

Pacific Northwest Chapter



Newsletter

JULY 1990

Presidents Message

Dear members,

Well, It's about time for digging season to roll around in the Pacific Northwest again. Like many of you I tend to deal better with the complexities of the world by tearing into a good outcrop now and then.

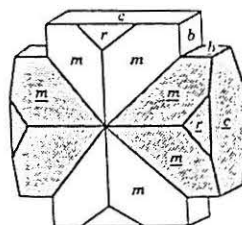
It's been a hectic winter at home - the new house is well on it's way to being finished and Janette and I have started a new business. But FM is still my "baby" and though I've not spent as much time as I'd like (or you'd like) it is always foremost. I owe back to FM for the many gifts it has given me in the way of good friendships and knowledge of our planet and her future. I feel lucky to share my world with people who encourage me to learn and I feel especially privileged to share what little I know with those just beginning to explore the world of mineralogy.

I am pleased beyond words that two very dear friends from my neck of the woods, Bill and Novella Legler, have joined FM and will be attending their first symposium this year. They will bring with them their own sets of knowledge and curiosities and we will all be enriched by it.

Cheryl Stewart has gotten the wheels rolling on our Washington Pass clean-up project insofar as working with the Forest Service to ensure campsites and garbage bags. She would appreciate your sending in the reservation form found at the back of this news letter.

The question has been posed! Why pay Dues? I'm not sure I'm the right person to address this question since my feelings on this are pretty much self serving. See, I count on you guys to answer all those mineralogical questions that pop up and then haunt me all winter long. I wait with all my might for symposium to come around just so I can nail you all with these burning inquiries. Now, if you were not paying your dues I wouldn't be able to count on you to be there to clear up brain space for the next winters accumulation of burning questions. C'mon let's get those dues paid so that we know we have an organization and our organization knows it has us.

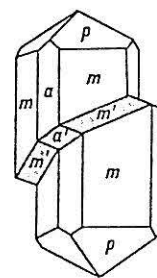
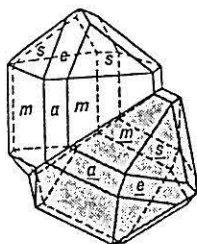
Hey! we're going to have T-shirts at symposium this year that commemorate the event. Great idea huh! Earmark enough money to get one of these collector shirts.



I would like to thank those involved in the Washington State Issue of ROCKS AND MINERALS magazine for their time and effort in making this valuable work a reality. I have been lax in spoken appreciation and encouragement toward this endeavor. To all those submitting articles, you have the unlimited faith and support of your organization.

I'm looking forward to camping with my FM family in Washington Pass this August. Please Make Cheryl's world a little easier by letting her know if you will be participating so that she can make arrangements for free campsites.

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Treasurer's Report April 27, 1990

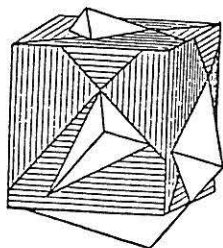
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Expenditures:

2/3/90 December long distance (Cheryl Stewart)	3.15	
4/4/90 U.S. Postmaster (Newsletter Postage)	35.00	
Total	38.15	

Deposits:

3/21/90 Dues deposit	90.00	
Total	90.00	



Current Balance	1192.37
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It's that time of year! The executive board decided to send out to the membership dues notices in May. Traditionally they have been collected at the symposium along with the registration. To simplify & reduce the time spent keeping the books accurately during registration, this was our preferred alternative. If it is necessary for you to pay your dues at the fall meeting, please be prepared to write two checks.

We now have a checking account which pays interest, and together with early dues payment will give us a better working capital during symposium preparations.

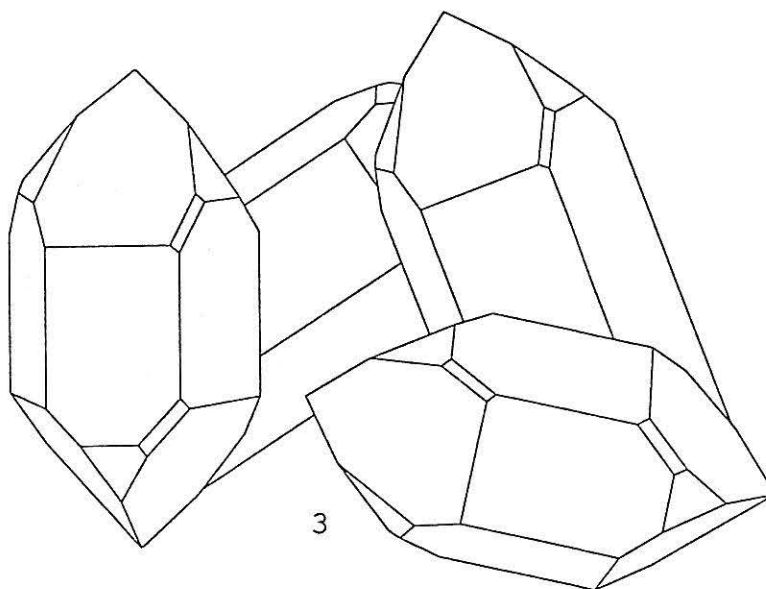
The decision was also made to drop members who have not paid dues for the last two years in order to cut our postage & printing costs. To find out if your 1990 dues are paid, check the mailing label on this newsletter. The year Printed below the address is the last year our records show receiving dues from you, (also, please check to be sure that all the information on that label is correct).

If our records do not agree with yours, please let me know. The label dates current as of the post marked date.

Remember, your membership is important. Each and every member is necessary for a strong and successful chapter, & without a good chapter, we would have no symposium to attend and enjoy.

If you have questions, you may call me. If I'm out, please leave a message on the answering machine.

Cheryl Stewart
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Secretary's Report

At the April 28th meeting of PNW FM the subject of our symposium auction was raised.

Among the problems discussed was the quantity of minerals donated, the time involved with the auction, and most important, the quality of the specimens.

Many of us have a tendency to settle 2,3 or 4 mediocre specimens instead of 1 quality piece we are proud of.

Since a large portion of the funding for symposium is derived from this auction we must give serious consideration to reducing the quantity in favor quality.

several decisions were made at the meeting to accomplish this end.

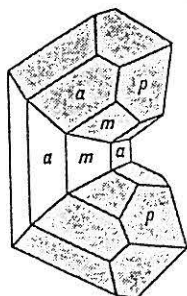
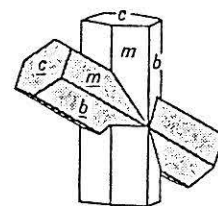
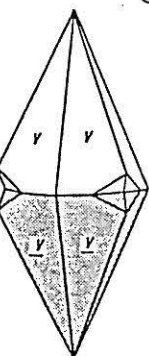
- 1). A prize to be awarded for the mineral specimen bringing the highest sale price.
- 2). Lower end specimens will be used for the silent auction.
- 3). Specimens left over will be donated to the Division of Earth Resources to be given as teaching aids, or children's collections.

When selecting your specimen(s) please take into consideration which of the listed categories you want your donation to end up in. Remember that we are a non profit organization and therefore, donations are tax deductible.

A slate of excellent speakers and dealers for this years symposium have been organized by Mike Groben. They are:

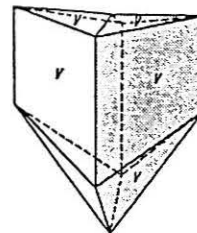
Speakers

- 1). Gilbert Gauthier Paris, France
Well known mineral dealer & mining engineer.
"Cobalt Minerals From Shaba"
- 2). Wayne Leicht Laguna Beach, CA
Well known mineral dealer.
"Gold"
- 3). Bob Jones Scottsdale, AZ
Well known author & mineral collector.
"Copper Minerals Of The World"
- 4). Ray lasmanis Olympia, WA
Washington State Geologist & mineral Collector
"Lead Minerals"



Dealers

- 1). Sierra Contact Minerals Reno, NV
Harvey Gordon
- 2). Mountain Minerals Louisville, CO
- 3). Handley's Vancouver, WA
Arlene Handley



The "Rocks and Minerals" project of our chapter has received the endorsement of Governor Booth Gardner. For your interest, a copy is made part of this newsletter. We need to raise sufficient donations to make the Washington State issue 100% color.

Ray Lasmanis
Secretary
PNW Friends of Mineralogy

News Flash...

The following article was given to the editor at the April 28th meeting by Ed Godsey. It comes to us by way of AAP and the AUSTRALIAN a local news paper from New South Wales. the article is dated March 8, 1990.

A rare useless find

Researchers have discovered a new mineral at Broken Hill, but don't expect an overnight mining boom. Mawbyite - named after a pioneer Australian miner, the late Sir Maurice Mawby - exists only in small quantities and is not much good for anything, according to one of its discoverers, Dr. Allan Pring.

"it's Main Usefulness lies in the fact that it helps tell us more about certain ore formations", he said.

<u>FIELD TRIP RESERVATIONS</u>	
Hi Cheryl, Please reserve one campsite for the North Cascades clean-up and collecting weekend.	
Friday August 17 th	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saturday August 18 th	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name: _____	
Telephone: _____	
Mail to: Cheryl Stewart 511 Choker Court S.E. Locey, WA 98503	

July/August 1991

Articles Due September 1, 1990

1. Geology of Washington - Including a list of places of geologic interest

Raymond Lasmanis
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(206) 459-6372 - Work
(206) 491-6893 - Home
2. Washington Mineral Locality Index

Lanny Ream
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(208) 667-0453 - Home
3. Golden Horn Batholith

Randy Becker
14415 Sleepy Hollow Road
Lake Stevens, Washington 98258
(206) 334-9359
4. Spruce Claim

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5. Washington State's Petrified Wood

L. Steve Edmondson
P.O. Box 871
Shelton, Washington 98584
(206) 272-5473 - Work
6. Tertiary Crustaceans from Western Washington

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Ross E. Berglund
11689 N.E. Sunset Loop
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
7. List of Lapidary Localities

Bob Parris
4316 N.E. 10th
Renton, Washington 98056
(206) 657-2723 - Work
(206) 226-3154 - Home
8. Zeolites of Washington

Rudy Tschernich
526 Avenue A
Snohomish, Washington 98290
(206) 568-2857 - Home
(206) 568-5169 - After 2:00 p.m.
9. Who's Who in Mineral Names: Ada Swineford, Rudy Tschernich, Robert & Russell Boggs and Jack Zektzer

Robert I. Galt
Mineral Sciences
Royal Ontario Museum
100 Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M53 2C6
(416) 586-5818 - Work
10. Overview of Quartz Localities

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11. List of Collections & Displays Open to the Public

Mike Groben
1590 Olive Barber Road
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420
(503) 267-2193 - Work
(503) 269-9032 - Home
12. Realgar from the Black Diamond Mine, Kings County, Washington

Rick Dillhoff
1307 212th Avenue N.E.
Redmond, Washington 98052
(206) 868-0468

Tad Dillhoff
1704 N. 15th Avenue
Pasco, Washington 99301
(206) 545-1024
13. Bibliography of Washington Articles Previously Published in ROCKS & MINERALS

Ronald E. Bentley
6 Claremont Street
Enfield, Connecticut 06082
(203) 741-0374
14. Zeolites Found at Rock Island Dam, Washington

Milton Speckles
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BOOTH GARDNER
GOVERNOR

April 12, 1990

Mr. Raymond Lasmanis, State Geologist
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Dear Mr. Lasmanis:

I am pleased to hear that the 1991 "Rocks and Minerals" magazine, published by Heldref Publications (a division of the Helen Dwight Reid Educational Foundation), will feature the state of Washington. The efforts of the authors under the auspices of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Friends of Mineralogy deserve to be complimented.

Such an issue will certainly help promote Washington state as a visitor destination. I fully support your efforts to raise contributions for the Helen Dwight Reid Education Foundation so that the natural beauty of the state and its minerals, gems, and fossils can be pictured in full color.

Sincerely,

Booth Gardner
Governor



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