DATE: Saturday March 14, 2020
TIME: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: 152 Shideler Hall (Spring Street & Patterson Ave), Miami University, Oxford, OH
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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: FM’s objective is to promote, support, protect, and expand the collecting of mineral specimens, while furthering the recognition of the scientific, economic, and aesthetic value of minerals and mineral collecting. The purpose of the symposium is to bring together professional and amateur mineral enthusiasts to share information of common interest, to build a local mineralogical community and to provide students with an opportunity to share their work and receive public recognition for it.

DETAILED AGENDA:
9:00-9:30 FM Midwest Chapter Meeting (open to all)
9:30-10:30 Dr. John Jaszczak1: Criminal Minerals
10:30-11:00 Dr. Travis Olds2: Adventures for new minerals from Utah, Colorado, & the Czech Republic
11:00-11:30 Dr. Claire McLeod3: Extraterrestrial Mineralogy: Insights from 5 new Lunar Meteorites
11:30-1:00 Lunch Break Armstrong Student Center and Museum Viewing
1:00-1:30 Dr. John Rakovan4: Split Minerals
1:30-2:15 Dr. John Medici5: Unusual Mineral Findings at Delphos, Van Wert Country, Ohio
2:15-2:30 Break
2:30-4:30 Student Talks (20 min each)
4:45-5:00 Awards for Student Talks

1 Dr. John Jaszczak is Professor and Interim Chair, Department of Chemistry, Michigan Technological University.
2 Dr. Travis Olds is the new curator of the mineral collection at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History.
3 Dr. Claire McLeod is an Assistant Professor of Petrology and Geochemistry at Miami University. Her research involves looking at the mineralogical make up of returned Apollo samples and lunar meteorites in order to evaluate the geological history of the Moon.
4 Dr. John Rakovan is a Professor of Mineralogy at Miami University and an executive editor of Rocks & Minerals.
5 Dr. John Medici is an American Chemical Society emeritus Chemical Abstracts retiree (Biochemistry/Food/Nutrition editor-translator) with extensive field collecting travels in over half of the 50 US states and several provinces in Canada.
ADDITIONAL PRESENTATIONS by KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dr. John Jaszczak will be giving an additional talk entitled *Magnificent Merelani Microminerals* at the Cincinnati Mineral Society meeting at 8 PM Friday, March 13, 2020. Contact Terry Huizing at tehuizing@fuse.net for further details or visit the CMS website (mineralsociety.org).

DIRECTIONS and PARKING: The Limper Geology Museum is located on the Miami University campus just inside the East and West entrances to Shideler Hall on the first floor. Shideler Hall is located west of the intersection of US Highway 27 and State Route 73. See map on following page.

Recommended parking is in Cook Field lot near the bell tower across the road from Shideler Hall. Parking requires the purchase of a permit. Please visit [http://www.miamioh.edu/parking/permits/index.html](http://www.miamioh.edu/parking/permits/index.html), select Visitors, and then click Purchase Visitor Permit. You will need to display this permit on your dashboard the day of the event. Cost is $3.

You may also obtain permits from John Rakovan inside the auditorium on the day of the symposium. You will need cash. You will have to walk back to your vehicle to display the permit.
Museum Location

- Shideler Hall - Limper Geology Museum
- Parking Garage
- Shriver Center - Information Desk
- Campus Avenue Building - Parking Services