



NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 13, 1986
7:30 PM

DMNH Education Rm.
Third Floor

"The Big 1985 Barite Find at Stoneham, Co."

Also: "Tucson/'86 Update"

Our March meeting will feature Norm Bennett who will present a slide program on the barite find made last year at Stoneham by Norm and Luke Westervelt. Any of you who may have tried to collect at Stoneham will know how difficult and unyielding this historic Colorado locale can be. We look forward to hearing some of the details of excavating this huge pocket. It should be a fascinating talk.

Also on the agenda for March is our traditional review of the events at Tucson. If you have some slides you would like to add to this presentation, please bring them. Also, be sure to bring along some of your best "finds" at Tucson -- we will have a case for displaying specimens, books, mining artifacts, prints, etc. at the meeting.

- Leona Withers -

Those of you who knew the late Shorty Withers and his wife Leona will be saddened to hear of her recent death, which occurred just prior to Tucson. Leona was an active volunteer at the Museum and a very kind lady. She will be missed by many.

REMINDER: 1986 DUES

1986 dues for Friends of Mineralogy are due now. The deadline is April 1, 1986. If you have not paid your renewal by then, you will be dropped from the membership roster at that time. Dan Kile asks that you pay by check, rather than cash. Please send the money, payable to FMCC, to Dan or bring to the next

meeting. Prompt payment will also assure that your name will be included in the next Membership Roster for the National FM to be prepared this Spring.

IMPORTANT EVENTS & DATES

- May 8, 1986 FMCC Annual Auction
- May 30-June 2, 1986 FMCC Pegmatite Symposium

FMCC Annual Auction. In what has become an annual "event", we will be sponsoring our next Auction at the May meeting. This will be a time when you may bring specimens to auction, with either 100% or 50% of the proceeds designated to go to the Chapter for the purpose of providing funds for the Update and other similar projects. Only FM members may bring specimens to sell, but everyone is welcome to bid. The more money we raise, the more worthwhile projects, such as the Update or the Symposium we can sponsor.

FMCC Pegmatite Symposium. We will be sponsoring our first-ever four-day Symposium this Spring, similar in spirit to the fine symposiums at Rochester, Pennsylvania, or the Pacific Northwest. The topic will be pegmatite studies, and we expect to have a blend of both technical and general-interest sessions. In addition, there will be two field trips in connection with the program. We hope that many FMCC members will be able to attend this conference and that a number of you will volunteer to help with all the last-minute arrangements in this major undertaking. The cost for the four-day conference is very minimal in order to encourage as many as possible to attend. You'll be hearing more about the Symposium in the weeks to come. (See also the enclosure).

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