

## NEWSLETTER

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### **MIDWEST CHAPTER, FRIENDS OF MINERALOGY MEETING**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7, 1998**

**3:00 PM\*\*\*EST**

**CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY  
1 WADE OVAL, UNIVERSITY CIRCLE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO, 44106**

**PROGRAM IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MICROMINERAL  
SYMPOSIUM-F OF M MEETING AT 3:00PM FOLLOWING  
DAN BEHKLNKE ON THE "THE FLAMBEAU MINE AT  
LADYSMITH, WISCONSIN".**

#### **MINUTES**

President Henry Barwood called to order the September 12th, 1998 meeting of the Midwest Chapter of the Friends of Mineralogy at the Hancock County 4-H fairgrounds, Greenfield, Indiana. Fifteen members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as printed in the Newsletter.

Nelson Shaffer reported that the Friends of Mineralogy is considering applying for membership in the AGI, American Geological Institute. Details will be published in a future Newsletter.

The nominating committee for the 1999 officers of our Midwest Chapter is Nelson Shaffer and Sylvia Sicree. The slate will be published in our next Newsletter and elections will be held at the November meeting at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.

Nelson Shaffer gave a slide presentation on the appearance of fluorite in the Midwest. Emphasis was placed on trends in the geographical appearances of this mineral. Notable was Nelson's description of a unique fibrous form of fluorite found at a south central Indiana location.

Submitted by: Albert J. Sicree.

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#### **1999 DUES ARE NOW DUE**

Send your dues to Kim Greeman, 6447 Lafayette Road, Indianapolis, IN 46278-1803. Annual dues are \$15 for the first family member, and \$8 for each additional family member (at the same mailing address). Your membership dues to the Midwest Chapter, automatically includes your membership in the National Friends of Mineralogy society.

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## NEW SOUTH EAST CHAPTER HOSTS PEGMATITE SYMPOSIUM

On October 2nd, 1998 at Blacksburg Virginia, the new Southeastern Chapter of the Friends of Mineralogy with Virginia Tech and Virginia Western Community College held a symposium on "Pegmatites of the Southeastern United States".

On October 3rd the attendees were escorted underground at the Morefield Gem Mine, Amelia, Virginia, by owner Sam Dunaway. The 60 foot vertical descent by wooden ladder led to the horizontal adit which was from 6 to 15 feet wide and about 6 feet in height. There, in the core of the pegmatite, the mine walls were covered with massive Quartz, Microcline, Amazonite, Mica, Zinnwaldite, common Topaz, as well as diminutive 'Tantalite', rare Elpasolite, Prosopite, Triplite and even a bright green, softball size, Fluorite.

Midwest Chapter members Al and Sylvia Sicree, and Brad Bond were well rewarded in attending and giving support to this admirable symposium and field trip of the fledgling Southeastern Chapter.

### CLEVELAND MEETING

REGISTER IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND THE MICROMINERAL SYMPOSIUM. PROGRAM AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION ARE INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER. REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR

**\*\*\*IF F OF M MEMBERS WANT TO COME JUST FOR THEIR CLUB'S MEETING THEY SHOULD SO INFORM THE PERSON AT THE MUSEUM'S REGISTRATION DESK AND THEY WILL BE ADMITTED FREE OF CHARGE.**

#### TENTATIVE PROGRAM

##### FRIDAY - NOV. 6

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Symposium registration and microscope set-up in lower-level classroom A&B (student lab)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

Featured speaker Dan Behnke will give a presentation on the "Mines and Minerals of Cornwall, England"

##### SATURDAY - NOV. 7

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Registration and set-up

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Morning talks

1. Phil Evanoff - Recent finds
2. Nelson Schaeffer - Biological Inclusions in Minerals
3. Brit Hansen - Micrometeorites from Antarctica

11:00 - 11:15 a.m.

Coffee break

11:15 - 12:30 p.m.

Workshop for individual study, swapping, picking up "freebies", help with identification and mounting, and show and tell of goodies collected over the summer

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch time: Deli tray, potato salad, and beverages

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Main program by Dan Behnke on "The Flambeau Mine at Ladysmith, Wisconsin"

2:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Second workshop session

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Friends of Mineralogy meeting - Midwest Chapter

6:30 p.m. - til?

Dinner to be hosted by the Lebers at their home in Beachwood. All participants are welcome

##### SUNDAY - NOV. 8

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Museum will be open for early-bird mounters. Continuation of workshop activities

11:00 - 12:00 p.m.

Morning talks

1. Dick Green - Minerals of the Dylife Mine, Wales
2. TBD - (Pete or Ernie)

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch break: Deli tray, potato salad, beverage

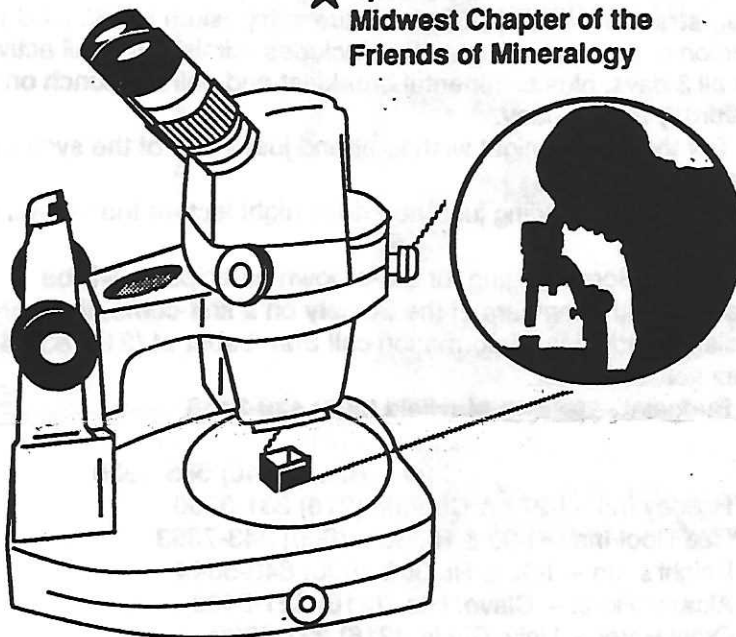
1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Tour the museum's new gem gallery or third workshop

# Focus On Micromounting

A weekend symposium sponsored  
by the Micromineral Society of the  
Cleveland Museum of Natural History

★ Special welcome to the  
Midwest Chapter of the  
Friends of Mineralogy



Friday: November 6, 1998

8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Saturday: November 7, 1998

9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: November 8, 1998

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

To be held at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History  
1 Wade Oval, University Circle  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106  
(216) 231-4600

## MICROMINERAL SYMPOSIUM

Hosted by the Micromineral Society of CMNH  
November 6, 7, and 8, 1998

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Registration for  
entire weekend:

\_\_\_\_\_ people at \$35(U.S.)/person \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ couples at \$65/couple \_\_\_\_\_

Registration for  
Friday night  
lecture only:

\_\_\_\_\_ people at \$5/person \_\_\_\_\_

Registration for  
one day only:

\_\_\_\_\_ people at \$15/person \_\_\_\_\_

Sat. or Sun.  
(circle one)

Total remittance: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this reservation slip to:

The Cleveland Museum of Natural History  
1 Wade Oval, University Circle  
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Attn. Joan Palmer

Make checks payable to:  
Cleveland Museum of Natural History

Note on your check that it is  
for the micromineral symposium

**Registration:** The fee for the entire symposium is \$35 (U.S.) per person or \$65 for a couple. This includes admission to all activities on all 3 days, plus continental breakfast and deli tray lunch on both Saturday and Sunday.

For those who might wish to attend just 1 day of the symposium the fee will be \$15.

For those attending just the Friday night lecture the fee will be \$5.

**Lodging:** Some lodging for out-of-town participants will be available with members of the Society on a first-come, first-served basis. For additional information call Sam Leber at (216) 831-4177.

**Area hotels, motels:**

Budgetel - I-271 & Mayfield (800) 428-3438

Travelodge - I-271 & Chagrin (216) 831-7200

I-90 & Rt. 91 (440) 585-1900

Holiday Inn - I-271 & Chagrin (216) 831-3300

Red Roof Inn - I-90 & Rt. 306 (800) 843-7663

Knight's Inn - I-90 & Rt. 306 (800) 843-5644

Alcazar Hotel - Cleve. Hts. (216) 321-5400

Omni Hotel - Univ. Circle (216) 231-3322

Glidden House - Univ. Circle (216) 231-8900

