From the President:

I hope you enjoyed July Fourth as much as SueZ and I did- baseball, fireworks with friends- What could be more fun?

August is a very busy month for the Club. We have a great speaker for the meeting August 7th at 7:00pm! Debra Coleman will be talking about polymer clay, a medium that can easily be mixed with what we do here. (My apologies for letting the June speaker run over but I knew our meeting would be short and I thought the speaker was excellent, even though I am not into meteorites.) If you must miss the presentation, the meeting starts at 7:30. The Board will be presenting some information to the membership for a vote, so it is important you attend this meeting so your voice can be heard. We will have some CLUB ROCKS FOR SALE that evening also.

Let’s end the summer with some Club Fun! Our Annual Swap-nic will be held August 17, 2013. We are inviting the other area Clubs, also. Last year, we all had a lot of good food and fun. Rocks and other items were swapped or sold. A good time was had by all.

Have you noticed our nice, new suggestion box in addition to our old one? Both boxes have been very empty lately. Why not add your ideas of ways to improve the Club? If nothing else, just drop in a note saying that you think everything is going fine.

Dan Herod and Mike Mayne are working feverishly to install the wiring needed for the hot water heater which will service the bath room and the bead room. The project is nearing completion very shortly.

Attention specialty class teachers (and those who plan to teach): Talk to SueZ before the end of July about some possible upcoming changes. It is very important!

The Nominating Committee is looking for nominees for PRESIDENT, TREASURER and one TRUSTEE. Job descriptions are posted on the Break room bulletin board, in your copy of the By-laws and in the Club Procedure manual. More details are on page 2 of this Rock Box. (If you cannot get in touch with Barb or Sandy, place your name and desired position in the Suggestion Box.) REMEMBER, without these officers, this Club will be forced to DISBAND. (NOT A GOOD THING!)

I am looking forward to a great Fall to top my term as President which can’t happen without you.

Your President, until the next one (Will it be YOU?).

John Zaborowski

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Debra Coleman from Kent
State - lecture on Polymer Clay

Get a head start on renewing your membership for 2014! Even though they are not due until December 31, 2013, you can mail your check (marked DUES) to our new mailing address:
Parma Lapidary Club
P.O. Box 110311
Cleveland, Ohio 44111

Shop Wish List

- Dawn dish soap (always needed)
- Paper Towels (always needed)
- Medium sized Plastic Peanut Butter jars for storage of nuts, bolts, etc.
- Pens and pencils
- Motors - 1/3 to ½ HP (1700 RPM)

Secret word: Gemstones

Thank you to those that have already donated some of these items.
A message from your Trustee Chairman,

I first came to the Parma Lapidary Club in 2005. Klaus was president and we were in the old building. From the time that John took over as president until now, there have been numerous changes and I for one, believe for the better.

But, as a trustee, I am concerned with the lack of involvement from our members to be engaged in the next term for our new president. I, for one, know that the time and effort needed is great but understand that all of the hats that John wears are more than that of president. Though, it may look daunting, it, in fact, is not.

What is needed is someone with a vision of where they see the club in the next four years. Someone who would like to change some aspect of running things differently. Now is your opportunity to step in and make these changes or to just maintain the club as status quo. In any case, someone is needed for this position, to help keep things running smoothly.

I have always said that when John and Sue move onto the next horizon, not only will they be missed, but it would take six people to fill their boots. I, one day, will run for president but it cannot be in this cycle. So, I plead with all of you, to think about not yourselves but the longevity of this awesome hobby. Step up and be the next president of the Parma Lapidary Club.

Sincerely, a rock hound,
Dan Herod, Trustee Chairman.

To all PLC members:

Election of officers will take place at the November 6, 2013 meeting.

Sandy Beuscher and Barbara Forsyth-Bowley have volunteered to form the nominating committee.

Offices to be filled are president, treasurer and trustee.

We are starting now to call for nominations for these offices. If you wish to be on the ballot for one of these offices, please give your name and the position for which you are running, either in writing or by email, to either Sandy or Barb.

If you wish to nominate someone, first get the person's permission to be nominated, then submit their name and position for which he or she is running, either in writing or by email, to either Sandy or Barb.

Sept. 30th is the deadline for nominations. If you have any questions or want to submit nomination please contact Barb bbcleve@hotmail.com or Sandy busher08@yahoo.com.
PLC Annual Swap-Nic

> **August 17th Saturday** will be the date for the 2013 Summer Fling & Swap-Nic.

> This is the weekend before school starts for us.

> **SHELTER 1** WEST BRANCH AREA 1 GRASS SITE WITH OPEN SHELTER 18' X 32'. NO ELECTRICAL SERVICE. 70 PARKING SPACES. HAS GROUP GRILL AND 8 PICNIC TABLES. SITE HAS FULL SHADE. DISTANCE TO WATER SUPPLY AND MODERN RESTROOMS 400 FT, TO PLAYGROUND 8 MILES, TO BEACH/POOL 3/4 MILE, TO LAKE LESS THAN 500 FT. NO ELECTRIC AT ANY OF THE SHELTER HOUSES--NO DRIVING ON THE GRASS FROM PARKING LOT TO PICNIC SHELTER. DUMPSTER LOCATED AT PARKING LOT. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PERMITTED. DO NOT REMOVE PICNIC TABLES FROM SHELTER. ALL PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY.

> **FROM THE NORTH:** TAKE 480 OR 80 TO SR 14, GO SOUTH PAST RAVENNA TO 76, Take 76 East to Exit 48, TURN LEFT (north) on 225 Deerfield Windham Rd, TURN LEFT ON CABLE LINE RD, county Hwy 120, go 2.5 miles to park entrance. Follow signs to Swim Beach, Picnic Area #1 for Shelter 1.

> **FROM THE SOUTH, EAST OR WEST:** Take 76 East to Exit 48,TURN LEFT (north) on 225 Deerfield Windham Rd, TURN LEFT ON CABLE LINE RD, county Hwy 120, go 2.5 miles to park entrance. Follow signs to Swim Beach, Picnic Area #1 for Shelter 1.

> From Youngstown: Take I-76 West toward Akron, take exit 48--Alliance, Route 225. Turn right onto Route 225 North to East Cable Line Road, turn left onto East Cable Line Road and go 2.5 miles to park entrance. Follow signs to Picnic Area #1 for Shelter 1.

> **WHEN?:** Saturday August 17th, 2013

> 11 am till 6pm

> **WHERE?:** West Branch State Park

> Ravenna, Ohio

> Shelter One (1)

> Park Map  http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Portals/2/parkmaps/westbranchparkmap.pdf (Type this in. This program will not automatically connect you to the website.)

> Park website  http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/tabid/795/default.aspx

>> **WHAT?:** Swimming, Picnicking, Selenite Crystal Collecting, Fishing (with OH License), Games for the children, swap your minerals and creations.

>> **WHAT TO BRING:** Minerals and creations for swapping, small table for your swap items, Swimming Suit, picnic lunch, drinks, sunscreen, hat, camera and a small container/ziplock type bag for crystals.

>> Club will provide hot dogs and buns.

> Please bring a dish to share for 8 to 10 people, your own meat for grilling if you don’t enjoy hotdogs, and your own drinks.

> A grill to cook meat will be provided and, also, a cooler with ice will be available.

>> Guests are welcome.

>> **Please email me RSVP, if you are planning on attending goldohio@yahoo.com** (Type this in. This program will not automatically connect you to the website.)
PARMA LAPIRARY CLUB
Mission Statement

The mission of the Parma Lapidary Club is to create for our members, visitors and general public, opportunities to appreciate, learn and develop skills in lapidary, metalworking and jewelry arts as well as geology, mineralogy, paleontology and other related earth sciences.

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Our Club was established and incorporated in 1958. In 1960, we became members of the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical and Geological Societies and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

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We are a family oriented Club. Children ten years old or older may use our equipment when accompanied by a parent or guardian.

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parmalapidary.com

We are also on Facebook !

CURRENT HOURS:
Tuesday 10:00-9:00
Thursday 6:00-9:00

Classes

* Wire Wrap with Bob Miller
Class forming for Saturdays starting September 14th.
Minimum of six people needed for Bob’s class.

* Wire Wrap with Jim Lamparyk
Class forming for Tuesdays starting October 1st.

Look for sign up sheets at the Club.

Field Trips

*PLC Annual Swap-nic - August 17th

*If you know of any great places that members of the Club might want to visit to do some digging, please tell John or Sue and we’ll see if we can arrange another fun field trip.

PLC Needs YOU!

Several positions are still open. Please consider sharing your talents in one of these capacities:

Shop Coordinator
Club Historian
President
Trustee
Treasurer

Find and Remember the SECRET WORD and be entered in a drawing at the August meeting!

Most of the mountains we climb in life, we build ourselves.