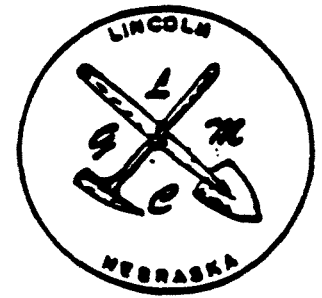


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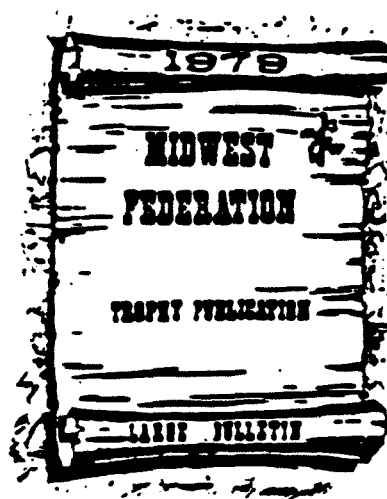
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CALENDAR



Sept. Meeting: Saturday, Sept. 24, 7:30 P.M.
Nebraska Center, Beatrice Room
33rd & Holdrege Sts.

SEPTEMBER						
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Junior Meeting: 7:00 P.M., Beatrice Room
Program by Adam Whyrick.

October Meeting: Saturday, October 22, 7:30 P.M.
Bethany Park Shelter, Cotner & Vine
Halloween activities and desserts!!!

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November Meeting: Saturday, November 19, 7:30 P.M.
Norfolk Room, Nebraska Center
3rd Saturday

NOVEMBER						
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SHOWS, SWAPS, OTHER ACTIVITIES For Your Calendar

Oct. 8-9 STATE SHOW Nebraska Mineral & Gem Club, Omaha, NE

Oct.15-16 SHOW Grand Island Earth Science Society at Grand Island, NE

Nov. 5-6 SHOW Fort Kearney Rock Club, Kearney, NE

Mar.18-19, 1989 31st Annual Show, Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club, Inc.
Pershing Auditorium, Lincoln, NE

Regional Show Schedule 1988 and 1989

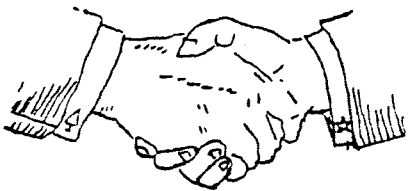
1988 and 1989 dates and locations for Regional Shows and Conventions. The combined American/South Central Show and Convention for 1988 will be held in Shreveport, LA. In 1989 the American/Northwest Show and Convention will be in Portland, OR.

1988:

CALIFORNIA	EASTERN	MIDWEST	NORTHWEST	ROCKY MOUNTAIN	SOUTH CENTRAL
Costa Mesa, CA Aug. 26-28 <i>OVER</i>	Warwick, RI Oct. 28-30	Macomb, MI July 14-17 <i>OVER</i>	Kennewick, WA Sept. 9-11 <i>OVER</i>	Bismark, ND June 17-19 <i>OVER</i>	Shreveport, LA Aug. 11-13 <i>OVER</i>

1989

Del Mar, CA May 12-14		Kalamazoo, MI	Portland, OR June 8-11	Stillwater, OK July 14-16	Arlington, TX June
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NEW Member - Charles A. Wooldridge (Wooly)
836 So. 31 68510
475-9034

Member Address Change- Francis Belohlavy
to 1919 K St., #4 68510
477-4337

Hello Again:

I hope everyone had a good summer. The field trip to Crawford was a success! It was an especially long trip for me. I left home on Thursday for Chimney Rock to try to finish the field work for my master's thesis. I have put a lot of work into it and I'm happy to say that I believe that I finally have enough material to finish my laboratory work and start writing the paper.

Several of our Club Members came home with some very nice specimens. Two fairburns were even found at pasture #27. (One was found by Ed Ridge's Father and the other by me.) Other materials we looked for included: cone-in-cone structures, Nebraska blue agate, chalcedony roses, and black wood.

I would like everyone to bring any good specimens you have found over the summer to our September meeting. This includes those who attended the field trip as well as those who could not make the trip to Crawford. I would also like to say that now would be a good time for everyone to start thinking of what you would like to display at our Club's 1989 show.

Take care and I'll see you on
the 24th.

Kevin J. Schwartzman

P.S. Congratulations to our past president, Linda Parker on her marriage this summer. Good Luck, Linda!!

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LGMC JUNIORS

This summer was had an activity scheduled each month for the Juniors. Spring activities were kicked off with a trip on May 15th to a Quarry near Garland. The young people had a great time collecting sharks teeth and bivalve fossils. June 18th and August 20th were Saturday mornings spent in "Doc" R.D.Gibson's backyard collecting wonderful specimens from ~~extra~~ Doc Gibson had cut behind his garage. Everyone including the adults came away with many treasures. THANKS TO THE GIBSON'S FOR THEIR WONDERFUL HOSPITALITY. July was the high point of a great summer with a trip to Thornhaven as guests of the Wyrick's. We camped over Friday and Saturday night and poked around the camp and swam in the pool. Our big fossil hunt came Saturday morning when Ed guided us to an abandoned quarry where we had a hay day collecting wonderful fossil specimens. Everyones sacks had horn corals, crinoid pieces, fusilinids, brachiopods, and byozoans. We owe a special thanks to the Wyrick's for setting up permission to hunt at these quarries. Every Junior member made at least one of these summer activities we challenge the adults to do as well next summer.

September

Labor Day weekend,
 Pasture 27 or bust was
 the rallying cry. A great
 trip to Fort Rob area.
 Lots of agating wood & cone hunting.
 Plus trips to Tonsorial Park and
 Agate Fossil Beds.
 Thank to Wagonmasters,
 Tom & Helen



Aug 17, 1988

Dear Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club
 Members,

I want to thank you all
 for your good wishes for my
 wedding. They were appreciated
 by us both. I was pleased
 to see so many of you at
 the ceremony & reception.

Love,
 Lois Marie & David

Rock hounds are the world's
 greatest optimists.
 They love a rocky road.



Best wishes
 Billie Sunbeam

THE TWENTY-THIRD NEIHARDT DAY

The 23rd annual Neihardt Day celebration was held at the John G. Neihardt Center in Bancroft, Nebraska, Sunday, August 7, 1988, with a crowd of 150 to 200 in attendance despite the record high temperatures and humidities Nebraska had been experiencing. Fortunately there was good shade from the magnificent trees that were spared when the Center was constructed, and there was a good breeze.

The program focused on Neihardt's lyric poetry. His daughter, Hilda Neihardt Petri, read beautifully several selections from her father's work, complimented by the classical guitar music of her son, Robin Neihardt Petri. Robin and his duo partner, Mark Bentley, played several classical guitar numbers to complete the very special afternoon. Both Robin Petri and Mark Bentley are from Kansas City and are becoming increasingly well known. They have been featured on "Bagels and Bach" programs at Joslyn in Omaha, among other Nebraska appearances.

Marie Vogt, the able president of the Neihardt Foundation for twenty-one years, resigned that position. Hilda Petri, who has virtually given up her law practice to serve her father's interests, was elected to succeed her. One of the most difficult aspects of change was saying goodbye to John and Eileen Lindahl and their sons, John Allen and David. After eleven years of true devotion as Neihardt Center curator, John Lindahl has been transferred to Red Cloud as curator of the Willa Cather complex there. Cather Museum Curator Anne Billesbach will succeed John.

As LGMC members know, Myrtle and J.D. Young were the first recipients of the Neihardt Foundation annual award introduced in 1986, followed by Dr. Lucile Aly, Neihardt's official biographer in 1987. This year's award, the third, was presented by Maxine Kessinger of the Board of Directors to Dr. Robert Vassell, Omaha, chairman of the Neihardt Stamp Committee. His efforts toward obtaining a commemorative stamp honoring Neihardt have been tireless. Myrtle and J.D., whose health does not permit attendance at many activities these days, were officially recognized and warmly welcomed.

Another who was warmly welcomed was Ron Hull, master of ceremonies for the program. He has returned as station manager for KUON-TV and associate general manager of the Nebraska ETV Network after six years as director of the program fund for the Corporation of Public Broadcasting in Washington, D.C. Fortunately for all of us, his dear wife, "Nonie", had kept the home and the children safely here in Lincoln during those years.

Other exciting things are happening with regard to Neihardt. The Nebraska Press has reissued Black Elk Speaks and Indian Tales and Others in beautiful paperback editions, much finer than the usual paperbacks. Christopher Sergel, producer of the Black Elk play that has been performed in several states, is still at work on Neihardt drama. Neihardt relatives from Coal City and Terre Haute, Indiana, attended the Neihardt Day celebration for the first time. And Retiring President Marie Vogt announced the start of fund raising for a life-size sculpture of Neihardt and Black Elk, which would be placed at the end of the walkway to the Center.

In a move to increase attendance at the annual meeting of the Neihardt Foundation membership, the annual business meeting was held at 9:45 a.m. on Neihardt Day rather than on the usual January evening date.

The convenience for those wishing to attend was reflected in the numbers present.

Dr. F.W. "Bill" Thomsen, professor emeritus of Dana College in Blair and designer and promoter of the Black Elk-Neihardt Park and its Tower of the Four Winds, gave the invocation. The program ended with Black Elk's Prayer, heard from the tape made by Dr. Neihardt himself. The day closed beautifully with good food and fellowship at a picnic supper in the backyards of Hilda Petri and Louise Diedrichsen, furnished by the directors. Hilda Petri is now making her home primarily in the "Grandma House"--Neihardt's mother's house, to which he brought his beloved bride, Mona, in 1909. Hilda and her sister-in-law, Maxine, Sigurd's widow, now own the house.

The Neihardt Spring Conference will be held at the Center on Saturday, April 22, 1989. The theme will be a continuation of Neihardt and the Classics and will feature East Indian philosophy because of its influence on Neihardt's works.

If you have not yet written in support of a Neihardt commemorative stamp, the address is:

Mr. Belmont Faries, Chairman
Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee
United States Postal Service
Room 5800, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20260-6753

--Florence M. Lueninghoener

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THE AMERICAN FEDERATION "Code of Ethics"

- I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without the owner's permission.
- I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.
- I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect
- I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.
- I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind — fences, signs, buildings, etc.
- I will leave all gates as found.
- I will build fires in designated or safe places only and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.
- I will discard no burning material — matches, cigarettes, etc.
- I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.
- I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supply.
- I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.
- I will support the Rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.
- I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.
- I will report to my club or Federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.
- I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.
- I will observe the "Golden Rule," will use "Good Outdoor Manners," and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public "Image" of rockhounds everywhere

Library Notes:

Thanks very much to the family of 'Tod Ashmun' for their generous gift to the club. It was applied toward the purchase of 4 excellent gem books which are being checked in and out of the library on a regular basis.

- Beryl, John Sinkankas and Peter G. Read
- Garnet, John D. Rouse
- Pearls, Natural, Cultured and Imitation, Alexander E. Farn
- Quartz, Michael O'Donoghue

'Thank you' to the many members who have been checking out this past season and especially to Charles 'Wooly' Wooldridge, one of our newer members, who has made tremendous use of the Library.

Thank you to Francis Belohlavy who brought these Geology Books to add to our collection.

General and Engineering Geology of the Wray Area, Colorado & Nebraska
 Dorothy R. Hill & Jessie M. Tompkin, US Geo. Survey #1001

Geology of Franklin, Webster, and Nuckolls Counties, Nebraska
 R.D. Miller, R. Van Horn, E. Dobrovolsky, L.P. Buck, Geo. Survey #1165

The Fusulinidae of the Pennsylvanian System of Nebraska
 Carl O. Dunbar, Yale & G.E. Condra, UN, Nebr. Geo. Survey Bulletin

Woodland Sites in Nebraska, Nebr. State Historical Soc. Pub. in Anthropology
 Marvin F. Kivett

Pawnee and Lower Loup Pottery, Nebr. Hist. Soc. Pub. in Anthropology
 Roger T. Grange, Jr.

Geology of the Yankton Area South Dakota and Nebraska, Howard E. Simpson
 Geological Survey Professional Paper 328

Chemical Composition Sedimentary Rocks in Colorado, Kansas, Montana,
 Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming
 Compiled by Thelma P. Hill, Marian A. Werner, M. Julia Horton
 US Gov. Geo. Survey Professional Paper #561

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Many of our longer term Lincoln Gem & Mineral Members will remember Leo D. Ebersole who passed away on April 6, 1988.

These words from Irl Everett will help to express our feelings:

'Please see that a notice of Leo's death gets into the Pick & Shovel in the next issue. The Ebersoles have been a great factor in the early days of our club. They used to make all our shows in the early years and were a big asset to us.

I know those who knew the Ebersoles will join me with a prayer at this loss of the founder of "Ebersole's Lapidary Supply Co." of Wichita Kansas.' Thanks "EV" '

We also extend our sincerest sympathy to the family and friends of Frank Rule (Lefty), who passed away this summer. He was a long-time member of LGMC and also past-president. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

President's Field Trip

Twelve members of the club journeyed to Crawford for a Labor Day week end of fun and rock hunting. For those who stopped at the Kenfield's Museum at Ogallala and the Underwood Museum at Crawford it was a special extra bonus of enjoyment. Both museums are worthy of National recognition and are exhibits of rare quality and beauty. Ed Ridge was especially impressed with the beautifully landscaped yards. If ever in the area those stops are a must.

Everyone on the trip found something to boast about. Mr. Ridge (Ed's Dad) found a nice Fairburn within a few minutes and Ed found a couple of nice clams in Pasture #27. Lynn Wells & Dick Hornung found real nice chunks of blue agate - smaller pieces of agate were also found by others. In pasture #40 Dick was lucky to dig up a nice 40# block of wood and a smaller size one with botryoidal blue agate inclusion. Dwight Miller found a tiny jaw with three teeth, Marie found a tiny crinoid stem, she also found some Indian Artifact.

This day was ended with a walk through Toadstool Park with Kevin Schwartman doing a nice job of explaining the geological formation of the area and answering questions. Even visitors followed along when they realized we were being guided by a geologist.

On Monday morning before departing for Lincoln a stop was made at Agate Springs Fossil Bed. The one mile path to the beds are hard top and flowers and plants along the way are identified - the walk was enjoyable and we saw a pretty little rattlesnake on the walk.

Special thanks to Kevin for sharing his expertise and to Tom Simmons for being a great Wagon Master.

contributed by Marie Wells, Trip Coordinator

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Summer 1988 - Saturday July 9 a handful of members met for a covered dish picnic. Lots of good food, plenty of rocks to look at and exclaim over, an exchange of library reading materials and pleasant weather (after a day of rain, clouds and threats) gave us a very enjoyable evening.

Saturday, July 30, it was very pleasing to see so many of our dear friends from Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club join with us at The Sunken Garden as Linda Marie and David exchanged vows. We were extremely happy that so many were able also to attend the reception at the Nebraska Center. The Center did a lovely job of serving the punch, coffee, mints, and wedding cake and it was pleasantly cool after the heat and humidity of the Garden. Thank you for all your love and support. (I have to admit that I was in such a 'fog' that day that I have looked at the video several times to really see what was happening.)

contributed by Phyllis, Mother of the Bride.

"Bits and Pieces" from "Exchanges"

GRAFFITI: In the restroom of a Washington, D. C. hotel, located near the Capitol, is a hot-air dryer on which is posted a label with the following instructions: "Press foot pedal below for latest message from your U. S. Senator."

via THE MOUNTAIN GEM 11/82 by way of The Glacial Drifter

**** There's this about the old days, when you put new shoes on a horse, the blacksmith didn't find another \$500 worth of work that needed to be done.

**** Never thought I'd have to check to see where the kids were when the religious news came on!

**** The bailiff knocked on the jury room door, stuck his head in, and said "The judge says that if you aren't finished by 8:00 PM, he'll have dinners sent in." The foreman answered "Tell him we'll need 11 dinners and a bale of hay."

**** From OSAGE HILLS GEMS, April 1988

WISHFUL THINKING

Whenever my kids get out of hand
I'm sure it would be wiser
To give myself the vitamins
And them the tranquilizer!

The difference between parents and
grandparents is that parents usually
"NO" better.

Via Cloquet Transit Co. bulletin

These 2 copied from AGATE PICKER

You didn't take a vacation this year? - No, thought I needed a rest.

via Achates

DID YOU KNOW? The best way to enjoy rockhounding is to put on a wide straw hat, dress in thin, cool clothes, hold a rock hammer in one hand and a cool drink in the other, and tell your husband where to dig. -via Pick & Pack

A natural Black Pearl shows a pink to red glow under UV light and the imitations show a weak white or greenish cast. White opals will continue to glow after being exposed, except for Brazilian ones which do not glow at all.

via Chips & Facets and Pegmatite-San Diego

If at first you don't succeed, try, try, again. Then quit! There's no use being a damn fool about it. -W.C.Fields via Pegmatite

The toughest part of a diet isn't watching what you eat - it's watching what everyone else eats. -Modern Maturity via Pegmatite

TIDBITS! The meek will inherit the earth because they are too meek to refuse.

A diamond is a chunk of coal that made good under pressure.

Few things are harder to put up with than the annoyance of a good example.

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If you missed the Macomb MWF Show and Convention in July you missed a very good show. The displays were exceptional, the food was good, club members were very friendly and the buildings were cool, even if the temperature was almost 100°

There were few competitive exhibits, but these were also exceptional. My thanks to the judges, the apprentice judges and my typist. Congratulations to the trophy winners:

JODY FRONK, of Bowling Green, Ohio for his Educational "Franklin Five" fluorscents.

MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF CLEVELAND, for their Educational Tourmaline Group of Minerals.

MARVIN P. JUHL, Forest City, Iowa, for his beautiful Cabochons.

NORMAN & JOYCE HANSCHU of Canton, Mi. for their Thumb-nail Minerals of One Mineral Series or Species.

Start planning your exhibit for entry in the 1989 MWF Show in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Margaret Heinek
MWF Rules Chairman



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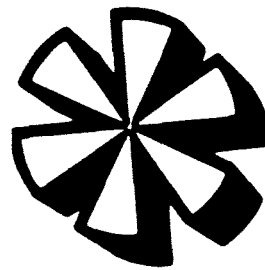
The first place honoree of the 1988 Education Through Sharing Contest of the Midwest Federation is Low Fischer, Midwest Mineralogical & Lapidary Society.

The first runner-up is Al Zehms, Neville Public Museum Geology Club. The second runner-up is Roger Ridley, Grand Island Earth Science Society. An honorable mention goes to Philip Peychal, Wisconsin Geological Society.

The 1988 Field Tripper of the Year is Janice Enigl, Neville Public Museum Geology Club.

The first runner-up is Nelson Short, Michigan Geology & Gemcraft Society.

-Carol Anderson
Education Through Sharing Chr.



GOOD JOB Macomb!

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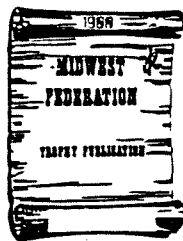
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1st Place - The New LOESS BULLETIN - Judith Washburn, Editor

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2nd Place - EARTH SCIENCE NEWS - Jean Reynolds, Editor

3rd Place - THE TRILOBITE - Margaret Littel, Editor

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1st Place - THE ROCK RAMMER - Mildred Heckert, Editor

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9th Place - NEWS GRINDER - Shirley Coven, Editor

10th Place - THE LOUP SCOOP - George "Chic" Cihacek, Editor

ORIGINAL ARTICLES - ADVANCED

1st Place - 'LUCY' REVISITED - Allen A. Debus, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

2nd Place - THE KEWEENAWAN ROCKS OF THE LAKE SUPERIOR REGION - AN OVERVIEW - Dr. William S. Cordua, Author
St. Croix Valley Rockhounds

3rd Place - ROBERT BAKKER-REVOLUTIONARY PALEONTOLOGIST
Allen Debus, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

4th Place - MORE ON ROCKS - BITS AND PIECES (Series)
Diane Dare, Author
Southern Illinois Earth Science Club

5th Place - NEAVE PARKER - VERTEBRATE PALEONTOLOGY'S MASTERFUL NECROMANCER - Allen A. Debus, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

6th Place - EVOLVING DINOSAURS - (Series) - Allen A. Debus, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

7th Place - FIELD NOTES - (Series) - Diane Dare, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

8th Place - WHAT IS THE "AMERICAN FEDERATION"? - Diane Dare, Author
Southern Illinois Earth Science Club

9th Place - FIELD TRIP REPORT - Diane Dare & Duffey, Authors
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

10th Place - ITEMS FOR COMMENT - Milton Schmitt, Author
Neville Public Museum Geology Club

ORIGINAL ARTICLES

1st Place - THE MANY FACES OF JASPER - Gloria Sues, Author
Lake County Gem and Mineral Society

2nd Place - CREATURE CORNER (Series on Fossils) - Andrew Hay, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

3rd Place - TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS -- HOW TO READ ONE - Dennis Manning, Author
Wisconsin Geological Society

4th Place - EUBLEPTUS danielsi - A carboniferous winged insect - Paul Harris, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

5th Place - FEBRUARY MEETING IN REVIEW ... GEOLOGY AND HISTORY OF YELLOWSTONE PARK - Marguerite Thomas, Author
Lake County Gem and Mineral Society

6th Place - FOSSILS COLLECTING - Paul Godollei, Author
Michiana Gem and Mineral Society

7th Place - GEMSTONES IN THE BIBLE - Bernadine Druminski, Author
Wisconsin Geological Society

8th Place - 47 M1335/31.2 - Mary Alice Draeger, Author
Wisconsin Geological Society

9th Place - PLANT FOSSILS, PART 2 - Paul Godollei, Author
Michiana Gem and Mineral Society

10th Place - LAPI DEGGARY, PART II - THE BUILDING - Don Ulrich, Author
Evansville Lapidary Society

JUNIOR ARTICLES (11 to 17)

1st Place - LEAD - Ken Downing, Author
Duneland Rock Club

2nd Place - MAMMOTH SPRINGS - Margaret Wright, Author
Duneland Rock Club

3rd Place - TRILOBITES: A PIONEER IN EVOLUTION - Russell Beavis, Author
Brunswick High School Geology Society

4th Place - FOSSILS - John Wright, Author
Duneland Rock Club

5th Place - AMETHYST - Ken Downing, Author
Duneland Rock Club

6th Place - A THANKFUL THANKSGIVING - Scott Sorensen, Author
Evansville Lapidary Society

7th Place - MERAMEC CAVERNS - Ken Downing, Author
Duneland Rock Club

JUNIOR ARTICLES (10 and under)

1st Place - THE GEOLOGY OF WYANDOTTE CAVE - Matthew Minnick, Author
Duneland Rock Club

2nd Place - OH CANADA!! LABOR DAY FIELD TRIP - Richard Elliott, Author
Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois

3rd Place - TERRIBLE LIZZARD - Sara Garner, Author
Southern Illinois Earth Science Club

4th Place - THE LATEST DINOSAUR DISCOVERIES - Matthew Minnick, Author
Duneland Rock Club

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POEMS

- 1st Place - A PILE OF MEMORIES - George Cihacek, Author
Loup Valley Gem and Mineral Society
- 2nd Place - A ROCKHOUNDS GIFT - George Cihacek, Author
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- 3rd Place - GOD'S GIFT - George Cihacek, Author
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- 4th Place - MIDWEST CONVENTION IN HAIKU - Carol Anderson,
Author
Neville Public Museum Geology Club
- 5th Place - KERRY'S FRIENDS - Donna Curtis, Author
Southern Illinois Earth Science Club
- 6th Place - NEWSLETTER PRAYER - John Vicker, Author
Heart of Wisconsin Gem and Mineral Society
- 7th Place - GEMS ON PARADE - Lillian Keck, Author
West Suburban Lapidary Club
- 8th Place - ADOPT A PEBBLE PUP - Evelyn Westlake, Author
Badlands Sandhills Earth Science Club
- 9th Place - THE ARTIST OF ALL TIMES - Mary Fox, Author
Southern Illinois Earth Science Club
- 10th Place- GOLDING - Josephine May, Author
Lake County Gem and Mineral Society

SPECIAL PUBLICATIONS

- 1st Place - THE ROCK TABLET: TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY
EDITION - Carol Anderson, Author
Neville Public Museum Geology Club
- 2nd Place - 25 - YEAR HISTORY, 1962-1987, ELGIN ROCK
AND MINERAL SOCIETY, ELGIN, ILLINOIS
Mildred Heckert, Author
Elgin Rock and Mineral Society
- 3rd Place - FOURTH REVISION OF HANDBOOK OF EVANSVILLE
LAPIDARY SOCIETY
Juanita Massie, Laverne Seifert, Gen Straka,
Glenn Grant, Lou Bond, Authors
Evansville Lapidary Society
- 4th Place - LINCOLN ORBIT EARTH SCIENCE SOCIETY -
Judith Washburn, Author
Lincoln Orbit Earth Science Society
- 5th Place - 30th ANNIVERSARY GEMS - Kitty Starbuck, Author
Kalamazoo Geological and Mineral Society



Applause and congratulations to all of the above for their outstanding entries that placed this year.

I and my committee would like to thank all of the editors that participated in this years Bulletin Contest. You know and we know, you will be in the winners circle next year. We want to see all editors involved, competition encourages a better bulletin ... and it's fun!

In November you will be receiving your rules, required bulletin, and deadline date through the MWF Newsletter. Also - a second mailing will be sent out at the same time (November) to all MWF editors consisting of the six score sheets to be used next year. We are trying once again to reach all editors.

If you have not received the rules or score sheets by the first week of December, let me know immediately and I will see you get them.

In the MWF Newsletter October issue will be a reminder to look for the rules and score sheets along with a listing of all MWF editors who placed in the AFMS and their standing.

This year at an excellent MWF Convention/Show in Macomb, IL, the Bulletin Editors Breakfast (58 in attendance), and the Bulletin Editors Table were a great success. Due to the overwhelming response from editors, the Bulletin Table was a beehive of activity. Bulletins from every state and many foreign countries were available. Many an editor took more than one sack of exchange bulletins home. Thank you editors, for your cooperation in sharing.

My committee and I have enjoyed receiving, reading and sharing your bulletins that are sent to me on a regular basis, please continue to do so. There are many clubs that were unable to include the Bulletin Editor Aids Chairperson on their mailing list this past year. I would hope you will be able too in the coming year. We are anticipating a new and exciting year. Happy Editing!!

Kathy Miller BAC

The fourth annual micromount symposium of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History Micromount Society will be held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 4, 5, and 6, 1988 at the Conference Center of the Jewish Community Center in Cleveland.

The featured speaker this year is Dr. Carl Francis of the Harvard Mineralogical Museum who will be speaking on New England pegmatites.

As in past years, swapping and conversation will be interspersed between brief talks and workshops over the three days. The fee is \$35 per person or \$65 per couple and includes continental breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday. For further information please contact Anne Cook, Micromineral Society president, 684 Quilliams Rd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44121, (216) 381-9003.



Dan Behnke

Editor's Note



As you read this, I'll be leaning back, propping up my feet, and breathing a sigh of relief. The 1988 Show is over, most of the things I put off with an, "I'll do it after the Show," came to haunt me and are now done, and I've gotten out another newsletter!

The respite will be brief, however. There are things to do. A new rockhounding season is upon us and I want to be ready to fire up! Fall is always an exciting time. Meet-

ings cancelled for the summer begin again, specimens from summer trips are brought in to share, and a new vigor seems apparent.

If your club hasn't been sending out a newsletter or bulletin to members, use this as a time to start one going. Even if it is only one page - and beg, borrow, or hold a silent auction at your club meeting to get the postage! It really is the "glue" that can bind members together. Try it!

Tip for Editors - From The Rocky Reader
Toledo Gem & Rockhound Club
Toledo, OH

Editor Doris Caldwell has a "Happy Birthday" feature in her bulletin wishing the members with birthdays in a particular month many happy returns. (No ages are given!)

The Oregon TALE...

"WELCOME TO OREGON"

This is the title of a 140 slide, 30 minute program put together by the Oregon Agate and Mineral Society of Portland, Oregon. It provides an introduction to the state of Oregon - a great place to vacation and go rockhounding.

This program has been made available to each of the Federations. It comes with a script and a tape and can be ordered by writing -

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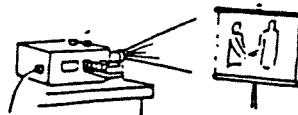
**Please specify if you want the tape sent with the program.

This program should get everyone prepared and enthused about attending the "Days of Gems and Roses" Show, June 8-11, 1989, in Portland. The show is being co-sponsored by the local club, the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies, and the AFMS. Locations for collecting jade, rhodonite, and Saddle Mountain wood will be featured, as these are the proposed field trips being scheduled in conjunction with the Show. Other areas are also discussed.

Plan to schedule this program into your fall or winter line-up. Write Marge soon.

Program News -

DID YOU KNOW?...



... that any Club Member may order MWF Programs to show to their Club, school, civic or social groups? If we are to

'spread the word' about our great hobby - to get 'new blood' into our Clubs - what better way than to "show" others what it's all about! Perhaps you have seen a Program that you think others would enjoy or you have been asked to make a presentation to a group. The Programs in the MWF Program Library are available to you as a member of the Midwest Federation (for a small fee plus insured return shipping).

The full List of Programs, is published in the current MWF Directory along with "How to Order". You may zerox the Order Form or write out a request on Club stationary, if possible. Specify Kodak Carousel or a GAF/Sawyer reel for your convenience. If you plan to show the Program outside your Club please describe - just for our records.

Make your request well in advance and give alternative dates or a choice of Programs because your First Choice may already be committed to another group. You will receive prompt confirmation of your request. You must return the Program within 48 hours after showing it. This is important so we can keep our commitments to others.

Changes ...



PLEASE NOTE:

● Safety manual is now listed at \$1.00 for individuals. One copy will be sent, on request, to each club at no cost. Contact -

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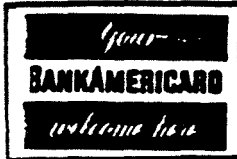
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New membership must be approved by the Board, after applicant attends at least one (1) regular meeting of the club, and pay the above dues plus \$1.00 registration fee.

DON'T FORGET: General Meeting - September 24, 1988 7:30 P.M.
Nebraska Cenger - Beatrice Room

DON'T FORGET: STATE SHOW - October 8 and 9 - Omaha, NE



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