



NEWSLETTER  
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MIDWEST CHAPT. FRIENDS OF MINERALOGY

MEETING  
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 1999  
1 PM(EASTERN STANDARD TIME)  
2 PM EDT  
HANCOCK COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS  
GREENFIELD,INDIANA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Almost September- where has the summer gone. Time for the show in Greenfield.

We made an exploratory field trip to a new quarry (more on that later) and on July 24th, a trip to the quarry at Amherstburg, in Ontario. A very interesting trip and even though it was very hot, celestine was abundant. Personally, the fluorite was hiding somewhere else in the quarry. Thanks to Ernie Carlson and John Boyer for their help in arranging this trip.

Unfortunately the Lime City field trip was cancelled.

Back to the "new" quarry. The Derbyshire Quarry in Franklin County, Indiana, is a small quarry with some very nice trilobite fossils. The minerals we found were calcite, pyrite, marcasite, dolomite and some quartz. Nothing was found larger than thumbnail size-most were micros.

A field trip has been arranged for Saturday, October 2nd, 8am to 12 noon. We are limited to ten or twelve participants, so reservations are a must. Please call me by September 30th at 765-345-5514 with your name and phone number to reserve your spot. Leave a message if necessary. We must sign in at the quarry office. It is a working quarry-no one allowed in the work area. Safety equipment is required.

The quarry is located on US Highway 52, approximately 17 to 18 miles southeast of Rushville and two or three miles east of Metamora. The quarry is located on the north side with a sign indicating the entrance.

Hope to see you all at the Greenfield show. I will bring some of the minerals that we found at Derbyshire.

See you there!

Dwaine H. Edington  
President

MIDWEST CHAPTER FM - UPCOMING MEETINGS, PROGRAMS & FIELD TRIPS

Saturday September 11, 1999. 500 Earth Sciences Gem & Mineral Show. Hancock County 4-H Fairgrounds, Greenfield IN. Midwest FM speaker: Ernie Carlson "Chrysanthemum Stones of China", 1:00PM (Eastern Standard Time). Midwest FM meeting will follow.

Saturday November 6, 1999. Afternoon Midwest FM meeting, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Cleveland OH. The FM meeting will be held in conjunction with the Micromineral Symposium, and there will be no separate FM program. The Micromineral Symposium, which is hosted by the Micromineral Society of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, will run from Friday evening November 5 through Sunday afternoon November 7. The main speaker is Pat Haynes.

## FIELD TRIPS

Saturday October 2. Derbyshire quarry near Metamora, Franklin Co., Indiana. See Dwaine Edington's column in this newsletter. We are working on other collecting trips in Indiana and Kentucky for late September or October but details are not available at present. To stay advised about these trips, come to the Greenfield meeting or contact me afterwards.

## SECOND AND THIRD MIDWEST MINERAL SYMPOSIA

There will be a financial report on the Second Symposium and a progress report on the Third Symposium at the upcoming Greenfield meeting.

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## MINUTES

Following a presentation by John Medici on "Interesting Minerals of Ohio and Vicinity" the June 26th, 1999 meeting of the Midwest Chapter of the Friends of Mineralogy was called to order by President Ed Edington. Eleven members were present. The minutes of the May meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Dr. Carlson reported that his research trip to China was a success.

The Columbus, Ohio, club agreed to host a Third Midwest Mineral Symposium in conjunction with their year 2000 show. FofM members present enthusiastically supported a motion to accept their offer.

Dr. Carlson reiterated that any member was welcome to arrange a field trip for the club. President Edington will check out possible access to the Anderson, Indiana, quarry among others. (It is always wise to check with the person leading the field trip a day or two prior to the date of the trip to find out if the site is open as recent cancellations have shown.)

Nelson Shaffer announced the availability of a new publication "Roadside Geology of Indiana", \$18, by The Mountain Press Publishing Company of Missoula, Montana, which interprets features you would see at the surface. Also the Indiana Geological Survey has made available a set of 52 slides on the "Minerals of Indiana" by Nelson Shaffer at \$25, which will be especially helpful to earth science teachers.

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