

THE MIDWEST FACETER

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The 69th Annual Greater Detroit Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show

Rocks the Macomb Community College Sports & Expo Center in Warren on Hayes Rd. between 11 1/2 & 12 Mile Rd. Shop from over 50 dealers selling minerals, fossils, gems, gemstone jewelry, carvings, tools, equipment and more! Witness marvelous museum and university exhibits, a replica Tarbosaur (Chinese T-Rex), a Triceratops skull

courtesy of show sponsor Carnbrook Institute of Science, and the jaws of Megalodon, take part in kids' activities, lectures, demonstrations, silent auctions, and MORE!

This year's display theme is "Marvelous Metals", highlighting the brilliance and beauty of native copper, gold, silver, and other interesting metallic minerals.

Note: A dealer/vendor list can be found on our website at www.michmin.org/show.



Midwest Faceters Guild Meeting was brought to order at 5:48 pm by President Virginia Steele at the Tallmadge Hall in Grand Rapids, Michigan on August 16th, 2013.

Treasures Report: Read, motion made by Barb Yost to accept the report, seconded by Everett Brake. Motion carried.

Melvin Lehner also reported that the audit this year will be done by someone outside the guild. This should be done about every 5 years or so by someone not connected with the guild. Every other year can be done by someone inside the guild.

We do thank Dave Root for having done the audits in the past. He has always been very thorough and hope he will be able to do this next year for us.

Secretary Report: Minutes approved as published.

Seminar Report: Barb Yost reported that we had 4 Beginning students, 1 Advanced student, no GemCad students, and 7 Frat people. Barb also reported that she has distributed over 150 flyers at events that she has personally gone to and that she had vendors who have also handed out flyers. Next year, packets will be sent out to people who are interested in faceting.

Thank you Barb for taking your time to make flyers, contact people who need to be contacted and for making this another successful seminar!

Discussion for next years seminar:

The Heartland Rock Club (Livingston County) has offered to hold a seminar in the Old Heartland High School. Detroit Tech has offered to have us come and hold a seminar at their facility whenever we would want. Probably no charge for this building.

We also have the option of coming back to Tallmadge Hall in Grand Rapids.

A motion made by Joe Masterson for the board to check and see the particulars on these offers. Motion seconded by Everett Brake. Motion carried.

Nominating Committee Report: President Virginia Steele elected Tyler Miller, Amy Uphaus, and Barb Yost to serve on the Nominating Committee for the year 2013 annual elections,

Barb Yost reports that she will be sending out information on how to vote by mail-in ballots this year. Please return your ballots as soon as possible. All ballots will be kept confidential and names of return addresses will be marked out. All ballots will be on view for inspection at the Annual Meeting. If the ballots are sent back in an envelope we will dispose of the envelope and keep just the card for viewing.

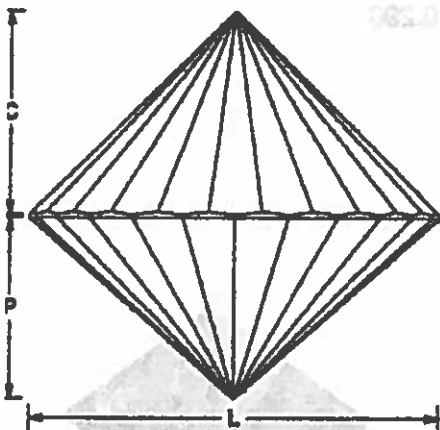
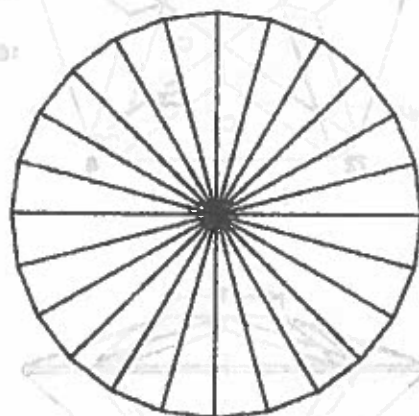
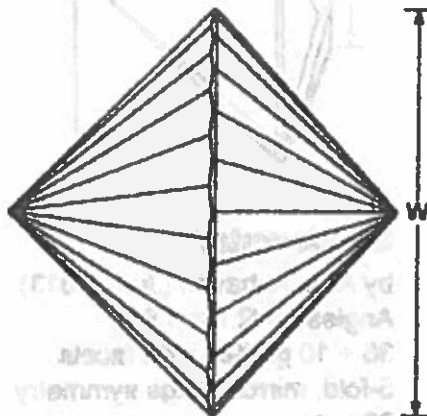
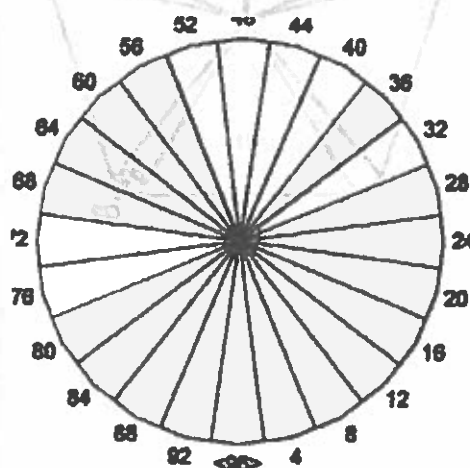
Annual Meeting is October 26th at the City Limits Bowling Alley Restaurant, 801 N. Cedar St., Mason, MI. We will have a private room. Be sure and be there at 11:00 am, we have the room until 12:30. As soon as you arrive you may order your dinner, prices are very reasonable and there is a good variety to choose from. If ordering a pizza you may also order ahead of time and it will be ready for you when you arrive.

We are very sorry to report that Bob Springer, one of our Lifetime Members has passed away. He passed away in April and were just notified of his death before the seminar. He was a Master Faceter and competed with Bill Horton in anyway thinkable. It seems like they were always trying to outdo each other in some form of faceting. The best friends both passing away months from each other. We will miss him and his knowledge in the art skill of faceting.

Motion made by Ruthann Lehner to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Virginia Steele.

In house raffle was a success! Lots of prizes and loads of winners!!

Sunflower by Joe Masterson



Angles for R.I. = 1.540
 48 + 24 girdles = 72 facets
 24-fold, mirror-image symmetry
 96 index
 LW = 1.000
 PW = 0.446 CW = 0.500
 Vol/LW³ = 0.253

PAVILION

90.00° 02-06-10-14-18-22-26-30-
 34-38-42-46-50-54-58-62-
 66-70-74-78-82-86-90-94
 42.00° 02-06-10-14-18-22-26-30-
 34-38-42-46-50-54-58-62-
 66-70-74-78-82-86-90-94

CROWN

45.00° 96-04-08-12-16-20-24-28-
 32-36-40-44-48-52-56-60-
 64-68-72-76-80-84-88-92

Member News

Bob Springer passed away in April 2013. He was a Life Time member of the Guild, a Master Faceter and competed with Bill Horton in almost every aspect of faceting. They were best of friends and had a wealth of knowledge that most of us will never ever experience.

Published in Flint Journal from July 23, 2013

William Horton

Born June 5, 1930, Clare, MI. Passed away July 8, 2013. Predeceased by father, William Benjamin Horton; mother, Dora Marie Hutchinson; brother Robert Andy; wife, Shirley Ann Castle; son, Keith William. Member Flint Rock and Gem Club, Livingston Gem and Mineral Society, Midwest Faceters Guild (C.M.) Elected to National Lapidary Hall of Fame in 1991. Recipient to numerous Federation, National and International Awards. Retired from GM in 1986 with 37 years of service. Survived by sons, Michael Bruce (Vickie) and Kevin James (Peg); grandson, Michael William (Jacqueline); granddaughters, Emily Horton (Joseph), Julie Kim (Young), Mackenzie Horton, Jennifer Horton; great grandchildren, Anastacia Vannett, Anthony Raider and Michael Norman Horton. He will join his wife in Millinton, MI

Update on Mary Lee she broke her arm after a wonderful recovery from a broken hip . . . she is recovering pretty well but has to use a walker. They plan on coming to the Annual Meeting.

Contest for the Prettiest Faceted Heart

It will be held at the October meeting, Please bring your faceted "Sweetheart" heart and you may win a prize donated by Linda Badger.

Calendar of Events

Oct 11-13

Greater Detroit Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show

Macomb Community College Sports & Expo Center, Building P

14500 E 12 Mile Rd Warren, MI 48088

Hayes Rd. between 11 1/2 and 12 Mile Rd.

Friday 9-7, Saturday 10-6, Sunday 11-5

Adults (18-61) \$8, Senior (62+) \$5, Children (5-17) \$4, Scouts in Uniform \$3

Oct 18-20

Three Rivers Gem and Mineral Society Annual Show

Allen County Fairgrounds, 7726 Carroll Rd. Fort Wayne, IN

Friday 10-7, Saturday 10-6, Sunday 11-5

**Admission: Adults \$5, Seniors (55+) \$3, High School students with ID \$1, under 12 free with paying adult
Scouts in uniform--free, leaders in uniform with troop--free**

Directions to Macomb Sports & Expo Center. From Interstate 696, exit Grosebeck Hwy. (M 97) and proceed north. Then turn west onto Martin Rd. From I-94, exit 12 Mile Rd. and proceed west. Then turn south onto Hayes Rd.

