



Minutes of the: Editors Unite 3RD Roundtable

held on 2/2/2021

Minutes by Cat Herder, Teddi

-Contact the EU Co-Chairs,

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NEXT ROUNDTABLE: Wednesday, March 10th at 7:pm via Zoom (of course)

To register, go here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctcOusqTssE9XGAzP-nxlyXG-1iQ-cEM4N>

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SNOWFALL DISCUSSION UNTIL EVERYONE LOGGED IN.

INTRODUCTIONS (see list of attendees at the bottom) Rick Cernak of Worcester MC introduced their new Editor, Sara Powers.

SPECIAL Mystery GUEST – “Groundhog” Dave Shapiro was the target of our potential “Roast!”

INTERVIEW this year instead of Roast: Asked the “Hog” a wide range of questions about; minerals, favorite things, place he goes & wants to go rockhounding, etc. because it was “Groundhog Day” after all! **The EU would like to thank the Kanawha Society for the use of some of the questions. Please see latest Federation newsletter, [EFMLS Forward](#) for complete interview.*

DISCUSSION ON USING INFORMATION FROM ARTICLES IN OTHER PUBLICATIONS INCLUDING THE INTERNET, i.e. “Citing”

- Use part of the info, cite the author & source (print or online)
- Use the entire article as written but contact the author for permission first
Exception: If article says it cannot be used, don't use it!

COMMENTS AMONG EDITORS UNITED MEMBERS AFTER DISTRIBUTING THEIR NEWSLETTERS TO THE EU GROUP

- Frequency of emails saying “nice newsletter” and general “chit-chat” are overwhelming to some members
- Alternatives to using email group:
 - Chatroom
 - facebook Group
 - Slack Messaging
 - suggestion, just respond to the newsletter editor and not the entire group
- Action item: List of editors, organization and emails

EFMLS COMMUNICATIONS

- Should new specific email addresses be used and not a general one to contact someone in the EFMLS
- Editors United page on EFMLS.org (*completed*)

COMMUNICATIONS AND EDITORS UNITED ACTION ITEMS

- Editors Unite – Editors signing up for Roundtables but not attending the Zoom meetings.
- Contact Editors to confirm who wants to participate in the EU Group and create a final list to be distributed to group.

NEWSLETTER REPOSITORY OPTIONS

- Newsletters being sent to individuals who store it on their computers
- Use a Google Drive Folder that David has already created**
 **Each editor create a sub-folder for their society in the folder
- Use Dropbox instead of Google Drive

NEWSLETTER FILE NAMING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE REPOSITORY

- Society Name / Date: (proposed for filing purposes; YYYY-MM to display in date order / Newsletter Name

GENERAL

- We are united so let's call ourselves "United," instead of Editors Unite.
- How to "market" to the Editors that are not participating the conversations we are having in these Zoom meetings
- Invite other EFMLS Societies/clubs to see their Zoom program presentations at regular meetings
 Benefit: Programs having speakers from far away

IDEA FOR FUTURE ROUND TABLES

- Guest Speakers for the Editors United
- Copyrights
- S.C.R.I.B.E Presentation (<http://scribe.rbnet.net/>)

ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: 3/10/21

- Administrative guidelines for posting to the group email address
- More on newsletter sharing
- Future 2021 Meetings heading into Spring/Summer and new content to attract more Editors

2/2/21 ROUNDTABLE ATTENDEES:

Diane Burl	Connecticut Valley Mineral Club	MA	Editor
Christine Conlon (Host)	EFMLS	MA	
Bill DeLorraine	St Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club	NY	Editor
Dan Imel	Rochester Lapidary Society	NY	Editor
Diane Legg	Kanawha Rock & Gem Club	WV	Editor
David Nock (Host)	EFMLS	CT	
Alison Pacut	Orange County Mineral Society	NY	Editor
Theresa Peek (Cat Herder)	Washington County Gem & Mineral Society	ME	Editor
Pam Pollister	Philadelphia Mineralogical Society	PA	
Sara Powers	Worcester Mineral Club	MA	Editor
Ken Rock	Mineralogical Society of the District of Columbia	DC	Editor
June Rogier	Presidential Gem & Mineral Society	NH	Editor
Jody Shaw	Tuscarora Lapidary Society	PA	Editor
Teddi Silver (Cat Herder)	Delaware Mineralogical Society	DE	Editor
Richard Simcsak	Southern Md. Rock & Mineral Club	MD	Editor
Lizzie Triano	Danbury Mineralogical Society	CT	Editor
Jeff Ursillo	SCRIBE	FL	Past Editor

GUESTS:

Dave Shapiro	North Jersey Mineralogical Society	NJ	President
Rick Cernak	Worcester Mineral Club	MA	Staff-Editorial