

Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club

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Letter from the President

Hello fellow rockhounds. Wow! June will be a very busy month for us. We will have some of our members speaking to the Delta library reading club about their rockhound adventures. Some of our members will be talking to the History Half Pints group in Sylvania. One of our members will be going to William Holland School Of Lapidary Arts in Young Harris, Georgia, to learn about faceting. This is wonderful to see so many members involved in these activities.

Our speaker at the June 19th general meeting will be Erik Rintamaki, the Yooperlite Guy. Please note: the meeting will start at 6:30pm instead of our usual time of 7pm. We are hoping this will encourage younger people to also attend.

We need your help in July on the 13th at 9am. We will be cleaning and prepping the display cases for our show in September. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated. We will have more information about the show in next month's newsletter.

Summer is here! Keep cool and enjoy.

Diane Bieber
Presiden

Metal Crafting Classes

Make Your First Pendant Class: Sunday Aug 4 from 11 am to 3 pm. Students will learn how to cut metal, make a bezel and back plate, solder, polish and set a stone. There are two parts to this class; the first three-hour session is scheduled by contacting instructor Michelle Grigore mgrigoretgrh@gmail.com at least a week before the above date. Members pay \$45, non-members \$55. All materials provided to complete a small sterling silver pendant with a polished gemstone cabochon.



June Birthstones

Modern: Pearl
Traditional: Alexandrite
Alternate: Moonstone
Ancient Hebrew: Emerald

If you would like a detailed breakdown, you can check out the following site:

<https://www.gia.edu/birthstones>



Monthly Club Meeting

YOU'RE INVITED

Erik Rintamaki - Guest

Speaker

"The Yooperlite Guy"

June 19th @ 6:30 pm

**Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club
2453 Tremainsville Rd Toledo, OH
43613**

**Board Meeting
May 1st @ 6pm**

**Show Meeting
May 15th @ 5pm**

Discover the Enchanting World of Yooperlites with the Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club

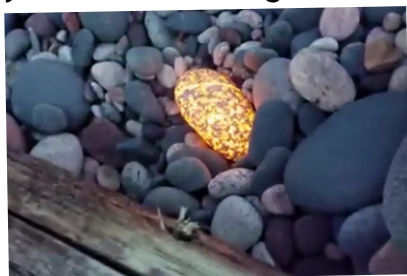
Have you ever heard of Yooperlites? These glowing treasures are not your typical gemstones, but they hold a magical allure that captivates rockhounds and collectors alike. The Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club invites you to delve into the enchanting world of Yooperlites and uncover the beauty that lies within.

Originating from the rocky shores of Lake Superior in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Yooperlites are unique fluorescent stones that emit a vibrant glow under ultraviolet light. Comprised primarily of the mineral sodalite, these gemstones exhibit stunning hues of glowing orange, yellow, and green, creating a mesmerizing effect that is truly one-of-a-kind.

Join us at the Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club June 19, 2024 as we explore the fascinating characteristics and origins of Yooperlites.

Learn about the geological processes that led to the formation of these luminous gems and discover the best methods for hunting and identifying Yooperlites in the field.

Unearth the hidden beauty of Yooperlites with the Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club and let these glowing gemstones ignite your passion for the natural wonders of the Earth. Don't miss out on the opportunity to connect with fellow rock and gem aficionados and immerse yourself in the magical world of Yooperlites.



Meeting at 6:30PM
instead of 7:00PM!



Please submit pictures, articles, and other related ideas to editor.rockyreader@gmail.com for next month's newsletter.

The Allure Of The Pearl

"Pearls are a type of gemstone produced within the soft tissue of a living shelled mollusk, typically an oyster or mussel. They form as a natural defense mechanism against an irritant, such as a parasite or piece of sand, that has entered the mollusk's shell. To protect itself, the mollusk secretes layers of nacre, a shiny substance made of calcium carbonate and protein, around the irritant. Over time, the layers of nacre build up and a pearl forms. Pearls are highly valued for their luster, shape, color, and size, and have been prized for centuries for their beauty and rarity. They are often used in jewelry and are considered a symbol of elegance and sophistication."



Pearls come in a wide range of colors, including:

1. White: The most traditional and classic color, white pearls are often considered the most timeless and elegant.
2. Cream: A soft, warm beige color, cream pearls are a popular choice for those who want a slightly warmer tone.
3. Pink: Ranging from soft pastel to vibrant rose, pink pearls add a touch of femininity and whimsy.
4. Black: Also known as "Tahitian" pearls, black pearls have a dark, iridescent sheen and are highly prized for their rarity.
5. Gray: A versatile and modern choice, gray pearls can range from light silver to dark charcoal.
6. Lavender: A soft, purplish hue, lavender pearls are a unique and stylish option.
7. Peacock: A rare and exotic color, peacock pearls display a shimmering, rainbow-like effect.
8. Golden: Some pearls, like the South Sea variety, can have a warm golden color.
9. Champagne: A light golden-brown color, champagne pearls are a popular choice for those who want a slightly darker tone.

Keep in mind that pearls can also have overtones or secondary colors, which can add depth and complexity to their appearance. Additionally, some pearls may be dyed or treated to enhance their color.

Rock Shows

MOM&FC Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, Bead & Fossil Show 2024 - 06/08/2024

Start Date: 06/08/2024

End Date: 06/09/2024

Hours: Sat 10:00 - 6:00 Sun 11:00 - 5:00

Venue: Richland County Fairgrounds - Fairhaven Hall

Address: 750 North Home Road

Richland County Fairgrounds - Fairhaven Hall

Mansfield, OH 44906

Website: <https://www.midohiomineralandfossilclub.com>

Types: Rock & Mineral Shows

**GEM, MINERAL, JEWELRY,
BEAD, & FOSSIL SHOW 2024**

Calcites



QUALITY DEALERS DOOR PRIZES EVERY HOUR GRAND PRIZE DRAWING	JUNE 8 - 9 Saturday 10 AM - 6 PM Sunday 11 AM - 5 PM	GEODE BREAKING DEMONSTRATIONS SILENT AUCTIONS EVERY HOUR KID ACTIVITY ZONE
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Richland County Fairgrounds Fairhaven Hall 750 North Home Road Mansfield, Ohio	Admission Adults.....\$5.00 Seniors.....\$4.00 Children 6 - 16.....\$3.00 Children 6 + Under.....Free Scouts in Uniform.....Free
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Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club- 06/08/2024

Start Date: 06/08/2024

End Date: 06/08/2024

Hours: Sat 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Venue: Woodland Drive-In Church

Address: 2600 Breton SE

Grandrapids, MI 49546

Website: <http://www.indianmoundsrockclub.com/>

Types: Rough, Slabs, Fossils, Equipment, Jewelry



INDIAN MOUNDS ROCK & MINERAL CLUB

Summer Super Sale

Saturday - June 8, 2024

9 am to 1 pm (Rain or Shine)

Will be held at:
Woodland Drive-In Church 2600 Breton SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

FREE Admission *Club members and local rockhounds may buy and sell*
 There will be tables & trailers full of bargains.
 RAIN OR SHINE

Sellers should bring their own tables: 15% of your gross sales are paid immediately to the Club before leaving.

Buyers find bargain-priced items: specimens, crystals, slabs, rough, fossils, equipment, jewelry & more!
IMRMC is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

Sellers & Dealers:
 Anyone may sell; no table charge,
 15% of total sales paid immediately to Club.

Find us on

For Information Visit our website www.indianmoundsrockclub.com
 Or contact Kevigh Tomaszewski (616) 243-5851

Indian Mounds Rock & Mineral Club is not responsible for any losses or damages due to event activities or schedule changes.

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June 2024

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Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11:00 AM Make Your 1st Pendant 12:00 PM Gem Crafters 12:00 PM Metal Crafters 26	1:00 PM Metal Crafters 27	10:00 AM Extreme Beaders 28	29	30	31	1
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