



ROCK PICKKENS

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB

Date: April 2012

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Our next meeting is scheduled for April 5th at the Canton Library. 6:30 PM Pot luck dinner. Please bring show and tell.

President: William deLorraine

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collecting; you'll need current Club membership and Eastern Federation insurance cards.

Please send a check for your dues to Chris so you can continue to receive newsletters and take part in club events.



Single Membership: \$10.00.
Family Membership: (Family members under the same roof at the same mailing address): \$20.00

February 25-26: was the 19th Annual James Campbell Memorial Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show sponsored by the Capital District Mineral Club and NY Academy of Mineralogy. NY State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY. In lieu of a meeting in February, some of the club members attended the show in Albany. Long time club members Jake and Shiela Kramer attended the show pictured below.

THE CLUB'S WEBSITE:

www.stLawrencecountymineralclub.org

Minutes from the Last Meeting

We did not have a meeting in January, February or March.

Our last meeting was held Thrs. December 1st at the Canton Library. It was a planning meeting for field trips for the upcoming year, and to go over our club's registration form and show flyer for 2012. Our show date has been set for August 25th and 26th at the Madrid Community Ctr.

Three EFTA field trips were set:

1. May 14th Selleck Rd
2. June 16th LaPlatney farm, Pitcairn
3. August 25th, Powers farm

Times and meeting places to be announced at a later date.

Upcoming Shows:

April 19-22: 39th Rochester Mineralogical Symposium sponsored by the Rochester Academy of Science, Mineral Section. Radisson Inn, Rochester Airport, 175 Jefferson Rd; Rochester, NY.

August 25-26: 46th annual St. Lawrence Co. Rock & Mineral Club Show, 1835 St. Hwy. 345 Madrid, NY Contact Show Chairperson: Bob Taillon @ 315-322-4032 or club President, William deLorraine @ 315-287-4652 wdellie@gmail.com

2012 Membership Dues collectible at any time but run from August 2012 to August 2013

If you do not have e-mail please let us know so we can mail you a hard copy of the newsletter.

Otherwise we strive to send all newsletters by e-mail. Make sure we are updated if your e-mail changes!

315-287-4652 or wdellie@gmail.com

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Please mail dues to: Chris Sutherland; Treasurer, 287

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Have you paid your dues?

It's important if you plan on



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September 15-16: 47th Annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry show and 62nd Annual EFMLS Convention hosted by the Central PA Rock & Mineral Club. Zembo Shrine, 2801 N. 3rd St. Harrisburg, PA

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• **What is the world's heaviest rock?**

The heaviest rock would be one composed only of Iridium - a mineral with a density of 22.7 g/cc. (Note that a "rock" can be composed of one or more minerals.) Iridium being quite rare, some other more common minerals that are very dense include - platinum at 18.0 and gold at 17.65 g/cc.

Native gold nuggets or "rocks" are found when panning for gold, so I would suggest that Gold is your best answer to this question.

As to the question of Gold being a rock or not, yes it is a mineral, and yes it can be considered a rock just the same as rock salt (which is also composed of one mineral) is considered a rock and a mineral. The geological definition of rock is "mineral matter of variable composition, consolidated or unconsolidated, assembled in masses or considerable quantities in nature, as by the action of heat or water."

Source(s) :

http://webmineral.com/determin/metallic_...

<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/r...>

<http://www.glossary.oilfield.slb.com/Dis...>

AFMS web site competition.

Our club's website was entered in their 4th annual contest.

The purpose of the competition is to help improve the effectiveness of your club web site through feedback from professional web designers and to recognize the hard work your club webmaster puts in to creating and maintaining your club web site. With the ever growing importance of having your club information on the Internet, a club web site has become almost a requirement, just as most clubs have switched to primarily e-

mailing their club newsletters to keep up with technology and reduce expenses.

There will be a trophy for the 1st place winner at the EFMLS level, along with certificates for all entries. The trophy is a first. Awards are given during the BEAC Editor's Breakfast at the convention. The first and second place winners also receive a .gif file they can display on their web site proclaiming their achievement.

Notes From el Presedente

This Thursday evening, April 5th, will be our first meeting in quite some time! We hope to see lots of our fellow friends and members at the Canton Library to kick off the new season to a warm start 'cause there's lots to do to chart the course for the coming year and lots on our plates to accomplish at the meeting. Several of our members are travelling a very long way to attend. Wes Jennings is bringing a cache of specimens that maybe we collectively can help identify. See you there!