



February 18 Annual Geology Day with Pioneer Nature Center - 1 to 4 PM
Jerry Moore is chairing and invites all of you to exhibit and enjoy.

February 24 7:30 PM, Nebraska Center-Yearly Scholarship Presentations
2 UNL Geology Students have been selected for annual grants and we shall also present special grants in honor of Dr. C. Bertrand Schultz and Professor Lloyd Tanner who were both very active & helpful in the early days of our club.

February Displays,

Phenomenal stones, such as tiger eye, labradorite, star stones, iris agate, shadow agate, fiber optical stones, etc. Cases will be provided.

RKP

Youth Meeting 7:00 PM Be there to make plans for SHOW, March 23-24.

February 21 Show Committee at 7:30 PM, at Roger Pabian's.

March 13, 7:30 Joint Board Meeting & Show Committee-Vera Lyman's

Please welcome new member Kenneth Kramer, 5509 So. 31st, Lincoln, NE, 68516, 423-7951
and returned member Steve Sims, 242 B St., Lincoln, NE 68502, 477-0824

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

Nearby Shows to Visit

Mar. 8, 9, 10, 1996 GEM & MINERAL SHOW KC Market Center, Executive Park
Greater KC Clubs Association

March 23-24, 1996 GEM, MINERAL, FOSSIL SHOW Cedar Rapids, Iowa,
Teamsters Union Hall, 5000 J St. SW

1996 REGIONAL SHOW SCHEDULE

EASTERN FEDERATION
April 26-28

Hickory, North Carolina

CALIFORNIA FEDERATION
/AFMS Combined
August 8-11

Riverside, California

SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION

June 1-2

Lubbock, Texas

NORTHWEST FEDERATION

July 12-14

Bremerton, Washington

SOUTHEAST FEDERATION

NOT POSTED YET

ROCKY MOUNTAIN FEDERATION

June 7-9

Roswell, New Mexico

MIDWEST FEDERATION

July 26-28

Macomb, Illinois

YOUTH

by Kay Jurgens

I was very pleased by the number of youth members and guests at the January swap and evening meeting. Members and guests present for the evening meeting included Jacob Adams, Danny Cromer, Charlotte Darling, Alex Jones, Kendra Jones, Janelle Jurgens, Mattie S., and Emerson Wooldridge.

I hope everyone can come to the February meeting. We will be making preparations for the show, which will be March 23 and 24. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar, because each youth has the opportunity to be responsible for manning the youth booth at the show. We will sign up for which time slot you want at the Febr. meeting, so talk to your parents about when you would prefer to be responsible for the booth. This year we will also be responsible for the rock race.

At our Febr. meeting we will have the two scholarship winners speak during the adult meeting. One has experience in diamond mines, and the other recently returned from Antarctica.

If your family has time for a mini-vacation, Brett and I recently visited several places you might enjoy. One is the Hastings Museum in Hastings, NE. This is a 1½ hr. drive west of Lincoln. The museum has a wonderful display of rocks. They have fun exhibits, such as one called "96 boxes of rocks on the wall". Perhaps you know a song that these words could be sung to. There were 96 boxes, with slabs and small rocks glued into them. The museum had many exhibits, including shells, coral, and many birds. There were also exhibits for history buffs. A new addition to the Hastings Museum is the Imax Theatre.

If you travel further west along the interstate, North Platte has an exhibit many club members would enjoy. This is the Adam Christ "Indian Artifacts" display, which is at the Mid-Plains Community College Area Office at Fifth and Jeffers. The exhibit is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and is free.

Adam Christ was born in 1890 and started collecting indian artifacts in 1905. He travelled to 40 states collecting and once stated that he had "tramped the hills of Nebraska almost flat" looking for artifacts. His hard work paid off. There are over 12,000 artifacts in his collection. We counted 40 cases of arrowheads, 19 cases of knives, scrapers, and other items, 5 large glass floor cases with large items, and hundreds of large items on shelves and along the floor. The collection is massive! To see it, you must go into the office and ask for the room to be unlocked. Few people have registered in the guest book, which means a lot of people are missing out on the chance to see a great collection.

Most of the items at the Hastings Museum were also from private collections which had been donated. Many of our junior members are already active collectors. So, keep collecting, and someday, you may have your collection in a museum. This is a wonderful way to share with others.

Ever notice developers bulldoze the countryside and then name the streets for the things they removed. Oak, elm, maple, forest, meadow, etc.

--from Osage Hills Gems 10/91

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Club Members

It doesn't seem possible that January has come and gone and February is here. This begins a busy time of year for our club. February 18th is Geology Day at Pioneer's Park. I've already heard some advertisements for it on the local radio stations. The February meeting is when we will be presenting grants to deserving Geology Students. We expect a good program to be put on by two of them. The **Big Show** is March 23rd and 24th and the show committee is gearing up for it. All members need to volunteer their share to make this show a success. Roger Pabian will be recruiting volunteers for set up, tear down and during the show duties. Please ask him how you can help. Congratulate Roger for being selected to the Bulletin Editor's **HALL OF FAME** as a Charter Member. (See letter from Shirley Leeson, Chairperson on page 4 of this bulletin.) I look forward to seeing your Certificate! I hope to see all of you at Geology Day-it is always a rewarding and fun experience.

Wooly

Editorializing:

As Wooly has just mentioned--this is a very busy time of year and can only get busier for everyone including your Editor. We have set a deadline for copy to be in by the first of each month and expect each and every person who has needed materials to get them to the editor and final copy no later than board meetings. I depend on persons who head each committee to supply materials so that we can get the information to all of our members before the activities are scheduled and if no material is provided we try to fill in with clips from other bulletins, interesting items that we are aware of and --space.

As Treasurer I find January and February extremely busy trying to prepare for club as well as personal reports and this year closing the files on our family business, so please bear with me if I am not able to keep calling for the materials that I need!

Our 1996 membership cards have come from the Midwest Federation and we will attempt to have them for you at the February meeting. A final listing of paid up members will be provided to Vera for attendance records and Who's Who and a list will go to NAOESCI for our subscriptions to The Gem Palette which will be ordered one per family.

I want to use this opportunity to **Thank** each person who has made contributions for previous Pick & Shovels and remind you that it is our method of informing members of our plans and activities so that all can participate and enjoy the benefits of being Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club Members. Some of us find our active participation quite rewarding and are so very proud of each award and/or accolade received by club members.

Once again **I Challenge You** to participate in Geology Day, Club Meetings, Annual Show, and any other activities.

Phyllis



A RED X on this month's address label signifies your last Pick & Shovel as your dues were not paid, add \$5.00 to your dues if you renew now.

Clubmembers--Please read this copy of Mrs. Shirley Leeson's letter and check to see if you might be of assistance to her, especially those who were active in 1974 and 1980 National Shows. Mrs. Leeson was recently named to head a Special Publications Committee for the AFMS Editor's Hall of Fame.

February 1, 1996

President or Historian
P.O. Box 5342
Lincoln, NE 68505-0342

Dear President or Historian,

I am looking for memorabilia on bulletin editors. In both 1975 and 1980 I list your club as host to the AFMS show and convention. Would you have any copies of your Bulletin Editor's Breakfast program or Awards Banquet program for these years. I am trying to put together a history of the bulletin editors contests starting in 1968. If your club could help me for the two years your club were hosts, I would be most grateful. Copies from your originals would be find, if no duplicates are available.

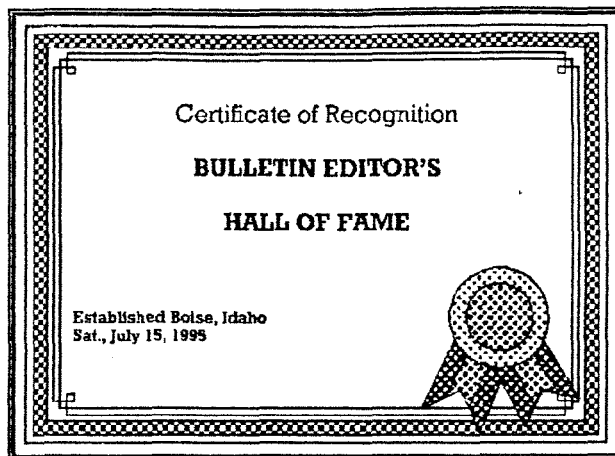
If any of your members have any memorabilia from any of the editors events over the years, or pictures of these events they would like to donate I would be most appreciative. Items from the early years are getting harder and harder to get. If we don't make an effort now, I'm afraid it will be totally lost.

All of this material will go in to huge scrapbooks, I already have seven 3-inch binders, and I have a long way to go in getting close to everything I need.

I also need a picture of Roger Pabian, I hope he has received his Bulletin Editor's HALL OF FAME certificate. Kitty Starbuck, editor of the Midwest Federation's newsletter had the Midwest certificates and gave them out at the recent show in Detroit. Editors who were not there received them from her through the mail.

Thanks, in advance for your help...

Shirley Leeson
Bulletin Editor's HALL OF FAME
6155 Haas
La Mesa, CA 91942-4312



President called the Meeting to order. Minutes were read with a motion for approval by Ben Darling, 2nd by Jerry Moore. Carried.
Treasurer's report was read followed by a motion for approval by Roger Pabian, 2nd by Jerry Moore. Carried.

BILLS - Presented by Treasurer (1995 bills first) with motion for approval by Jerry Moore, 2nd by Ed Ridge. Carried.
(1996 bills) Motion for approval by Vera Lyman, 2nd by Roger Pabian. Carried.

Treasurer also reported receiving letter from Security Storage regarding moving of supplies from one unit to another. Discussion followed. Phyllis will contact them and relay message. (Cost of unit is \$ 40. mo.)

MEMORIAM:

Memoriam for Ralph Ulrich was returned by family to Club. Phyllis Parks proposed that we purchase several excellent books on faceting for Club Library in Ralph's honor. Motion for the proposal by Jerry Moore, 2nd by Kay Jurgens. Carried.
Roger will make the purchase for the Club.

OLD BUSINESS:

Question on number of Scholarships - 2 will be awarded through funds deposited in UNL Foundation. 2 will be from Club in honor of Dr. Schultz & Dr. Tanner. Steve Bohaty and Moira Ridley were chosen as recipients for Foundation funds. Roger was asked to submit the other two names.
Motion for approval of these recipients by Phyllis Parks, 2nd by Ed Ridge. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proceeds from the January Swap & Silent Auction designated for "Special Lapidary Equipment Fund"

Ed Ridge will finish the term of Ralph Ulrich on the Nominating Committee.

Pins and/or patches for 40th Anniversary Show (1998). Roger designed.
President will submit design to Rixstine's for price/s.

Show Committee Meeting - Jan. 15, 7:30 P.M. @ Roger's.
Next Board Meeting - Feb. 5, 7:30 P.M. @ Lyman's.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera Lyman
Vera Lyman, Secretary

L G M C Treas. Report January 1996		
	NBC Checking Balance 12/31/95	\$2244.06
January Receipts:		
1996 Membership Dues	335.00	
Donation memory deceased member	50.00	
Donation Ed/Schol.Fund by member	40.00	
Donations Spec.Lap.Equip.Fund	111.00	
Suspense/Swapper bucks Redemption	208.00	
Void ck.2947-Key Return Deposit	50.00	
1996 Swapper Bucks-10%	<u>70.02</u>	
		864.02
Payments		
Print January Pick & Shovel	21.49	
NAOESCI Membership Dues	27.65	
Midwest Federation Dues	81.00	
Security Storage/First part rent	200.00	
Friends State Museum-Contribution	50.00	
Rixstine Trophy Co./'95 Rkhd.Year	29.71	
Editor/Treas. Expense	19.75	
UNL Foundation-1997 Scholarship	350.00	
Nebr.Dept.Rev.-95 Sales Tas Pay.	292.03	
'96 Show Expense	28.42	
Suspense-Swapper Bucks Redeemed	<u>208.00</u>	<u>1308.05</u>
	NBC Checking Balance 1/31/96	\$1800.03

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC. - GENERAL MEETING - January 27, 1996 7:30 P.M.
 NCCE - Scottsbluff-Minden Rms
 (Combined SWAP/AUCTION and General Meeting) Swap from 1-5 P.M.

Meeting called to order by President. Annual Christmas Party held in December instead of Meeting so there were no minutes.

President extended his THANKS to the '95 Board of Directors, and also to Jerry Moore for setting up the Swap/Auction this afternoon. He also extended best wishes to the 1996 Officers.

Announcements:

Memorial monies returned from Rosa Lee Ulrich will be used to purchase "faceting" books for Club Library in Ralph's honor.

1996 Scholarship selections are Steve Bohaty & Moira Ridley.

Motion was made by Shirley Rockel, 2nd by Dave Heffelbower to deposit \$ 350. in UNL Foundation for 1997 grants.

Hospitality reported 22 Adult members present.

SHOW REPORT - Roger Pabian

Jim Woita will be in charge of Special Features.

Bill White has agreed to be in charge of Floor.

Ed Ridge will be requesting amount of display space per person.

Sign-up sheet for workers needed, especially Friday and Sunday Evening.

GENERAL BUSINESS-

Approximately \$ 500. in Special Lapidary Equipment Fund.(Parks & Rec) Roger announced that first equipment purchased will be what is most requested to work with.

Jan Wright is going to co-ordinate building cases for Chet Ager (Memorial to Grant Quinn).

Kevin Schwartman getting in touch with people to finish Fossil Fish project at Univ.

Jerry Moore announced "Geology Day" Feb 18, 1-4 P.M. at Pioneer Park Nature Center.

FREE - Urged everyone to participate and/or attend.

ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR - The President then announced the 1995 recipient! Much to my surprise - he called my name (Vera). I was speechless, to say the least! My "special THANKS" for this outstanding honor. It has been my pleasure serving the Club. God bless you.

Board Meeting was announced - Wed. Feb. 7, 1996 7:30 P.M. Lyman home.

Meeting adjourned. Everyone enjoyed (41st) Anniversary Cake and Silent Auction.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera Lyman
 Vera Lyman, Secretary

Club Members - Please examine this suggested Operating Budget for Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club which was approved by the board for presentation to the general membership for 1996.

Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club, Inc.
 Suggested Budget for 1996

ESTIMATED INCOME

Annual show	\$ 2,000.00
Interest	1,400.00
Membership dues	800.00
Miscellaneous Income	<u>200.00</u>

TOTAL INCOME \$ 4,400.00

ESTIMATED EXPENSE

Dues to Affiliate Organizations		
Friends of the State Museum	\$50.00	
Midwest Federation	85.00	
Nebr.Assn.Earth Science Clubs	<u>30.00</u>	\$ 165.00
Housing & Properties (storage)		400.00
Meeting Site Rental		700.00
Insurance (Officer's bond & general Liability)		250.00
Pick & Shovel Publication/ mailing		500.00
Post Office Box Rental		49.00
Misc. Postage		100.00
Refreshments-		
Anniversary/Swap-Jan	200.00	
Show set-up	150.00	
General meetings	<u>85.00</u>	435.00
Scholarships (2 @ 175.00each)		350.00
Awards		100.00
Field Trip Expense/First Aid Kits		150.00
Historian		25.00
Librarian (Books, Magazine Binders, Bookcases)		300.00
Programs		150.00
Misc. Officer & Committee Exp.		300.00
(Sec.-25., Treas.25., Membership 10., Sunshine 20, Corporation Fee 20.)		
Christmas Dinner Meeting		<u>250.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 4,224.00

TENTATIVE GAIN \$ 176.00

Our 18th Annual Indoor Swap on January 27th was well attended by both members and visitors. We had nine groups setting up swap tables, several silent auctions for the benefit of the special Lapidary Class machinery replacement and update fund, lots of swapper bucks made use of, lots of members paying their 1996 dues and much visiting.

Jerry Moore, Chairman, kept everything moving at a good pace, Francis Belohlavy assisted the treasurer very ably by keeping the swapper bucks moving and Adeline Nolde helped put the room back in; order for the evening meeting. Bill & Shirley headed up the 'Go to Supper Group and Kay Jurgens took the Youth Group over to UNL East Union for their evening break. Good job! everyone. (And I didn't hear too much complaint about the coffee!)

At 7:30 we held a very productive meeting--up-dates on our coming show with requests for lots of displays, some physical help at showtime. We also had a surprise presentation of the 1995 Rockhound of the Year Award to a very helpful and **deserving** member of the Board of Directors--who couldn't figure out how we kept it from her as she is always present at our meetings and hadn't had a chance to vote on it. You earned it Vera! pnp

January Displays,

Exhibitors at the January meeting included Ken Doe and Daniel Cromer, petrified wood log from Keya Paha County; Eddie Ridge, coral, blue agate, and Cretaceous leaves; Bret Jurgens, a Lake Superior Agate from Wahoo, chert, and petrified wood; Quartz crystals from Arkansas by Kenny Kramer; an onyx elephant carving by Charlotte Darling; a calcareous concretion by Marcia Hamilton, and Lake Superior Agates from southeastern Nebraska and agatized wood from Deuel County by Roger Pabian.

RKP

SURPRISE! SURPRISE!

It certainly was a "Surprise!" Never once did I ever believe that I would receive such an honor. As long as I can recall being given, I considered "ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR" as a very high honor. And now it was awarded to me!

I owe my greatest THANKS to Marie Taylor and her late husband, Howard. They persuaded me to get involved in Club activities and duties not long after I joined the Club. Shortly after joining, I was asked to chair the Hospitality Committee. That was then - (20+ years ago) and this is now.

My special THANKS and GRATITUDE to each and every Club Member for all their help; and to the Board of Directors for bestowing me with this high honor. God Bless you all!

I am looking forward to the future with you all.

Sincerely, Vera

Ex Libris...

The following items have been donated by Irl and Lois Everett. They are available to club members for loan beginning immediately.

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Many thanks to Evvy and Lois for the above contributions to the library.

Roger K. Pabian

A THOUGHT TO LIVE BY!

If you would get the most from life, you must put something in it,
 And strive to help your fellow man each day, each hour, each minute.
 An act of kindness done by you will cheer the heart that's sad.
 And when you cause someone to smile, it will make your own heart glad.
 -via CONGLOMERATE, LITHNICS and CHIP & LICK.

1996 ELECTED OFFICERS

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Board Member:	Kay Jurgens, 14111 Guildford	Waverly NE 68462	786-2756
Board Member:	Shirley Rockel, 1134 West Avon Lane	Lincoln NE 68505	464-3059

Nominating Committee

3 year	Vera Lyman Susan Taylor
2 year	Ben Darling Jim Parks
1 Year:	Francis Belohlavy Ed Ridge
Chairman:	Immediate Past President

Long Range Planning & By-Laws Committee

3 Year:	David Heffelbower Jim Parks
2 Year:	Vera Lyman Roger Pabian
1 Year:	Kevin Schwartman Jim Marburger
Chairman:	Immediate Past President

Standing Committees

Membership:	Shirley Rockel	Programs:	Open
Education:	Roger Pabian	MWF Liaison:	Vera Lyman
Field Trips:	Charles Wooldridge	Scholarship:	Dwight Miller
Historian:	John & Lillie Lewis	Christmas Party:	Shirley Rockel
Hospitality:	Eddie "Lightning" Ridge	1996 Show	Roger Pabian
Study Coordinator:?	Kevin Schwartman	1997 Show	John Harrison
Housing/Property:	Jim Parks	1998 Show (OUR 40 TH)	Roger K. Pabian
Youth Activities:	Kay Jurgens	1996 Swap:	Jerry Moore
Librarian:	Roger Pabian	1997 Swap:	Jerry Moore
Auditing Committee:?	Jerry Moore, Francis Belohlavy, Mike Jurgens		
Gem Palette Correspondent:	Vera M. Lyman		
Geology Day Coordinator:	2nd Vice President		

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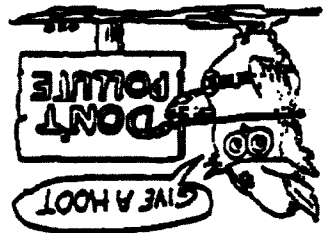
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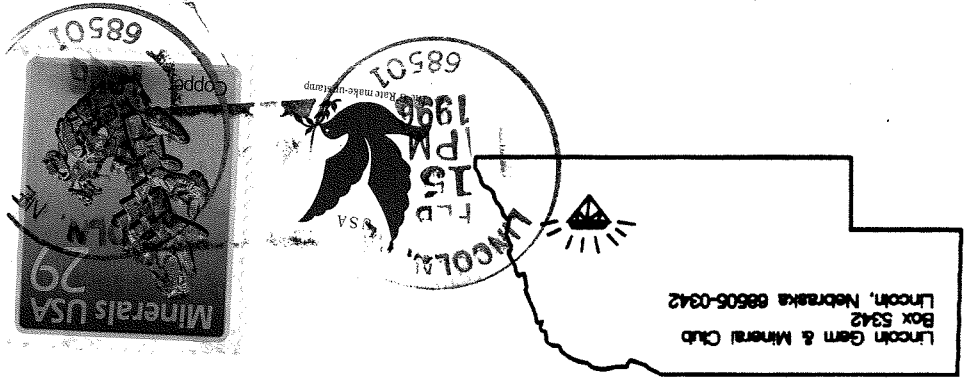
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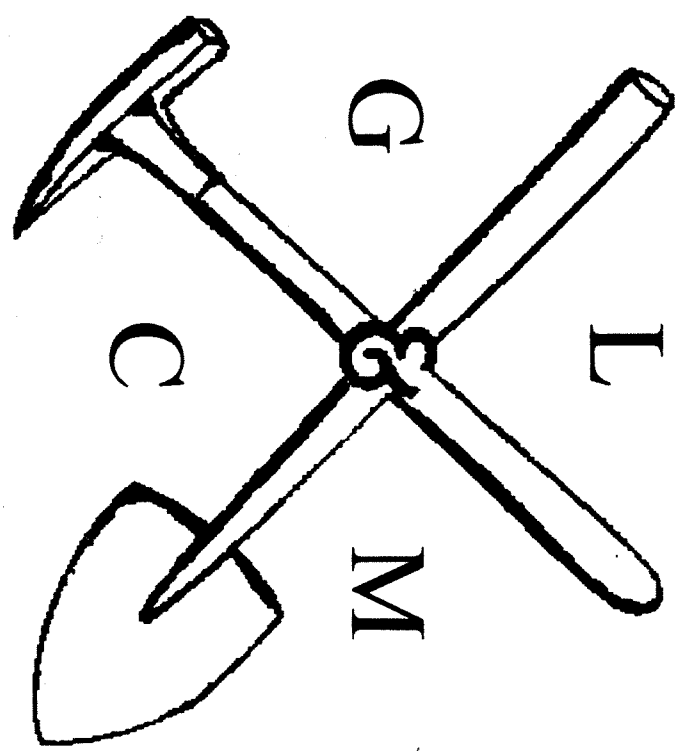


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