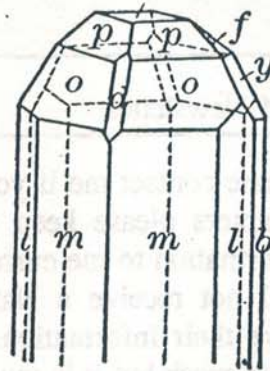


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As any of you know who attended the FM social in Tucson, it was a great success and a lot of fun for all. I met many FM members that I knew by name, but not by face. There were so many people that I lost count (if the food consumption is an indicator we must have had about 100). About 20 attendees joined FM during the social. The FM board voted to continue the socials in Denver and Tucson, and to expand them to include the Springfield, MA show. We may consider more shows in the future, although the cost and finding an individual to take on the responsibility of organizing such a function are limiting factors. Volunteers are welcome. Beau Gordon, FM director, organized the Tucson social and has graciously volunteered to organize the Springfield event. I will organize the Denver social. The Tucson social was held at the Arizona Mineral and Fossil show, Executive Inn; it was a bit pricey, but well worth every penny--particularly to FM! However, without sponsors it would be difficult for FM to repeat such a function at very many shows. The Denver social was a bargain at about \$15 (the Denver show committee provided space and coffee and allowed us to order donuts through their donut contract)! However, the Denver social did not have the attendance that the Tucson social did. I would appreciate any constructive suggestions from the membership to improve this situation, although I realize it was the first such event and more publicity was needed. Unless I hear otherwise I will probably organize the social again on Saturday morning to avoid conflicts, but if the membership feels there will be better attendance in the afternoon I would appreciate

knowing so.

Have any of you ever tried to interest friends in joining FM and been stumped with what to say when they ask you what FM is/does? Well, we have finally solved the problem. Credo Schwab, assisted by a committee of Regina Aumente-Modreski, Andrew Sicree, and Mike Kokinos, put together an informative brochure titled "Friends of Mineralogy." These will soon go to the printers, and any members who wish copies to pass out to friends may acquire them from Credo or our membership chairperson, Regina.

The board of directors has been busy at work on the much needed, but rather boring, job of revising our bylaws. A copy will be included in the next newsletter for all members to read.

Prompted by the generous monetary grant by Dr. Werner Lieber of Germany the board of directors is considering establishing a Patron Membership for members who donate \$500 or more to FM. The amount is 100% tax deductible--FM is a tax exempt organization under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue code.

★ Karen Wenrich, President

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

National members if you haven't paid 1995 dues you are now delinquent. Please send your dues in immediately. I am trying to save FM the cost of mailing dues statements. Some National members did not receive a badge when they joined FM.

Please contact me if you did not get one. Chapters please keep your flow of new member information to me current. Your chapter members will not receive a National newsletter unless we have their information. It may seem like a little more work but it is much easier for Regina and me to maintain member records if we receive receipts at least quarterly.

Five hundred FM badges have been purchased. Chapters can place their badge orders through me. The cost is \$1.66 each plus postage.

★ Michael Kokinos, Treasurer

BYLAWS

The Bylaws Committee plans to include a complete revision to the bylaws and operating regulations in a future issue of the newsletter. A ballot will also be enclosed for each member's action. The main revision to the bylaws is to officially add the chapters. They were not envisioned in the original bylaws.

We have received only six comments and two duty statements on the proposed bylaws and operating regulations given to FM officers and Directors. Please send your comments and duty statements for incorporation in the final draft to Mike Kokinos.

Jesse Hardman, Al Kidwell, and Mike Kokinos

CAN YOU HELP?

The Carmel Valley Gem and Mineral Society, P.O. Box 5847, Carmel, CA 93921, is looking for help from geologists and mineralogists specializing in serpentinites and jade environments. They are assisting the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History to put on a California Jade exhibit. They would like to hear from individuals who might be interested in participating in the exhibit or might provide technical input.

You can write to the Society at the above address or contact Andrei Pashin at 408-656-0827.

SECRETARY'S SCRATCHINGS

There is much good news in this issue, so read on! As several of you have noted I am about a year behind. Fortunately this represents an improvement in my situation. This is the first newsletter of 1995. Minutes of a very long and productive Board of Directors and the General Membership meetings at Tucson are summarized on pages 3 to 5. You should have received a directory early this year and a new directory will be produced late this year. Be certain to keep me or Mike Kokinos updated on address changes and be certain to return your member data sheets when they are sent later this year so the directory remains current. Please note announcements of upcoming events and try to participate in your FM activities. Pete Modreski and Dick Thomssen can provide data about Russian collecting opportunities that could not be included in this newsletter. As usual please send contributions, comments, and suggestions for the newsletter to me.

★ Nelson Shaffer, Secretary

CHAPTER NEWS

Colorado Chapter

The Colorado Chapter met March 8 at the Denver Museum of Natural History. Jim Reynolds, geologic consultant, presented a talk on use of Fluid Inclusions in the Search for Hydrothermal Ore and Mineral Deposits. His talk included illustrations from the Sweet Home Mine of the Alma District plus Philippine and Andean gold-rich porphyry deposits. The hard-working Program Chair, Ed Raines, presented a long (50+) list of potential programs and solicited other possibilities. A report was given about participating in a regional effort to obtain partial liability insurance for mineral clubs in the region with a request for instructions from the Chapter about their participation. The Colorado Board discussed proposed changes in national bylaws and solicited written comments. Duplication of application forms for National and Colorado

Chapter membership will be avoided by designing a single form acceptable to both. Publication of Minerals of Colorado was discussed with emphasis on logistics and keeping costs down. A vote to finalize publication details is planned for June 1 with hopes to have the book published in time for the Denver Show in September. An auction chair will be appointed for the planned May 11 auction meeting.

It was noted that Chapter member Ed Raines would be teaching a course on Geology of the Front Range. He is also planning a slide lecture and field trip to the Leadville District. Pete Modreski reported that more than 45% of the Antero Aquamarine books have been sold in less than two years.

Great Basin Chapter

The Chapter changed its January and February meeting place to the Vegas High School Library Conference Room. Their year-end program featured a pot luck dinner and gift exchange. The group obtained a collection of mining stock certificates for the Clark County Museum. Members Steve Scott and Don Cercone reported collecting some fine specimens. The January 26 meeting featured specimens of topaz and member experiences at the Tucson show that featured topaz. Glen Miller showed slides of past Tucson shows. He represented the Chapter at the national FM board meeting. Steve Scott requested mineral donations for education projects. Secretary Marilyn Mills reminded members to tender their 1995 dues (of only \$10) to her.

In March the Chapter met at the Clark County Heritage Museum where members examined the historic mining stock certificates purchased for the Museum. Jim Abbott, Steve Scott, and other members have been collecting quartz with garnet inclusions, smoky quartz crystals, topaz, and other specimens in the Newberry Mountains. Steve is arranging a trip to Topaz Mountain, UT. A call for papers about Mining History and Classical Mineral Localities of Nevada was issued for the fourth Great

Basin Mineral Symposium that will be held October 21 and 22 at the Clark County Heritage Museum, Henderson, NV.

Officers for 1995 are Steve Scott, President; Reid Olsen, Vice-President; Bruce Hurley, Secretary; Marilyn Mills, Treasurer; Glen Miller and Harlan Miller, Newsletter Editors; and Walt Lombardo, Symposium Chair. Don Cercone, Sam Cercone, Walt Lombardo, Walt Mason, and Steve Pullman will serve on the Board of Trustees. Chapter meetings will be held through the rest of 1995 at the Sunset County Park Headquarters.

Midwest Chapter

Al Sicree presided for new president, Fred Lewis, at the January 15 meeting at the Indiana State Museum in Indianapolis. Dr. John Medici gave an outstanding slide presentation about Fluorites of Ohio and Vicinity. John also brought a selection of his extensive collection of fluorites. It was reported that the Chapter consists of 59 members from the midwestern states. Al Sicree, program chair, requested suggestions for speakers and educational programs. Al and Sylvia Sicree offered to set up the Chapter's geode mineral display at the Cincinnati, OH show.

The group met March 11, at the Richmond, IN, mineral show. Steve Garza presented numerous specimens from south central Indiana. Nelson Shaffer presented a brief report on FM activities at the Tucson Show. The Chapter planned to meet at the Cincinnati Show and to have a collecting trip to Kentucky.

Pacific Northwest Chapter

Ray Lasmanis presented a slide talk on mineralogy of the Vanadinite Mine, Mohave County, AZ, at the January 11 meeting in Vancouver, WA. An article about the mine appeared in the Jan/Feb, 1995 issue of Rocks and Minerals. In addition to vanadinite the site yields good crystals of cerussite, descloizite, wulfenite, and the rare vauquelinite. President John Cornish described his collecting

activities in Montana. A new find of fluorescent calcite with analcime from Oregon was shown by Jon Gladwell. The business meeting included a detailed Treasurer's report by Cheryl Burnell. President Cornish suggested having regional FM representatives who could distribute FM information and act as initial contact persons for new members. Jon Gladwell and John Lindell volunteered to cover Oregon and Washington respectively.

Classic Mineral Localities was the theme chosen for the 1995 Symposium that will be held at the Sherwood in Tacoma, WA on September 22-24. A Sunday morning symposium business meeting was reinstated. Extensive discussion of a possible symposium in the Portland area covered many points. Jon Gladwell was to investigate facilities, and report to the Executive Committee.

A nominating committee of Ray Lasmanis and John Lindell will be seeking officers for the September election. Carl Harris reported very favorably on a book by R. K. Pabia about Banded Agates. The newsletter contained a statement from Weyerhaeuser about access to some of their forest lands. President Cornish noted the long history of the Chapter, some benefits, and responsibilities of membership and several opportunities to serve in his message.

Pennsylvania Chapter

Pennsylvania Chapter Directors met January 14 at the home of Vince and Marge Matula near the Lehigh Gap. The Board elected Roland Bounds as President; Jay Lininger as Vice-President; Arnold Mogel, Treasurer; George Rambo as Symposium Chair. Juliet Reed continued as Editor and Marge Matula as Membership Chair. Douglas Rambo and Andrew Sicree were elected to fill empty positions on the Board. Juliet Reed, Heyward Wharton, Arnold Mogel, and Roland Bounds make up the Memorial Grant Committee.

A Symposium on Phosphates of the East Coast is tentatively planned for October at West Chester State University. Plans for a spring field trip and

a swap this summer were made.

The Board voted to publish a manuscript written by Dr. Art Montgomery, professor emeritus at Lafayette College, and author of *The Mineralogy of Pennsylvania 1922-1965*. His book combines an introduction to mineralogy with reminiscences of his own extensive collecting and field experiences. Juliet Reed will edit this work, Allen Heyl, David Hess, and the Board will act as reviewers. Jay Lininger who publishes *Matrix* has offered to assist with type-setting and design. Publication is planned for 1996.

The annual open house of the Geology Department at Bryn Mawr College occurred in February. Chapter members also participated in several local mineral shows. The newsletter contained a memorial to well known chemist and mineral collector Frederick Keidel who had been a long time FM member. A detailed report about minerals from Coatesville, PA, written by D. F. Hess and R. C. Smith II also appeared in the spring newsletter.

Southern California Chapter

The Chapter met January 28 at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands, CA. After two years as President, Bob Reynolds turned over those duties to the new President, Richard Gundry. Other officers for 1995 are Garth Bricker, Vice-President; Robert Housley, Treasurer; Patricia Hunter, Secretary. The Board of Directors will be made up of Kay Robertson, Jesse Hardman, Robert Reynolds, and William Rader. Bob noted progress on the California Locality Index, successful mineral symposia, collector workshops, and other services during his tenure. Bob Housley requested 1995 dues be submitted in order to update the membership roster.

Richard Gundry made a statement of his plans for the year. In addition to work on the locality index he plans to provide input about public lands access and to encourage public outreach efforts. He wants to assist Gene Reynolds and others in their efforts to generate educational displays.

Minutes - Friends of Mineralogy
Board of Directors Meeting
February 10, 1995
Tucson, AZ

Call to order by President Karen Wenrich who handed out meeting agenda at 9:30 am.

New Directors nominated by Al Kidwell and committee, and duly elected are: Joe Marty, Salt Lake City, UT; Regina Modreski, Littleton, CO; Peter Modreski, Littleton, CO; Bob Reynolds, San Bernadino, CA; Credo Schwab, Tampa, FL; and Andrew Sicree, State College, PA. They will serve until February, 1998.

Officers for 1995 were elected with President, Karen Wenrich; Vice President, Dick Thomssen; Secretary, Nelson Shaffer; and Treasurer, Mike Kokinos. Last year's minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Officer Reports

Dick Thomssen announced best paper awards for 1994 as determined by a 5 member panel. The best paper in *Mineralogical Record* was by Ulrich Burchard who wrote "The History and apparatus of Blowpipe Analysis" and Edwin L. Clapton won best paper in *Rocks and Minerals* for his article, "Ice as a Mineral." President Wenrich praised Dick for his special efforts and explained that each recipient receives a certificate and that checks for \$200 are sent to each journal on behalf of the winning authors.

Mike Kokinos handed out a 1994 financial report. Last year's budget allowed \$1,600 for the newsletter and came within \$41. Expenses for officers and committees was \$700. The auditor's report of the Treasurer's information was accepted.

Nelson Shaffer thanked newsletter contributors. Newsletter will be more expensive because of an increase in postage. Mike has done an excellent job in keeping mailing labels current. Nelson reminded chapters to encourage their secretaries to keep the national treasurer informed about changes in their membership.

Old Business

Bylaws - Jessie Hardman, Al Kidwell, and Mike Kokinos proposed changes in regulations. Bylaws are essentially identical to originals except for two major exceptions 1) provisions to allow chapters have been added, 2) the method for voting on changes to bylaws allows for mail ballots. Mike said that a comprehensive set of bylaws and operating regulations must be available to be published in the mid-year newsletter. He requested duty statements for each officer and committee chairs to develop a brochure with articles of incorporation, bylaws, and operating regulations.

Mineral Locality Index - Pete Modreski reported that fourteen (14) states have published indices, eight (8) are complete and are in press or scheduled and fourteen (14) are in varying stages of completion.

The committee wants to combine states indices, put them into a standard format, and publish them as a single book on U.S. sites. They want ultimately to do an index for the entire world. It was noted that new books about *Minerals of Kentucky* by Warren Anderson and *Minerals of Tennessee* by Travis Paris have been published.

Mineral Collecting on Public Lands - Al Kidwell and Mike Groben reported on developments. Main results were published in the second FM newsletter of 1994. Dave Fredley, Forest Service geologist, will be at Tucson and offered to speak with members. The directors passed a motion to continue the public lands committee under Al Kidwell.

Montgomery Book - Mike Groben reported on efforts to find a way to publish Art Montgomery's manuscript. The PA Chapter will publish it. Roland Bounds will be in charge with Mike Groben as liaison.

FM Records - Archivist Dick Thomssen reported that he had received boxes of records from Al Kidwell and Art Smith and added his own papers to the archive. Al volunteered to provide national newsletters from copies of his complete set. Dick Thomssen agreed to continue as Archivist.

Mineralogical Record - Marcelle Weber reported about MR developments. She had interviewed John White who related early FM

and MR growth. Mike Kokinos noted that both were formed in the same year, in fact at the same meeting. Kay Robertson told of the early days of MR. Marcelle has written an FM column for MR and submitted it. FM is granted a free page three times each year.

Membership - Karen noted that badges are important to members and wanted to insure that badges were available. Mike recommended that we order 500 badges and has asked for bids. Mike called for a motion to order 500 badges and to bill chapters for badges as they order them. Beau so moved and the motion passed. Badges are also needed for dealer's discount. A question was raised about obtaining cheaper badges.

Regina suggested that FM directory be published on an annual basis. All membership information should go to Mike Kokinos. Beau suggested that a page in the newsletter name new members. A motion by Credo that FM produce a new directory for 1995-1996 to be published at the end of the year as a one-time effort passed.

Regina Modreski was approved as Membership Chair. Mike reported that there is only old FM stationary and no envelopes exist. Existing letterhead stock does not copy well. These matters were deferred.

Dealers' Association - Beau Gordon gave a brief history of the Dealers' Association. Beau wants FM dealers to recruit new members but they need a brochure to hand out. Dealers have not had membership applications. Credo asked Beau about requirements for dealers' membership. He replied that dealers must be an FM member and they must sign an agreement to give an additional 10% discount to FM members in addition to any standard discount. Karen noted that not all chapters have membership forms. She passed out forms and pointed out that there is a form in the back of the directory that can be copied. (See also page 11.)

Dealer's contributions to the FM social were announced. Martin Zinn, Beau Gordon, and others have helped financially but expenses were greater than anticipated. It was suggested that a membership development fund be established to be administered by Beau Gordon. Karen volunteered that socials also serve current members.

Dick Thomssen moved to reimburse Beau Gordon for money he spent at the Tucson reception and that \$200 be set aside for a promotion of that sort at Springfield, MA. Beau asked to amend to reflect a total of \$300 for Springfield plus Denver. Mike Kokinos seconded. Board approved a motion to help underwrite socials at Tucson, Denver and Springfield and authorized \$550 for that effort.

Symposium - Beau noted that the 1995 symposium is in good shape with a record number of speakers. Beau advised that we publish the abstracts only of speakers that show up. Karen noted a problem with speakers who did not come during her tenure as symposium chair.

Advertising - Credo moved that FM not accept advertising. It was amended to include no advertising in the newsletter. Motion passed unanimously. Mike said that that restriction would be added to operating regulations.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Relations - Credo Schwab volunteered to be chair of a public relations effort. He handed out a draft of a brochure with abbreviated membership application. Kay, Pete, and Andrew suggested that the aims of the society be highlighted on the front of the brochure. There was general agreement and Karen asked Kay to send FM aims to Credo for their addition. Pete emphasized the aim of promoting cooperation between amateurs and professionals. Discussion ensued. Karen noted that addresses change as officers change so there is a problem about where to send applications. Mike recommended that the brochure should primarily explain what the society does and that it should keep the Dealer's Association perspective to a minimum. Credo asked that a committee be formed to review the brochure prior to printing. Andrew Sicree, Mike Kokinos, and Regina Modreski were appointed to review the brochure. Credo outlined further publicity work.

Proposed Budget - Mike Kokinos submitted a proposed budget for 1995 as follows:

\$1,600	Newsletter
400	Best Paper
700	Officers (includes Symposium expenses)
1,500	Directory
500	Miscellaneous
1,000	Badges
550	Public Relations
<u>\$6,250</u>	

Mike projected income of \$3,400 up from \$2,800 based on increased membership. Symposium costs will be charged to officers expenses. Pete Modreski moved to approve; his motion passed unanimously.

Nominations - A proposed nominating committee of M. Groben (chair), R. Modreski, and C. Schwab passed.

Lieber Donations - Karen acknowledged receipt of a \$1,000 donation by Werner Lieber who expressed concern that the donation be used for a lasting program. Karen mentioned suggestions such as a nicer Best Paper award with an appropriate plaque; an appropriate award to quarry owners who allow collecting; an award for best mineral photographs; or even a book of fine photos. Kay Robertson suggested a really good FM educational display. Andrew Sicree suggested an award for best educational display at Tucson. Karen Wenrich, Kay Robertson, Robert Reynolds, and Nelson Shaffer volunteered to suggest uses for the donation.

Guidelines for Research/Publications - President Wenrich outlined the history of requests for funding for research and publication and called for guidelines. Mike stated that we do not have a policy. Joe Marty moved that all outside requests for funding for research be reviewed by the FM Executive Committee who will make recommendations to the entire Board for approval. Passed.

Mineral Symposium - 1996 - The announcement and call for papers for the 1996 symposium about Fluorescence and Luminescence in Minerals was issued in cooperation with the Fluorescent Minerals Society. Pete moved that FM state that they intend to sponsor a session on the theme mineral for 1997 and that they authorize the President to appoint an interim Symposium Chair to handle preliminary arrangements.

Miscellaneous - Jim Hurlbut of the Colorado Chapter reported that Minerals of Colorado is nearly complete with a May 1 completion date. Roland reported that the PA Chapter is organizing mineral symposia in July and the Fall.

Pete moved to designate Van King as chair of an FM committee on critical collecting areas program. Discussion of the situation led Mike Kokinos to propose that the motion be tabled until the absent Mr. King could further explain. It was approved.

Beau noted Board members who miss more than one meeting become ineffective and suggested that if a member misses more than two meetings in a row that member should be removed. Karen said that the President could ask such a member to resign. Beau moved that the President ask offending persons to resign and if so to appoint a replacement. The motion passed.

Andrew Sicree proposed that the Board move its meeting away from Friday morning because the Society of Mineral Museum Professionals (SMMP) moved its meeting to that time. Several museum curators are required to attend that meeting in order to receive travel funding so FM Board members who are curators must choose the SMMP meeting. Beau suggested that an early morning meeting is critical and he opposed changing FM meeting time and that FM has a long-established meeting time. Dick and Bob Reynolds suggested that the FM President speak with the SMMP chair to resolve the issue.

Secretary Shaffer noted that Congress is considering reducing funding for several geologic agencies.

Andrew Sicree sought patrons who would donate money to have the museum at Penn State University named for them.

The meeting adjourned about 1:30 pm.

Minutes - Friends of Mineralogy
General Membership Meeting
February 11, 1995
Tucson, AZ

President Karen Wenrich welcomed the thirty plus (30+) members and visitors at 5:00 p.m. Secretary Nelson Shaffer reported election results. New directors who will serve until 1998 are Joe Marty, Salt Lake City, UT; Pete Modreski, Littleton, CO; Regina Modreski, Littleton, CO; Robert Reynolds, San Bernadino, CA; Credo Schwab, Tampa, FL; and Andrew Sicree, State College, PA. Officers for 1995 will be Karen Wenrich, President; Dick Thomssen, Vice President; Mike Kokinos, Treasurer; and Nelson Shaffer, Secretary.

Vice President Dick Thomssen reported on best paper awards for *Mineralogical Record*. Ulrich Burchard won for his paper "History and Apparatus of Blow Pipe Analysis." Edwin Clopman won the best paper award in *Rocks and Minerals* for his "Ice as a Mineral." Thomssen also showed the new, improved award and noted that checks for \$200 would be sent to the journals on behalf of the award winners. President Wenrich presented the awards at the closing banquet on Saturday, February 12.

Treasurer Mike Kokinos read the Treasurer's Report. Treasury is in good shape. Karen lauded Mike and Jessie Hardman for their work on bylaws and Mike and Regina for an excellent directory.

Mike, Jessie Hardman, and Al Kidwell, Bylaws Committee, plan to detail proposed new bylaws in the mid-year (July) newsletter. Changes will allow for mail balloting and will update operating regulations. Mike also reported that he will order a new supply of FM badges. FM badges should be available from chapter secretaries or from Mike Kokinos for national members.

President Wenrich requested membership data for a new directory to appear in December, 1995. Karen extolled the success of the pre-meeting FM social hour and noted plans to repeat the social hour at next year's Tucson meeting plus other events at the Springfield, MA, and Denver, CO, shows. Credo Schwab, membership, displayed a draft of a new publicity pamphlet. Suggestions were solicited for expanding membership. Beau Gordon's efforts at establishing the FM dealers' association and in recruiting 50+ new members were recognized.

Al Kidwell reported developments concerning collecting on Federal lands (see Director's minutes). Al suggested that our main efforts should be with ALAA (American Lands Association). He introduced Forest Service representative John Nicholls who outlined efforts to facilitate communications. Nicholls answered questions from the audience.

A donation of \$1000 was provided by European FM member Werner Lieber. Discussion about how to best use this generous donation were entertained by a committee of Karen Wenrich, Bob Reynolds, Kay Robertson, and Nelson Shaffer.

John Rakovan, representing the Mineralogical Society of America, spoke about his group and encouraged people to join. They want to develop outreach programs to FM so he requested ideas to attract FM members.

Karen reported for Beau Gordon and Bob Cook about the 1995 mineral symposium. Calcite will be the featured mineral for the 1996 Tucson Show. Next year's symposium will feature Fluorescence and Luminescence in Minerals. Pete Modreski, chairman for that symposium, requested papers for the 1996 fluorescence symposium. He also reported on progress with the FM mineral locality index. Indices for six (6) states are in press (see also Directors' minutes).

Chapter news was reported as follows:

James Hurlbut reported that Minerals of Colorado is written and the text is being edited. This monumental work includes about 800 different minerals. Dick Thomssen noted that the Great Basin Chapter is going well. A letter from Midwest Chapter President Fred Lewis was read. Marcelle Weber reported for the Pennsylvania Chapter that Roland Bounds is new President. Gene Reynolds from the Southern California Chapter summarized their FM Symposium on California Gemstones. He noted that they are expanding their 1988 mineral locality index with >300 localities. The group displayed a case at Tucson for the first time and is developing educational materials.

Karen noted the success of the FM Dealers' Association whereby dealers offer at least 10% discounts for FM members. They also helped underwrite the Tucson social hour.

Edwin Passer reported that Ray Grant is revising a book on minerals of Arizona.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

CALL FOR PAPERS
JOINT FM-FMS-TGMS-MSA MINERALOGICAL SYMPOSIUM, (17th)
February 10, 1996
FLUORESCENCE AND LUMINESCENCE OF MINERALS

The 17th Tucson mineralogical symposium, to be sponsored jointly by the Friends of Mineralogy, Fluorescent Mineral Society, Tucson Gem and Mineral Society, and the Mineralogical Society of America, will be held in conjunction with the 42nd annual Tucson Gem and Mineral Show, on *Saturday, February 10, 1996*. The theme of the symposium is *Fluorescence and Luminescence of Minerals*. Papers are invited on any mineralogic aspects of fluorescence and luminescence--description, occurrence, localities, activators and crystal chemistry, applications, new means of stimulating or observing luminescence, etc. An audience of knowledgeable amateurs as well as professional mineralogists and gemologists is expected. The symposium theme commemorates the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Fluorescent Mineral Society, and the mineral show will feature special exhibits and demonstrations of fluorescence and fluorescent minerals. The 1996 Tucson Show theme mineral will be *Calcite*, with mineral displays of calcite, and the fluorescence of calcite and other minerals will be the co-theme of the show.

If you wish to submit a paper, please contact Dr. Peter J. Modreski, Symposium Chairperson (U.S. Geological Survey, Mail Stop 905, Box 25046 Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225-0046; telephone 303-236-5639; fax 303-236-5603; email pmodresk@gccmail.cr.usgs.gov) with your topic and a brief description of your proposed paper, by *ASAP*. Papers will be 15 or 20 minutes in length followed by a short period for questions and discussion. Upon acceptance of proposed topics, all authors will be required to submit a substantive 200-300 word abstract by *September 1, 1995*. Abstracts will be published in the January-February issue of the *Mineralogical Record*, subject to the approval of the editor. Authors who so desire may also submit a more detailed paper after the symposium, to be printed in a special issue of the *Journal of the Fluorescent Mineral Society*. (Original deadline was June 1, but there is space for a few more talks.)

MINERAL LOCALITY INDEX PROJECT

Our project to publish mineral locality indices for the entire U.S. is moving along quite rapidly this year. A locality index for Louisiana by Art Smith was published in *Rocks and Minerals* (May-June, 1994) and, indices are currently completed or in press for Alabama, Connecticut, Idaho, Nevada, New Hampshire, and Wyoming. Several others are nearly finished, and work on most of the other states is in progress at some stage. The states for which we do NOT have anyone positively committed to prepare indices include Alaska, Arizona, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and West Virginia (but we're working on contacts for a few of these, especially Arizona, New York, and Pennsylvania). Please get in touch with me if you would like to help with one of the remaining states! We'll have a more complete state-by-state report in the next FM newsletter.

★ Pete Modreski, FM locality index coordinator.

FM DEALERS' ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, February 8, 1995 a Social Hour was held at the Best Western Executive Inn in Tucson. The event was sponsored jointly by the Friends of Mineralogy Dealers' Association and Martin Zinn Enterprises.

I would like to thank those of you who attended, and apologize to those of you who were unable to attend, due to set-up at the Tucson Club Show. We were aware that there would be a conflict, but this was the only time available to us this year. The event was a great success from two aspects; first, it was a great party, around fifty members attended, all having a good time and second, we signed up fifteen new members for Friends of Mineralogy, including our first foreign member of the Dealers' Association, Don Edwards of Tideswell Dale Rock Shop, Tideswell, England. At the FM Directors meeting on Friday, February 10, it was announced that the Dealers' Association signed up over fifty new members for FM in 1994. Thank you for your efforts to make FM grow.

We will sponsor other socials this year, one at the East Coast Gem & Mineral Show in West Springfield, MA this August and a morning social at the Denver show - details follow in the newsletter (page 10).

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West Springfield, MA

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Come and meet dealers, friends, and collectors.

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Last First Middle Initial

Address _____

Street City or Town

State or Province Country Zip/Postal Code

Telephone Number _____ (Home) _____ (Office)

FAX Number _____ Computer address (E-mail) _____

Chapter Affiliation _____

1. Are you interested in meeting FM members who are visiting your area? _____ yes _____ no
2. Are you willing to show them your collection? _____ yes _____ no
3. Are you interested in trading specimens? _____ yes _____ no
4. Are you willing to exchange information on collecting localities? _____ yes _____ no
5. Are you willing to provide visitors with tours to local mineral localities? _____ yes _____ no _____ sometimes
6. Are you willing to provide visitors with a bed and breakfast? _____ yes _____ no _____ sometimes
7. Do you speak any foreign languages? _____ language _____ proficiency _____
8. Collecting specialties _____
9. Your profession or occupation _____
10. Company, agency, or institution _____
11. Do you speak to amateur groups? _____ Subject _____
12. Can you and are you willing to help fellow FM members with photography? _____ Microscope work? _____
X-ray diffraction analyses? _____ SEM analyses? _____
13. Are you a mineral dealer? _____ Company name? _____
Are you interested in joining the "Friends of Mineralogy Dealers Association" whose dealers offer FM members a 10% discount on purchases of regularly priced merchandise? _____

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