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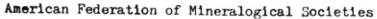
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 - 3. To improve the skills of its members in the arts of cutting, polishing and gem mounting.
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Other editors may reprint articles from this bulletin. A credit line would be appreciated.



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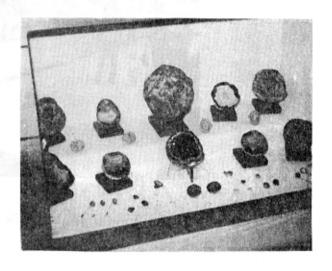
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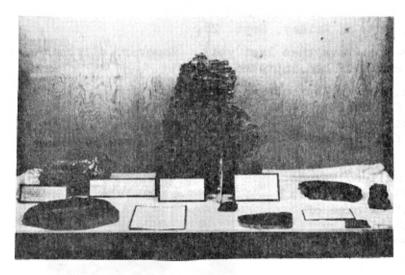
1979 SHOW HIGHLIGHTS



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"Best-of-Show, 1979"



"Best Educational, 1979"



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SHOW HIGHLIGHTS, 1979, cont.



OVERALL VIEW, EXHIBIT AREA, 1979

Approximately twelve hundred people registered for admission to this year's annual show, according to Bob Randall, Show Treasurer.

Seventy-two visitors from out-of-state were registered from sixteen states. South Dakota led the list of out-of-state admissions, with thirty-one registrants.

Sixty-five cities or towns in North Eakota were represented besides the Bismarck-Mandan area. Dickinson led the in-state list, followed by Linton, New Salem, and Minot.

New Zealand was the only foreign country represented this year.

Five area school groups viewed the show on Friday, Sept. 28.

Forty-six exhibits were on display--ten less than last year. However, all comments indicated that the quality of the exhibits had improved.

Ewald and Clara Muggli, Glen Ullin, were recipients of the "Best-of-Show, 1979" award for their exhibit on "Geodes"; Honorable Mention was awarded to Bob Randall, Bismarck, for his case of "Fluorescent Minerals."

A case depicting "Formation of Fossilized Teredo Wood" displayed by Stanley Fairaizl, Mandan, was judged as "Best Educational, 1979." A case of "Amber" (specimens and jewelry) exhibited by Wilma Hilgemann, Leola, SD, received Honorable Mention in the educational category.

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Don Campbell Presenting Distinguished Service Award to Earle Campbell, Shown with His Wife, Blossomae

MFT DEETING: Movember 4, 1979, 2:30 p.m. (Beginners' Class, 1:30 p.m.)
FROCEAN: Silent Auction-Bring some good usable material for this event

LUNCH COMMITTEE: Bod Hickle, Orma Swanick, and Viola Anderson

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FIELD TRIP, by Rod Hickle

WHERE? McClusky Canal

WHEN? Sunday, Oct. 21, 1979

TIME? 11:00 a.m., Central Daylight Time

FOR? Selenite Crystals and Fun

The collecting site is $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of McClusky, MD, where Highway 200 crosses the canal. We will meet there at the site.

The best route to the site from Bismarck is Highway 83 to the junction one-fourth mile north of Wilton. From there take Highway 41 to Mercer and then east on Highway 200 for eleven or twelve miles to the canal..

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AT THE LAST MERGING -- October 7

Forty-two members and four children were present at the October meeting.

Rod Mickle, Field Trip Chairman, reported that he was trying to schedule a field trip to the McClusky Canal for October 21. He will publish the schedule in the next "Diggin's."

Thow Chairman Earle Campbell reported that this year's Annual Show was again a grand success, both esthetically and financially. Next year's show dates have been set for Friday and Saturday, Sept. 26-27, 1980.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 21 Club Field Trip to McClusky Canal (Details above)

Nov. 4 Bismarck, ND--2:30 p.m. Regular Meeting, Central Dakota Gem & Wineral Society, Capital Electric Eldg., Highway 83 North of City

Sept. 26-27 MANDAN, ND-NORTH DAKOTA'S SIXTH ANNUAL SHOW, sponsored by 1980 CENTRAL DAKOTA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, at MANDAN COMMUNITY CENTER

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Forget your worries. Tomerrow there will be new ones to take their place.

--From a Fortune Cookie via Golden Spike News

AT THE LAST MEETING, cont.

Bob Randall, Show Treasurer, reported that although some bills are still outstanding, the proceeds from the show should be approximately two hundred dollars; that the receipts for the club's share of the silent auction were for \$143.90, which has been dedicated this year to the Rocky Fountain Federation Scholarship Fund; and that although some of the dealers did not fare as well as in other years when the show was held on Saturday and Sunday, other dealers reported considerably better sales this

Earle Campbell thanked everyone for the excellent cooperation during his fiveyear tenure as show chairman and expressed the hope that the same cooperation would be extended to the new chairman.

year on a Friday-Saturday schedule.

President Marold Erady announced the appointment of Don Campbell as Show Chairman for 1980.

Earle Campbell displayed posters advertizing two different activities with auction sales scheduled on Sundays. After some discussion, it was decided that no action would be taken on this matter at this time.

The lack of a permanent address for the Society was discussed. Earle Campbell reported receiving a communication from the Pocky Mountain Federation stating that their mail directed to the Society was being returned because of the lack of a specific address for the Society. After discussion, President Brady directed Earle Campbell to pursue the matter of obtaining a post office box for a permanent address for the Society.

A letter from Dixie Lee Alf, Chairman of the Scholarship Fund for the Rocky Mountain Federation, was read, acknowledging with thanks the receipt of a fifty dollar contribution to the Fund from this Society.

A Mominating Committee consisting of Walter Buck, Pius Fischer, and Mettie Melson was appointed by President Brady.

The door prize, a blue hemimorphite brooch donated by Don Campbell, was won by Sue Randall.

Emma Fischer, Hospitality Chairman, presented to Verna Giese a Victoriastone brooch donated to the "Hospital Bank" by Don Campbell, as she did not learn of Verna's stay in the hospital in time to deliver it to her there.

For the program a slide show prepared by the Society, "Gems and Minerals of North Dakota," was presented by Bill Buresh, with Gen Buresh reading the script (by flashlight!).

Lunch was served by Ruby Jensen, Emma Richardson, and Emma Brady.

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SHOW HIGHLIGHTS, cont.

Judges for this year's show were Malcolm Ritter, staff writer for The Bismarck Tribune; Ann Putz, local music instructor; Chuck Gress, consulting pharmacist for Medical Services, Social Service Board of Morth Dakota; and Lorraine Gress, Accredited Record Technician for Medical Records, St. Alexious Hospital.

Demonstrations during the show included "Trim Saw Operation" by a junior club member, John Campbell; "Faceting" by club member Carl Ellison; "Opal Cutting and Polishing," by Clayton Doan of Doan's Opal & Gem shop; and "Cabochon Cutting and Polishing" by Roy Isaksen of F&F Sales & Service.

The "Touch and See" table again attracted much attention. The "Silent Auction" was a great success, judging from the proceeds. The "Swappers" were somewhat few in number this year, but the "Give-Away" box was empty at closing time.

Blossomae Campbell and Bob Randall, cooperators of the Fluorescent Demonstrations, reported that their sessions were well attended.

The Slide Lecture Series were consistently attended by a few individuals, some of whom were seen at every performance, according to Rod Hickle and Larry Strand, who were in charge of that department.

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SHOW HIGHLIGHTS, cont.

Rod and larry wish to extend a special thanks to Art May of May's Camera and Model Shop of Bismarck for the use of a projector during the show. Central Dakota Gem and Hineral Society hosted a breakfast for dealers on Saturday morning, with eighteen club members also in attendance. During the short program, it was announced by Marle Campbell, 1979 Show Chairman, that the dates for next year's show will be Sept. 26-27, 1980. Harle also informed the dealers that this was his last year as show chairman. President Harold Brady announced that Don Campbell had been appointed as Show Chairman for 1980.

At the close of the breakfast, a "Distinguished Service" plaque was presented to Warle Campbell for his five years of service as show chairman. The presentation was made by Don Campbell, Chairman, Distinguished Service Award Committee.

Financially, the 1979 show appears to be in the black, according to a preliminary report. The final accounting should be available by the next club meeting.

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THIS-N-THAT

BLOSSOMAE CAMPBELL will have a mineral exhibit in the display case at the Veterans Memorial Library, 609 East Thayer Ave., Bismarck, starting Nov. 1.

VINA ANDERSON has been ill since the last publication of the "Diggin's." She was missed during the show and at the last meeting.

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COPY NEEDED

The Editors need the help of members in providing news and information about your activities, travels, accomplishments. If you're ill or hospitalized, have someone call the Hospitality Chairman, Emma Fischer, and she informs the editors.

All contributions are appreciated. We can't tell your story if you don't tell us.

NEW NEMBERS

Listed below are new members who joined the Society while visiting the show:

Tony & Esther Konig, 613 E. Towne, Glendive, MT 59330 DeWayne & Karen Martin, 2104 - 7th Ave. NW., Minot, ND 58701 852-4726

Robert & Carol Olheiser, 1210 Albany Dr., Bismarck, ND 58501 258-7832

Morman C. & Betty Mautz, R.R.1, Carrison, ND 58540 337-5775

Reinstated:

Kent Higgins, 1009 N. 16th St., Bismarck, ND 58501 222-8580

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SHOW EXHIBITS --- FINALE

I wish to thank all the exhibitors at the 1979 show for their effort in preparing their cases. Although fewer in number this year, the quality of the exhibits was very good.

I would especially like to thank those who displayed for the first time this year. Their cases all told a story—each in its own way.

I hope that even more members will get their feet wet next year.

Thanks again for your cooperation.

Bill Buresh, 1979 Show Exhibits Chairman

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COOK'S CORNER: EHUBARB DESSERT, by Ruby Dallman

1 c flour 2 T sugar bake until light brown.

6 egg yolks)
2/3 c cream)
2\frac{1}{2} c sugar)
4 T flour)
4\frac{1}{2} c rhubarb)

Hix. Sprinkle with cinnamon and a pinch of nutmeg. Put on baked crust and bake 45 min. or until set.

Beat: 6 egg whites)
6 T water) Put on dessert
6 T sugar) and bake until
1 t vanilla) done.

(Printed by request of members)

UNIVERSAL POCKHOUND EMBLEM

The lapidary hobby is constantly benefitting from the new ideas of imaginative ceived special permission from the Far enthusiasts. Congratulations must go to the people involved in the creation of the Universal Rockhound Emblem. This is a symbol which can be used by every rockhound, lapidary club member, or free- Society --- from "U.V. MAVES", July-Aug., lance individual collector. It lets everyone know you are a rockhound interested in swapping or discussing some branch of the lapidary art or allied interests.

The Universal Rockhound Emblem is a stylized design of a rock hammer in gold on a background of lapis lazuli blue. "The gold of the earth that so few of us can find and the blue of the sky that everyone can see and enjoy."

It is the idea of Mr. Bill Thompson, of the Murwillumbah Gem & Mineral and Geology Club, New South Males, Australia. who thought that there should be a universal emblem to recognize a rockhound anywhere, any time, for mutual benefit.

The design is Mrs. Jo Robinson's of the Lismore Gem & Mineral Society, New South Wales, Australia. As a teacher, she knows the value of a simple, uncluttered symbol for instant recognition in any part of the world. This emblem can be any size, easy to make and because of its simple design, can be readily recognized by everyone from a distance.

It is not intended to replace club or district badges (club logos); It complements them by saying, "I am a rockhound." Mo words or mottoes are necessary. In a short while everyone, rockhound or not, will recognize the emblem, thus widening your circle of friends and helping learn of new locations and ideas.

Anyone interested in obtaining a pin or decal may contact the following person:

> Sacramento Mineral Society Mrs. Eva Rosin 4270 Silver Crest Ave. Sacramento, California 95821

The cost of the pin is \$1.00, and the decal is \$0.50 each plus postage. Sacramento Mineral Society is the only place that you can get this logo pin and decal in the United States. They re-North Coast Regional Council of Lapidary Clubs, New South Wales, Australia to help promote its use. -- Faul Morris, Executive Secretary, Fluorescent Mineral 1979, pub. by Fluorescent Mineral Soc. (Contributed by Blossomae Campbell)

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MIMERAL SPECIMENS WANTED

John Campbell, junior member, would like to complete the map he exhibited at the Gem and Mineral show this year. He needs rocks, minerals, or fossils from thefollowing states: Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, Haine, Hassachusetts, Hississippi, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Tennessee, and West Virginia.

The specimens could be one-half inch to one inch in size, not necessarily of the best quality.

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TRAVELING TO OREGON,

by Emma Fischer

Pius and I left Bismarck on Sept. 26 and arrived in Fortland, Ore., at 12:30 on Friday. We visited Norma and Judy Adams and thendrove to Mewberg, Ore., to visit my sister and brother-in-law. On Saturday we picked 350 pounds of hazelnuts and 100 pounds of walnuts. We also picked grapes at 15% per pound and bought beautiful delicious apples at 20 o per pound.

We saw several rock shops along the way and also saw a forest fire in progress.

The relatives showed us a really good time. We ate out all the time so we had more time to see the country. The orchards were just beautiful at this time of year:

We left there on Tuesday morning and arrived home late Wednesday night.