

January 27, 1962

The Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club met January 27, 1962 at the Roberts Dairy Party Room.

The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. Roll call was read with 53 members present and 9 guests were introduced by Frances Tracy.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved. The Treasurers report was read by Velma Bloyd and approved by those present.

Dean Baumeister reported the books in good condition after they had been audited. Dues and show profits are the main income of the club.

It was suggested that a specimen cabinet be set up to display Nebraska material in Morrill Hall. Dick Hedges was appointed as Chairman to handle said display items. A

A show of hands indicated at least 10 club members are planning to attend the Des Moines show on July 27 through July 31. Rules for club and individual entries will be forthcoming.

It was moved by Desmond Gibson that \$25.00 be paid towards the expenses of the delegate attending the convention. Seconded by Tom Simmons. Motion carried.

A letter confirming the possibility of our being host to the Midwest Convention, possibly in 1967, was read by Frances Tracy. A possible attendance at such a show would be 30,000 rockhounds. It was explained that \$500.00 of the club money has been set aside for a "Convention" fund.

The Wichita Kansas show will be the last weekend in April. Hastings show will be the first weekend in May.

Desmond Gibson reported on the dates of the University football games so our 1962 Rock Show date would not conflict with a game. Such a date causes us to have less attendance.

A motion was made by Virgil Carveth to have the show in September..sec. by Dr. Gibson. Motion carried.

Tom Simmons moved that the show should be held September 29 and 30. Seco by Art Bloyd. Motion Carried.

Date was confirmed and arrangements for the Armory were made by Maurice Tracy.

The question page of the Pick & Shovel was discussed and answers given.

Two color films on Rocks and minerals were shown by John Lewis. Much favorable comment was made and members asked that such films be used again.

Refreshments were served by Marie Carveth, Millie Bainbridge and Lillie Lewis.

Respectfully submitted by

*Lillie Lewis*

Recording Secretary

February

The Lincoln Gem & Mineral club met February 24 at the Roberts Dairy Party Room with 52 members and 15 guests present. The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. Guests were introduced by Frances Tracy. Other members also introduced guests they had invited.

A report was given by Desmond Gibson on the proposed changes to be made in our Constitution. It was moved by Art Bloyd to waive the reading of the proposed changes since copies were to be handed out to the members. The motion was seconded by Virgil Carveth. Motion carried unanimously.

Dick Hedges explained about the cases available for displaying club material at Morrill Hall. He called for specimens from the club members to be displayed in such cases.

Frances Tracy read a notice about the 59'ers Rock Club to be held June 22, 23, & 24th for the Cody, Wyoming Show.

May 12th and 13th. are the dates for the Omaha Show at the National Guard Armory.

Tom Simmons reported to the club the Boy Scouts will have the Rockhound Hobby as a theme for the month of May. He introduced G. W. Wilson who called for Club members to help the Scouts as much as possible. Roger Simmons said samples of Nebraska materials have been requested by Boy Scouts in other states.

Tom Simmons asked that Rocks and magazines be given to the State Hospital for the Lapidary classes held there.

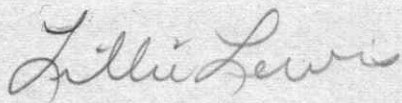
Dick Hedges reported on competitive entries in the Des Moines show suggesting that our club enter a case containing a map of the United States using polished cabochons mounted in the areas where they are to be found. This display may not contain mixed cabs and minerals but must be one or the other. No one member may contribute more than 20% of said display. Art Bloyd volunteered to build such a case. A motion was made by Norman Engelhart that we enter the competitive show in Des Moines with a club entry. Motion seconded by Florence Boring. Motion carried. Money has been contributed by Florence Boring to buy the map for the display. It was moved by Tom Simmons to limit the total cost of display case and contents to \$50.00. Seconded by Helena Baegl. Motion carried. Dick Hedges was appointed Chairman of the committee to work on the case. other members to be appointed. It was suggested that members make a list of the materials they have available so the committee can choose the needed rocks.

President Lewis told of the Hobby Show to be held March 10 & 11. Our club has three 8 foot tables available to show our specimen cases. Desmond Gibson gave the answers for his question page from Pick & Shovel

Some very interesting slides were presented by Helen Dodge. The slides featured Carrera marble and also places she visited on the trip she took abroad.

Refreshments were served by Lois Marie Gibson, Frances Tracy and Velma Bloyd.

Respectfully submitted by



Recording Secretary

The Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club met March 24 at the Roberts Dairy Party room with 51 members and 6 guests attending.

Lloyd Tanner, assistant curator at Morrill Hall, showed some slides on Animals of the past. Mr. Tanner gave us some interesting facts about these animals and then asked for questions from our members and guests. Some amazing creatures once lived in Nebraska.

Business meeting was called to order by Pres. John Lewis. Guests were introduced by Frances Tracy. Minutes of the February meeting were read and approved. Adeline Nolde briefly discussed our club participation in the Lincoln Hobby Show. She suggested our club members should see that we have someone present at all times to give information about the displays and to give interested people information about the Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club. A certificate was presented to the club as a token from the Hobby Show.

Frances Tracy read a letter from the State Hospital thanking us for contributions of rocks for their lapidary class. Mrs. Tracy also read a note from the Gems & Minerals magazine about our club and the proposed exchange of Rock jokes.

Irl Everett told about the trip to Old Mexico field trip to be held the first part of May. (See Irl for information if you care to take this trip.)

"Who's Who and Where"--our membership booklets are ready for distribution. Do you have yours?

John Lewis briefly described the new office of Club Historian. Frances Tracy, as Historian will compile a history of the club, including pictures of our past presidents.

A list of people interested in receiving Museum Notes was prepared. Mr. Tanner kindly offered to send this paper to interested people.

Attention! The deadline for the new "Swap Column" to be started in the Pick & Shovel is the first Monday of the month.

Participation in the Hobby Show at the Lincoln Air Base was discussed with several members indicating they would take part. Mrs. Tracy has the entry blanks.

Dick Hedges displayed our entry case for the Des Moines Show and called for some additional cabochons for the case. The committee for the display case are as follows: Dick Hedges, Chm., Desmond Gibson, Frank Krecji, John Lewis, Art Bloyd and Maurice Tracy. Dick also called for more cabochons for the Morrill Hall display.

Once again Tom Simmons reminded us the May is "Rock Month" for the Boy Scouts and asked us to help in any way possible. G. W. Wilson called for people to attend the Scout Round Table at Camp Minis Kuya on Wed. April 11. This is to help the leaders learn the proper way to label and mark rocks for display, how to cut and polish rocks and other information about our common hobby. Dick Hedges, Virgil Carveth, Art Bloyd, and John Leis volunteered to attend on behalf of the club.

Roger Simmons gave answers to his question sheet in the Pick & Shove. An interesting discussion followed indicating the members do give thought to these questions.

Dr. Gibson read the proposed changes of the by-laws and they were voted on individually and accepted with the exception of the following:

Add to Auditing: The President will appoint an auditing committee consisting of 3 members. (Motion made by Mr. Sincebaugh, sec. by Mr. Miller, carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor to table Article on quorum until the April meeting..seconded by Lloyd Lederer. Motion carried.

Motion was made to adjourn. Refreshments were served by Lois Everett, and Lucille Hedges.

Respectfully submitted by Lillie Lewis, Recording Secretary

April

The Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club met on April 28 at the Roberts Dairy Party Room with 49 members and 3 guests attending.

The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. The minutes were read and approved. Frances Tracy introduced the guests who were present.

Dr. Gibson. read the proposed change on the quorum for our constitution. He made a motion to accept the proposal as read. Motion was seconded by Roger Simmons. Motion carried.

President Lewis asked members to volunteer their services for committees for the Rock Show. It was noted that several members are already actively working towards this important date.

Dick Hedges reported progress on our display case that we expect to enter in the Des Moines Show.

Art Bloyd discussed our club members participation in the Hobby Show at the Lincoln Air Base and told about the certificate given our club in appreciation of our entries.

The Hastings Show will be held May 4, 5, & 6 at the National Guard Armory; Adeline Nolde will be discussing making of jewelry at the show. The Omaha show will be May 11, and 12.

An invitation was read inviting our club members to attend the Seattle rock show Sept. 27 through 30. It was noted that this date falls at the time of our own show.

Next month a report will be due from the Field Trip committee on coming summer trips.

Virgil and Marie Carveth brought their case "Gems of the Bible" for us to view and we all found the display most interesting.

The business meeting was adjourned and the program was turned over to Mr. Rober Killem. Mr. Killem is the supervisor of State Recreation. He gave us a brief talk on State Parks in Nebraska and followed with some very interesting slides describing favorite camping and recreation spots where we can enjoy outdoor life in Nebraska.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Taylor, Adeline Nolde, and Mrs. Robert Dannar.

Maurice Tracy asked if the club would like to donate money to buy a table for Fort Robinson but other members wanted to discuss this at a further time before voting on it.

Respectfully submitted by

*Lillie Lewis*

Recording Secretary

May 25, 1962

The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. Fifty-one members and 9 guests were present. The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

The Hastings show was discussed by several members. The friendliness of the club received special comment. Irl Everett told how they had covered their tables with black plastic making an inexpensive but attractive background. They had their display cases identified with number codes. The Omaha show was discussed --especially the "Memory Table" honoring past members. Dr. Spaulding's case seemed to be of special interest for this display. Dick Hedges reported that Maurice Tracy is showing great physical improvement.

Adeline Nolde said Hastings would like to see a State show in the near future and asked if we would be interested in such a show.

Tom Simmons read a citation from the Scout office thanking club members for helping with the Rock theme of the month.

Virgil Carveth and Dick Hedges spoke of possible field trips for June. Adeline Nolde made a motion to have the picnic at Fremont on June 24. Motion seconded by Helena Baegl.

Dick H. called again for materials for the rock case at Morrill Hall. Materials from the Crawford area would be especially appreciated.

The program by Don Hazelrigg was a most interesting discussion on the art of silver work in jewelry mountings. Mr. Hazelrigg prefers making his own designs and displayed many of his beautiful pieces. Dick showed the case to be exhibited at Des Moines. He still calls for cabs from the East.

Mr. Moser volunteered to have his son pick up the case if it isn't possible for a member to do so. John Lewis said he would try to be available if possible to bring the case back to Lincoln.

Velma Bloyd gave answers for the Question sheet in the Pick & Shovel.

The business meeting adjourned and delicious refreshments were served by Helena Baegl, Mrs. C. Ray Waddle and Mrs. Ray Sincebaugh.

Respectfully submitted by

*Lillie Lewis*  
Recording Secretary

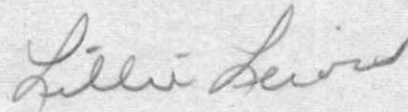
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A picnic was held in June at the Fremont City Park with about 50 members and guests attending. The group then went to the gravel pit area and spent several hours hunting for polishing materials and specimens. Todd Ashmun found the nicest "laker" but most of those present found something of special value for his collection. A good time was had by all.

In July the pot luck picnic dinner was held at noon at Pioneer Park. About 60 people were present and ate heartily from the groaning tables laden with good foods. After the dinner the members and guests enjoyed looking at and swapping rocks and specimens with the other members. Ray Sincebaugh had his camera and took some interesting pictures of the activities. These pictures should make interesting viewing at a future club meeting.

On the Labor Day Weekend about 20 people enjoyed a trip to the Fort Robinson Area. Tom Simmons reported that all had a good time and that some Fairburn agates were found. Congratulations go to the lucky people who made the trip and were rewarded so nicely.

Respectfully submitted by



Recording Secretary

September 1962

The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. Ten guests were introduced by Marie Carveth. Our club members then stood and introduced themselves so our guests might get to know them. 42 members were present.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved as read.

The show committee chairman reported on the progress made in preparation for the show and Dean Baumeister called for additional help at the admissions desk. Dorothy Engelhart asked for volunteers to bring pies and cakes for the snack bar and for members to sign up to help during the show.

Marie Carveth reported that publicity coverage would appear in the Sun, in the daily papers, over the radio and on the Marie Hurlburt TV show.

Junior members were asked to have their ages posted on a card inside their cases and to have an eyelet on the back of the case so the small cases could be chained down. This is to eliminate the possibility of theft of small cases after the show is over. Mr. Waddle asked that any name cards to be made up in advance should be put on the chart he has available.

Mrs. Arthur Bloyd reported that there are still plenty of advance tickets available and that she would have them ready for anyone who desires to sell them.

Special working displays to be shown and demonstrated at the show are to be as follows...Tom Simmons will demonstrate his large saw. Fred Gudtner will display and demonstrate his sphere machine. Mrs. McKinney will have his tumbler running and be there to discuss it with interested parties. Floyd Olson will demonstrate cutting and polishing with Arthur Bloyd also demonstrating these arts. Frank Krecji will facet a quartz crystal during the show. Ray Sincebaugh will be taking pictures throughout the show as well as having the film demonstrations during the show. John Lewis will have his "Rock Cutting Machine" there to liven things up. The special display of the show will be the brown diamond found by the Howard Taylors this summer.

It was suggested that Roger Simmons check out some records for the Public Address system to be put in by Mr. York. An appeal was made by Art Bloyd for large rocks for the Still display.

Velma Bloyd reported on the Des Moines Federation Show and told how our club case was judged in competition and placed second. ..only 3 points out of first place. A large thanks goes to all who contributed to this case, either by furnishing stones or doing any of the many duties connected with the show entry. About 40 people from our club attended the Des Moines Show and came home tired but happy about having seen the beautiful exhibits. The case was taken to Des Moines by the Arthur Bloyds and picked up and brought back ~~to~~ to Lincoln by the John Lewis's.

Irl Everett gave his definition of how to become a Rockhound.. "Go out with a pocketful of marbles. Each time you pick up a rock, put down a marble. When all your marbles are gone you are a Rockhound."

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by Mrs. Paulson, Mrs. Ewald Paul and Mrs. Simon.

Respectfully submitted by

*Lillie Lewis*

Recording Secretary

October 27, 1962

The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. 48 members were present. Five guests were introduced by Marie Carveth. The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

The asset and Liability sheet was read and discussed. Our club articles state that we are not to have more than \$2000.00 on hand. It was suggested that we build a club house for our meetings and special events. Virgil Carveth was appointed to look into the possibilities of our spending the money on hand on a club house. Art Bloyd was appointed chairman of a committee to look into possible building locations, etc. G. W. McKinney and Frank Knott were appointed to work with Art.

Howard Taylor suggested the possibility of getting some State Fair property with the possibility of a building put up for advertising purposes.

A show of hands was taken to see if there would be any interest in a building of our own. Many members responded favorably.

It was suggested that a "Show Improvement Folder" be made to help future officers in preparation for the yearly show. Suggestions should be given to Marie Carveth.

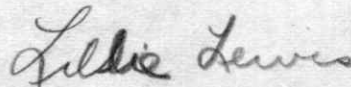
A nominating committee was called for. Art Bloyd nominated Dr. Gibson as chairman, seconded by Norman Engelhart. Motion Carried. Marge Heedick nominated Norman Engelhart. Seconded by Helena Baegl. Motion carried. Dick Hedges nominated Irl Everett. Seconded by Art Bloyd. Motion carried. Frank Knott moved that nominations be closed and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for this committee. Seconded by Marge Heedick. Motion carried.

Answers to the question sheet were given by Marie Carveth.

The business meeting was adjourned. Ray Sincebaugh entertained us with some wonderful pictures of specimens and pictures taken during our Rock Show this year. Pictures taken during the summer picnic at Pioneer Park were received happily also.

Refreshments were served by Marie Carveth, Mrs. Miller and a Junior Member Judy Weber.

Respectfully submitted by



Recording Secretary

November 23, 1962

The meeting was called to order by President John Lewis. The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. Nine guests were introduced by Vice President Marie Carveth. 49 members were present.

The questionnaire in the Pick & Shovel was discussed and a call was made for members to send in the filled out questionnaire to guide future officers in the choice of program, etc.

Art Bloyd reported on the possible locations for building a club house. Some properties involved would be at a very low cost but might be less desirable than others at a reasonable cost. He showed a picture of a possible steel structure which would have an initial cost of about \$3,000.00. This price would be available to us only through the cooperation of our club member G. W. McKinney.

Roger Simmons asked if we could use a building at the fairgrounds at not cost. Art Bloyd answered that 4 Gem clubs found this to be unwise because we would be limited to having our show during the Fair. No admission could be charged and no concessions would be allowed. Several places are available at nominal cost including a bank building in Davey, Nebraska. Mr. Kohn suggested that the Court House could be checked for tax encumbered land that could be bought for taxes or less. Clyde Miller asked about the possibility of buying land as an investment to be turned over in the future.

A bust of Art Bloyd was displayed and a contest to see how many recognized our "famous Rockhound" was conducted. Roger Simmons, John Lewis, Irl Everett, Carnegie, Herbert Hoover, and Art Bloyd were answers received on the slips that were handed out.

Irl Everett gave the answers to the questions which appeared in the Pick & Shovel. Roger Simmons asked that the answers to the previous month's questions be submitted in the following edition of the Pick & Shovel.

John Lewis said that our dues now cover cost of the Pick & Shovel. Dues for 1963 are due now. The next meeting will be a Pot Luck supper for the Christmas party. Mr. Guy Miller will have the program. Velma and Dorothy E. Volunteered to decorate the room for the party.

Roger Simmons reported that silver smithing will be given as a class at Whittier Jr. High starting in January. John Lewis stated that the next lapidary class will also start in January.

The election of officers will be held at the December meeting and the new officers will take over for the latter part of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by

*Lillie Lewis*

Lillie Lewis, Recording Secretary

## Minutes of December Meeting

The Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club met on December 22, 1962 at the Roberts Dairy Party Room. The Pot Luck Dinner was attended by ~~41~~ members and ~~20~~ guests. Many delicious dishes gave us a varied and delightful pre-Christmas dinner.

Christmas cards were sent around to be signed and sent to members Floyd Fellows, Mrs. Moser & Maurice Tracy and to Cy Pearce. These members are in the hospital or confined to their homes. A card was also signed to be sent to Mr. Vondracek who so generously presented the club with some jade which will be presented to the club members.

Cards were read from Mr. & Mrs. Wittmarsh, former members of our club and also from the Dr. Langes who are vacationing in Hawaii.

Roger Simmons reported on the silversmithing class to be started by the Adult Education Coordinator of the Lincoln Schools. Classes will be held on Wednesday and Thursday nights beginning with January 9.

The Nominating Committee made up of Norman Engelhart, Irl Everett, and Dr. Gibson submitted the following names as potential officers for the coming year.. Marie Carveth for President, Tom Simmons for Vice President, Everett Weber for second Vice President, Mr. Parks for Treasurer, and Mrs. Phyllis Parks for Recording Secretary.

I T was moved that nominations for President be closed, by Mr. Kimmerling and seconded by Ray Sincebaugh. (~~Everett Weber~~ Virgil Carveth) moved to place Art Bloyd's name on the ballot for Vice President. Helena Baegl seconded. Roger Simmons moved that Bob Bainbridge be placed on the ballot as Second Vice President.. seconded by Mr. Moser. Roger Simmons moved to close nominations for Treasurer...seconded by Helena Baegl.. Moved by Ray Sincebaugh to close nominations for Recording Secretary...seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The voting was done by ballots handed to all members...Howard Taylor and Virgil Carveth counted the ballots and reported the following slate of new officers...

President	Marie Carveth
1st. Vice Pres.	Tom Simmons
2nd. Vice Pres.	Everett Weber
Treasurer	James Parks
Recording Secretary	Phyllis Parks

The new officers were introduced by Pres. Lewis. Newly elected President, Marie Carveth gave a brief speech of acceptance and asked Dorothy Engelhart to be the new Corresponding Secretary and Velma Bloyd to continue as editor of the Pick & Shovel.

A Christmas gift exchange was held with a most enjoyable time for all. Carols were sung with Lois Marie Gibson and Helena Baegl doing the honors at the piano.

Respectfully submitted by  
*Lillie Lewis* Recording Secretary