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It is my pleasure to serve as secretary of FM for 1984. At the February directors meeting in Tucson, I gave an undertaking to produce at least three newsletters during the year. Communication is vital for an organization like ours with membership spread throughout the U. S. and foreign countries. The assistance of the members and regional chapters is vital to the process. I plan to devote the next newsletter to detailed descriptions of projects being conducted by regional chapters, so, please send in your reports to me so that they can be incorporated into the next newsletter.

The Friends of Mineralogy has ambitious plans on national as well as regional levels. A growing organization will make these projects a reality. All chapters and members are asked to actively seek out potential new members to FM. To facilitate the membership drive, find attached background information on FM and a membership application form. Feel free to photocopy the application so that you can pass copies along to other collectors and mineralogists that you come in contact with at work or elsewhere.

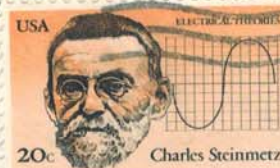
The Friends of Mineralogy is on the move. Outstanding work has been done already by the regional chapters and we can look forward to greater accomplishments in the future.

---Raymond Lasmanis
FM Secretary 3/16/84

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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1982

Submitted by Ron Bentley, Treasurer

Cash balance as of 1/31/84	\$ 6,541.64
Receipts - dues	1,338.00
- donations	50.00
- S. C. loan	135.00
- savings interest	360.23
Total receipts	\$ 8,424.87
Expenditures - operating expenses by source	
- President (indexing project)	(1,102.34)
- Secretary/Vice President	(123.88)
- Treasurer	(135.73)
- Membership Chairman	(682.40)
Total expenditures	\$ (2,044.85)
Cash balance as of 1/31/84	\$ 6,380.02

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL MEETING
& BOARD MEETING,

Tucson, AZ, February 10-11, 1984

Submitted by Raymond Lasmanis, Secretary

FM Director's Meeting

The Friends of Mineralogy annual directors meeting was held at 8 A.M., February 10 in the Aztec Room of the Santa Rita Hotel. Fifteen of the 18 FM directors were present: Mike Groben, Ron Bentley, Robert J. Smith, Pete Modreski, Ray Lasmanis, Eugene E. Foord, Arnold G. Hampson, Dee Belsher, Henry Truebe, Kay Robertson, Hal Steacy, Al McGuiness, Anthony Kampf, Jessie Hardman, and R. W. Thorssen. Two guests were also in attendance: H. Earl Pemberton and Richard C. Erd.

Mike Groben, FM President, opened the meeting. Bob Smith, Secretary, reviewed the minutes of the 1983 meeting and they were approved as previously printed. The financial statement and analysis of operating expenses for February 1, 1983 to January 31, 1984 was presented by Treasurer, Ron Bentley and approved by the Board. The statement shows an initial balance of \$6,541.64 and a final balance, after

deduction of operating expenses, of \$6,380.02. The increase in operating expenses from \$1,088.12 in FY82 to \$2,044.85 in FY83 is attributable to the Mineralogical Record indexing project that FM has undertaken. Details of the project follow on subsequent pages.

The Secretary, Robert Smith, reported the results of the balloting for election of FM directors to serve 3-year terms, February 1984 - February 1987. Out of 485 ballots sent out, 131 were returned with the following six candidates elected: Jessie Hardman, Raymond Lasmanis, Donald Schmerling, Kay Robertson, Henry Truebe and Arnold Hampson; they received, respectively, 126, 131, 126, 129, 128 and 125 votes. Write-in votes were also cast for Marcelle Weber (1), Thomas Morris (1) and Carl Francis (1).

Chairman of the nominating committee, presented the nominees for 1984 FM officers: Mike Groben, President; Pete Modreski, Vice President; Ron Bentley, Treasurer; and Ray Lasmanis, Secretary. The nominees were elected unanimously by vote of the directors.

The director's meeting agenda then called for facing a number of issues which needed to be resolved during the meeting. Since 1981, FM has been awarding a lifetime subscription to the Mineralogical Record for the outstanding feature article of the year. Three such awards have been given. The cost of a lifetime subscription was \$300 for the first 3 awards, but as of 1984 a lifetime subscription has been increased to \$500. Although awarded, the subscriptions had not been paid by FM. Payment for the first 3 awards was made during the meeting. The payment of incurred costs during FY84 and the national FM projects being undertaken is going to place a strain on our finances. In order to offset such expenses, the directors voted to increase FM dues in 1985 to \$7.00 per year--four dollars going to the regional chapters and \$3.00 to the national organization. It might be pointed out that dues have remained at \$5.00 per year since FM was founded on February 13, 1970.

Pete Modreski presented the award committee's selection of the Friends of Mineralogy Award for the best paper published in the Mineralogical Record during 1983. The award went to W. Jim Thomas and R. B. Gibbs for their article, "Famous Mineral Localities: The New Cornelia Mine, Ajo, Arizona" which appeared on pp 283-298 of the September - October 1983 issue (Volume 14, No. 5; the Arizona V issue). Since FM cannot afford to grant two lifetime subscriptions, a motion was made and passed by the directors giving each author a \$250 credit towards a subscription to the Mineralogical Record.

Judges extended honorable mention to J. P. Cassedanne for the article "The Corrego Frio Mine and Vicinity, Minas Gerais, Brazil"; to Claudio Albertini for his article on Baveno, Italy; to R. S. W. Braithwaite for the article "Minerals of the Derbyshire Orefield"; to Dick Jones (posthumously) for the article "The Old Yuma Mine "; to T. A. Peters, R. Koestler, J. J. Peters and C. H. Grube for the article "Minerals of the Buckwheat Dolomite, Franklin, New Jersey"; and to Pete J. Dunn for his numerous contributions during 1983.

Ron Bentley presented a motion to terminate the granting of lifetime subscriptions. It was passed by the directors. However, to recognize outstanding authors, while at the same time demonstrating our support for the Mineralogical Record, Ron Bentley also made a motion that a certificate of merit be designed. It would be awarded each year during the Tucson show plus a grant of \$100 in total to be given in the name of the author(s) to the Mineralogical Record. This motion passed unanimously. It was the feeling of the group that once certificates had been made, previous years winners would also receive them.

The remaining part of the meeting was devoted to business matters of the Friends of Mineralogy, Inc. Incorporation papers have been filed with the Secretary of State in Sacramento, California. The matter of liability insurance for FM was raised during the meeting and it was agreed that as

soon as possible, after investigating the alternatives, protection for our organization should be secured. Jessie Hardman is to be commended for the hard work she has put into recommendations to revise our by-laws. During the Summer of 1984 the members of FM can expect final recommendations to be submitted for approval. An awkward aspect of managing FM has been that it is based on a fiscal year ending January 31st. A motion was passed and approved by the directors changing our financial period to a calendar year ending December 31st.

In order that the joint FM - Mineralogical Society of America meeting in 1985 go smoothly and be well coordinated at the Tucson Gem and Mineral Show, Eugene Foord was elected liaison coordinator. He was directed to form a committee to assist him in carrying out this task. We want to eliminate major conflicts so that attendees can derive maximum benefit from the Tucson show.

Mineralogical Record Index Project

The Friends of Mineralogy was formed on February 13, 1970 by a group of twenty amateur and professional mineralogists during the Tucson Gem and Mineral Show. It was an informal group dedicated to promoting better mineral appreciation, education and preservation. Since that day FM has been incorporated and five active regional chapters have been formed. By design, it has been the regional chapters that have taken the lead in projects that carry out the goals of the organization. A suitable undertaking by the national organization has eluded the membership.

To revitalize the Friends of Mineralogy, a project was needed with wide appeal to everyone. Bill Henderson, Jr. suggested that an index was needed for all 14 volumes of the Mineralogical Record. All of you have experienced the frustration of leafing through back issues or at best, checking each one of the December indexes for a particular reference. Mike Groben, President, endorsed the idea and took the

lead in soliciting suggestions, comments, ideas and examples of what the index should provide. Of great benefit was a trial index prepared by Dr. Wendell E. Wilson in 1978.

Implementation of the project took place during August of 1983 when 14 volunteers were each assigned by Mike to a volume of the Mineralogical Record. Rules to achieve consistency were developed and further refined after all indexers completed one issue. Since August, two people have dropped out for personal reasons leaving the following to work on the Mineralogical Record index:

Volume	1	Tony Kampf
	2	Art Roe
	3	Jim Minette
	4	Bob Jones
	5	Al McGuinness
	6	Gail Dunning
	7	Laurence Huestis
	8	Ray Lasmanis
	9	Marcelle Weber
	10	Laurence Huestis
	11	Pete Modreski
	12	John Bergen
	13	Laurence Huestis
	14	Veryle Carnahan

The index will contain seven major sections. They are: articles, authors, general, localities, minerals, mines (quarries), and photographs. Most of these are self-explanatory but the general category needs further elaboration. It will contain listings for appraisals, auctions, book reviews, claim staking, collections, collectors, donors, epitaxial growths, errata, fakes, fluorescence, Glossary of Minerals, inclusions, indexes, history, labels, locality preservation, meteorites, mineral testing apparatus, museums, pegmatites, personalities, mineral photography, preservation and care of minerals, pseudomorphs, mineral stamps, opinion surveys, tectites, theft, toxic minerals and twin laws.

The objective of the project will be to provide an index that will allow one to locate any piece of information. The project has been monumental in scope and the volunteers are to be congratulated

for their accomplishments. As of the 22nd of February, 13 volumes have been totally indexed and edited. One remaining volume will be completed shortly. The next step is to input the material into a computer, proof the output and send it to the printers for publication. At this time, it looks like the index will be available for sale this fall. Estimates for printing are presently being gathered and funding sources will be explored to finance the cost of printing.

If any FM members have ideas on where to get contributions towards the printing costs of the index, they should forward their suggestions to Mike Groben.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AND BUSINESS MEETING

Mike Groben opened the meeting at 10:30 A.M., February 11, in the Greenlee Room of the Tucson Community Center. Partially due to a time conflict with a presentation on the minerals of Broken Hill by Dr. Howard Womer, only 33 members were present. During 1985 an attempt will be made to minimize such conflicts.

Ray Lasmanis reviewed the minutes from the director's meeting of February 10th and Ron Bentley presented the treasurer's report. Mike Groben informed the members about the Mineralogical Record indexing project described earlier in this newsletter.

Colorado Chapters

Following introductions of those present, regional chapters were requested to give a brief report of their activities. Speaking for the Colorado chapter, John Cooper described their project to update U.S.G.S. Bulletin 1114, "Minerals of Colorado--A 100 Year Record." Many new localities and minerals have been described from Colorado since Bulletin 1114 was printed in 1961. The Colorado chapter needs assistance in locating suitable photos for the publication. The pre-publication costs will be partially covered by having the work done by the U.S.G.S. at Denver. Printing and distribution of the publication will be by the Denver Museum of Natural History. Completion date is expected during 1985.

There was no one attending the annual meeting from the Pennsylvania or the Michigan chapter. Presidents of all regional chapters are asked to submit a detailed report of activities to Ray Lasmanis, Secretary, so that in the next newsletter the membership can be appraised of the great work that is taking place. We can all benefit from each other's ideas.

News from Nevada and Utah is that a new chapter is being organized called the Southern or Lower Great Basin Mineralogical Society. See membership newsletter No. 1 for 1983. They are planning a symposium in July 1984. Howard K. Warner, co-editor of the new book "Minerals of Broken Hill," stated that he is interested in starting a chapter of FM in Australia.

Southern California Chapter

Anthony Kampf presented a brief report on their activities during 1983. The largest effort was participation in the MSSC show in Pasadena. The chapter prepared an exhibit on minerals from San Benito County, staffed a mineral identification booth and had an FM chapter information table. In the future, the Southern California chapter plans to prepare a California locality index.

Pacific Northwest Chapter

Chris Check gave a quick review of the symposium that took place in Tacoma September 23 - 25. The theme was lead minerals with many fine exhibits and outstanding speakers. The session "What is New in Northwest Minerals" was an eye-opener. Outstanding specimens are being found by dedicated collectors such as Lanny Ream, Rick Dilhoff, Bob Jackson, Carl Harris and Chris Van Lehr. A project for 1984 is for the chapter to prepare a bibliography of northwest works on mineralogy and localities.

COMING EVENTS

New Mexico Mineral Symposium

The 5th Annual New Mexico Mineral Symposium will be held at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in Socorro, New Mexico November 10 and 11, 1984. As in prior years, the meeting is sponsored by New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources, Albuquerque Gem and Mineral Club, New Mexico Tech Mineralogical Society, New Mexico Museum of Natural History and the Geology Department of the University of New Mexico. For information contact:

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Pacific Northwest Symposium

The 10th Annual Symposium of the Pacific Northwest Chapter will be held September 28 - 30, 1984 at the Doric - Tacoma Motor Hotel in Tacoma, Washington. This year's theme is the "Magic of Mineralogy." For information contact:

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All members are urged to subscribe to the Mineralogical Record and are reminded that the Book Department has for sale some excellent books such as the Glossary of Mineral Species, Minerals of Broken Hill, Bisbee: Queen of the Copper Camps, and other excellent references. Write to Mineralogical Record Book Department, P. O. Box 1656, Carson City, Nevada 89702.

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