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President's Message

Dear Members:

■ In the twinkle of Santa's eye, the Holidays will be over and February will be here with its Tucson Show.

The F.M. Director's Breakfast meeting will be held on Friday, February 12, at Day's Inn, Olmec Room, breakfast to be served at 8:00 a.m.

The Annual Meeting of the membership will be held on Sunday, February 14, at 1:30 p.m. Robert Symes, British Museum of Natural History, is tentatively scheduled to speak following the meeting on a topic to be announced. We hope to see a good attendance. We are indebted to Henry Truebe for making the meeting arrangements.

■ Several projects were approved at the 1988 Director's Meeting. A Mineral Video Disc was proposed by Western Washington University with F.M. collaboration. Ray Lasmanis, liaison, reports that the National Science Foundation chose not to finance this project. Other avenues are being explored, but they do not look promising. A final report will be made in Tucson.

■ Elsewhere in this newsletter, there is a report from Henry Truebe, Tony Kampf, and Arlene Handley regarding the possible recognition of mining companies for mineral specimen preservation. There are probably more companies cooperating with collectors than suspected. Please help by writing Henry promptly.

■ The indexing of the *Mineralogical Record*, beyond the first 14 volumes, is being continued through 20 volumes. The dedicated members involved in this project are Larry Huestis, Ray Lasmanis and Mike Groben.

■ Al Kidwell's "panel of five" is busy selecting the winner in the "Best Article" category, *Mineralogical Record*, 1988.

■ The format of the last issue of the Newsletter has received favorable comment, and our appreciation is extended to those who made it possible.

■ Pete Modreski still has hopes for the Locality Index.

■ Many thanks to the Chapters which have sent copies of their publications to me. Many find a place in our library.

On behalf of the Friends of Mineralogy, I thank these people as well as the unnamed members "out there" who keep the wheels turning in the Chapters.

Marcelle H. Weber ■

Tenth Symposium Galena - 1989

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Schedule of Talks Sunday, 14 February 1989

- 10:00 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show
opens for day
- 10:15 Henry Truebe
Introductory Remarks
- 10:20 Eugene Foord
Review of the Crystal Chemistry of Galena
- 10:40 Emmanuel Fritsch
Galena Twins
- 11:00 Tom Rosemeyer
*Notable Galena Occurrences in the
Colorado Mineral Belt*
- 11:20 Anthony Kampf, Pete Dunn, Eugene Foord
*Four New Minerals from the Grand Reef Mine,
Graham County, Arizona*
- 11:40 Monte Nichols
*Mineral: A Computerized Mineral
Reference Manual*

Henry Truebe ■

Annual Meetings

FM Director's Breakfast

12 February 1989 7:45 a.m.
Olmec Room Day's Inn Tucson, Arizona

Membership Meeting

14 February 1989 1:30 p.m.
Community Center Tucson, Arizona

Pennsylvania Chapter

■ As an update on the French Creek Iron Mine dumps in St. Peter's, Chester County, Pennsylvania. Mr. Chonka has sold his property, and collectors (for the time being) will not be allowed to collect at this locality. Editor of the Pennsylvania Chapter Newsletter, Mrs. Juliet Reed, states that a case of fine mine-run French Creek specimens is among 1500 museum quality specimens from the old George Vaux, Jr. and Rand-College Collections on view on the first and second floors of the Geology Department, Science Center, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. Visitors are welcome to walk in on weekdays during the academic year or make an appointment for a tour with the Associate Curator, Juliet C. Reed (home phone 215-688-6180). See the Geology Secretary on the second floor or Mrs. Reed in Room 157 for an essential parking permit.

This newsletter contained a fine excerpt (reprinted) from an 1890 George English mineral catalogue, a gift from economic geologist Franz Dykstra, and is reproduced courtesy of the Geology Department of Bryn Mawr College. It featured a description of pyrite crystals from the French Creek Mine by Prof. S.L. Penfield.

■ Dr. James E. King, Director of the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, announced in February that the Tucson Gem and Mineral Society had won the Carnegie Mineralogical Award for 1987. The new award is underwritten by the Hillman Foundation, Inc. and recognizes the contributions which promote and improve the preservation, conservation and educational use of minerals and mineral collecting, ideals exemplified by the society's commitment to the Tucson Gem and Mineral Show. It is the largest such show in the world and is now in its 34th year. A certificate of recognition, a bronze medallion and a check for \$1500 were presented to the Society.

The Mineral Museums Advisory Council will be responsible for the selection of this award. Nominations for the 1988 Award are welcomed and should be addressed to: M.M.A.C., c/o Ron Bently, 6 Claremont Street, Enfield, Connecticut 06082. Information may also be provided by Richard A. Souza, Section of Minerals, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213.

■ The new mineral "Sclarite" has been named for Dr. Charles Sclar, Lehigh University, Professor of Geology and F.M./Pennsylvania member. ■

Colorado Chapter

■ At the November 10th meeting, Dr. Karen Wenrich, U.S.G.S., gave a talk on the "Minerals of Breccia Pipe Ore Deposits in the Grand Canyon Area, Arizona." Dr. Wenrich spent a number of years as the chief of a project to study mines and potential ore deposits in northern Arizona. She is recipient of several "best paper" awards at geological meetings for the quality of her presentations. The mines she has studied include the Grandview, Orphan, Ridenour and many others, and include ores of uranium, copper, vanadium, silver, and

other metals. Her work has taken her to seldom visited areas around all parts of the Grand Canyon region.

■ The chapters contribution to the 1988 Denver Gem and Mineral Show included running the "free mineral identification" table and a fine exhibit of amazonite and associated minerals. The "Amazonite and Its Friends" (Minerals of Pikes Peak Granite) exhibit, was prepared by Barbara Muntyan and included specimens of amazonite, smoky quartz, albite, microcline, goethite, fluorite and zinnwaldite. The mineral ID table was organized by Pete Modreski. Other F.M. members who helped staff it included Don Belsher, Craig Brunstein, Jim Hurlbutt, Barbara Muntyan, Ed Pedersen, Bill Smith and Bill Warren.

■ There are some copies of the 1988 Symposium volume (Precious Metals) available for \$15.00 postpaid. It is a worthwhile addition to any collector's mineral library. Zerox copies of the 1986 volume "Colorado Pegmatites" are being considered. They will probably be staple-bound and will cost from \$6.00 to \$8.00 (depending upon the number to be printed). Please contact Pete Modreski, 8075 West Fremont Drive, Littleton, Colorado 80123 for further information.

■ The nominating committee submitted the following for election:

President James Hurlbutt
 Vice President Raymond Berry
 Secretary Edward Pedersen
 Board Member Annabelle McGraw
 Board Member Edward Gray

Mining Company Recognition

Even though a great volume of mineral specimens are encountered by mining companies as they extract ore, the recovery of specimens is not normally economical and can be dangerous. It is the exceptional company that encourages the collection of mineral specimens.

The Directors of Friends of Mineralogy felt it would be worth recognizing mining companies that make an effort to recover and preserve museum quality specimens as a part of mining activities, displaying minerals at mineral shows, donating specimens to museums, providing scholarships for budding mineralogists, etc. At this time we don't even know how much mining companies are doing to preserve mineral specimens.

It was felt that accumulating a file of exemplary mining company actions would be a good start. From there we could decide if one, several, or all the companies should be given recognition, probably in the form of a simple certificate.

To help toward this end, let F.M. know of any instance of a company doing something to further the goals of specimen recovery and preservation. Please write: Henry Truebe, Attn: Mining Company Recognition, 3113 East Table Mountain Road, Tucson, Arizona 85718. Your comments would be most helpful if received prior to the annual F.M. meeting in February. ■

Your Secretary's Wish List

■ I wish to all the chapters newsletter editors a better desktop publisher than I happen to have. And a great big "Thank You" for getting your newsletters to me!

■ To Ray Lasmanis — a big book of stamps to replace those he has used in correspondence to me, in just giving a helping hand. Thanks for the paste-up pages — I needed them!

■ Pete Modreski — only a nod of the head . . . he TOLD me the job was a snap! E A S Y, he said . . . Well, it is, if one knows what he is doing! Thanks, Pete.

■ Russ Boggs — a big, big box of address labels! For the changes of addresses that come in — right after the newsletter goes out! And thanks, Russ, for taking over from Cheryl Stewart!

■ Marcelle Weber — nice big, comfortable pillow! She NEVER seems to go to sleep. Have called her at some

pretty wierd times (here to there!) and she's always awake! Thank you Marcelle!

■ Al Kidwell — a good heavy duty suitcase to replace the one that has to be tattered and torn from all its travels this past year. And a thank you for your help!

■ To Carolyn Jones — a big bottle of bright, happy, pink THANK YOU and HAPPY PILLS for typesetting the newsletter and giving it the nice, fresh appearance it has!

■ And to ALL the membership - a lovely, happy holiday and wonderful and healthy New Year! With lots of great collecting!

■ **LAST BUT NOT LEAST !!! DUES ARE DUE !!!**
For National send \$7.00 to your treasurer, Russ Boggs, address on director's page, and for your local Chapters', send them to your local treasurer!

1989 Nominees for Members of the F.M. Board of Directors

■ **Peter J. Modreski** (8075 West Fremont Drive, Littleton, CO 80123), is a geochemist with the U.S.G.S., Denver, Colorado. He has a B.A. in Chemistry from Rutgers College and an M.S. and Ph.D. in Geochemistry from Penn State. He is a past president, past vice-president and secretary, and has been serving as a director since 1977. He is also a member of the Mineralogical Society of America, the Geological Society of America, the Fluorescent Society, and the Littleton Gem and Mineral Club. He is currently conducting the preparation of the F.M. Mineral Locality Index.

■ **Al Kidwell** (14403 Carolcrest, Houston, TX 77079), received his B.S. degree from Missouri School of Mines, his M.S. from Washington University (St. Louis) and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He was a geologist with the Missouri Geological Survey for three years and research geologist for Exxon Production Research Company. He has been a mineral collector for more than 30 years and past president of Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineral Societies, and is a charter member of F.M. He is a Fellow, Mineralogical Society of America. The mineral "Kidwellite" was named for him.

■ **Anthony Kampf** (12923 Warren Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90066), received his Ph.D. in Mineralogy from the University of Chicago. He joined the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County as Assistant Curator in the Mineralogical Section in 1977, and has been Curator and section head

since 1980. Director of F.M. since 1980 and has served as vice-president and president. He helped organize the Southern California Chapter of F.M. and has served as its vice-president and president. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the *Mineralogical Record* and has worked on the Index.

■ **Marie Huising** (5341 Thrasher Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45247) is managing editor of *Rocks and Minerals* magazine, and has been an active member of the Cincinnati Mineral Society for the past 27 years, serving as newsletter editor for 16 years and on the show committee since its inception, also P.R. Chairman of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

■ **Jay Lininger** (R.D. 3, Ridge Road, Dillsburg, PA 17019). Past president, vice-president (currently acting president) of the Pennsylvania chapter. President of McFarland Graphics and Design, publisher of *Matrix* (the history of minerals and mineral people) printing of many books and booklets on Pennsylvania mineralogy.

■ **Richard Hauck** (8 Rowe Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003) member of Franklin Mineral Museum, one of the founders of Franklin/Ogdensburg Mineral Society and its first president during founding. He is a collector of historical mineral memorabilia and is currently involved in saving Franklin/Ogdensburg property for historical purposes. The mineral "Hauckite" was named for him.

1988 Ballot for Election of F.M. Officers

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. We have a space for write in votes. Please feel free to use it for another candidate of your choice.

Return the ballots to the F.M. Secretary: Betty Tlush, 1202 Perion Drive, Belen, New Mexico 87002 - **before** February 4, 1989.

The results will be announced at the annual F.M. meeting in Tucson on February 12, 1989. The order of names was by random selection.

VOTE FOR SIX (ONLY) DIRECTORS

- Pete Modreski
- Tony Kampf
- Jay Lininger
- _____

- Al Kidwell
- Marie Huising
- Richard Hauck
- _____

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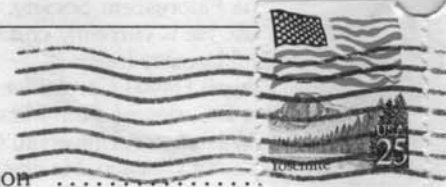
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