



NEWSLETTER

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OUR NEXT CHAPTER MEETING:

"Diamonds: Science and Exploration"

Dr. Henry O.A. Meyer, Purdue U.

Saturday, April 23, 1988

4:30 pm

at the Cincinnati Gem & Mineral Show

Convention Center, 5th & Elm Sts.

(see the attached Show Flyer!)

This will be a super meeting! Dr. Meyer is an authority on the science and exploration of diamonds, and has particular expertise in the study of diamond inclusions. This outstanding speaker will present his topic at the 24th Annual Cincinnati Show. Thanks to Terry Huizing for arranging our April meeting there, in conjunction with the show, for the second year now!

Agenda

- *Program on "Diamonds"
- *Collection of 1988 Dues; member cards & badges
- *Tentative Field Trips and Programs
- *Project Discussions: Chapter Displays, Indiana State Mineral, Mineral Identification at the ISM event, National FM's Mineral Locality Index, status of Indiana mineral publications

"Up in the sky...it's a bird,
it's a plane, it's a.....

METEORITE!!

Actually, it's not a meteorite until it falls to earth, then it's fair game to Nelson Shaffer, chapter vice-president and geologist who has special interest in and tremendous knowledge of the extra-terrestrial rocks. The 19 people who attended the March meeting were treated to a very informative and colorful slide show and talk on the subject, and now have expanded vocabularies and understanding of these rocks. Only 12 are known from Indiana, including the new one found near Hangman's Crossing in Jackson County. Thanks, Nelson!

Organizational Matters.....

1. Membership is at 34 as of the March meeting (all memberships expire on Dec. 31 each year). Thank you for your continued support!
2. The Indiana Chapter has received its income tax Exempt Status from the IRS. This was the final organizational step needed. Contributions made to the chapter qualify for deductions to the extent allowed by law.
3. We have filed our annual state not-for-profit corporation report; next come the federal and state tax returns, due May 15.

- April 23 - Meeting at the Cincinnati Show - 4:30 pm
- May 7 - Field Trip to Salem, Indiana - 8:00 am to 12:00 noon
- May 28-30 - Chicagoland Gem & Mineral Show (Display and possible get-together of those members attending) Shirley Allen has arranged for our display.
- June 4 - Field Trip to Meshberger's Quarry in Columbus, Ind. (Possible return of the Meshburgers?)
- June 11 - Meeting at the Bedford, Indiana Rock Swap - 4:00 pm at the 4-H Fairgrounds. Thanks to Margaret Kahrs for handling the arrangements.
- July 9 - Indiana Mineral and Fossil Day at the Indiana State Museum, Indianapolis. No selling. Educational displays and handouts by any interested chapter members; also the chapter will sponsor an identification table for information and recruitment of members. 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. Set up your own display or help run the chapter table. More information from Ron Richards at the State Museum will be sent later.
- July 29-31 Field Trip to Michigan's Upper Peninsula.
 29th - A.E. Seaman Mineralogical Museum in Houghton, Mich. (tour)
 30th - Tour of the New Caledonia Mine
 31st - Dump collecting
- September 10 - Meeting and Program at the Greenfield, Ind. Swap 4:00 pm at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Greenfield. Arranged for us by Wendell Spitler. Field Trip to Anderson, Ind. in the early morning on the 10th. This is not far from Greenfield, and is a bonus for those members in the area for the show!
- September 17 - Field Trip to Pleasant Ridge, Ind.
- October 15 - Field Trip to either Norristown, Ind. (Cave Stone Quarry) or Corydon, Ind.
- November 13 - Annual Meeting at the Indiana State Museum, Indianapolis.

FIELD TRIPS!

As you can see from the above calendar, our Field Trip Chairman, Vern Swanson, has been busy putting your suggestions from the field trip surveys into action. Just a reminder about the rules related to field trips sponsored by the chapter: *only chapter members may participate on a field trip, with the exception of a prospective member, who may attend one field trip before joining.* Some quarries may set additional restrictions, such as total number allowed in, or adults only, etc. Also, *hardhats are required*, and eye protection is highly recommended.

NEW and RENEWING MEMBERS.... You may bring dues to any meeting or field trip, or mail directly to Secretary Wanda Aldred, RR #2 Box 175, Shoals, IN 47581. Annual dues are \$15.00 (\$7.00 for additional member in the same family) and include National and Chapter dues and liability insurance protection through the Cincinnati Insurance Co.

INDIANA CHAPTER, FRIENDS OF MINERALOGY, INC.
INDIANA STATE MUSEUM
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
MAR. 13, 1988

The meeting was opened by President Rich Eddy. The minutes of the January meeting were read. Motion to approve made by Terry Huizing, seconded by George Aldred. Motion carried. Treasurers report shows a balance of \$546.25. National dues were paid on 26 members with 8 members paid after the January report. Membership now totals 34.

President Eddy has received a letter with tax exemption number from IRS. A State tax return for tax exempt organization has been filed.

Name tags, membership cards and various fliers for future events were passed out.

Discussion of the Wabash Valley Show and Field Trip was held. A trip to this show will be an outing only.

Vern Swanson, Field Trip Chairman announced proposed dates for trips to Salem - May 7; Columbus - June 4; and anyone interested in an Anderson Quarry trip during the Greenfield Show should talk to Vern. Some people have made the 100 plus mile trip to the Pleasant Ridge Quarry from the Greenfield Show.

Harris Precht has contacted Richard Whiteman of the Caladonia Mine of UP Michigan. The field trip there is to be July 29, 30, 31. There is to be an open house at the Seaman Museum in Houghton on July 29, with an auction planned to benefit the Harvard Mineral Museum. Saturday will be for collecting at the mine and a geology tour of the area on Sunday. Bring your swim suits.

Friends of Mineralogy will have a display at the State Museum for their third Fossil-Mineral Day on July 9.

Shirley Allen passed out a questionnaire and request for mineral specimens for an Indiana Exhibit for shows. Bring your approximately fist size specimens to her at the Cincinnati Show on Saturday morning April 23, before 10 a.m. Shirley will bring her case and arrange minerals in it.

Nelson Shaffer gave a very interesting program on Moon Rocks. He had examples of Indiana several meteorites. They are very rare, only 12(?) known at this time, but thousands examined as possibly being meteorites.

No report on State Mineral Progress. A further explanation of the process is thru State Dept. of Natural Resources, a proclamation by two Governors. This brings t. reason for speed so Gov. Orr can sign a proclamation. Only then can a sponsoring legis^t present the Proclamation to the entire legislative body for passage. This route by-passes the jokes and fun usually reported when such a bill is presented to the legislature for consideration.

The next meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m., Sat. April 23, at the Cincinnati Show.

Respectfully submitted

Wanda Aldred

THE 24th ANNUAL CINCINNATI 1988 Gem-Mineral-Jewelry SHOW

SATURDAY, APRIL 23 - 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
SUNDAY, APRIL 24 - 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

featuring

“MIDWEST MINES & MINERALS”

Elmwood, TN
Shullsburg, WI
Viburnum Trend - MO
Old Tri-State - OK
Cave in Rock, IL

ILLUSTRATED LECTURES & MEETINGS



Saturday April 23, 1988

- 1:30PM “Minerals in 3-D” by Dr. Steven Chamberlain of Syracuse University.
3:00 “Pearls: Nature’s Renewable Treasure” by Dr. Gary R. Hansen, St. Louis dealer, collector.
4:30 “Diamonds: Science & Exploration” by Dr. Henry O.A. Meyer, Purdue University.
8:30 Wine & Cheese Party at the Clarion Hotel (Public invited) compliments of Harvard Mineralogical Museum Association.
9:00 Mini Auction to benefit the Harvard Mineralogical Museum.

Sunday April 24, 1988

- 11:00AM Meeting of The Mineral Museums Advisory Council - Moderator, Ron Bentley.
1:30PM “Michigan Copper Mining & Minerals” by Stanley J. Dye II, Curator of the A. E. Seaman Mineralogical Museum.
3:00 “Midwest Minerals” by Dr. Carl Francis of Harvard Mineralogical Museum.

CONVENTION CENTER / 5TH & ELM

Direct Correspondence to:

Rick Russell - 7843 Montreal Court, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241

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Two day pass \$6.00 • Scouts in Uniform - Free

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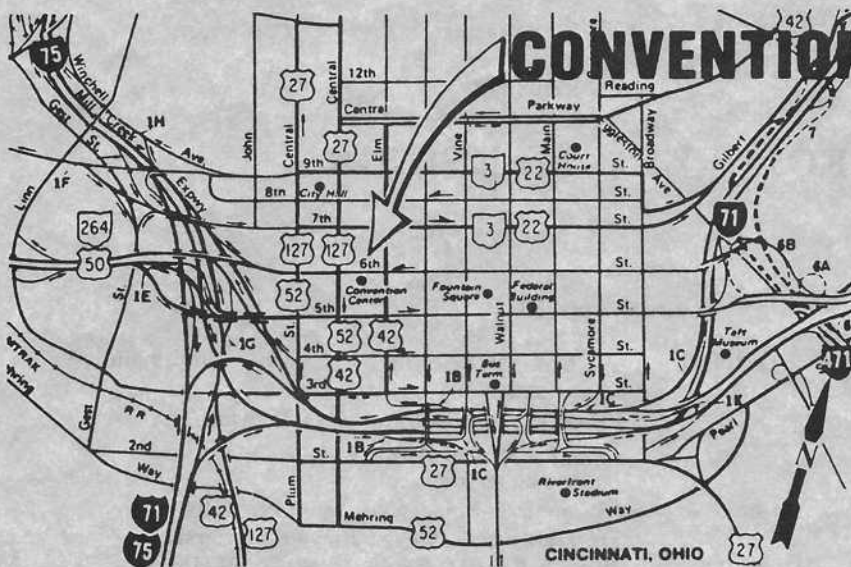
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FEATURES & DEMONSTRATIONS

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 Channel Jewelry - "Fun With Rocks", Lebanon, Ohio
 Wire Sculpture Jewelry - Peter Henry Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio
 Scrimshaw - Carl Rauschenberger, Cincinnati, Ohio
 Lapidary - Ft. Hamilton Gem and Mineral Society, Hamilton, Ohio
 Brukner Center Gem & Mineral Club, Troy, Ohio
 Fossil Workshop - Dry Dredgers, Cincinnati, Ohio
 MWF Micromounters Workshop
 Faceting - Midwest Faceters Guild
 Learning Center - CMS Members
 Kids Activities

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\$1.00 off - Adult Admission

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April 23rd & 24th, 1988
 Albert Sabin Convention Center / 5th & Elm
 Downtown - Cincinnati, Ohio

CMS Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show and Sale

UGLY ROCK CONTEST Just For Fun!

Reservations for swap space accepted. Saturday or Sunday \$7.00 per day, or both days \$12.00.
 Mail check payable to The Cincinnati Mineral Society: Rick Uhlenbrock, 2897 Marshall Avenue,
 Cincinnati, Ohio 45220.

Dear Members:

The Indiana Chapter of Friends of Mineralogy would like to have our own exhibit to circulate at shows representing the club.

Of course we want to show Indiana minerals. As a member would you be willing to loan us something from your collection for about two years?

The specimen should be about fist size. It should be something that either is a good specimen of something typical from one of our quarries, or something that you possess that you think others do not have from an Indiana quarry.

Please sign below and return the form to me. A committee will choose from the specimens offered and notify you. Then you can either mail the specimen or take it to the Cincinnati meeting. I will furnish the case for the present and later on we may want to build one.

Shirley Allen

I will loan a specimen to the Indiana Chapter of Friends of Mineralogy.

I suggest the following: First Choice: Mineral _____
From _____
Anything special about it

Second Choice: Mineral _____
From _____
Anything special about it

Third Choice: Mineral _____
From _____
Anything special about it

Name _____

Address _____

Please mail to: Shirley Allen
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