



JASPILITE

*Ishpeming Rock and Mineral Club
JULY 2010*

President's Message

Summer is here! You know what that means- the show is right around the corner! And there is still time to go rock hounding! We have several planned Field trips remaining for the summer of 2010 (see following pages, with our Field Trip finale being a trip with the Copper Country Rock and Mineral Club. Club Member, Norm Gruber set up the Keweenaw Field Trip with the Copper Country Rock & Mineral Club and both sites will be bulldozed. Big thanks to Norm and Steve Whelan from the Copper Country Club for setting this all up! There are more details in the following pages.

Ernie has continued to work non stop on the 2010 Upper Peninsula Gem and Mineral Show. Jan has agreed to run the registration Booth at the show in her usual organized and efficient style! If you would like to double your fun and give the Club a hand before, during or after the show, please let Ernie, Jan or myself know.

If you want to learn more about rocks and minerals that we will be hunting for on our local Field trips, Joyce and Al Smith will be conducting a "Rocks 101" Class on Saturday August 1, 2010 at 130pm at the IMRC Room at Cliffs Shaft. This class helps to promote our show weekend and helps recruit future IMRC members!

All of this wonderful information and so much more is posted on the Ishpeming Rock and Mineral Club Website. Please visit at :
www.ishpemingrockandmineralclub.org

Remember, everything is twice as fun if you get involved! See you among the rock piles very soon- and then I will see you at the show! **Bev**

September mineral/rock of the month is copper. We are hoping to show off all the specimens we find on our Field Trip to the Keweenaw!

Upcoming Meeting Dates In July and August we will meet for Business purposes only. All members are welcome! Summer meetings are on Monday nights at 730. July 19, 2010 and August 6th, 200.

Beginning in September we will meet again on Sundays at 130 pm on these dates;

September 19

October 17

November 21

December -Christmas party & election -TBA



Our Purpose

*"To enjoy, to learn, to
teach and to conserve*

*The rocks, the gems, the
fossils and ores.*

To collect, to admire,

To brag and to show

*The material we've
found, we'll trade for
yours.*

*Bob & Mariam Markert
(founding members)*

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Treasurer

Trustees

Bob Clark

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Upcoming Events

August 1, 2010 (Sunday) at 1:30 - "Rocks 101" in the IRMC Room at the Cliff Shaft Museum

The 35th Annual Gem and Mineral Show Saturday, August 7, 2010 9:30am - 4:30 pm. At the Ishpeming Elks Club, 597 Lakeshore Drive, Ishpeming, Michigan

The 15th Annual Copper Country Rock and Mineral Club Gem Show. August 13, 14th, & 15th at the Houghton Elementary School, at the corner of Bridge and Jacker Streets in Houghton, Michigan.

Please check for updates on all events on the IMRC web site @ www.ishpemingrockandmineralclub.org

Quartz Family

Formula ~ **SiO₂**

Specific Gravity~ **2.6-2.7**

Hardness ~ **7**

Color : **colorless, white, blue, green, yellow, red, purple, pink, dark gray, brown**

Streak: **white**

Cleavage : **none**

Fracture : **conchoidal**

Transparency: **Transparent, translucent or opaque**

Luster: **vitreous or resinous**

Habit if growing: **prismatic or 6 sided crystals or massive**

Uses of Quartz- sand which is composed of tiny quartz pebbles is the main ingredient in glass manufacturing. Transparent rock crystal, is used in oscillators in radios, pressure gages, and watches. In computers, silicon semiconductors are made of quartz. For sandblasting, grinding glass, and cutting soft stones. In production of soaps and ceramics. In jewelry as gems...For rock and mineral collections!

Dues for 2010 are DUE please send them to PO Box 102, Ishpeming, Mi 49849

IRMC Annual Show

By the time you receive this Jaspilite the show will be on top of us. Are you Ready??? To date we have 8 inside dealers (13 tables) and 10 outside dealers (13 spaces) all paid. From the calls and e-mails there should be 11 to 15 more outside spaces taken the day of the show. We are in need of raffle prizes as well as door prizes. Now would be time to look at those extra mineral specimens you may have and donate them to the silent auction. With good specimens it increases the bidding and the income from the silent auction tables. Now comes one of the most important items of the show... HELP. Volunteers are needed to help set up Friday night starting at 6pm for about 2 hours. Then during the day Saturday in two hour shifts inside starting at 930, 1130, 130 & 330. Starting at 430 we will be setting up for evening activities and help will be needed to move from the Elks Club to the Museum. Also need some one who can be at the Elks Club early Saturday at 730 to help assign spaces to the outside dealers. It should take about 2 hours. If you have not been called to help, please call me. The more help we have the less time any one has to work. Now is the time to pick where you would like to work, at the front table or silent auction. These are the two areas that the most help is required.

Saturday evening should be a fun time for all who attend, but here again we will need some help to make everything go smooth; live auction, recording both live auction and raffle winners. Also members don't forget we are asking all members to bring a dozen or so cookies or bars for the social hour at the completion of activities Saturday evening.

Don't forget your raffle tickets; make sure you get them turned in. If you have any unsold tickets please turn them in, as we sold all the unsold tickets we had at the show. The raffle is one of the major incomes for the club.

Don't forget the Field Trips. Any member that helps does not have to pay!! The field trips provide an opportunity to meet and get to know other rock hounds. Last year we had 50 attendees on Friday and 100 on Sunday and I expect the same number this year.

Again this year I am working with the Renaissance Festival on advertising. By combining our resources we are hoping to get more and bigger ads for the same amount of money.

The club web site has generated a lot of interest in the club and the show. I do know that there are individuals staying from Marquette to Ishpeming, both motels and camping.

Saturday can be a very long day but when you are having fun, meeting people, viewing what dealers have and maybe even buying some rocks/ minerals. Times goes fast.

Remember it is your show and with your help it will be another great success.

If we have a great day we should have a great show. Don't miss it! Ernie Johnson

May & June meeting discussions

2010 Rock & Mineral Show

2010 Field Trips

Name badges for members

July planned discussions

2010 Gem and Mineral Show

Keweenaw Field Trip in September

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50 years and still
collecting!

Kids Korner

Check out the silent auctions at the Rock and Mineral Show...a great place to get some new additions to your collections.