

# Gems

KALAMAZOO GEOLOGICAL  
AND MINERAL SOCIETY

## President's Message

Hello KGMS,

I want to make this brief. Show, Show, Show! The Show is coming. Please make time during the weekend of May 3 - 6 to participate. It takes everybody's help to make it a success.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

That is all. See you at the Show!

**Bill Mitchell**

KGMS President

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My thanks to all of our members who have and continue to work their tails off to make our show a success!

Remember to contact Marilyn ([mpowers@borgwarner.com](mailto:mpowers@borgwarner.com)) to make your reservation for the dinner after we close the doors for the day on Saturday. We will eat around 6:30 pm. The cost is \$10 per person.



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## Next Meeting

Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 1st, at the Portage Senior Center. Social time starts at 6:30pm and the meeting starts at 7:00pm.

## Stratigraphy of Michigan

Come and learn about the geologic time scale

and how the different rock types are classified within the State of Michigan. When did Michigan coal form? When did gypsum in Michigan form? Why are the rocks in the western UP different from those in the Lower Peninsula? Hope-

fully, you will learn the answers to these and other questions regarding the age and names of formations in Michigan

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### Club Dues

#### Due by December 31st

Family \$15.00/year

Single \$13.50/year

Student \$8.00/year

Senior/Couple \$13.50/year

Senior/Single \$10.00/year

### Meetings

First Tuesday each month except for January, July, and August

Work Bees/Picnic

Dates TBA in July and August

### Location

Portage Senior Center

Portage, MI

### Annual Show

Weekend before Mother's Day at the Kalamazoo County Expo Center, Kalamazoo, MI

*Our Purpose: To further interest and education in gems, minerals, geology, paleontology and lapidary*



**We want to hear from you!**

## Midwest Federation Shows

**4-6: KALAMZOO, MI.** Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society 55th Annual Gem & Mineral Show, Kalamazoo Expo Center, Kalamazoo Fairgrounds, 2900 Lake Street, Fri 4-8, Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5, CONTACT: Bill Mitchell (269) 395-5678, June Downing (269) 312-1437

**5-6: AITKIN, MN;** Annual Show, Cuyuna Rock, Gem & Mineral Society, Aitkin High School, 302 2nd St NW, Sat 9:00-5:00, Sun 10:00-4:00, Contact Marge Jensen, 218-546-8288, [marjen@crosbyironton.net](mailto:marjen@crosbyironton.net) or Tom Bebeau 218-820-0758

**5-6: CINCINNATI, OH;** Wholesale and Retail Show, Cincinnati Mineral Society, Dry Dredger, Cincinnati Gardens, 2250 E. Seymour Ave, Sat. 10:00-6:00, Sun. 11:00-5:00, Contact Judy Budnik, 2948 Rontina Dr, Goshen, OH 45122, 513-575-1990, [wisoh@msn.com](mailto:wisoh@msn.com), [www.geofair.com](http://www.geofair.com)

**5-6: MARSHFIELD, WI;** 39th Annual Show, Heart of Wisconsin Gem & Mineral Society, Marshfield High School Fieldhouse, 1401 Becker Rd, Sat 10:00-5:00, Sun 10:00-4:00, Contact Cynthia Kelman, 1403 N Broadway Ave, Marshfield, WI 54449, 715-387-8782, [kelman@tznnet.com](mailto:kelman@tznnet.com)

**11-13: COLUMBIA, MO;** Annual Show; Central Missouri Rock & Lapidary Club, Boone County Fairgrounds, 5212 N Oakland Gravel Rd, Fri 10:00-7:00, Sat 9:00-5:00, Sun 10:00-4:00, Contact Bob McConnell, 1601 N Earthland Rd, Columbia, MO 65202, 573-445-5415, [bobmc@socket.net](mailto:bobmc@socket.net)

**14-15: BERE A, OH;** 43rd Annual Show, Parma Lapidary Club, Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds, 164 Eastland Rd, Sat 9:00-6:00, Sun 10:00-5:00, Contact John Zaborowski, 926 Lake Breeze Rd, Sheffield Lake, OH, 44054, 440-949-8242, [j751@centurytel.net](mailto:j751@centurytel.net)

**18-20: JOPLIN, MO;** Outdoor Rock Swap, Tri-State Gem & Mineral Society, Schifferdecker Park, 7th & Schifferdecker Ave, Fri & Sat 9:00-6:00, Sun 9:00-3:00, Contact Joplin Museum Complex, 504 Schifferdecker Ave, Joplin, MO 64801, 417-623-1180, [jmc-cwiseman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jmc-cwiseman@sbcglobal.net)

**18-20: SOUTHGATE, MI** Midwest Mineralogical & Lapidary Society, 2012 Gem & Mineral Show, Southgate Arena, 14700 Reaume Parkway (Off Dix Hwy between Eureka & Northline) Fri 2-7, Sat 10-6, Sun 11-5, Contact Rich Williams (734) 374-2279, [Richinmich53@aol.com](mailto:Richinmich53@aol.com)

**19-20: NORFOLK, NE;** Annual Show, Northeast Nebraska Rock & Mineral Society, Sunset Plaza Mall, 1700 Market Lane, Sat 10:00-7:00, Sun noon-6:00, Contact Donna Christiansen, 408 N Plum St, Plainview, NE 68769, 402-640-4553, [rdchristi@plvwtelco.net](mailto:rdchristi@plvwtelco.net)

**19-20: WAUWATOSA, WI;** 55th Annual Show, Wisconsin Geological Society, Hart Park Muellner Bldg, 7300 Chestnut St, Sat-Sun 10:00-5:00, Contact Paul Schmidt, 8213 Red Arrow Ct, Wauwatosa, WI 53213, 414-771-8668, [pvs@wi.rr.com](mailto:pvs@wi.rr.com)

**26-27: WHEATON, IL;** Annual Show, Chicagoland Gem & Mineral Association, DuPage County Fairgrounds, 2015 W Manchester Rd, Sat. 10:00-6:00, Sun 10:00-5:00, Contact Linda Dillon, PO Box 360, Wasco, IL 60183-0360, 630-377-0197, [cgma@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cgma@sbcglobal.net)