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Presidents Message

Dear members,

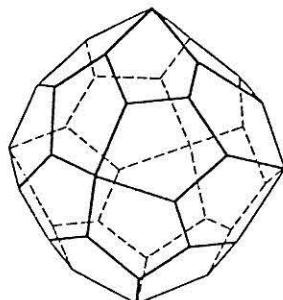
Doing an FM meeting was certainly a new experience - I had a time figuring out the yeas and nays and seconds and... oh my; Thank you Ray and Cheryl for preserving the formalities. It was a pleasure to chair this meeting of friends, some old, some new.

Hey, We have a plan - a plan to clean up a mess in Washington Pass. It seems that someone got a little sloppy and left the rest of us with a real bad image. The plan is to coordinate with the Washington State Mineral Council and perhaps a local newspaper and go in there and clean it up. What could be more simple? We all get together, buy some chips and dips and sody pops and just plain and simple go **CLEAN IT UP!** It won't matter if some of us just want to do something nice for the environment or that some of us just want our rights back to kick away at rocks and extract the goodies.

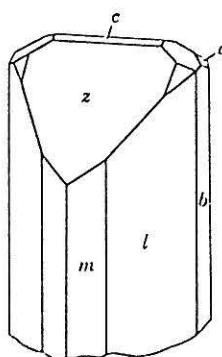
I'm going, Carl will be going, but gosh guys it just wouldn't be a whole lot of fun to go camping with just my little brother so if any of you could do me a big favor and join us in this effort then I wouldn't have to sit around a campfire and listen to him sing; and maybe, just maybe, we could get our "responsible adult" status back so we can stop all of this childish bickering with the "big boys" about when and where we can collect specimens.

As I understand it, there will be plenty of trash for everyones' taste. For those of you who collect scrap metal, there's about "500 miles" of Detonation cord and about "800 tons" of empty beer cans. Please, this is a worthwhile project. Lets pick a weekend, pack our Coleman collections, our tents and go get it done.

Becky Harris
President
PNW Friends of Mineralogy



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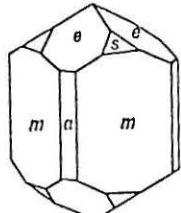
Treasurer's Report

The total profits from the 1989 fall symposium were \$107.00. The Eastside 1989 symposium profits were included in the beginning deposits and I have been unable to locate records to show how much it was exactly. However, by what records I could find it did not cost this chapter any funds.

We all owe Lanny Ream a pat on the back for his fine work organizing that fine symposium nearly singlehandedly. Having served on the symposium committee for the last 2 years I am aware of the amount of time it takes several people - Great Job Lanny - I and everyone there felt it was a great success and enjoyed it very much.

Cheryl Stewart
Treasurer
PNW Friends of Mineralogy

Beginning Balance	1071.14
Checks:	
Mike Groben	149.29
1 year phone bill	
Don Swanson Insurance	150.00
Symposium insurance	
Rocks & Minerals	16.00
Back issues sold at symposium	
Cheryl Stewart	31.31
Record file boxes	
Friends of Mineralogy - National	66.00
1990 dues	
Lanny Ream	10.87
Eastside symposium phone bill	
Holiday Inn	10.50
Final bill - eastside symposium	
State of Oregon	30.00
Incorporation fees	
U.S. Postmaster	60.00
2 mailings	
Floral Integrity	53.63
Flowers for John Bodisch Family	
Cheryl Stewart	11.09
Long distance phone bills	
Friends of Mineralogy - National	24.00
1991 dues	
Total Expenditures	612.69
Total Deposits	682.07
2/3/90 Ending Balance	1140.52



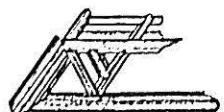
Minutes of Jan. 21, 1990 Meeting

The meeting, originally scheduled for the first week of February, was moved to January 21st so that members could attend the Tucson Gem and Mineral show. The meeting was convened at 10 am at the Clark county PUD building in Vancouver, Washington.

Becky Harris, President, opened the meeting. After presentation of the Treasurers report by Cheryl Stewart, a progress report was given by Mike Groben on the ROCKS AND MINERALS issue devoted to Washington State. The idea was born through discussions between Mike Groben and Marie Huizing. During the FM symposium in September, potential authors met with Mike and organized a committee to proceed with the project as a FM undertaking. The Committee will try to raise \$5,000 to \$7,000 through donations to make the Washington issue 100% color.

The following articles and authors are contemplated:

- 1) Geology of Washington - Including a list of places of geologic interest
Raymond Lasmanis
- 2) Washington Mineral locality Index
Lanny R. Ream
- 3) Golden Horn Batholith
Randy Becker
- 4) Spruce Claim
Raymond Lasmanis
- 5) Washington State's Petrified Wood
L. Steve Edmondson
- 6) Fossils of Washington State
Keith Kaler
- 7) List of Lapidary Material Localities
Bob Pattie
- 8) Zeolites of Washington State
Rudy Tschernich
- 9) Who's Who in Mineral Names - Swineford, Tschernich, Boggs and Zektzer.
Robert I. Gait
- 10) Overview of Quartz Localities
Lanny R. Ream
- 11) List of Collections and Displays Open to the Public
Mike Groben



- 12) Realgar from the Black Diamond Mine, King Co., WA
Rick and Tad Dillhof
- 13) Bibliography of Washington Articles - Previously published in ROCKS & MINERALS
Ronald E. Bentley
- 14) Zeolites Found at Rock Island Dam, Washington
Milton Speckles
- 15) Mineralogy of Vesper Peak
Bart Cannon

Mary Foster discussed plans for the 1990 Seattle Show. By April, Mary needs to know how many cases will be placed in the Seattle Regional Show by FM members, she is also in need of volunteers to help in the hospitality room. Lastly, if anyone has a nice stilbite crystal group from the south Fork of the Toutle to donate or loan to the Washington State Mineral Council, please call Mary Foster now.

There was a lot of discussion about the bad image that crystal collectors are receiving. A relatively recent "expose" of destruction at Hanson Creek appeared in the Seattle P.I. The U.S. Forest Service was forced to gate the upper road as collectors digging for amethyst had undermined the road. I checked the gate in December and someone had shot lock off. It was pointed out that unauthorized blasting had taken place at Walker Valley. One member stated that areas at Washington Pass have been trashed by collectors; and on it goes.... Steve Edmondson made a very good point: we have to do a better job of policing our own activities, those of commercial collectors, and be proactive in promoting responsible collecting practices. Thus, the idea of late summer collecting/clean-up field trip to Washington pass was born. I think it is a great idea. We can coordinate it with the U.S. Forest Service and in the process develop some good rapport.

Then we turned to the subject of the fall Pacific Northwest chapter fall symposium. First, we discussed the content and after some debate on whether to just go after some well known speakers on various subjects or to pick a theme, the consensus was to choose METALLIC MINERALS.

It was discovered that the Executive Inn had cancelled our regular dates and rescheduled us for a later weekend. Mike Groben pointed out that he will not be able to get key speakers for the symposium with the new dates. At that point, the symposium committee had no choice but to search for a new location so that we can have our symposium September 28th - 30th.

We made some tentative committee assignments. Mike groben will seek out noted speakers while at the Tucson Gem and Mineral show. He will also, with Ed Godsey, arrange for exhibitors and cases. Mike also volunteered to get the dealers. Dave todd will provide security. Cheryl Stewart and Lorna Gobel will do hospitality. We will try to get John Lindel to do the advertising or pre symposium publicity. Carl Harris will help with the picking up and return of the cases. Ray Lasmanis and Cheryl Stewart will

locate a home for the Symposium. The auction committee would hopefully be Bob Smith - again, Bob will need good material to hold a successful auction, no Junk, PLEASE!

There was a lot of discussion and even controversy about the two competitions that are part of our symposium. It was decided that there would not be a self collected competition in 1990 due to the poor showing last year. As for the slide competition, everyone thought we should continue to have it in 1990 but with a clear understanding of what the rules are for judging. It was suggested that the secretary publish the rules in the summer newsletter.

On a new subject, Dave Todd moved and Steve Edmondson seconded the motion that \$250.00 be advanced by FM to print FM t-shirts for sale at the symposium. The motion was approved.

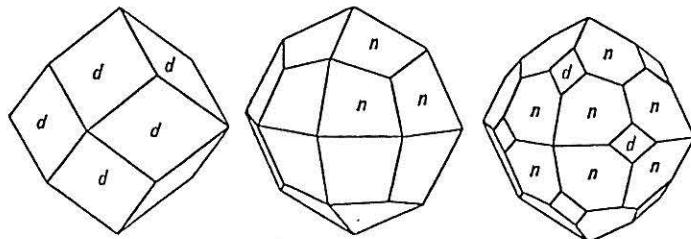
Finally the meeting was closed out with three challenges by president Harris to the membership:

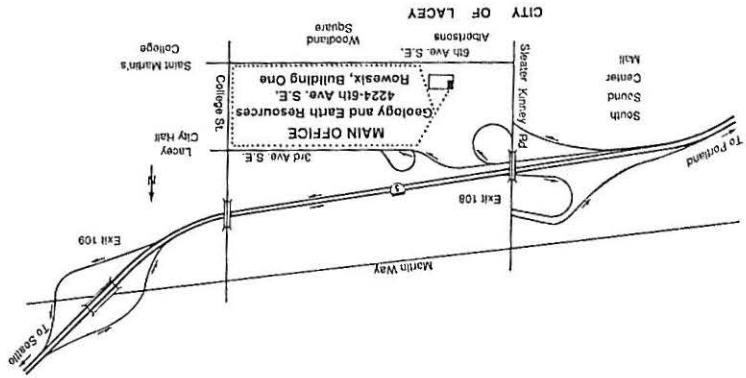
- 1) Assure that Northwest minerals are preserved in our National Museum - the Smithsonian. Ed Godsey and Rudy Tschernich point out that the Smithsonian lacks 20 years of recent specimen discoveries from the Northwest.
- 2) Support a drive to establish a quality mineral museum in the Northwest - the Burke Museum in Seattle and the NW Museum of Natural History in Portland were mentioned.
- 3) Need to organize a chapter educational outreach program to schools and to get younger members into the organization. This is something individuals can do.

In closing, we welcomed a new member, William (Bill) Leech of Salem Oregon. He, in fact, is very active in providing talks to area schools. Welcome, Bill.

MEETING NOTICE

The next meeting of the PNW chapter of the Friends of Mineralogy will be on Saturday, April 28th starting at 10 am. It will be at the offices of the Division of Geology and Earth Resources in Lacey, WA. (For directions see map. We will discuss symposium plans, set a date for the Washington Pass clean up, and ask members to describe new discoveries of interest in the Pacific Northwest. Bring 35mm slides and specimens.





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