

# NEWSLETTER

MIDWEST CHAPTER, FRIENDS OF MINERALOGY, INC.

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## PRESPROSE :

The Greenfield Show is soon upon us and we will hold a meeting at 3PM Saturday, September 10th. Dr. Ernest Carlson will be our speaker so I know you won't want to miss it.

Summer may be coming to an end but opportunities for mineral collecting continue on for several more

months. Mike Davis has in fact arranged for two opportunities on September 17th; one at the quarry that is straddled by I-75 north of Lima, OH, and the other at Duff Quarry just north of Huntsville, OH. (See details elsewhere in this newsletter). Mike assures me that he has more trips up his sleeve for this Fall. He will send us detailed

announcements

when these plans are finalized. If you would like to suggest a collecting trip for the Club please call Mike!

The end of my third year as President of our Midwest Chapter of Friends of Mineralogy is also about to end. I have to say that it has been a very interesting and enjoyable experience but I will not be able to continue as President. Other responsibilities have

arisen for me and the club would benefit from new ideas and the creative energies of another leader.

Sylvia Sicree, our Secretary/Treasurer, has also expressed the need to pass her responsibilities on to another member. I am willing to act as a nominating committee

and would be delighted to hear from any member who would like to try his/her hand as an officer.

As you know, it would be pointless for me to arbitrarily put someones name on the ballot if they were uninterested in the job and it is not practical for me to start at one end of the membership list and call each member in search of a nominee. So, because this is a volunteer organization, I am

asking YOU to volunteer for nomination to one of the following positions:

President: figure head, convener of meetings and editor of the newsletter.

Vice President for Programs: Find speakers for the 6 regular meetings of the year.

Vice President for Field Trips: Arrange with

## **SPEAKER**

**Dr. ERNEST CARLSON**  
**Prof. of Geology, Kent State Univ.**

**"WESTERN LAKE ERIE  
CELESTINE: ITS MANY SHAPES  
AND COLORS AND WHERE IT IS  
FOUND"**

**3:00 PM Saturday, Sept. 10th**  
**500 EARTH SCIENCE SHOW**  
**Greenfield, IN**

operators of quarries, mines and other areas for club members to collect mineral specimens, and notify the members about these opportunities.

Secretary/Treasurer: Take minutes at meetings, conduct financial transactions and maintain the financial records.

Please let me know when you decide that you are the one to perform one of these jobs. They aren't difficult, they don't take a tremendous amount of time and they provide an opportunity to discover abilities and interests that you hadn't been previously aware of. This is your club!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

o In an effort to reach out and share our enjoyment of collecting mineral specimens with young people, the Executive committee agreed to recommend that you invite a local school teacher to come with you on a collecting trip. This might be an Earth Science teacher or a Chemistry teacher or a grade-school teacher that would enjoy having a collection of minerals to use in the classroom. There will be several collecting trips this year and it would be helpful to quarry operators, teachers and eventually their students, for the teachers to learn more about the mineral industry and the beauty of minerals. Don't be shy; if you don't know a teacher, call the Principal!

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

June 18th, 1994

Our June meeting took place at the Monroe County, IN, 4-H fairgrounds. Our featured speaker was Nelson Shaffer who talked about meteorites.

The brief business meeting that followed Nelson's talk was led by Al Sicree, Vice President for Programs.

The minutes of the May meeting were accepted as printed in the Newsletter, and the

treasury balance is \$768.72.

Mike Davis talked about the upcoming field trips to Auglaize, OH, Danville, KY, and Maybee, MI. Ron Seavoy offered information about trips to Michigan and Pat Westby told us about going to the IMI Quarry in Anderson, IN.

Nelson Shaffer asked for information about Internet. He also estimated that the Indiana Minerals Book would be published in 1995 or 1996.

Our geode display was well received at its first showing in Troy, OH. Any member willing to set up our display at any other show can contact Al Sicree about arrangements. Of course we are still accepting loaner geodes to upgrade our display.




The meeting was adjourned so we could all dash for a cold drink to counteract the extreme heat!

Respectfully submitted by Silvia Sicree,  
Secretary/Treasurer

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**Types of Rocks**

Rocks are classified into three types according to whether they come from volcanic magda, sediments deposited on the ocean floor, or your shoe.

appearance			
<b>type</b>	IGNOMINIOUS	SEDENTARY	METAPHORIC
<b>examples</b>	grabit feldman quarts hornswoggle appetite olivetti garbo	flent cherk snale slimestone sodomite limonade travestine	scheiss gnash slake hornrim garnish marvel anthrocid