

## CALENDAR

### December Meeting & Christmas Buffet

--Sunday December 17th at Antelope Park Shelter, 30th & Sumner. Eat at 5:30 P.M. Meats & Coffee to be provided by the club.. Covered dishes & desserts to be brought by Members along with your own plates & cutlery. Bring gifts if you wish to participate in a gift exchange.

Bring "Silent Auction" items for another fun activity to benefit our Special Lapidary Equipment Fund.

Our Program will be a **NEW** slide presentation "DOUBLETs; Why and How" by Club Member Mr. Bill White of Independence, Mo.

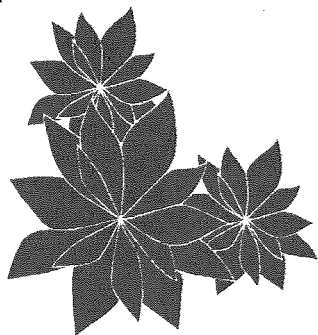
January 27, 1996--Our Yearly Indoor Swap- Nebraska Center. 1 to 5 P.M.  
Regular Anniversary Meeting at 7:30 P.M.--beginning LGMC's 41st year.

February 18, 1996--Geology Day at Pioneer Park-See flyer in this bulletin.

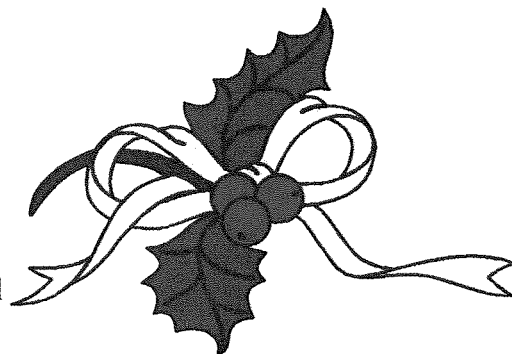
February 24, 1996--We'll have our yearly scholarship presentations.



Best Wishes to all clubmembers as we begin our 41st year with these officers to help us plan and carry out bigger & better projects & activities.



President-Charles Wooldridge  
1st Vice Pres-Jerry Moore  
2nd Vice Pres-Ben Darling  
Secretary-Vera Lyman  
Treasurer-Phyllis Parks  
Board Members:  
Kay Jurgens      Roger Pabian  
Edward Ridge     Shirley Röckel



LGMC SHOW -March 23 and 24, 1996 - Pershing Auditorium

DUES ARE DUE and payable for 1996 before January 1, 1996. Please pay at the next meeting or mail to our club box number as it appears on this Pick & Shovel. The schedule of dues for each member or family will be found on the ad page.

## YOUTH

We want to remind everyone to come to the Christmas party. Bring a favorite rock, gem, or mineral to share if you wish. We will study a "mystery" rock, and receive a sample for our collections, as we did last month. We will do this every month. Bring a present if you want to be in the gift exchange!

### Treasures of the Czars

Three junior members recently saw this exhibit. The Jurgens family members were very interested in seeing the gems in the collection. There were many items on exhibit.

However, we were disappointed in the gem quality of the older artifacts, which dated back to the 1500s. They featured large gems, but they were very flawed. Few were faceted. As Janelle noticed, those were not faceted well. Most were cabochons. As Brett noted, these were not shaped well, and were not polished well. Many were irregular in shape, suggesting they had simply been tumbled, or had minimum work done to them.

Many of the jewels were on religious artifacts. One featured a 700 carot faceted topaz, which was spectacular.

As we travelled through the exhibit of 13 galleries, and progressed along the time line, more gemstones were faceted. One of the latter galleries featured two head pieces. One featured rubies and the other amethyst. While the amethyst was not real dark, the pieces were large, and as a whole made a lovely item. There was also a personal cross which someone would have carried with them. It featured four large faceted amethyst and accenting diamonds. We all wanted to walk out with that piece!

A clever use of a natural material was the use of mica to create windows in a child's enclosed sleigh. The sleigh was pulled by ponies and attended by dwarfs.

The Powell family also went to see the exhibit. Leah felt that the workmanship and preservation appeared better on items that were done in the earliest years.

She also noticed the oldest items were of religious importance. There was not a lot of jewelry. Later in time, there was more jewelry, because people apparently were more interested in looking good.

The exhibit was scheduled to be shown only in Saint Petersburg, Florida. This site was chosen because it is a sister city. However, due to much persuasion by the person in charge of the Kansas wheat agreement, the exhibit was also brought to Kansas. It will remain there until Dec. 31, 1995. If you are looking for something to do, head for Topeka!

### GUESSING GAME??

from November

Pick & Shovel

Did you guess them all? In case you didn't here are the answers:

- 1) alexandrite, 2) quartz, 3) emerald, 4) topaz,
- 5) malachite, 6) tourmaline, 7) morganite, 8)
- turquoise, 9) pearl, 10) jade, 11) rhodochrosite,
- 12) ruby, 13) aquamarine, 14) jet, 15)
- labradorite, 16) diamond.

From NEWS OF THE CARLTON COUNTY GEM &  
MINERAL CLUB, INC. via LEAVERITE NEWS.

## President's Message



I'd like to commend everyone that participated in the November meeting. We had some very nice displays of recent lapidary work and Roger's quiz on agates kept everyone busy. The various agates displayed caused one to marvel at the wide variations in form that banded micro crystalline quartz can take. We'll have to do that again with other gem or mineral varieties.

The recent passing of Bob Oliver and Ralph Ulrich saddens us all.

Ralph was an active club member for many years. I spent some quality time with Ralph this last year working on the fish fossil project at the museum. We discussed family issues, geological wonders, history, military life and how to keep old Chevy's running, among other things. I found him to be a very articulate and compassionate man. He was focused recently on completing 'his history' for his children and grand children. I hope he was able to complete it so his family can read about what a remarkable life he led. My deepest condolence to his loving wife Rosa Lee.

I welcome you all to our Christmas Party this December 17th. Bill White will be presenting a program on "**Doublets-Why and How.**" It will be good food, good fun, and good friends. If you wish to enter the gift exchange please bring a gift, around \$5.00 value, and mark for male or female. Be sure to bring donations for the **Special Silent Auction**. If you have nothing to auction just bring money so you can bid on the many items available.

See you there!

*Woody*

I'd like to take this opportunity to say **Thank You** to each and every club member who has made contributions to our monthly Pick & Shovel throughout the past year. You know who you are and how much easier it makes the responsibility of your Editor, especially when you have it ready before deadline so the bulletin can go out on time. I try to set 'Mailing Day' at least 10 days before the general meeting so the members can see what is coming up.

*Phyllis*

## November Displays

Exhibitors of recently done lapidary work, the theme of the November displays, included Jim and Phyllis Parks who showed three agate spheres. Ben Darling showed cabochons of dinosaur bone, lace agate, Parral Agate, and Larvickite as well as an assembled cabochon of jade and Parral Agate. Eddie Ridge showed several agate, rutiled quartz, jade, and lapis lazuli cabochons. David Heffelbower showed several large opal cabochons.

Brett and Janelle Jurgens showed cabochons of Mook Jasper from Australia and Parrall Agate from Mexico; these stones were cut at the youth lapidary classes. Charles and Emerson Wooldridge showed some assembled stones as well as finished jewelry including chrysoprase, azurite, and agate cabochons mounted in sterling and gold. Roger Pabian exhibited agate cabochons from Alaska, Nova Scotia, and Nebraska.

Thanks to all exhibitors for increasing the quantity and quality of material shown at recent meetings.

Roger Pabian

## December Displays

Bring examples of your favorite material, fossil, mineral, or gem. Cases will be furnished.

RKP

## Park and Recreation Lapidary Shop Improvements, Update...

Thanks to generous donations from Adeline Nolde and Marie and Susan Taylor, the fund for updating and improving the machinery at the Lincoln Park and Recreation Department Lapidary Shop at Auld Center has now exceeded \$300.00.

In addition to cash donations and cash raised through silent auctions, I have also received two arbors from Bill and Betty White that I will set up for use with diamond compounds. I hope to have these operational when the winter session begins on January 22, 1996.

Thanks to LG & MC for all of the support it has given to this project.

RKP

## Laura Lambert

Laura Lambert, the daughter of Ray and Mary Lambert died in Iowa City, Iowa, on November 30. Ray was one of the original junior members of Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club and was well known by many of the long time members. Our deepest sympathies are extended to Ray and Mary for their tragic loss.

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC. - BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Oct. 30, 1995 (NOV)  
Roger Pabian's Home

Meeting called to order by the president.

Minutes of the previous Meeting read. Corrections - Roger will contact Bill & Betty White and John Harrison re: duties on Show Committee.

Minutes approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report approved with motion by Vera L., 2nd by Ed R., Carried  
Some of funds in checking account (rec'd from Show Dealers) to be put in 3 month Show Certificate of Deposit.

Approval of all Bills as presented with motion by Vera L., 2nd by Shirley R., Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Quinn Memorial: Shirley to call Jan Wright to see if she will continue Pam's contact with Kaye Young re; project.

LAPIDARY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:

Roger Pabian, Chairman - Receipt of \$ 97.36 from Silent Auctions at Oct Meeting.

Discussion of having lights for Silent Auctions (at Park Shelters) since lighting is insufficient.

NEW BUSINESS:

Christmas Dinner - Club will furnish the meat, as last year. Vera & Shirley will purchase the Turkey & Ham.

Memorial for Pam Killion: Discussion of many possibilities - no decision at this time.

Committee Reports: Show - Roger Pabian, Chairman

Show Budget - Discussion & changes. Motion for approval by Kay Jurgens, 2nd by Ed Ridge. (as presented by Chairman Roger P.) Carried.

Roger reported that 9 Dealers had paid; also reported he has noone to serve as Floor Chairman.

JUNIORS: Kay Jurgens suggested it would be nice if the Juniors could study one particular thing at each session and have a sample for each Junior. Board agreed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Vera Lyman, Secretary*

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L G M C Treas. Report November 1995

	NBC Checking Balance 10/31/95	\$3837.67
November Receipts:		
1996 Membership Dues	116.00	
Overpayment	2.00	
Donations Spec.Lap.Equip.Fund	105.00	
1996 Show Dealer Space	<u>600.00</u>	823.00
Payments		
Print November Pick & Shovel	33.55	
'96 Swap Flyers (375) to NAOESCI	17.61	
Memorial to Robert Oliver Family	15.00	
Treas.Exp. & Copy	18.21	
Halloween Costume Prizes	19.17	
Youth Memorial to Pam Killion	69.22	
'96 Show Expense	79.88	
Purchase 3 month Cert.Deposit	<u>3000.00</u>	3252.64
	NBC Checking Balance 11/30/95	\$ 1408.03

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC. - GENERAL MEETING - Nov 18, 1995  
 NCCE - Norfolk Room ELECTION MEETING

President called the Meeting to order.

Minutes of the previous Meetin approved as printed with motion by  
 2nd by Ben Darling. Carried.  
 Treasurer's report approved as printed with motion by Ralph Ulrich,  
 Nólde. Carried.

HOSPITALITY REPORT by Ed Ridge. Reported 16 Adults, 3 Juniors. 3 Gu  
 2 Junior Guests.

NO OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

President reported that "Melissa" from Lincoln Public Schools called re:  
 Tuesday March 5, 1996 @ Ag Hall. They would like someone from the Club to  
 an experiment/ activity w/participation during this Fair. Dave Heffelbowe  
 possibly Ben Darling volunteered. Ben would like a little more information  
 making a firm commitment.

Mr. Dwight miller is making necessary contacts to acquire list of possible  
 recipients for Club Scholarships/Grants to be presented at Feb Meeting.

Flyers for Jan Swap are available to anyone wishing a copy.

Committee Reports: Christmas Party - Bill White will present a Program.

SHOW: Committee Meeting Mon. eve Nov 20 @ 7:30 P.M. at Roger's home.

Theme: "Through The Ages"

Most Dealer spots filled. 14 have signed.

Medieval Display - Jewelry Through the Ages Ralph Ulrich will chair Feature  
 Displays. Tourism & Economic Development helping with advertising.

Need someone for Programs and Working Shop.

Donations made to Lapidary Fund by Marie & Susan Taylor, & Adeline Nolde. THANKS!

Excellent articles on Dinosaurs in 6-5-95 issue of Newsweek.

Geology Day will be Feb 18 @ Chet Agér Nature Center.

Long-time member Robert Oliver passed away. Memorial will be sent to family.

ELECTION:

Motion was made by Susan Taylor to suspend rules and vote on slate of officers  
 in its entirety as printed. 2nd by Roger Pabian. Motion carried.

President called for additional nominations from the floor. There were none.

Motion by Phyllis Parks that nominations cease. 2nd by Roger P. Carried.

Nominations from the floor/Nominating Committee - 2 selected for 3 year term.

Nominations were - Vera Lyman - by Ralph Ulrich; Susan Taylor by Charles Wooldridge

Motion by Dave Heffelbower nominations cease. 2nd by Ralph Ulrich. Carried.

Slate of Officers for 1996 as well as 2 nominees for Nominating Committee approved  
 by unanimous vote. As follows:

President-Charles Wooldridge	Board of Directors - 4
1nd Vice-Jerry Moore	Ed Ridge
2nd Vice-Ben Darling	Shirley Rockel
Secretary-Vera Lyman	Kay Jurgens
Treasurer-Phyllis Parks	Roger Pabian
Nominating Committee - 3 yrs - Vera Lyman & Susan Taylor	

Respectfully submitted,

*Vera Lyman*

Vera Lyman, Secretary

## 1996 Show Report

The 1996 Show Committee met at Roger Pabian's residence on November 20th and we are able to update you with quite a bit of news concerning dealers, displays, after hour dinner, and other items.

All of the 14 dealer spaces are now filled, and we think every level of every interest will be well represented, from the very beginner to the highly advanced. The dealers are as follows:

Phil & Joni Andrist, Bandon, Oregon	Lentz Lapidary, Mulvane, Kansas
West Side Agates, Ames, Iowa	Peterson Lapidary, Oakland, Nebraska
JJ&L, Hickman, Nebraska	The Simons, Lincoln, Nebraska
Custom Gems, Omaha, Nebraska	Wooly's Custom Lapidary, Lincoln, Nebr.
Francina Maria Designs, Topeka, KS	Prisma Enterprises, Timnath, Colorado
Schoolers, Kansas City, Missouri	Johnson Agate Co., Mankato, Minn.
Teton Gems, Boise, Idaho	San Juan Gems, Cortez, Colorado

Contracts are now being issued to working demonstrators and a listing of these will be published as soon as it is completed. We are hoping to have a couple of new demonstrators at the show.

The committee was saddened by the recent passing of Special Displays Chair, Ralph Ulrich. Ralph had done a superb job in the previous show and had some fine plans laid out next year's show. He will be sadly missed.

Eddie Ridge will be soliciting exhibitors display plans at the January meeting. He will need to know your footage requirements, electrical needs, and any other special need your exhibits may require.

The Saturday post-show dinner is being planned by Shirley Rockel and it will be catered by Hy-Vee.

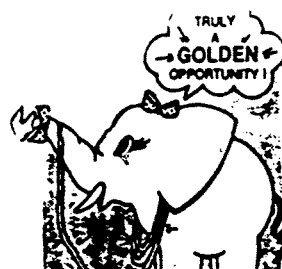
We currently need help for the floor set up and for programs. More will follow in the January bulletin and at the January meeting.

Roger K. Pabian

## December Silent Auction

There will be a silent auction at the December Christmas Party with proceeds being designated to go to the City Park and Recreation Lapidary Improvement Fund. I am looking at a bunch of things to put up and ask all of the members participate as both bidders and donors in the auction. Thank you for your previous support.

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DUES  
ARE  
DUE!



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38th Annual  
Gem and Mineral

# SHOW

Pershing Auditorium  
226 Centennial Mall South Lincoln, NE

Saturday, Sunday, March 23, 24 1996

FEATURING: DEALERS, DEMONSTRATORS, PROGRAMS, LECTURES,  
DISPLAYS, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, FINISHED JEWELRY, CARVINGS,  
ORNAMENTS, JADE, TURQUOISE, ROUGH GEM MATERIAL, FINDINGS,  
JEWELRY MAKER'S SUPPLIES, FINISHED GEMSTONES, FOSSILS,  
MINERALS, CRYSTALS, AND MORE....

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This Coupon Good for \$1.00 off on adult admissions.

Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club 38th Annual Show, Pershing Auditorium, March 23, 24.

**Admission:**

Adults.....\$3.00

Children.....\$1.00

Children under 8 free with adult

**Show Hours:**

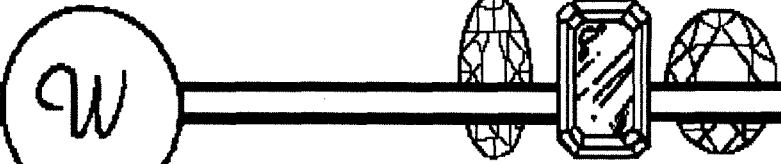
Saturday, 9:00 AM -

7:00 PM

Sunday, 10:00 AM -

5:00 PM

Coupon Good for all Adults in Your Party



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 P.O. Box 68  
 330 Locust  
 Hickman, Nebraska 68372  
 Open by appointment 402-792-2337 or 792-2348

Read your bulletin for new materials or specials from the above advertisers.

Advertising by rock-hobby business or interest is permitted with the approval of the Board. The rate now set at \$15.00 per full page; \$7.50 per 1/2 page; \$5.00 per 1/3 page; and \$3.75 per 1/4 page(min) per issue, paid in advance. These ads will be placed through the bulletin as space permits.

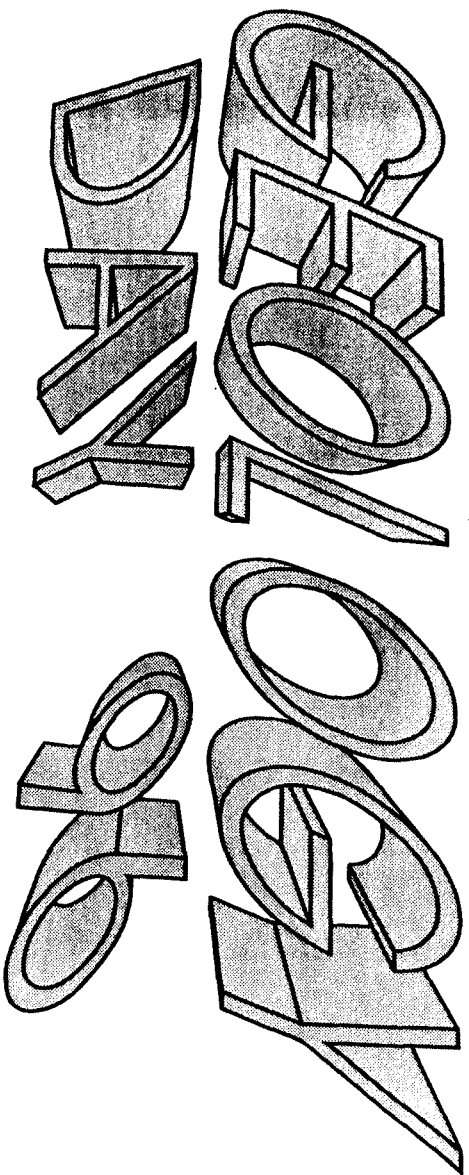
Subscription to the *PICK & SHOVEL* are \$10.00 per year mailed.

Dues to Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club are as follows:

Adult	(ages 16 and over)	\$10.00/year
Junior	(ages 12 to 16)	\$2.00/year
Family Membership	(Husband, wife, resident children under age 16)	\$22.00/year

New memberships must be approved by the Board, after the applicant attends at least one meeting of the club and pays the above dues plus a \$5.00 registration fee.

**Sunday, February, 18 1:00-4:00 P.M.**



**Rock & Mineral Displays**      **Lapidary Demonstrations**  
**Special Children's Exhibits**      **Handmade Jewelry**

**Bring your family to see many wonders of nature!**

Prairie Building west of the parking lot for Chat Ager Nature Center  
 in Pioneer Park 1/2 Mi. S. of West Van Dorn and Coddington.

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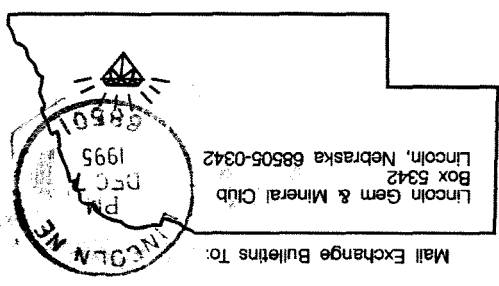
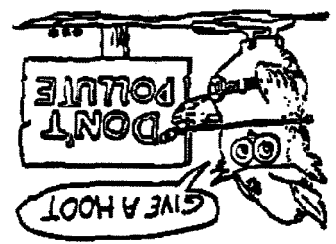


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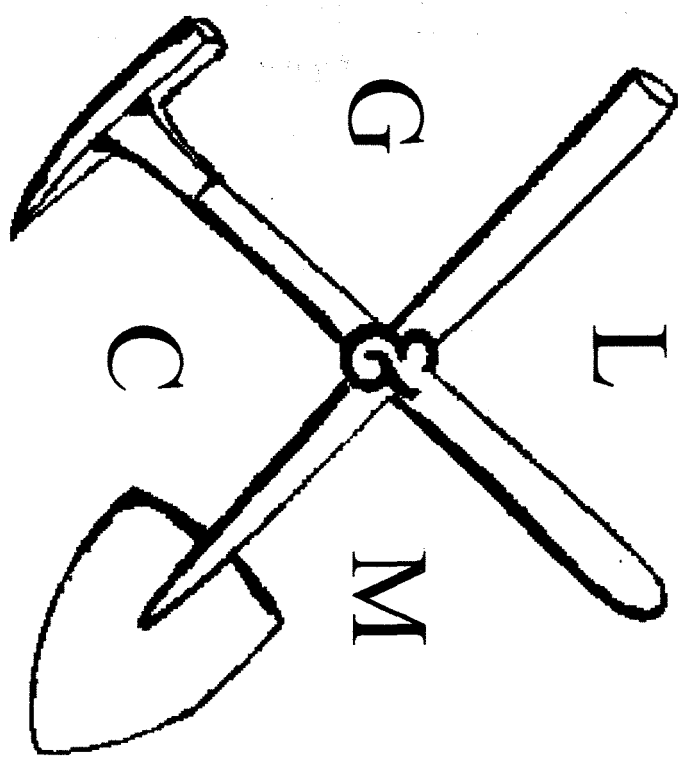


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