



NOVEMBER 2024 | Newsletter

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**Welcome to our meeting  
Friday Nov. 8th, 2024 at 6:30pm  
in the Chester Senior Center located at  
81 Laroe Rd, Chester NY 10918.**

Usual refreshments  
will be served!

**We will start with our general  
business meeting followed  
by our speaker and then a  
mineral auction.**

## November Speaker: Michael LaMonica

Mike is an Earth Science teacher in the Goshen Central School System. He will be giving a hands on demonstration of how 3D printers are now used to educate students in earth sciences. A couple of specific items will be 3D crystal system kits and 3D landforms. You might even learn a thing or two by using the crystal system kits to help identify different minerals.

### A LOOK AHEAD...

Our December 13th meeting will feature our holiday party with a Pot Luck Dinner and a large Chinese auction including many different minerals. There will be no speaker only lots of good music and good conversation!

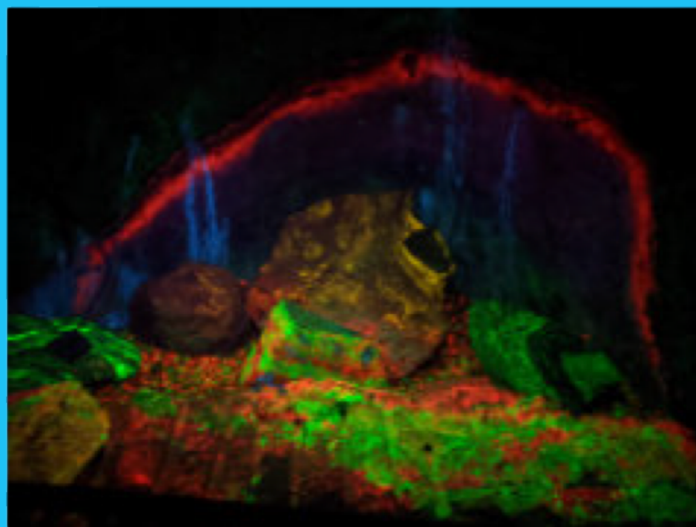
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## Annual Trip to Sterling Hill Mining Museum October 12th, 2024

We had beautiful weather, and a great group of members go to the Sterling Hill Mining Museum in Ogdensburg, NJ for our annual trip. Members were given a tour of the facilities and vast collection of minerals and artifacts by our very own member Ken Daubert who is a tour guide at Sterling Hill. After our tour, we enjoyed lunch and had a brief meeting. We then headed off to the Mine Run Dump to work off some calories and dig for some fine specimens, both fluorescent and non-fluorescent. Everyone happily left with some new additions to their collections. Our trip next year is tentatively scheduled for October 11, 2025 so mark the date.





The Orange County Mineral Society was established in 1953 in Orange County, New York as a not-for-profit organization. We are a 501(c)(3) and registered NYS charity. Our goal is to promote interest and education in geology, mineralogy, paleontology, archaeology, and lapidary. We are a mineral club, whose main focus is Orange County, New York, and the surrounding areas. We want to share our knowledge and teach others about the history of the mines and mineralogy of Orange County. We also collect minerals and fossils in various locations, including New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut. Additionally, we are members of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS), and the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical and Lapidary Societies (EFMLS). Please visit our website at [www.ocmsnewyork.org](http://www.ocmsnewyork.org)



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