauer
- 12 Louis Jordan
- 12 Joelle Johnson
- 18 Nick Pellus
- 19 Dewey Hassler
- 20 Nina & Etta Miller (anv)
- 21 Mary Etta Miller
- 23 Scott Zieger
- 26 Paul Godollei
- 28 Pat McLaughlin
- 29 Bob Steel

August

- 1 Sherry Russell
- 1 Robin Schuster
- 4 Ed & Marsha Miller (anv)
- 12 Rosita Klodzinski
- 13 Todd Miller
- 19 Amy Hess
- 21 Larry Hess
- 22 Dawn Cytacki
- 24 Jo Kytta
- 24 Betty Stout
- 26 Sister Georgia Costin
- 27 Phyllis Smallwood

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## MARGARET'S COLUMN

Just a bit of information for Michiana members, the next time we get together will be at the August picnic. Chuck Collins has made arrangements for our Society to answer the phones on the Public Television fund raiser, in Elkhart. We are scheduled for August 21st, after the picnic, and must be there about 6 pm. Now is the time for you to "shine" as a "star", and get some free advertising for the show. Lets get a large group to go and answer the phones. It should be fun.

And we must get ready for the convention Labor Day Weekend. It is important that you let us know about your display. Tom Noe is in charge of them. He needs to know so tables can be ordered. We do not want to short our order, and also not order too many.

Lorraine Jordan needs help with the Kiddies Korner. She has some good ideas, so PLEASE volunteer to help her. We will have the sand box this year! The youngsters have asked for it, so along with the new games, this will be used. Call Lorraine and tell her when you will be there to work.

Kathy Miller is in charge of the door, and she also needs help. Bob Miller is in charge of the MWF Competition, and will present awards at the banquet. Pam Rubenstein will act as our "hostess", and would like both men and women to help her greet our guests. (It is so nice to have someone there to answer questions as to where booths are located, meeting rooms, meals etc). Pam will need greeters at the meals and banquet to take tickets and see that our guests are seated. Marie Crull is in charge of the packets for the pre-registrations. Do you have a job? No? Volunteer!

I would like to have our members attend the banquet. (Enclosed in this ROCK-FINDER, you will find the infomation on the meals, so let us know which you can attend). Chuck Collins will act as Master of Ceremonies. I understand he is really good!

This is a good time to see what the conventions are like, and you do not have to travel. "The Company" will entertain us

There will be a stamp booth, with a "First Day Coverage" cancellation. If you

would like to help the MWF Stamp Chairman, Tony Verdi, man this booth let me know. The Post Office will have an employee there on Friday to cancel the envelopes. The envelopes are being printed with our "pin" design, and the Post Office is making the cancellation stamp for us. So if you know someone that collects "First Day Coverage", make sure you get one for them.

I have news about a possible meeting place. As most of you know, the church had changed their policy on letting groups use the rooms. They will be charging \$50.00 per meeting. I called several places, but either the rent was too high, could not meet on Sunday or no parking. One place was out of the question, as it was in a basement with stairs to go down to it. We have had such nice meeting rooms, that I felt we could be choosy and if we had to, pay the \$50.00. But Chuck Collins checked with the Studebaker Museum and they have a room we can use, good parking, a kitchen and they ask for a donation to help them with a mineral museum they would like to have.

Let us know how you feel about going to the Museum. It sounds like it would be a positive move.

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We recently lost one of our long time members, Del Miller of Elkhart. Del and Tess were owners of a rock shop several years ago, and were members of the Elkhart Club, then they joined the Michiana Society. Neither have been well, but have continued to be members. Our sympathy goes out to Tess.

Carlton Pletcher's daughter called to tell us her father is extremely ill, and not expected to live. Some of his equipment will be for sale later this summer, and she will let us know when and where. Carlton had tons of rock, saws, equipment, findings and other items. He was known for his bolos and belt buckles.

We will see you at the picnic. If you are vacationing this summer, be careful. Stay well, and come back to us in August. Remember to make arrangements with Tom McLaughlin for our field trip that will be held later this fall.

MINUTES OF THE MICHIANA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY FOR MAY 22, 1994.

President Margaret Heinek opened the meeting at 2:05 p.m. Edna Douglas was introduced by her husband as a guest. Bob Heinek made motion to accept minutes written in the ROCKFINDER, seconded by Sister Jeanne Finske. Treasurer's report was handed out. It will be filed for audit.

Hospitality was Margaret Schultz, Paul Godollei, Louis and Lorraine Jordan. Thanks to all for the very good treats! Margaret Heinek and Ed Miller furnished the balloon and flower centerpiece.

Paul Godollei reported 8 books have been returned with 6 still out. Please make arrangements to return the books to Paul has there will not be another meeting till September.

Molly Elwell reported Gladys Pacholke was home and coming along fine. We wish her well. Also reported on birthdays and anniversaries for May.

Tom McLaughlin said 31 had signed up for the field trip in September and he will need check sent to him for your room reservations by August 1st. In full for both nights stay. Send to Tom McLaughlin at 515 North Clay Street, Mishawaka, In 46545.

Gordon Dobecki made motion to charge non members and non workers \$25.00 per person for bus, seconded by Sister Jeanner Finske.

A \$50.00 check was sent for a memorial in Joyce Larson's name to the Midwest Federation Endowment Fund in January 1994. Margaret Heinek received acknowledgement.

Marie Crull made arrangements for us to have our club picnic at Clay Park on August 21st at the south shelter. This was the only date available. Please mark your calender.

Margaret has talked to the post office about stamps at our September show. Marion Klodzinski made motion, seconded by Paul Godollei.

If we don't find another place to have our monthly meetings the church will start charging \$50.00 per month in August. Bill Crull made motion to pay the \$50.00, seconded by Ed Miller if we don't get another place.

Ed Miller gave a program on show and tell of things he has collected and where. Nice job, Ed.

Door Prizes were given to Dick Rosback, Louis Jordan, Sr., Lorraine Jordan, Marcia Miller, Ed Miller and Mike Klodzinski.

There were 20 adults, 2 juniors and 1 guest present.

Meeting was adjourned for refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie Crull, Secretary



*Think Picnic !!*

*The Michiana Gem & Mineral*

*1994 Picnic*

*Where: Clay Park's South shelter*

*When: Sunday August 21, 1994*

*Time: We eat at 1pm Indiana Time.*

*You Bring: Your own dishes,  
silverware and one dish to share for  
each two members of your family.*

*Meat, rolls and punch will be  
furnished by the club.*

*\* \* Announcing \* \**

*Your last chance to bring Geodes!*

*The club's display of geode halves for the MWF convention could use more specimens. Please, bring your interesting geode halves to the club picnic on August 21. Tom Noe will collect them for the display. Label them with any helpful information you have about the specimen. Tom will return them to you after the show. Thanks.*

*After the Picnic.*

*For Sale - Tom Noe has quite a few rocks and mineral specimens he wants to sell: picture jasper, apache tears, cutting and tumbling rough, Wyoming & South Dakota field agates, UP specimens, marine fossils, etc. There are also a few magnifying glasses and miscellaneous supplies. Nothing spectacular, but the prices will be cheap. "Let's make a deal." Tom will have directions at the picnic, on August 21. People can drop by before or after the public television support or call Tom at 289-2028, and drop by any evening in the week following the picnic.*

EXECUTIVE COMM. LUNCHEON - Held at the Century Center 12:00 noon Friday  
Sept. 2, 1994

MENU

HAM & TURKEY MARCO POLO  
TOSSED SALAD - FRENCH & RANCH DRESSING  
CARROTS & RICE  
ROLLS & BUTTER  
RASPBERRY SHERBET  
COFFEE - TEA  
\$9.00

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MWF DELEGATES LUNCHEON- Held at the CENTURY CENTER 12:00 noon, Saturday  
Sept. 3rd, 1994

MENU

COLD DELI PLATTER  
COLD SLICED ROAST BEEF, HAM AND TURKEY  
CAJUN COLE SLAW  
ASSORTMENT OF BREADS  
AND CHEF'S GARNISH  
COFFEE, TEA & DESSERT  
\$ 8.00

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BANQUET - Held in the Great Hall at the CENTURY CENTER, on SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 1994

MENU

SWISS STEAK  
MASHED POTATO  
GREEN BEANS  
CITRUS CUP  
CREAM DI FROMAGGIO  
\$ 15.00

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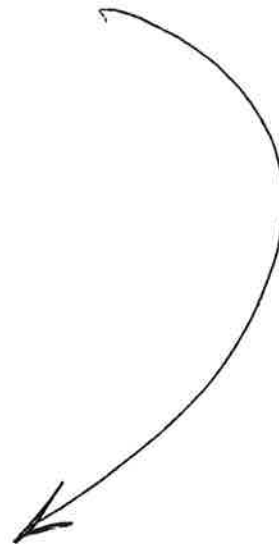
EDITOR'S BREAKFAST BUFFET- Held at the "THE WORKS HOTEL", on the East Race,  
475 Niles Ave, across the river from the Century Center. 8:00 AM ON SUNDAY,  
SEPT. 4, 1994

MENU

WESTERN EGGS  
BACON  
SAUSAGE  
BAGELS & CREAM CHEESE  
FRUIT, JUICE  
COFFEE, TEA OR MILK  
\$ 7.00



Deadline Aug 15.



**TICKETS FOR MEALS:**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE LUNCHEON	\$ 9.00	_____	_____
MWF DELEGATES LUNCHEON	\$ 8.00	_____	_____
AWARDS BANQUET	\$ 15.00	_____	_____
BULLETIN EDITOR'S BREAKFAST	\$ 7.00	_____	_____
TOTAL			\$ _____

**DEADLINE FOR ADVANCED REGISTRATION IS AUGUST 15, 1994. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Remittance must accompany this Registration Form. Make checks payable to:

**MICHIANA SHOW AND CONVENTION**

Send check and registration to:

Margaret Heinek  
7091 E. East Park Lane  
New Carlisle, IN 46552-9400



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Saturday Sept. 3 - 10am to 6pm  
Sunday Sept. 4 - 10am to 5pm**

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Age 6 to 16 \$1.50 daily: 3 day pass \$3.50  
Under 6 Free**

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