

Newsletter of the Indiana Chapter, Friends of Mineralogy, Inc.
February 1987

GREETINGS! This is the first newsletter of the newly-formed Indiana Chapter of Friends of Mineralogy (IFM). Fifteen mineral collectors, curators, and geologists met on January 11, 1987 and officially formed a new organization dedicated to promoting interest in and knowledge of minerals. Details on the meeting can be found below. If you are already a member, thanks for your support and enthusiasm in helping create this society. If you're not yet part of this group, please accept this newsletter as your personal invitation to join. We are excited about all the possibilities ahead of us, and want your ideas up front as we begin. Feel free to call me if you have any questions or suggestions about IFM.

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS:

MARCH: Sunday, March 8, 1987 Program: Dr. Kenneth Brock
1:00 pm Dept. of Geosciences
Indiana State Museum Indiana Univ., NW
202 N. Alabama St.
Indianapolis, Ind. Topic: "Minerals of Pleasant
Ridge, Indiana"

Also: copies of the constitution and by-laws will be distributed. Immediately after our meeting, the Indiana Society for Paleontology will hold a program in the adjacent room at the Museum.

APRIL: Saturday, April 25, 1987 Program: Dr. Carl A. Francis
4:30 pm Curator, Harvard
Cincinnati Convention Center Mineralogical Museum
5th & Elm (Downtown)
(In conjunction with the Cincinnati Mineral Show) Topic: TBA *Calcite Twinning*

JUNE: June 12, 13, or 14
At the Bedford, Indiana Rock Swap

SEPTEMBER: To be scheduled

NOVEMBER: Annual Meeting; to be scheduled

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS:

- I. The members formed a Chapter of Friends of Mineralogy, adopted a Constitution and By-Laws, accepted members, and elected officers.
- II. Application has been made to Friends of Mineralogy, Inc. for a charter; when that is received, the IFM will proceed with incorporation under Indiana state law as a not-for-profit corporation, and will apply to both the state and IRS for tax-exempt status.
- III. There are currently 19 members: Jo and Lawrence Alberring, George and Wanda Aldred, Shirley Allen, Karen and Rich Eddy, Terry Huizing, Margaret Kahrs, Ed Miller, Christopher Parrett, Harris Precht, Donald Schuder, Nelson Shaffer, A. Cornwell Shuman, Anna and Ray Stricker, Vernon Swanson, and Ron Thomas.

IV. Officers for 1987 are:

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| Richard Eddy | President |
| Nelson Shaffer | 1st Vice-President (Programs) |
| Vern Swanson | 2nd Vice-President (Field Trips) |
| Wanda Aldred | Secretary-Treasurer |
| Terry Huizing | Liaison with Friends of Mineralogy |
| Ron Richards | Resident Agent |

V. Other selections:

Field Trip Committee: Vern Swanson, Ron Thomas, Nelson Shaffer
Program Committee: Nelson Shaffer, George Aldred
Insurance: Terry Huizing, Rich Eddy
Newsletter: Ron Thomas, Rich Eddy

VI. Membership Procedures:

- A. Any individual may join the IFM Chapter. No organizational memberships will be accepted.
- B. Membership in the national Friends of Mineralogy organization is required for membership in the Chapter. Registration can be handled through the Chapter Secretary-Treasurer. National dues are \$7.00/year.
- C. Chapter dues are \$5.00/year for the first person in a family to join. Additional immediate-family members join for \$1.00.
- D. Members are to complete both national and Chapter application forms, and submit them with the appropriate dues to:

Wanda Aldred
Secretary-Treasurer, IFM
R #2 Box 175
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THE LAWRENCE COUNTY ROCK CLUB
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BEDFORD INDIANA ROCK SWAP

AND JUNE MEETING OF MID AMERICA PALEONTOLOGY SOCIETY (M.A.P.S.) INDIANA CHAPTER
AT 4-H FAIRGROUND, BEDFORD, INDIANA

On U.S. Hwy. 50 - 7/10 Mile West of Junction Hwys. 37 & 50, South of Bedford

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JUNE 12-13-14, 1987

CONTINUOUS SILENT AUCTION

FRIDAY

8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Set Up
10 a.m. Swap Opens
9 p.m. Close for Day

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. Swap Opens
1:30 p.m. Door Prize Drawing
2:30 p.m. M.A.P.S. Meeting
7:00 p.m. Live Auction
9:00 p.m. Close for Day

SUNDAY

8 a.m. Swap Opens
1 p.m. ... Door Prize Drawing
3 p.m. Swap closed until 1988

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COLLECTIONS TO THE AUCTIONS TO HELP DEFRAY EXPENSES.

**THE SWAP CHAIRMAN
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