



ROCK and MINERAL CLUB
P.O. BOX 102
ISHPEMING, MI 49849

50th ANNUAL Upper Peninsula Gem and Mineral Show

50 Years of Rockin & Swappin

Saturday, August 1, 2026

9:00 am - 3:30 pm EDT

Ishpeming Elks Club

597 Lakeshore Drive, Ishpeming, Michigan

50 Plus Vendors • Children's Activities
Silent Auction • Gems • Minerals • Gifts • Jewelry
***Crackerbarrel • And More!**

FREE ADMISSION - Door Prizes

FIELD TRIPS FRIDAY AND SUNDAY



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The Ishpeming Rock & Mineral Club

For more information:

showinfo@ishpemingrocks.org

or www.ishpemingrocks.org



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Crackerbarrel

Saturday evening based on gathering around the cracker barrel in the old country store.

- Saturday August 1, 7:00pm Ishpeming Elks Lodge
- Exchange ideas, ask questions, meet fellow rockhounds.
- Live auction featuring high quality specimens.
- Guest Speaker: Paul Brandes will be speaking on "Type Minerals from the Great Lakes State"



Paul Brandes was introduced to geology at a very early age having grown up on the Keweenaw Peninsula of Upper Michigan digging up mineral specimens and researching the rich mining history of the area. He graduated with degrees in geology from the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology and Michigan Technological University. He has worked in mineral exploration and consulting, as an environmental crimes investigator, and currently as a professor of earth science at a community college. Paul is also an award-winning photographer, a best-selling author, a member of the Mindat.org Management Team, and on the Board of Directors of the Hudson Institute of Mineralogy. Paul enjoys spending time with his cats and travelling the world with his geologist wife Nathalie in search of new and exciting places to study geology and obtain minerals to add to their exceptional collection

Field Trips (HAND TOOLS ONLY - no power tools, no winches - no come-alongs)

SAFETY GLASSES REQUIRED!!!

No smoking at collecting site.

No children under 10 allowed at collecting sites.

Children 10 and up must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday, August 1st to Republic iron mine for mineral specimens, leaving 9:30 a.m. sharp from the Cliff's Shaft Mine Museum parking lot, Ishpeming. Cost \$10.00 per person.

Sunday, August 3rd to Lindberg's Quarry to collect Kona Dolomite, leaving from the Negaunee Township Hall at 12:30 pm sharp (or meet at the Quarry at 12:45 p.m.) sign up for Sunday's field trip at the SHOW. Cost \$10.00 per person.

Lodging/campsites available:

Chocolay River RV & Campground, chocolayrivercamping.com. Mention you are attending the Gem & Mineral Show when you book for a \$10 discount per night.

Cedar Motor Inn, Marquette (906) 228-2280, www.cedarmi.com

Van Riper State Park, www.michigan.gov/research/parks/vanriper or call Phone: 906-339-4461

**Motels are available in Marquette and Ishpeming

**Pets must be on leash or confined to owners' quarters at Show-site

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