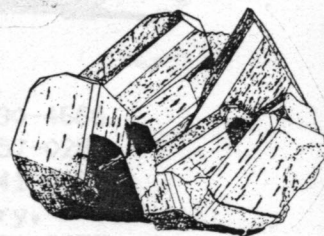


Friends of mineralogy colorado chapter

Program: Thursday, Nov. 14, 1985
7:30 pm, 3rd floor meeting room,
Denver Museum of Natural History (enter through
security trailer on north side of museum)

"Current Mining Operations in Colorado"

by Judi C. Culver
Consulting Geologist



Judi Culver is a geologist who has worked as a consultant for mining operations in many areas of Colorado, including Cripple Creek and the San Juans. She is president of Atlantis Exploration, Inc. In her talk, which she has presented to a number of professional organizations, she will summarize and discuss the metal mining operations that are active or in the process of being developed throughout the state of Colorado. Her presentation is illustrated with an assortment of slides of various mining areas. I (PJM) heard her talk a few months ago at the Denver Mining Club, and I can assure you that she will be presenting a wealth of up-to-date information--locations, status of operations, types of ore and minerals being produced--that should be of considerable interest to our group. Judi presents this talk as a service of the A.I.M.E. (American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers) speakers bureau.

November FM board meeting: will be held 6:30 pm, Tuesday, Nov. 5, in Jack Murphy's office at the Denver Museum of Natural History.

Election of 1986 officers: A ballot for election of officers and directors is enclosed with this newsletter; please return it in the enclosed envelope before November 14. Ballots will be counted and the results announced on the evening of our Nov. 14 meeting. Nominees are: president, Barbara Muntyan; vice-president, Jim Hurlbut; secretary, Jack Murphy; treasurer, Dan Kile; directors (2), Jim McGlasson and Don Belsher. Directors serve two-year terms; one current director, John Muntyan, remains in office through 1986.

News of past events: Our 1985 symposium, held at the Denver Gem & Mineral Show, was a success. "Recent Activities and Rocky Mountain Mineral Localities" drew an audience of between 40 and 55, and the talks were very well presented and well received. Keith Williams was called out of town and was unable to present his discussion on "What's new in Colorado mining and specimen production", but Jim McGlasson read his paper in abbreviated form, and the time slot was additionally filled in with a talk volunteered by Jerrine W. Anthony of White Plains, N.Y., on "The history of gold mining in Boulder and Gilpin Counties, 1859 to the present". Many thanks go to Jim McGlasson for organizing this symposium and preparing the printed booklet of abstracts; copies of this (32-page) booklet are still available, for \$2 in person at our meeting or \$3 by mail, from Jack Murphy or Pat Jablonski at the Museum.

Our Oct. 19-20 chapter field trip to Point of Rocks Mesa, New Mexico worked out very well, though only a few people attended. The weather was superb, the mud on the back roads had pretty well dried out, the quarry and the phonolite boulders were in fine form and, by

dint of much hammering, we were able to secure micro specimens (numerous for some species, just a few for others) of villiaumite, acmite, analcime, nepheline, cancrinite, neptunite, searlesite, and others, plus a few not readily identifiable. Pete and Regina Modreski, Bert and Case Hanou, the Mike Pabst family, and Arnold and Carey Hampson were present, joined by visiting collectors Ron and Cam Gates of St. Augustine, Fl., and Ray DeMark and Paul Hlava from Albuquerque. For some of us, the stay at Point of Rocks and the way back were enlivened by one good fat rattler, yipping coyotes, a look at the exterior of the nearby, historic "Dorsey Mansion", a herd of mean-looking bulls, a couple of golden eagles, a pair of bison wandering the highway, and the remains of several steers who had tried to cross some cattle guards and never quite made it.

Dan Kile submitted a final report on the results of the May, 1985 FM auction, the proceeds of which are being used to finance the work on the Minerals of Colorado volume:

proceeds from vocal auction	\$ 1236.50
proceeds from silent auction	<u>950.45</u>
total auction receipts	\$ 2186.95
money returned to sellers donating 50%	\$ 248.51
net auction profit	\$ 1938.44
cash donation to FMCC (D.K)	\$ 50.00
total proceeds	\$ 1988.44

(an additional \$32.96 was collecting in donations to pay for refreshments at the auction)

As of Dan's report at the Board Meeting of Sep. 9, 1985, our treasury had \$3900, with dues for 82 members having been paid for 1985. Approximately \$250 was spent for printing of the program booklets for our symposium (150 copies).