PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As my last two years as president of Friends of Mineralogy comes to a close, I want to thank several people for their important contributions.

Secretary Art Smith has managed to put out a consistently outstanding Newsletter, in spite of limited input from members and local chapters.

Treasurer Dick Thomssen has placed our financial collection and accounting on a sound basis, which is no small job considering our widely spread membership. Dick also assembled and distributed our 1990-91 Directory.

Vice-President Arlene Handley has been in charge of committees to select the best paper published in the Mineralogical Record for the past two years, and for the last year the best paper to appear in Rocks and Minerals.

Past President Marcelle Weber has been our very effective mouthpiece in reporting important information about F.M. activities through the Mineralogical Record.

The annual Mineralogical Symposium, jointly sponsored by F.M., T.G.M.S., and M.S.A. has become an important part of the Tucson Gem and Mineral Society Show. Last year it was very capably organized by Dr. Karen Wenrich of the U.S.G.S., and this year Dr. Carl Francis, Harvard Museum, is assembling another outstanding technical program.

Al Kidwell, President

- 1992 DUES ARE DUE -

Beginning in 1992, annual dues for national members will be $10.00, as approved at last year's Board of Director's Meeting, and the due date is March 1. For members of local chapters, $5.00 for each member will be submitted by the Chapter Treasurer to the National Treasurer, Dick Thomssen, P.O. Box 1656, Carson City, NV 89702.

- ANNUAL MEETING OF FM MEMBERS -

The 22nd Annual Meeting of Friends of Mineralogy will be held at 4:30 PM on Saturday, February 15, in a room to be announced in the Tucson Show Program. Activities of the past year and actions taken by the Board of Directors will be presented. PLEASE - We are counting on each chapter having a representative present to give a report on their activities of the past year.
What's New In Colorado Mines?

by Bryan K. Wees

Sweet Home Mine

This May the historic Home Sweet Home Mine located in Alma, Colorado was reopened and underwent a complete rehabilitation program in order to meet today's stringent State and Federal laws. A complete mine renovation had to be performed before crystals could take place. This included the installation of a new portal, ventilation system, compressed air and water lines, emergency communications system, air and water testing program, mine crew safety program, air compressor, new electrical service, miner refugee chamber and a dozen other sundry things including the remodeling of mine-site buildings to meet fire codes.

After compliance with regulations, several other things had to be accomplished in order to get to the rhodochrosites. First, a complete, full-time mine crew was hired (5 people). Then we went to work widening the tunnels and removing the railroad system. All this was done so that we could bring in a rubber-tired low profile front-end loader to remove rock waste. Following all of this preliminary work, we could finally get down to the task at hand; FIND RHODOS!

"Finding Rhodos" proved to be the most interesting challenge. Every area of the mine was carefully studied and evaluated for rhodo potential. The evaluation phase included several small drifts, or tunnels, into areas that showed promise. During this phase, we studied six areas throughout the mine and settled on three targets for further consideration. One of these targets was already worked extensively in the past and produced non-famous specimens such as the Bancroft specimen and the pieces in the Dever Museum of Natural History.

Much geological, geophysical, geochemical, and survey work is currently underway. These will help us develop a paragenetic model, mine map, and geologic map to isolate other potential mining areas.

Mine rehabilitation work took most of the first season. However, during the past several weeks, as our targets were delineated, some pockets were discovered. Included in the discoveries were large terragahedrites (to 1.5 inches), apatites (to 3/8 inch), nice blue-purple cubic fluorites (to 3/4 inch), beautiful dodecahedral fluorites (to 1 inch), boarnites (to 1 inch), topaz crystals (micron), huebnerites (to 1-1/2 inches, flat-lying) and of course, some fine rhodochrosite crystals.

Our discoveries thus far have encouraged us to continue. The project will last through next year when we hope to find quantities of rhodochrosite capable of returning the investment required to hunt them. From Colorado Chapter Newsletter

NEW CHAPTER OFFICERS

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1992 NOMINEES FOR MEMBERS OF THE F.M. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PATRICIA BARKER (P.O. Box 810 Bog Road, Campton, NH 03223). Pat graduated with a geology degree from the University of New Hampshire and has been a journalist and is a writer on mineralogical, travel, and nature subjects. With her husband, Colonel Robert R. Barker, she has traveled to 33 countries. An avid field collector all her life, she also collects mineral oriented books and post cards. She has held the office of president and secretary of Micromounters of New England; also the Lynn Mineral Club of Massachusetts and is a charter member of F.M.
SOME PYROMORPHITE LOCALITIES OF THE WORLD

ARGENTINA - Santa Cruz mine and San Ignacio mine, Cordoba; also El Guayco lead district, Juan Chiquito and Ana Maria mines, Las Heras Mendoza; San Antonio, Rio Negro.

AUSTRALIA - New South Wales, "Broken Hill; Also Grenfell; Bathurst; Sugar-loaf Hill near Wellington; Mitchell's Creek, Silverdale near Browning.
- Northern, Rum Jungle and Brown's deposit.
- Queensland, Mount Isa.
- Tasmania, Dundas and Zeehan areas.
- South, Flinders Ranges, Avondale lead mine, British Empire mine, Eugene mine, Eukalypt lead mines, and Wepowie.
- Western, Halls Creek, Kimberly; Braeside; Mosquito Creek; Mt. Alexander; Mt. Amy; Uaroo; Narra Mur; and Whim Creek and Mons Cupri.

ALGERIA - Diebel Manseur.

BOLIVIA - Llallagua.

BRAZIL - Bahia, Boquira mine.

CANADA - British Columbia, "Society Girl, Moyre & Oxide claims. New Brunswick, Brunswick No. 6 mine.
- Quebec, Mont St. Hilaire.
- Yukon Territory, Keno Hill-Sourdough Hills area, Mayo.

CHINA - "Guangxi.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA - Olovi (Bleistadt); Stříbro (Mies); Příbram; Banská Štiavnica (Schmacht, Selmecbanya).

FRANCE - Huelgoat; Poullaouen in Finistere and "Huelgoat; *Correze-Usse, La Farges; Steinbach, Elsa; Isere, Chaillac; Nievre, Alligny En Mor-von; *Puy-de-Dôme; Rhone Nussière and Pontigibaud; St. Salvy; Vosges, Croix-aux-mines.

GERMANY - Frankfurt, Johnniette mine
- Harz, Clausthal-Zellerfeld and Glücksrad mine, Oberschulenberg.
- Oberpfalz, Freyhung.
- Odenwald, Reichenbach, Hohenstein.
- Rheinland, Oekautenbach mine, Bernkastel an der Mosel; Mercur mine, Braubach; Rosenberg mine; *Friedrichsseggen mine, Bad Ems; Schöne mine, Dernbach.
- Sudschwarzwald, Badenweiler; Schaunisingland; Katzensteig bei St. Wihelm; Neue Hoffnung mine, Steinbachbächle bei St. Blasien.
- Nordschwarzwald, Clara mine bei Oberwolfach, Michael mine im Weiler bei Lahr; Fried Christia and Herrensegen mines in Wildschapbachtal.
- Siegerland, Wilnsdorf, Marie mine.
- Saxony, Freiberg District and Schneeberg; Zschopau.
- Saxon, Mehlbach bei Weilmünster; Langhecke bei Villmar, Phillipseck bei Münster, Alte Kaiser and Anna mines bei Friedrichsthal, Jeanette bei Kransbach; Eisenbach bei Camberg.

GREAT BRITAIN - England, "Cornwall; Cumberland, Calbeck Fells and Roughton Gill; Cumbria, Lake District, Driggith mine; Derbyshire, Bonsall Moor, Brassington, Wirksworth, Mason Hill, and Youlgreave; Devon, Beeralston; Durham, Netherdale and Allendale; Shropshire, Broughton; Yorkshire, Grassington.
- Scotland, Leadhills, Lanarkshire; Argyleshire; Leadhills, Wanlockhead district.
- Wales, North Wales, Devil's Bridge; Dyfed, Bwich Glas mine.

IRELAND - Glenmalure, County Wicklow; Lord Londonderry's Park, County Derry; Island of Sark.

ITALY - Nella Alpine region, Monte Falo; Gennamari and Sarrabus, Sardinia; South Tirol, Rabenstein fluorite mine, Sarntal and Bruntental.

MEXICO - Baia California, San Antonio, El Triunfo and San Antonio; Mulege, Santa Rosalia.
- Chihuahua, Santa Eulalia district, Aquiles Serdán; Camargo, Sierra de los Enchelinias, Guazapares, San Jose; Los Lamentos.
- Durango, Mapimi, Ojuela mine.
- Hidalgo, Pachuca, Pachuca de Soto; Zimapán, Guadalupe & Delores mines.
- San Luis Potosí, Guadalcázar, La Paz mine.
- Sonora, Cerro Prieto, Cucurpe.
Pyromorphite

- Zacatecas, Mazapil.
- Morocco - Oujda, Touissit mine.
- Namibia - Tsumeb.
- New Caledonia, Meretric mine.
- New Zealand - Te Aroha, Tui mine; Waitekauri, Grace Darling mine; Nelson, Aniseed Valley.
- Peru - Tarma, Yauli and Marcapomacocha district.
- Romania - Transylvania, Rosia Montana, particularly Anna and Jacobi mine.
- South Africa - Transvaal, Kaffirskraaz Zeerust and Argent.
- Spain - Ciudad Real, *Horcajo and Almodovar.
- United States - Arizona, Cochise Co., Bisbee and Tombstone; Gila Co., C & B and 79 mines; Maricopa Co., Tonopah-Belmont mine; Pinal Co., Tiger; Pima Co.; Santa Cruz Co., Hardshell mine; Yavapai Co., Bradshaw Mtns and Vulture Dist; Yuma County.
- Arkansas, Independence & Marion Counties zinc mines.
- California, Calaveras Co., Reliance mine; El Dorado Co., Mosquito Gulch; Inyo Co. Cero Gordo & Darwin; Mariposa Co., Coulterville; Mono Co., Mono Lake & Blind Spring dist.; Nevada Co., Rocky Glen mine; Riverside Co., Crestmore; San Bernardino County, Vanadium King mine; Tulare Co., Mineral King dist.
- Connecticut, Bristol, Brookfield, Thomaston Dam and Route 23 cut, Trumbull.
- Georgia, Cherokee County, Canton mine; Gwinnett Co., Piedmont mine; Lincoln Co., Magruder mine; Lumpkin Co. Singleton & Battle Branch mines; McDuffie Co., Columbia, Landers & Parks gold mines.
- Idaho, Blaine Co., Eureka mine; Boise Co., Deadwood dist.; Butte Co., Pandora mine; Cassia County, Connor Creek Valley; Clark Co., Scott mine; Idaho Co., Dixie dist.; Lemhi Co., Mineral Hill, Texas, Ederado districts & Virginia mine; Shoeshone Co., *Coeur d'Alene District, Burke, Mace, Mullan Murray, Osburn, Pine Creek, Wardner.
- Maine, Lubec and Lenox.
- Massachusetts - Hampshire County, Easthampton and Southampton.
- Montana - Silver Bow County, Butte.
- New Jersey, Sussex Co., Sterling Hill.
- New Mexico, Bernallillo Co., Tijeras Canyon dist.; Dona Ana Co., Stevenson-Bennett mine; Grant County, Central District; Sierra Co., Caballo Mtns.
- New York, Westchester Co., Sparta Copper mine.
- North Carolina, Cabarrus Co., Troutman & McKein mines; Caldwell Co., Baker and Miller mines; Lee County, Clegg mine; Davidson Co., Silver Valley mine; Union Co., Stewart mine.
- South Dakota, Lawrence County, Carbonate & Galena.
- Virginia, Albemarle Co., Faber; Amelia Co., Rutherford #2 mine; Buckingham Co., Buckingham, London, & Virginia mine; Fluavanna Co., Snead mine; Goochland Co., Moss mine; Mecklenburg Co., Hamme Tungsten district.
- Washington, Stevens Co., Cleveland and Eagle mines.

U.S.S.R. - Ural's, Nertchinsk; Berezov (Beresov, Beresovsk) gold district near Sverdlovsk (Ekaterinberg).

Zaire - Mindouli

Zambia - *Broken Hill.

* noted specimen producers.
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1991 BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF F.M. BOARD MEMBERS OF DIRECTORS

Six Directors will be elected from the following highly qualified candidates. Please vote with a check mark or an "X" next to the names of the candidates of your choice. Spaces are provided for write in votes.

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Return to the F.M. Secretary: Art Smith, 9118 Concho, Houston, TX 77036 by February 10, 1992.

The results will be announced at the annual F.M. meeting in Tucson on Saturday, February 15, 1992.

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