

## NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, 19 November 1981 -- 7:30 p.m.  
DMNH Education Department  
Classroom - Third Floor

## PROGRAM:

Collecting a Spectacular Amazonite/  
Smoky Quartz Pocket (from Crystal  
Peak, for reconstruction in DMNH)  
-- Jack Murphy and David Baysinger

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:

Monday, 16 November 1981 -- 7:00 p.m.  
Geology Department Office  
Third Floor, DMNH

ELECTIONS (see ballot enclosed)

THE ANNUAL MEETING by Jack Murphy

November is the annual meeting for the Chapter and time for change of office. Please return the enclosed ballots before 16 November, the time of the next Board Meeting. This year we are asking for your comments on the Chapter in an effort to guide the activities and programs according to the wishes of the membership. Please give this some thought and include your constructive criticism with the ballot. Some subjects that have come to the attention of the Board of Directors, and topics to discuss at the meeting, include: conducting a mineralogical symposium at the 1982 Denver Council Mineral Show (the Rocky Mountain Federation Show), a Colorado III Mineralogical Record issue, a speakers service for mineral clubs, the appraisal committee and change of the by-laws, an advisory committee for Science Fair awards, a membership drive, and establishing a schedule for 1982 meetings.

The program for the annual meeting will be a color film made during a seven day excavation of a large amazonite/smoky quartz pocket found by Thelma and Jerry Hurianek and Barbara and John Slagle on 4 October 1981. Since the Museum has long been wanting such a cavity to reconstruct in its entirety in a diorama in the new Mineral Hall, the Hurianeks and Slagles have generously donated the pocket to the Museum. Its discovery, removal and subsequent cleaning and reconstruction have all been filmed, partly for use in an educational film on minerals being made by the Museum in memory of Shorty Withers.

UPDATE ON COLORADO MINERALOGY

Work steadily progresses on the publication. Ed Eckel and Rick Collins continue to prepare the manuscript while Gene Foord, Jack Murphy and Bob Cobban continue abstracting and researching new species and occurrences that are submitted.

The update committee met in August and September to discuss funding and publication. Walt Risch and Joe Taggart presented ideas for a pre-publication sales offer, but the committee decided more detailed costs were necessary. This task was accomplished by John Muntyan after a great deal of research and talking to different publishers. Details will be discussed at the next meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT by Roger Bennett

Balance 1/1/81	\$	1,184.08
Dues received		453.00
Mineral Update expense		1,400.00
FM Inc. dues		98.00
RMFed dues		37.50
Misc.		42.54
Balance 11/1/81		59.04

UPDATE ON NATIONAL FM ACTIVITIES by Pete Modreski

The Pennsylvania FM chapter will be holding its 9th annual symposium, "Locations, Museum, and More," on November 6-8 at Schmucker Science Hall, West Chester State College, West Chester, Pa. There will be a field trip (location to be announced), an auction, swapping, a "giveaway" table, a banquet, and talks on "What's New in Pennsylvania Minerals" by Byron Brookmyer and Martin Anne; "Locations That Always Produce Minerals" by Byron Brookmyer; "Obscure Pennsylvania Mineral Locations, Part II" by Jay Lininger; "The Rand and Vaux Mineral Collections, Bryn Mawr College" by Juliet Reed; "Locations of Western Pennsylvania and Their Minerals" by Del Oswald; "Field Trips of the 1930's" by Allen V. Heyl; "A Preview of an FM Project" by Thomas Myers; and Pennsylvania Minerals at Harvard" by Carl Francis. Recent newsletters of the Pennsylvania chapter report on the occurrences of andalusite in Delaware County (by David F. Hess); on nickelian serpentine from the Wood's Chrome mine, Lancaster County (David Hess) and on the supposed occurrence of lanthanite at the Uberroth mine, Friedensville (by Allen Heyl; he notes that this reported find in 1853 of an isolated mass of lanthanite may have been a product of the weathering of a detrital block of allanite, weathered out of Precambrian pegmatitic rocks on nearby South Mountain and transported downslope on to the Paleozoic carbonate rocks of the Friedensville zinc deposit).

The 7th Annual Symposium of the Pacific Northwest chapter was held September 25-27 at Bellevue, Washing; the theme was "silicates."

The Southern California chapter is planning to hold a symposium on California mineral localities at the Pasadena Gem and Mineral Show, in November. The SCFM annual meeting and election of officers will also be held at the show.