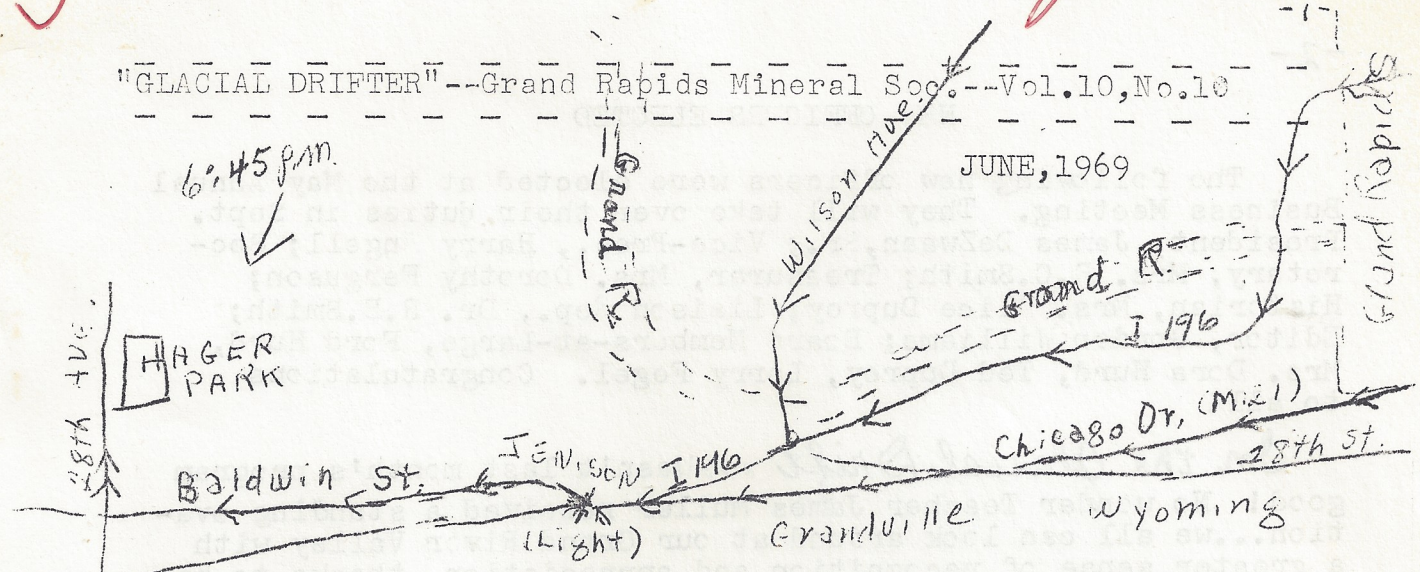


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OUR REGULAR MEETING IS ONE WEEK EARLY --

June 4, 6:30 p.m., bring your picnic supper to Hager Park, near Jenison. Take I-196 or Chicago Dr. (M 21) to traffic light at Jenison. Turn right on to Main St. and then on to Baldwin St. Go $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles west on Baldwin to 28th Avenue. Turn right (north) $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to park. The sketch map may help (?).

Besides the picnic fun and fellowship, we'll have a fine program. Roger King will present slides of a trip to the west... which should be a good prelude for many of our vacation travelers. Roger is a comparatively new member; he's the one who provided Henry Tchozeski with that gavel our president pounds so happily on occasion.

June 22--the Mineralogy Study Group will have its annual pot-luck picnic at noon at the Horace Merrick home in Muskegon Heights. Bring your own table service and your favorite easy lawn-chair; don't forget your wrapped specimen for exchange.

June 23--Board of Control, Rich VanBeek, 1227 W. Leonard St.

Remember--our other summer meetings will be July 9 at Ideal Park, and Sat., Aug. 23, 11 a.m. on, joint Rock Swap with Indian Mounds club at Allendale Town Hall.

GOING SOMEWHERE?

- June 12-15, Midwest Convention, Murdo, S. Dak.
- Aug. 9, 10--Gem & Mineral Show, Thunder Bay Lapidary Club, Prince Arthur Motor Hotel, Port Arthur, Ontario; field trips Sunday morning; P. Krystalowich, 484 Richard St., Port Arthur, Ont., show chairman.
- Aug. 16, 17--Rock Swap, Red Cross Bldg., 123 S. VanBuren St., Green Bay, Wis., Neville Public Museum Geology Club
- Aug. 23, 24--4th Ann. Iron County Rock & Mineral Club Rock Swap, Crystal Falls, Mich.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

The following new officers were elected at the May Annual Business Meeting. They will take over their duties in Sept. President, James DeZwaan, Sr.; Vice-Pres., Harry Angell; Secretary, Mrs. R.C. Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Ferguson; Historian, Mrs. Alice Duprey; Liaison Rep., Dr. R.B. Smith; Editor, Gordon Williams; Board Members-at-Large, Ford Hurd, Mrs. Dora Hurd, Ted Duprey, Larry Fegel. Congratulations to all!

In the Glacial Drift ... Wasn't last month's program good! No wonder Teacher James Muller received a standing ovation...we all can look around at our Grand River Valley with a greater sense of recognition and appreciation, thanks to his remarks and fine pictures. Keep those Betty Crocker coupons coming! We are now almost half way to being "100%" behind the AFMS Scholarship Fund. (100% means \$1, or the equivalent in coupons @ $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ ea., per member donated to the fund.) This year four two-year scholarships of \$500 each annually will be awarded. We have also sold 43 of the embroidered club emblems to our members. Be sure to wear yours, especially at shows, conventions, field trips, etc. The Board has voted to present \$25 as a thank you gift to Larry Fegel for his invaluable services in conducting the Les Pearl Jr. Rockhounds..... Added to the list of members headed for the Murdo convention are Marie Spielmaker, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bowers and Craig, and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Merrick, who will attend the annual State Line Swap meeting in Wauseon, Ohio on the way. Our Field Trip chairman has been lining up some possible plans--perhaps Pugh Quarry in July for calcite crystals, and Sylvania in August for fossils. More details later. About thirty members thoroughly enjoyed the trip to Grand Ledge, and found some good fossil specimens. Which reminds us that a hobby is something you go nuts about to keep from going crazy.

W A N T A D S

(Each G.R.M.S. member is entitled to two free want ads in the "Drifter" each fiscal year. Additional ads will be printed at \$1 per insertion. Rock swap or trade ads, of rock items and with no money involved, will be run free at any time.)

FOR SALE: 3 metal wardrobes at \$15 each; also a garden tractor at \$75. Call Art Ferguson, 361-6451

FOR SALE: Petoskey Stones, 35¢ lb. Charles M. Cooley, 221 College N.E., phone G1.8-3382.

GIVE ME ROCK, NOT ROCK AND ROLL

In these wild days of rock and roll,
Whose raucous blasts tear at the soul,
I pause to make one point quite clear:
I just can't stand the awful noise
That's churned up by the long-hair boys
And goes on throbbing hour on hour.
I'll take a rock--not rock and roll.

When wattage sends a sonic boom
From some gyrating youngster's drum,
And psychedelic colors flash
To go along with souped-up clash
Of pick and steely, twanging string,
I shake and cringe. It's not "my thing".
Please--just rock--not rock and roll.

Their adenoidal, off-key whine
To words like "Yeah,yeah" chills my spine;
And when some long-hair hunts a chord
He didn't even have to learn
To be a "star"--that's when I yearn
For peaceful calm and plead "O Lord,
Give me a rock--not rock and roll."

And then He sends me from the clamor
To hill, or stream, or desert sand,
To swing my softly pinging hammer
As rhythm for His nature's band;
And there, 'mid sounds to soothe the soul,
The song of bird and rustling breeze,
He gives me rock--not rock and roll.

(Earl Smith, Pres. Michiana Rock Club -via "Rockfinder")

AMERICA, THE UGLY

Oh, pitiful for smoggy skies
For jungles made of stone
For blazing mountain tragedies
Where bubbling brooks did roam.
America! America!
We shed our trash on thee,
And now regret the mess
We've made
From sea to shining sea.

How terrible the picnic trash,
The beer cans by the road,
The sewage pipes that feed the
streams
Their deadly, smelly load.
America! America!
With lakes of glistening foam
And airplanes spraying poisons on
The dear land we call home.

(Written by New Jersey Boy Scout Brent Renfrow,
via "Puddin' Stone News")

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