

# Friends of Mineralogy Colorado Chapter

Newsletter No. 29, 1997

## **The November Meeting will be held at 7:00 pm (NOT 7:30!!!) at the Western Museum of Mining and Industry**

The Museum is just east of I-25 as you approach Colorado Springs from the North. The actual address is 1025 North Gates Road, Colorado Springs, but it's easier to just tell you how to get there....

From Interstate 25, take Exit 156-A at Gleneagle. Turn east and go under the Interstate. The museum is about 200 yards past the Interstate on the South side of the road. There is a sign at the entrance.

The November Program will be one of our best ever. Really. George White, one of the real veterans of the "good old days of mineral collecting" will talk on early-day collecting, collectors, and dealers in the Colorado Springs area. George first came to Colorado as a boy in 1910. He became interested in minerals while visiting the showrooms of the area's mineral dealers during the years around World War I. He knew Pohndorf, Lazard Cahn, Ed Over, Arthur Montgomery, Florin Cajori, O.A. Reese, Clarence Coil, and many others. George was a CPA, but his interests were quite widespread. Now, at the ripe young age of 93, he is very much in demand as a speaker on subjects from minerals, to railroads, to the tourist stops and hotels of the old days. I promise that everyone that I have ever talked to about George says that he is a wonderful speaker. **Don't miss this one!** We scheduled the meeting at 7:00 pm so that you won't have quite such a late drive home. We will not have an extended business meeting after George's talk. If you have to, tell your boss that you have to stop somewhere on your way in to work on Friday, and that you'll be a few minutes late. Carpool with someone who is a good night driver, and be there. I can take a couple of people with me--call me at 477-2559 (daytime) if you need a ride. We promise that this is one FM meeting that will be well worth the effort.

## **Election of FM Officers, and Dues!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

The ballot for 1998 Officers is attached to the Newsletter. Either bring it to the next meeting or mail it in:

Friends of Mineralogy--Colorado Chapter  
P.O. Box 11005  
Denver CO 80211-0005

While you're filling out the ballot, how about paying your dues. Just write out a check for \$13 and send it in with your ballot. Make that stamp do double duty.

## **Report on the September Meeting**

Thanks to Dan Hausel of the Wyoming Geological Survey for a really great program on the State Line Kimberlite Pipe Trend and other Diamond bearing areas in Wyoming. The meeting was very well attended and several other groups were in evidence--the Colorado Gemological Society, the Meteorite Society, and the American Association of Collectors Without a Clue.

## **Update on the Minerals of Colorado**

We sold out our allotment of 600 copies of the book from Fulcrum Publishing. We sold another 90 plus copies, including those sold at the Denver Show. We only have about 45 copies in stock. A retail order form is attached. Please note that we are now processing only orders with a payment by check, if someone wants to pay by credit card, they will need to contact Fulcrum. Well done Colorado Chapter, this is a job that we can all be proud of. Hmm, is that preposition dangling, or what? That is a situation up with which I shall not put. A special thanks to Marty Zinn, Dave Bunk, and FM National for including order forms for the book in their various mailings.

### **Littleton Gem and Mineral Club Annual Auction Friday, November 21, 1997 --- 7:00 pm 'til approximately 10:00 pm**

The auction will be held at the South Metro Denver Realty Association Building, on the corner of Broadway and Mineral Avenue. The parking lot entrance is on Mineral Avenue.

### **Dave Bunk's Annual Winter Open House and Mineral Sale**

Attached to the Newsletter is a flyer for Dave's Annual Winter Mineral Sale. It is scheduled for Saturday, December 6 (from 10:00 am to 6 pm) and Sunday, December 7 (from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm).

### **The Noticeable Absence of Colorado Chapter Newsletters in Your Mailbox**

Sorry 'bout that, but keeping up with all of the orders for Minerals of Colorado kept me completely snowed under over the spring and summer months. You can only do what you can do. As for the comment in the most recent National FM Newsletter about the Colorado Chapter not corresponding with National....we send a copy of the newsletter to all of the National officers--if they don't consider that corresponding, well I don't know what to think. I did lodge an official protest and told them that my Mom always said that if you can't say something nice about someone, don't say anything at all. Good advice, Mom, but I guess that I don't always follow it. I say,

"... cheapshot, National pig-dogs!

Go and boil your bottoms, you sons of a silly person.

I unclog my nose at you, you empty-headed animal food-trough wipers,

Your mothers were hamsters and your fathers smelt of elder berries.

How many other chapters put out a 665 page book?

Now don't bother me or I shall taunt you a second time."

### **Thanks to all Colorado Chapter Members and Officers**

Another special thanks to everyone in the Chapter. I have enjoyed my terms as President. You all did a great job on the book, the show, the auction, the revision of the By-Laws, the programs, etc. This is a very good organization. And, again, you did it--Minerals of Colorado is actually in print!

**Friends of Mineralogy, Colorado Chapter**  
**P.O. Box 11005**  
**Denver, CO 80211-0005**

Order Form:

for *Minerals of Colorado* by Edwin B. Eckel (updated & revised by Robert R. Cobban, Donley S. Collins, Eugene E. Foord, Daniel E. Kile, Peter J. Modreski & Jack A. Murphy)

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***PAYMENT by CHECK or MONEY ORDER  
MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR BOOK ORDER***

| Prices   | No. of books ordered    | Total amounts |
|--|-------------------------|---------------|
| \$150.00 per book                                  |                         |               |
| \$10.95 per book sales tax (Denver residents)      |                         |               |
| \$5.70 per book sales tax (non-Denver Metro area)  |                         |               |
| \$4.50 per book sales tax for other Colorado areas |                         |               |
| no tax for out non-Colorado buyers                 |                         |               |
| \$4.55 per book for US postage (bookrate)          |                         |               |
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# DAVE BUNK MINERALS

## ANNUAL WINTER OPEN HOUSE AND MINERAL SALE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 10am - 6pm  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 11am - 5pm

- ➔ **PAKISTAN--** I RETURNED FROM MY SECOND TRIP TO PAKISTAN THIS FALL, AND THIS LOT OF MINERALS LOOKS EVEN BETTER THAN THE FIRST. HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE LARGE, VERY GEMMY AQUAMARINES; EPIDOTE, DIOPSIDE, AND ADULARIA CRYSTALS FROM ALCHURI; LUSTROUS SPESSARTINE GARNETS; AXINITE CRYSTALS ON MATRIX; A SMALL LOT OF RUTILATED QUARTZ; UNUSUAL AND AESTHETIC GREENISH-BLACK TOURMALINE WITH CLEAR QUARTZ; AND SOME VERY UNUSUAL GLASSY, GREENISH AND FACETABLE(?) ORTHOCLASE.
- ➔ **WHOLESALE INVENTORY--** A LARGE SELECTION TO CHOOSE FROM. MORE MATERIAL IS BEING ADDED ALMOST DAILY FROM MY RETAIL INVENTORY!
- ➔ **GILMAN, COLORADO--** I HAVE JUST ACQUIRED ANOTHER COLLECTION OF CLASSIC GILMAN MATERIAL; PYRITE, SPHALERITE, DOLOMITE, ETC., THAT WILL BE OFFERED FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THIS OPEN HOUSE!
- ➔ **BILL SMITH COLLECTION--** HUNDREDS OF SPECIMENS AVAILABLE FROM THE COLLECTION OF THIS WELL-KNOWN LOCAL COLLECTOR. INCLUDED ARE SPECIMENS OF ALL TYPES FROM CLASSIC LOCALITIES TO RARE SPECIES. SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!
- ➔ **AS ALWAYS, I HAVE MY USUAL SELECTION OF COLORADO AND WORLD-WIDE SPECIMENS WITH MANY NEW ACQUISITIONS!**

**SEE YOU AT THE SALE !!**

### LOCATION:

Dave Bunk Minerals  
1441 W. 46th Avenue  
Suite 8  
Denver, CO 80211-2338  
(303)-477-6897

