



Friends of Mineralogy, Colorado Chapter Newsletter – April/May 2007

Note that our May meeting is a week earlier than previously announced!

May Meeting – Thursday, May 3, 7:30 pm (Board meeting 6:45-7:30)

Denver Museum of Nature and Science – VIP Room. Enter through the single door Security/Staff entrance to the left of the main entrance. The VIP room is to the left through the cafeteria area.

May Program:

Paul Morgan

will lead a

Tour of the Museum Focused on Minerals and Earth Sciences

Paul Morgan, Ph.D., is the chair of the DMNS Earth Sciences Department and Curator of Geology. He was educated in Great Britain, with his graduate research at London University taking him to field areas in Cyprus and East Africa. For the past 20 years, he has been at Northern Arizona University, where he was recruited as department chair to build support and obtain state approval for a Ph.D. program in geology. In 1998–99 he took a leave of absence to teach, conduct research, and serve as head of the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences at Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia. His research is diverse but is centered on how heat and temperatures control processes and properties in Earth and other planetary bodies. One of his particular interests is the Southern Rocky Mountains-Rio Grande Rift-Colorado Plateau, and he makes field and laboratory investigations related to these and other study areas.

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FMCC dues for 2007 are \$13.00, which includes membership in national Friends of Mineralogy. Please send your dues payment to: FM-Colorado Chapter, P.O. Box 5276, Golden, CO 80401-5276.

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FMCC Silent Auction

The Colorado Chapter of the Friends of Mineralogy will hold its annual silent auction of mineral hobby items on May 12th at the Clements Community Center located at 1580 Yarrow (near Colfax and Wadsworth) in Lakewood, Colorado, from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. This auction features reasonably priced minerals, faceted stones, books, and mining paraphernalia to the general public. There will be a special verbal auction at 2:00 P.M. of museum quality specimens donated by special dealers.

Admission is free. All interested sellers and buyers may phone Bruce Geller at 303-237-2947 for further details or Jim Hurlbut at 303-757-0283 to register, or you may register at the auction. See the enclosed flyer.

- - Bruce Geller

Leadville Field Symposium Friday through Sunday, August 24-26, 2007, in Leadville

Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter has fleshed out most of the official events that will take place at the Field Symposium in Leadville, Colorado on the mines, minerals, mining, preservation, and history of the Leadville Mining District. The Symposium will complement the September 2007 Denver Gem and Mineral Show theme, which is Minerals of Leadville. The schedule is given below. As you can see, one or two speakers need to be confirmed. Official Symposium events will start Friday evening and last into Sunday afternoon. Pre-Symposium historical tour(s) and activities that are not part of the official schedule will be available for those who are interested.

If you would like to attend this event, please fill out and mail in the registration form on the next to last page of this newsletter, along with a check for \$20.00 per participant (no cash or credit card), to the FMCC address on the form. Because of logistics on field trips, etc., the number of symposium participants may be limited to the first 75 registrants. If there are limits, the cutoff will be determined by the postmark date on your registration envelope. This registration form and check will pay for all official events. FMCC is not handling lodging, transportation, or meals. However, a box lunch is included with the Sunday tour, and there will be a Saturday night symposium dinner with speaker for which we will obtain a head count and money at a later date.

A list of lodgings and contact information in the Leadville area is given elsewhere in this newsletter. We have arranged group rates with some of the hotels as indicated, and we ask that you contact the hotels directly and mention to them that you are attending the Symposium. We encourage you to make lodging reservations early. Leadville, which is at 10,000 ft elevation, is a popular place during the summer, and some group rates expire as indicated in said list.

FMCC does not send out a June, July, or August newsletter. Communication to registrants that is needed between now and the Symposium will be by email, or by telephone if you do not have email, and confirmation of your registration will be sent out before the Symposium. If you have questions about the Symposium, you may call Richard Parsons or any of our other Board of Directors at the phone numbers shown on page 1 of this newsletter.

Please notify your mineral-philic friends about the Symposium. We look forward to an interesting and educational event.

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Schedule of Official Events
Leadville Field Symposium, Leadville, CO, August 24-26, 2007

Friday, 7:00 - 8:30 PM	Welcome History of the Leadville Mining District; Mines and Minerals
Saturday, 9:00 AM – Noon	Tours – Climax Mine led by Climax staff with collecting opportunities using 65 passenger bus <i>or</i> Matchless Mine led by Leadville Museum staff; Matchless tour may be \$4 additional.
Saturday, 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Tour of Mining Hall of Fame and Museum
Saturday, 4:00 – 5:30 PM	“Preservation of Mines, Minerals and Collecting Opportunities; Accomplishments, Opportunities, and Needs” by Sam McGeorge, Director National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum
Saturday, 6:30 PM	Dinner with after-dinner talk: “Preview of District Tour” by Ed Raines
Sunday, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Tour of Leadville Mining District, with opportunities for mineral collecting led by Ed Raines

Dues

Check your mailing label. If your membership date is marked in red and if you do not pay 2007 dues by our May meeting, this may be your last issue. We hope you will renew for 2007.

FMCC 30th Anniversary

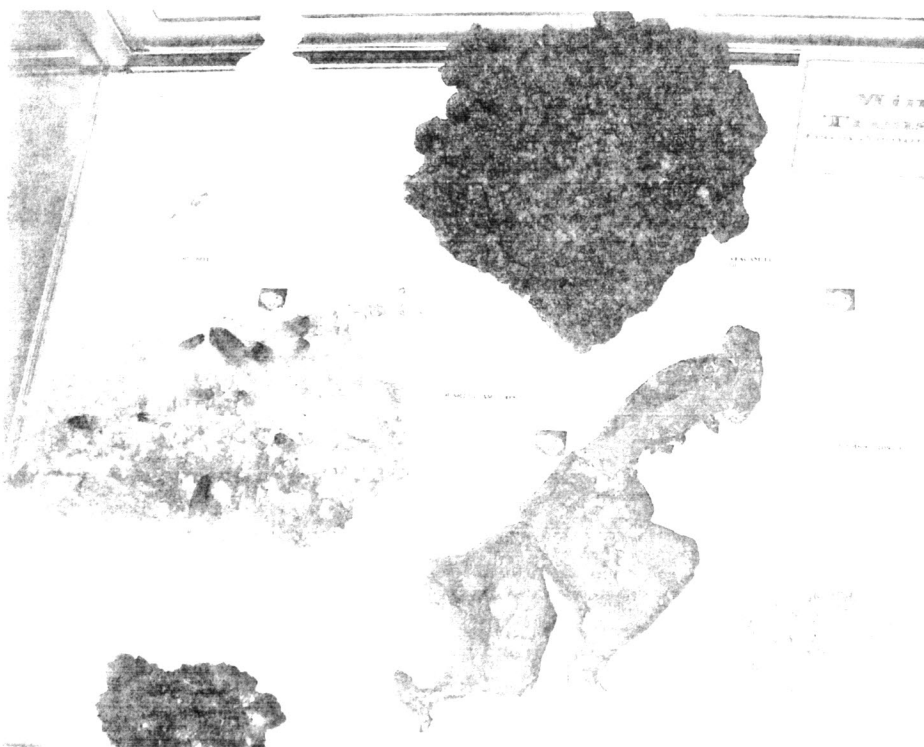
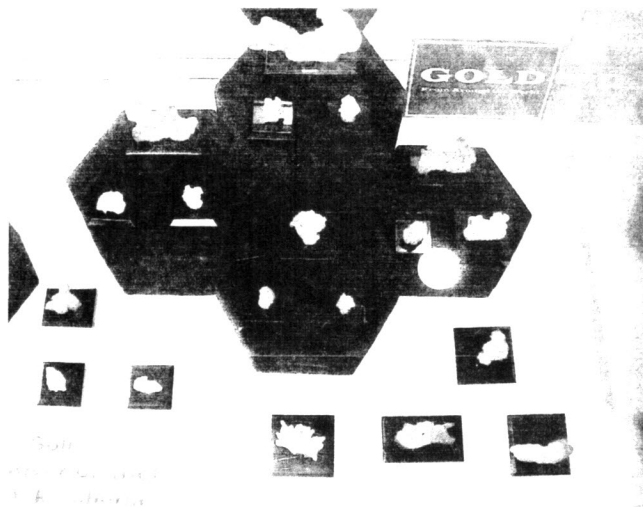
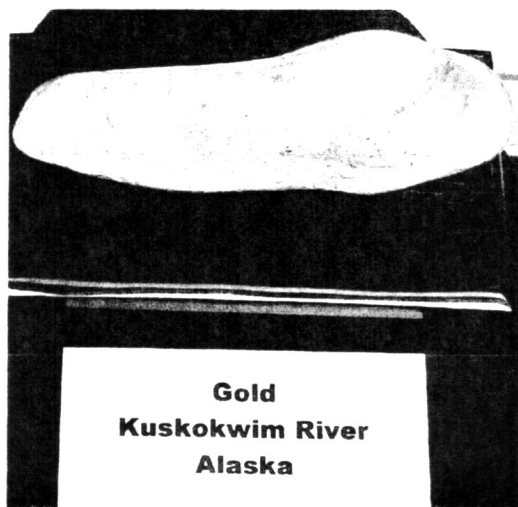
In July 2007 Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter will achieve its thirtieth anniversary of promoting the collection and preservation of mineral specimens, sponsoring publications and symposia, and educating members and the public on minerals.

Newsletter by Email

If you would like to receive your FMCC newsletter by email instead of as a paper copy, email a request to newsletter editor Paul Kendall at bealsio@qwest.net (yes that is QW). The email version is in full color.

Updated Mineral Exhibit, Garden of the Gods

Bryan Lees has updated the mineral exhibit he has inside the Garden of the Gods Visitors Center in Colorado Springs, on the second floor. Previously the exhibit was all Colorado minerals; now, it is "Mineral Treasures from Around the World". It includes a few specimens (just one each) from Crystal Peak and the Sweet Home, plus many from China, as well as Australia, Mexico, Romania, Michigan etc. One case is "Gold from Around the World" with many worldwide gold specimens, including a large suite from the Lena River district, Siberia. The Visitors Center is free, and worth seeing this exhibit if you are passing through there. See the three photos below. - - Pete Modreski



Top left: Gold, Kuskokwim River, Alaska, 6.5 cm long, 50.6 gm

Top right: Gold, Lena River District, Siberia, Russia

Left: Stilbite, Atacamite, Amethyst, Copper, Silver from around the world

All are Collector's Edge specimens displayed in the Visitor Center, Garden of the Gods, Colorado Springs

Photos by Pete Modreski



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SILENT AUCTION

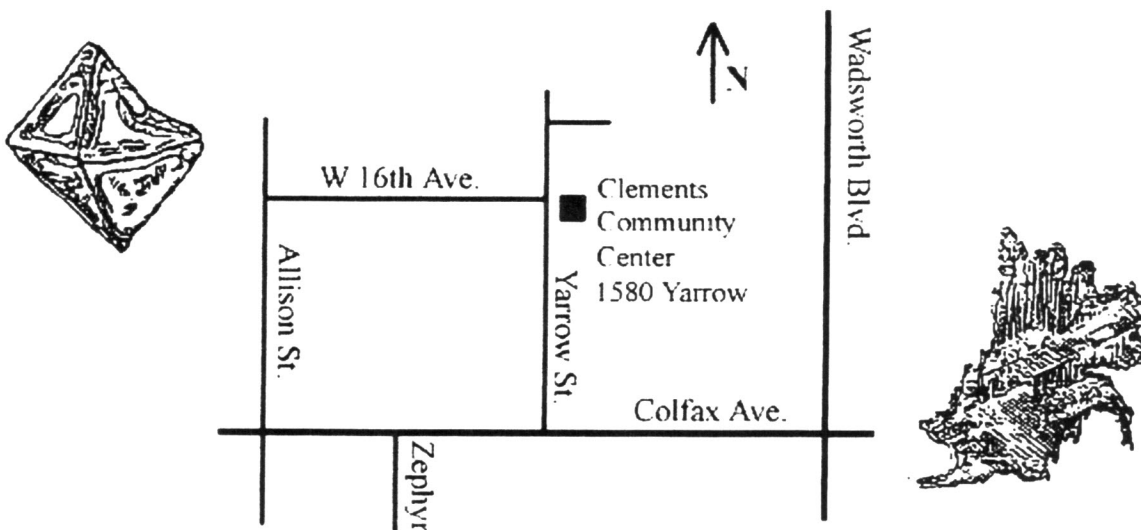
Saturday, May 12, 2007
Clements Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St.

Minerals-Rocks-Gems-Jewelry-Fossils-Books-Mining Memorabilia
Everyone Welcome! Free Admission!

Table Assembly at 11:00 am
Dealer Setup at 12:00 noon
Silent Auction from 1:00-3:00 pm
Short Vocal Auction at 2:00 pm
Checkout from 3:00-4:00 pm

20% donation of selling price to FMCC – balance to seller
100% donations also encouraged
Bring in your unneeded specimens to sell, encourage dealer friends to donate!

For additional information please call Bruce Geller 303-237-2947



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Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter

Seller to complete first 4 items below, and fill in Description of auction item at bottom (species and location)

1. Minimum Bid _____

2. Seller No. ____ (assigned at auction)

3. Amount donated to FM (circle one)

20% 100%

4. Item No. _____ (optional)

Final Bid \$ _____

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Lodging Information for Leadville Symposium

Alps Motel Reservations 1-800-818-2577
Hwy 24 South
Leadville CO 40461
Singles \$53 – \$85, Double \$64 - \$100

Copper Mountain Resort 1-888-219-2441. Sales: Hope Guinle x30517 (or Erin)

Columbine Inn and Suites 1-800-954-1110
2019 N. Poplar St.
Leadville, CO 80461

Delaware Hotel Reservations 1-800748-2004
700 Harrison Ave Office 719-486-1418, Fax 1-719-486-2214
Leadville, CO 80461
info@delawarehotel.com
\$125/night single or double occupancy, incl. Continental Breakfast
10% discount if booked by May, by phone.

Silver King Motor Inn 1-800-871-2610
2020 N. Poplar St. 719-486-2610
Leadville, CO 80461
Conference Rate \$95.00 for Queen or Double Queen room if booked before July 15, 2007. It is necessary to say you are with FM, to get the discount.
David Norbut, General Manager David@norbut.com

Super 8 Motel 719-486-3637
1128 S. Hwy 24 1-800-261-3637
Leadville, CO 80461 Corporate reservation line 1-800-800-8000

Colorado Bed and Breakfast Directory Leadville:

Apple Blossom Inn - 120 W. 4th St.; Leadville, CO; 80461
phone: 719-486-2141; tollfree: 800-982-9279 See Our Website
comfort, elegance & hospitality in the Rocky Mountains

Ice Palace Inn - 813 Spruce St.; Leadville, CO; 80461
phone: 719-486-8272; tollfree: 800-754-2840 See Our Website
come stay and hear the story of Leadville's famous Ice Palace

Leadville Country Inn - 127 East Eighth St.; Leadville, CO; 80461
phone: 719-486-2354; tollfree: 800-748-2354; fax: 719-486-0300 (Website)

McGinnis Cottage Bed & Breakfast - 809 Spruce Street; Leadville, CO; Leadville, CO; 80461 Phone: 719-486-3110; tollfree: 800-288-1775; fax: 719-486-3110 (Website) Step back in time to an era of Victorian hospitality in a turn-of-the-century, tri-level Victorian Bed & Breakfast

Peri and Ed's Mountain Hideaway - 201 West 8th St.; Leadville, CO; 80461 phone: 719-486-0716; tollfree: 800-933-3715; fax: 719-486-2181 (Website)

Denver Gem & Mineral Show Mini Report March 2007

The Denver Gem & Mineral Show is only a few short months away. Don't forget the dates September 14 – 16, 2007. The theme is "The Leadville Mining District". Posters and flyers are out. Use them to promote the show. The Show Committee is proposing a fossil theme for the 2009 show. If you have any ideas in this regard, please contact your club representative, Jordan Sawdo at 303-452-7792, or Show Chair, Martin Hannu at 303-429-2519 or ied55mph@qwest.net. Please remember the Show Committee always welcomes new members. If you are interested in becoming more involved with the show, contact your club representative (each club has one) or Martin Hannu.

The information packets have been delivered to each club. These packets contain several important forms – namely, the job descriptions and volunteer sign up sheets; the request for working exhibits space for your club; the program information sheet; and the information and applications for competitive, non-competitive and special exhibits. These forms all have deadlines by which they are to be submitted to the proper person. Please be sure your club takes note of these forms and their deadlines. If your club is planning a club display case, the exhibit application must be completed and returned to the Exhibits Chair, Donna Chirnside. These forms are to facilitate your club's participation in the show and make it as enjoyable as possible. We all want to have a great show every year and that is possible only with the full participation of all the clubs. Thank you. Respectfully submitted, Judy Knoshaug, Show Secretary

Colorado Mineral Society Auction

The Colorado Mineral Society (CMS) will have its annual silent auction of mineral hobby items on May 5th at the Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church located at 920 Kipling, 3 blocks north of 6th Avenue in Lakewood, from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. The auction features reasonably priced minerals, fossils, faceted stones, lapidary equipment, books, and jewelry to the general public. A unique aspect of this auction is the ability for visitors to view and bid on fluorescent minerals in a special ultraviolet powered Fluorescent Room! There are door prizes every half hour, and a special verbal auction at 1:00 P.M. of museum quality specimens donated by special dealers. There are abundant parking, refreshments, and easy handicap access without any stairs. As always, the club will have a few auction tables reserved for only children to bid on. A special invitation is extended to non-CMS members to participate in this auction. All sellers are requested to pre-register by phoning Leslie Osgood (303-986-4488). Admission is free. All interested sellers and buyers are invited to phone Bruce Geller at 303-237-2947 for further details.

MINERAL SALE

May 5- 6, 2007, Saturday & Sunday, 9 AM - 4 PM

7513 Tudor Rd, Colorado Springs, CO EXIT 1-25 #149

Hundreds of new specimens de-accessed from our collection and **Last Hurrah Pocket**

Ray & Eloise Berry 719 598-7877

43rd Annual Pikes Peak Gem & Mineral Show

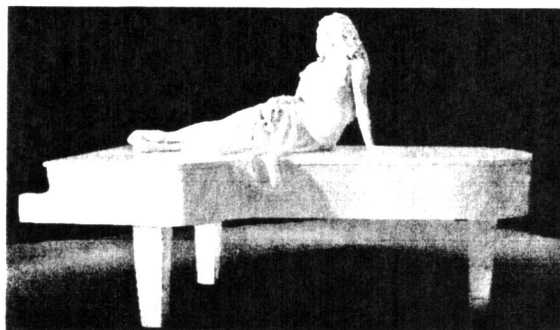
Featured mineral – Barite

When: June 23rd & 24th, 2007
Sat. 10AM-6PM, Sun. 10AM-4PM

Location: Phil Long Expo Center
1515 Auto Mall Loop
Colorado Springs, CO 80920

For more information:
Website: www.csms.us
Email: info@csms.us
Phone: (719) 683-2603

Show proof of membership (membership card or newsletter with your name on it) in a mineral club and get a dollar off admission for show.



“American Woman” by Colorado artist Francisco. Francisco’s new marble sculpture will be on display at the Pikes Peak Gem & Mineral Show 2007. This life size awe-inspiring masterpiece was sculpted from a 21-ton block of marble quarried from the Colorado Yule Mine in Marble, Colorado.

Registration Form

Leadville Field Symposium, August 24-26, 2007, in Leadville, Colorado

Last Name _____ First Name _____
Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____
Email _____ Phone _____

Include a check for \$20.00 per person, payable to Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter.

This registration will entitle you to participate in all symposium meetings, tours, and field trips, and a box lunch for the field trip on Sunday, August 26.

The number of symposium registrants may be limited to the first 75, determined by postmark date on your registration envelope.

Please make your own lodging arrangements; this form will not reserve a hotel.

Meals are not included in the symposium other than the box lunch mentioned above.

The Symposium will have a Saturday night dinner including speaker at the Leadville Museum. A separate head count and money will be taken later for that item.

Send this form plus check to: FMCC, P.O. Box 5276, Golden, CO 80401-5276.

FMCC May meeting is Thursday, **May 3, 2007**, 7:30 pm. Denver Museum of Nature and Science.
Paul Morgan of the DMNS will lead a tour of the museum.

Coming Events 2007:

Apr 27-29	Colorado Mineral and Fossil Show – Spring, Holiday Inn Denver Central, 4849 Bannock St.
May 3	FMCC meeting, DMNS <i>This is a week earlier than previously announced!</i>
May 5	Colorado Mineral Society Auction, Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling St., Denver
May 5-6	Ray and Eloise Berry Mineral Sale, 9a – 4p, 7513 Tudor Rd., Colorado Springs, 719-598-7877
May 11	Denver Gem and Mineral Guild Silent Auction, Berthoud Hall, Colo School of Mines, 7:30pm
May 12	FMCC Annual Silent Auction, Clements Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, CO
Jun 23-24	Pikes Peak Gem and Mineral Show, Phil Long Expo Center, 1515 Auto Mall Loop, Colo. Spgs.
Jul 3	Colorado State Mining Championship, City Park, Creede, CO 719-658-2370
Jul 4	Days of '92 Mining Competition, City Park, Creede, CO 719-658-2370
Aug 3-5	Creede Rock and Mineral Show, Underground Museum, Creede, CO 719-658-2376
Aug 9-12	Contin-tail Mineral Show, Rodeo Grounds, Buena Vista, CO
Aug 24-26	Leadville Field Symposium in Leadville, Colorado sponsored by FMCC
Sep 12-16	Colorado Mineral and Fossil Show, Holiday Inn Denver Central, 4849 Bannock St., Denver
Sep 14-16	Denver Gem and Mineral Show, Denver Merchandise Mart Expo Hall, 451 E. 58 th Ave.
Sep 20	FMCC meeting, DMNS
Nov 1	FMCC meeting, DMNS. This is the first Thursday in November
Nov 10-11	New Mexico Mineral Symposium, Macey Center, N. Mex. Inst. of Mining & Techn., Socorro

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