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#### WELCOME BACK

On your mark, get set, GO%GO%GO%

Off again for another year of fun, education, friendship, skinned thumbs, and the wonderful sense of satisfaction we get from finding, studying, working, and collecting the most beautiful of natures creations, the Rocks and Minerals of the world.

Your temporary Editor this month is Dick Camstra, filling in for Elaine Smith, who is still on Beaver Island, breaking rocks. You may be sure that the quality of this publication will improve immensely upon Elaines return. Meanwhile, back at the mine, we will attempt to get this show on the road. We beg your indulgence.

# SOME REALLY FINE CHANGES THIS YEAR

While the rest of you guys have been traveling, swimming, sweating over mine dumps, and having fun, your elected BOARD OF CONTROL has been working in your behalf. Quite a lot of business has been done by this group. The old and new Boards have had 2 joint meetings (one at Lucy Pearls joint, and one at Damstras joint) to exchange ideas and portfolios and assist the new members of the Board. These meetings have been well attended, and very successful. Some of the changes are as follows:

New Meeting Place: Grand Rapids Public Museum, Main Bldg.
Same time, 2nd Wednesday of each month.
Parking is available behind the East
Bldg., and in the Medical Bldg. lot off
Washington and State Streets.

New Officers: We are looking forward to a swell year with our new Officers. Their names are listed on the back of the DRIFTER cover. Nellie Mead will be appointing committees very soon to cover the various jobs, and we are sure that each member will give her their complete co-operation. The other new officers are all filled in now on their duties, and will certainly do us a good job.

# SUMMER MADNESS 1966

(Only mad dogs, Englishmen, and Rockhounds go out in the noonday sun.)

This has been a busy summer for our members. On a stand-up count at the August meeting, our people present indicated that they had busted rocks in 28 states and 6 Canadian provinces. We really covered the country. We saw some excellant material and specimens from many of these areas, including some new material which defied identification. We are sure some of this will be at the september meeting also.

We had a fine group attend the Mid-West Federation at Houghton in July. We understand that the contributions of our club accounted for a large percentage of the return to the Copper Country Rock and Mineral Club Silent Auction, and that they were very vociferous in their thanks. (Learned that word from Jerry Morris.)

Our Field Trip in July to Paris Gravel pits was quite well attended, and the group had lots of fun. We will have a report on the August Field Trip to Cheney Quarry at the September meeting from Leader Jim Van Vuren.

# A MILLION THANKS

This, my friends, is the FIRST issue of the DRIFTER which has not been Edited and Published by Nina and Bob Rozema and Staff. Words cannot express the thanks of the entire Society for the many years of unselfish work on the DRIFTER. We will have to really work to maintain the quality and punctuality of this group.

#### \*\*\*\* IN MEMORANDUM\*\*\*\*

The entire Club mourns the passing of our fellow member and friend LOWELL PAIMER this summer. A devoted worker for our group, an educated man, willing and eager to share his knowledge with all, we shall miss his sense of humor and his presence among us.

MICHIANA'S 5TH ANNUAL

# ROCK & GEM SHOW

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## WHATS UP, DOC?

What about the year ahead? Much, friends, much. With a new and energetic group of officers, who have so many ideas that we will be busy all season. So, away we go-----

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

September 14, 1966 at the Museum, 8:00 P.M.

Program: Our beloved Mary Jane Dockery with a new, exciting program on the wonders of our world.

Introduction of new officers, and their duties.

Raffles and Door Frizes: Would some of youse guys bring in some of this new stuff you got this summer? Please.

A Friendly Reminder: Our new Treasurer, Marion Jennings, will be on hand before and after the meeting to receive Innual Dues, which are now due. At this time we must have your zip code number also, so please have it in mind.

Club Emblems: These are available from the Treasurer. 75¢

# MORE ACTION THEAD

We expect that next month, after all our members are home from vacation, and have gotten all their new specimans labeled, that our many special groups will be announcing their meetings. The membership will find that both the MINERAL STUDY GROUP, and the LAPIDARY GROUP will afford members a fine chance to further their knowledge and enjoyment of our hobby.

And is our custom, we shall all look forward to our November Silent Rock Auction. Think about this a little bit, and have some fine new material available for your Club.

Hoping also for some articles for the DRIFTER from our members who have traveled this summer. There is always from, so some of you amateur writers please share your fun with us.

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