

LAKELAND GEM & MINERAL CLUB

Agenda for Monthly Meeting: Tuesday August 25, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Church of the Pines, 415 Chippewa St./Chicago St., Minocqua, WI.

Show & Tell: Starts at 6:00 PM, for 30 minutes before official meeting starts. Bring your new rocks! Club has a 12X light desk magnifier to get a close-up view of your treasures. UV lights will be at meetings.

Monthly Quiz: Each month a club member will present a “Rock Quiz” and the winner will receive a prize. You can only win twice per year.

Business Meeting @ 6:30 PM

Welcome: Introduction of Club Officers and meeting attendees. For new members, who you are and why are you interested in our rock and gem club?

President’s Report: Bruce Bacon. - Welcome. Issue of club vacancies. Ideas for programs & field trips. 2027 Gem Show prep. Yes, already! Thanks to everyone who helped with the 2026 show!

Discuss the need for a formal communications plan for our club going forward. Needed to grow our membership and increase attendance at our annual gem & mineral show.

Vice President’s Report: Kim Goerg – Upcoming programs & proposed field trips.

Secretary’s Report: Ross Pettit. - Discuss and approve previous Meeting minutes as printed on website.

Treasurer’s Report: Mary Krueger. – Review & Approve Treasurer’s Report.

Program @ 7:00 PM: “What Rock Is This?” Repeat from June/July if no one comes up with new program. Bring your favorite reference(s) to identifying rocks. We will have sample rocks to practice ID’ing. We will share each other’s knowledge in rock ID. Bring a rock and we may be able to I.D. it?

Standing Committees

Annual Gem & Mineral Club Show (JULY 16 & 17, 2027): Ron Zimmer, rzimmer@charter.net, Chair. Update and THANKS to all our volunteers.!!!! **PICK SHOW THEME FOR 2027** – Bring your ideas. Review show reports from Hartman files (2000s & 2010s). How to advertise show?

Membership Chair: Mary Krueger. – Membership report. Membership renewals for 2026 are due. Bring your dues \$10/20.

Field Trips Chair: Vacant. Need volunteer(s) to organize trips! Need ideas for trips. Officers will help. Discuss Adventure Mine tour. September 15 trip to Saxon Harbor &/or Little Girl’s Point Beach. Weekend trip for those who work weekdays? **Next trip – ideas?**

Programs Chair: Vacant. Responsible for organizing monthly meeting presentations. Officers will help. We need ideas for future programs. Ideas? Volunteers?

Publicity Committee: Vacant. Discuss club's options: Website, Facebook, Instagram, ????? Need someone to put monthly meeting notices in local papers, etc. Help promote annual Gem Show. Can we get a Facebook page up and running? Volunteer to set up and monitor needed.

Website Chair: Ross Pettit. See publicity. Send Ross items for website at r@northwoodsgem.com

(Past President: Barbara Sironen; Board members at large: David Picard & Marshall Teschner)

(Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 22, 2026 @ 6:30 PM Church of the Pines, Minocqua, WI)

Mission Statement: "The Lakeland Gem & Mineral Club was founded in 1964 and incorporated in 1970 to promote interest in the areas of geology, minerology, paleontology and the lapidary arts, through educational programs, field trips, and our annual Gem & Mineral Show."

Website: lakelandgemclub.org