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Secretary William Wilson (21)*

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Ernie Zielinski (20)* Mary Carlos (22)*

Anne Hecker (22)* Lou Fazzina (20)*

Rachel Cesana (21)* Bruce Hecker(21)*

Departments/ Committees

Alicia Benoit - Field Trip Coordinator

Chris Tremblay – Membership Person

Bill Neal - Librarian

– Show Chairman

Tony Cesana - Parliamentarian

Bill Wilson - Historian

Webmaster – Bruce Hecker

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(*) number in parentheses denotes last year in office



Ralphie’s House “A Christmas Story” set Ohio

Upcoming Meeting Details

Executive Board Meetings are normally on the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm.

Normally, executive meetings will be held at Lou Fazzinas’ rock shop (Apple Valley Minerals)
7 Homestead Avenue
Smith field, RI 02917

*Homestead is off Farnum Pike.

There will be no general meeting. The executive board meeting this month will be virtual.

For additional information , see below..



Merry
Christmas

News

****Field Trip**** To be announced

Proposed Schedule for 2021 General Meetings

March 9th Election officers for 2021 Short Safety talk Rachel Cesana Talk on Geology of RI
April 13th Annual Auction
May 11th Short Business Meeting Talk Ernie Zielinski Rare Gems
June 8th Short Business Meeting Talk Bill Wilson Mineral Identification
July 13th Short Business Meeting Talk Paul Monti Herkimer Diamonds
August 14th Club Picnic place to be determined 12:00 pm
Sept 14th Short Business Meeting Talk to be determined
October 12th Short Business Meeting Talk All things show Rachel to give display case demo
November 9th Short Business Meeting Talk Fritz Connecticut Geology
December 3rd Christmas party more info to come

**** Proposed slate of officers President Alicia Benoit Vice President Tobias Ledbeder Secretary Bill Wilson Treasurer Dante Caprara At Large Board 3 year terms Don Mello and Lou Fazzina

If anyone is interested in running for office please contact Bruce Hecker, Ernie Zielinski or Tony Cesana

We are in the process of updating the by-laws and will present to the entire club for a minimum of two months via the newsletter before a vote is taken.

We are in need for someone to take over as Show Chair. This is a position of great importance as it is the only fundraiser that we hold. Without that income the club will run out of money to run the club. Tony Cesana will help whoever takes the job by taking care of the vendors and the floor plan.

Due to the current pandemic and uncertainty of resolution of the disease, All future in person meetings will be cancelled until further notice. The general meetings will likely start as zoom meetings. We will get you information as it becomes available and will keep you informed as to meetings, progress and when we will resume our normal procedures.

New information will be in the newsletter each month and additional information will be sent in separate emails as they become available.

If you have any information to pass along, please let me know.

***Anyone who paid their dues in 2019 for the year 2020 will not have to pay again until 2021. Anyone who paid this year already will be paid through 2022.