

# MEETING

Saturday, Sept. 9 at 7:30 P. M.  
 Roberts Dairy Party Room 211 So.20  
 Important, Pre-Show Meeting

Advance sale tickets are ready and available at Jerry Kohn's. Don't forget for every one hundred dollars (\$100.00) worth of tickets you sell you are given \$10.00 in trade at the show. Advance tickets price is 98¢ plus 2¢ tax and a free pass to be given with each adult ticket you sell.

Wichita cases have been ordered. Some are available to club members. We also have ordered metal cases and some of these are still available. You can get information about either of these from your show chairman.

BUMPER STICKERS are available from Mr. Taylor, also at Irl Everetts, Tom Simmons and Claus's.

Howard says "More attention should be directed to the Centennial Costume Contest. This will be judged some time Sunday, the 24th. Rock Club members from the entire State of Nebraska are eligible. Only one prize will be given. This will be for 1st place and will be a P. D. Q. Drill donated by Rohde Lapidary from Bayfield, Colorado.

From the Traffic Manager and Floor Plan Engineer, G. W. McKinney, comes word of specific and well planned scheduling for the Thursday, Sept. 21, set-up date. These plans will be presented in a bulletin which you will receive several days prior to the show. They also will be stressed at the Sept. 9 meeting. Your cooperation and help will keep things moving at a steady pace and insure everyone of an equal opportunity.

## COMING EVENTS

- Aug. 26-27 Mid-Iowa Swap, Riverview Park, North Edge on Highway #14, Marshalltown, Iowa
- Sept. 2-4 Lincoln Gem & Mineral "President's Field Trip", camping at Fort Robinson, Crawford, Nebr.
- Sept. 15-17 Plains Rock & Mineral Club, 10th Annual Show, Kimball, Nebr.
- Sept. 22-24 NEBRASKA CENTENNIAL ROCKRAMA Lincoln, Nebraska
- Sept.30-Oct.1 Panhandle Rock & Gem Club Show, Scottsbluff, Nebr.
- Sept.30-Oct.1 Assoc. Earth Science Clubs St. Louis, Field Trip-Swap
- Oct. 7-8 Nebraska Mineral and Gem Club, new location, see flyer
- Oct. 7-8 Topeka Gem and Mineral Show, Mid-American Fairgrounds, Topeka
- Oct. 14-15 Prairie Rockhounds Rock Show, Ogallala, Nebr.
- Oct. 20-22 Platte Valley Rock & Mineral Show, North Platte, Nebr.
- Oct. 21-22 Arbor Valley Gem & Mineral Club Show, Nebraska City, Nebr.

YOU STILL HAVE TIME - -  
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Positive Deadline - Sept. 9 at the club meeting -

## ROCK SWAPPING IS FOR EVERYONE - EVEN WITHOUT ROCKS TO SWAP

ROCK SWAP is a get-to-gether for family, fun, and frolic. It's chasing mosquitos, setting up camp, -spraying mosquitos, chatting with friends, being surprised that the mosquito-slapping has suddenly stopped, laughing and watching the antics of the youngsters, and finally falling into deep and restful slumber to be refreshed for the next big day.

Rock Swap is meeting old friends, drooling over some little goodies they no longer need and hoping you have something they would like in exchange, cooking in that nice camper or trailer or over an open campfire, preparing for the next days auction, planning a birthday party for the club president, lining up music, instruments, lighting (which soon goes out) and keeping the coffee pot hot.

Rock Swap is early morning reveille with hundreds of pancakes to be cooked on a huge revolving grill, a lively auctioneer with troubles he didn't know about, a tiny girl learning what swap meant as she traded her hula hoop for a pretty shell, more to eat and finally camp begins to come down with the realization that another year has passed and the summer is nearly at end.

Rock Swap is fun, but on the other hand it has been work for the people who made the preparations and did the major planning and kept things running smoothly at all times. Thank you!! Mr. & Mrs. George McGinnis and all your helpers. You did a wonderful job.

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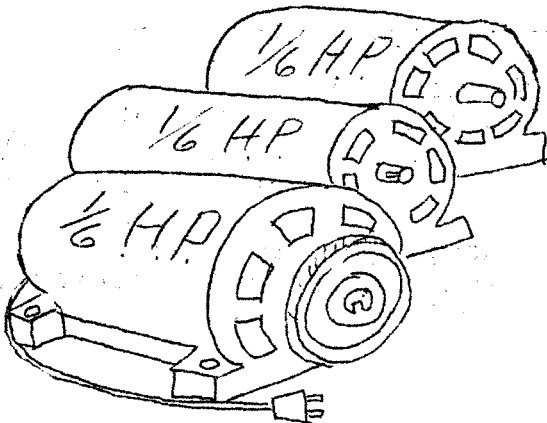
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the man said as the grandfather clock sank slowly into the quicksand "Time is growing shorter". In a little over a month the Rockrama will be upon us. There has been considerable effort expended by many of our club members to insure that it will be one of the best shows in the midwest. A large number of truly outstanding special displays, programs and working exhibits have been arranged. A very good selection of dealers representing many areas of the country are contracted for dealer space. We have indications that a great many rockhounds from out of town plan to be present, many bringing displays.

Now the burden shifts a little - and is spread to the shoulders of each of us. If each of us will take his small bit of the work remaining, the Rockrama will truly be a Centennial event - befitting a once-in-a-hundred-year celebration.

First each of us must put the finishing touches on our personal displays - and then make up an extra one or two, for this is the show for the one maximum effort when each of us should display as much as possible.

Second - each of us must do as much as possible to insure that friends, neighbors and acquaintances know about the Rockrama and where possible sell them tickets in advance. Each of us should have a bumper sticker on our car, we should put flyers up in our local shopping areas, service station and other places where they will be seen by the public. In short we must do as much as possible to create the largest local attendance possible.

And last of all make yourselves available for the many jobs required when it comes time to set up, run and take down the show. This can be a big job if left to just a few but a small one if divided among many. Even if you do not have a specific job assigned - show up - there are many things you can do.

Gene L. Eno.

## BOUQUETS OF ROSES

It is now my pleasant opportunity to congratulate our Editor, Phyllis Parks and her staff, Norma Miller, Velma Bloyd, Jim Parks and the many who contribute articles for the Pick and Shovel, on the First Place Award in the Midwest Federation Bulletin Editors Contest. Behind such an award are countless hours of writing, typing, art work, mimeographing, arranging and the many other details involved in the publication of our club bulletin. I feel the award was justly deserved and wish to add my congratulations along with that of the rest of the club for a job well done.

Gene L. Eno

1967 CONVENTION DELEGATE'S REPORT

Let me start by saying that those of you who wonder what your Federation does for it's member clubs and the individual rockhound should attend a Federation meeting even if only as an observer, for it is here that the many hours of work, effort and ideas become readily apparent as the affairs of the Federation are discussed. One comes away convinced that the money spent for Federation dues each year is well spent, in fact, you wonder how so much can be done with so little income.

An inovation or perhaps I should say a possibility of an inovation in Federation service is the insurance program being investigated currently. If satisfactory premiums and underwriters can be obtained the Midwest Federation may in the future provide liability insurance protecting the Federation and it's clubs. More detail will be furnished later as it becomes available but from this writers opinion it will be a valuable service at a very nominal cost.

Jerry Huber, Federation Treasurer, reported that the Federation may possibly attain the tax status of non-profit educational organization. It currently is a non-profit corporation of the social type. The attainment of the educational status will mean that contributions to the Federation are tax deductible contributions. In addition travel expenses on business of the Federation will likewise be tax deductible.

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## 1967 CONVENTION DELEGATE'S REPORT (continued)

Several new programs are being added to the Federation Program Library including the first movies. Our club has used several of these programs in the past and no doubt will continue to do so in the future so these additions will be welcome.

Calvin George, Federation Conservation Chairman, reported that hearings on use of Federal properties in the midwest will be taking place in the near future and that the Federation will have persons in attendance to look out for the interest of the rockhound.

Layfayette Funk, Show Chairman for next year's Federation Show, outlined plans for that event. As many of you know the Midwest Federation will host the National Show next year which will be held in Normal, Illinois at the college in the month of August. It seems the entire facilities of the college will be available for the show including dormitorias which will have accommodations at a very reasonable cost. It sounds like an outstanding event. Now is the time to start arranging next years vacation so you can attend. It isn't often that a national show is within one days drive of Lincoln.

The 1969 Field Trip Convention will be hosted by South Dakota. Four clubs in western South Dakota are to be the official hosts. Details will be forthcoming but again it looks like an opportunity to attend a Federation event to hunt, swap rocks, and talk to other rockhounds from all over the country and perhaps entertain a few of our rockhound friends from the east of us on their way to and from the official field trip.

Somewhere in the Minneapolis - St. Paul area the 1970 Federation meeting and show will be held so it looks like a rockhounds vacation could be planned for him close by for several years ahead, if only the bosses will cooperate.

New Federation officers were elected to take over the reins as of November 1. Ellis Courter moves up from Vice-President to President, and is succeeded in his Vice-President's position by June Zeitner. Jean Reynolds was elected secretary, Jerry Huber and Russ McFall remain in their jobs as Treasurer and Historian respectively.

- Gene Eno, Delegate

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## NOTE OF INTEREST:

Our Nebraska State Vice-President, Dorothy Engelhart, has announced that our own President, Mr. Gene Eno, has been appointed as Awards Chairman of the Midwest Federation, replacing June Zeitner. We understand that the original idea of recognition for exceptional work in the line of education-community betterment was presented by Mr. Eno at a council meeting several years ago we feel he will make a fine Awards Chairman. Congratulations, Mr. Eno.

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DID YOU KNOW - - - - -

Another "Queen" has been added to our list of "Lady of the Day" honorees! This time Frances Tracy's mother - She was chosen the Queen of the Centennial Day's Celebration at Cortland, Nebraska, Mrs. Tracy's old home town! "Queen Mary" rode in the parade, a truly gracious lady, a true pioneer of Nebraska! Congratulations to Mrs. Schoengerdt.

Dan Crawford and his little family left Lincoln recently for new fields to conquer. Graduating from the University of Nebraska College of Engineering, Dan will be careering in New Jersey with Bell Telephone Co. as well as continuing his education at New York University working for his Master's Degree. Dan is the son of Mrs. Parks, our Pick and Shovel Editor, a very fine young man, and a son to be proud of.

Speaking of our editor - Many congratulations to Phyllis Parks, our "Winning Editor!" The official paper of the Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club "The Pick and Shovel", was chosen the finest at the recent Federation convention. The prize was presented to Mrs. Parks. We are proud of you!

Mr. & Mrs. Kohn and family returned from a fishing trip to Minnesota. Did you bring all the big ones home, Kohns?

Our sympathy to Mr. & Mrs. Ulrich on the passing away of Mr. Ulrich's father.

The Perry Millers son, Leslie, is a member of the cast of "The Homesteaders" an original Centennial musical presented over K.O.L.N. TV The L. G. M. C. has much talent among its members.

Late birthday greetings to our show chairman, Mr. Howard Taylor - they don't show, Mr. T! Also the same wishes to our president, Gene Eno. Jim Parks will chalk up another one also, and Happy Anniversary to Ralph and Kay Ulrich. Ah, yes - the same to all the others we do not hear about.

The Perry Millers are taking their vacation this year in the Canadian Rockies - Banff - Lake Louise, etc. Happy trip to you!

The Tracy's showed slides of their vacation in the same area. We all hope to see the pictures - Hear they are just great.

A crowd of happy "Rock Swappers" convened at Camp Minus Kuya - Those of us who could not attend missed a fine time we know --

Until next time

Marie J. Carveth

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IT'S A FACT:

Man has been making glass for 5,000 years.

Perfume vials found beneath St. Peter's Church in Rome contain antimony-manganese compounds that are typical of glassware produced at the time of St. Peter's death about A.D. 64.

from The Lincoln Star

## BOUQUETS TO "A FIRST LADY"

It's very difficult to decide which of the dozen or so bouquets to present first so we'll continue with the regular members of the Pick and Shovel Staff, a "First Lady" of Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club

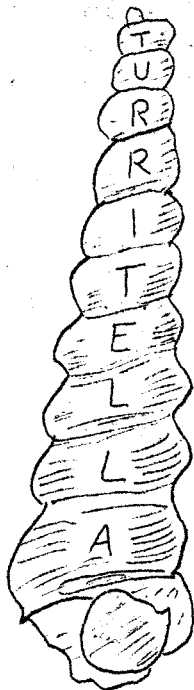
She is the first person I remember seeing and knowing as we attended the first rock show presented by LGMC at the Armory back in 1959. Then as now her smiling enthusiasm was contagious and encouraging. Next remembrance of the rock club was of "her" at the guest book in Morrill Hall Auditorium as we attended our first club meeting before joining the club. Other persons soon became known but she remained a symbol of the friendships which might be found. She also stands alone as the First (and only) Lady President and first for numerous LGMC traditions. Her sincere and gracious manner are exceeded only by her ability to display in an eye-catching manner the "rocks" and associated materials which we all love. Marie J. Carveth, may we surround you with flowers.

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-submitted by a staff writer

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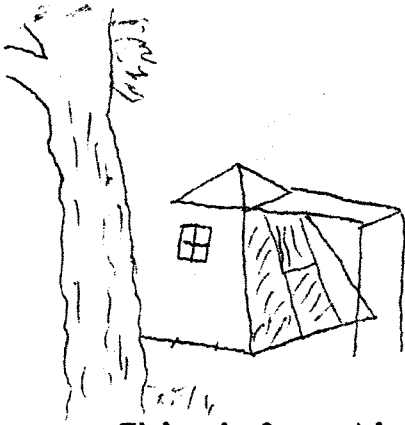
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### CAMPING INFORMATION

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There will be camping space available without charge adjacent to Claus' Drive-Inn Lapidary & Ceramics Shop, 2639 West O St., Lincoln, Nebr. courtesy of Mr. & Mrs. Fred Claus. There are rest rooms and a shower but no hook-ups.

Commercial Camp Grounds: Camp-A-Way on Interstate 80.  
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Woodview Campground, 7303 West O St., Lincoln,  
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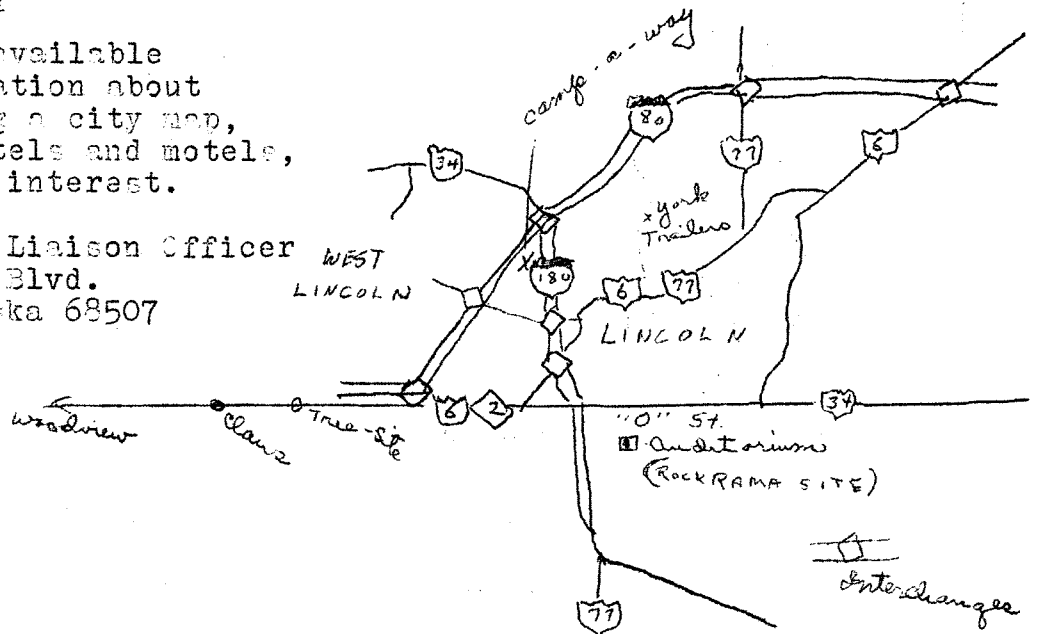
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# OMAHA, NEBRASKA

## OCTOBER 7-8

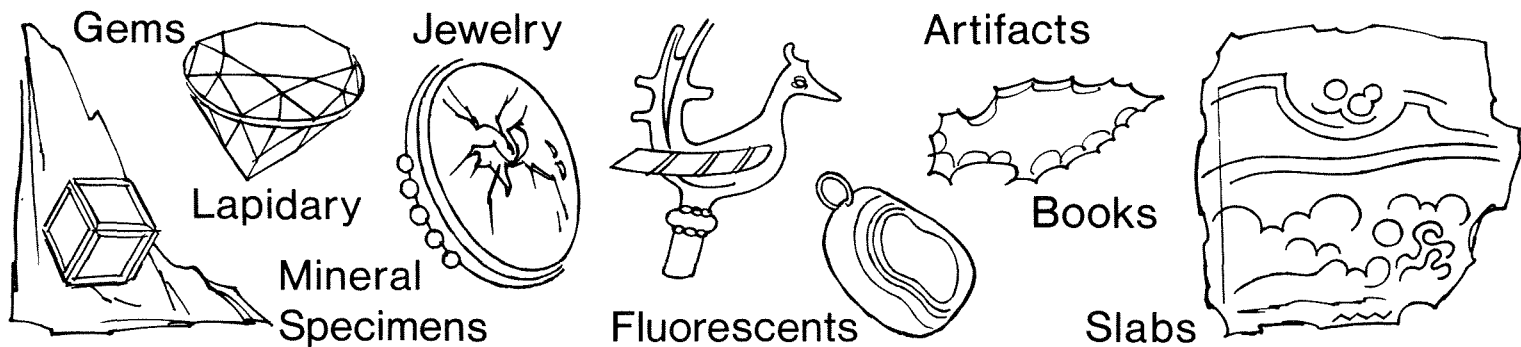
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THANK YOU !!!

When our club president and 1967 Convention Delegate made his long distance phone call from Rock Island to inform this editor that she had received a Federation job for next year, namely as a judge in the next Bulletin Editors Contest, cold chills ran up and down the spine with the realization that once again The Pick & Shovel has achieved an award for its 'Voice of the Members'.

It is my privilege to acknowledge the honor awarded Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club as the recipient of "First Place" in the 1967 Bulletin Editors Contest of the Midwest Federation. The entire staff and all contributing members join me in saying "Thank you" to the Federation Judges for this award. We are very proud to be honored in a field where so many are doing such a magnificent job. We feel that our success directly reflects the precedent established by previous Pick & Shovel Editors, the quality of equipment, tools and supplies furnished, and the cooperation of the club as a whole.

This year the copies of the bulletins judged were December 1966 and April 1967. Judging was on a point system based on reproduction, club news, articles, federation news, illustrations, cover with the greater number of points for club news.

Our prize is a copy of "Colorado Gem Trails and Mineral Guide" by Richard M. Pearl. Thanks to Norman Engelhart the book comes to us with the writer's autograph. The book will be placed in our club library for all to be able to see and study.

Congratulations should go these publications and clubs which were on the awards list. Each and every one of them is top quality and worthy of praise:

THE OPAL, West Suburban Lapidary Club  
 Editor, Mr. Rudy Loeffler  
 S.I.E.S. CLUB NEWS, Southern Illinois Earth Science Club  
 Editors, Robert Brownfield and Emily Brownfield  
 NESABI MEDIA, Nesabi Rock and Mineral Club  
 Editor, Janet Kruchowski  
 THE ROCKPILE, Midwest Mineralogical and Lapidary Society  
 Editor, Chet Carlton  
 THE FOX ROX NEWS, Fox Valley Rocks and Mineral Society  
 Editor, Evelyn Thompson  
 THE MICHIGAN GEM NEWS, Michigan Gem and Mineral Society  
 Editor, Leon Maxwell  
 THE CONGLOMERATE, Michigan Mineralogical Society  
 Editor, Mr. Ellis W. Courter  
 NEWSLETTER, Evansville Lapidary Society  
 Editor, Mrs. James A. Dugan  
 ROCK RIVA, Rock River Valley Gem and Mineral Society  
 Editor, Shirley Lathom

Midwest Federation Bulletin Exchange Committee Chairman, Conrad Peterzen, added a special HONORABLE MENTION and thank you to all the participating Editors.

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