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GUILD MEETING October 8, 1994

City Tavern Restaurant
14316 Michigan Avenue
Dearborn, Michigan
(313) 584-1515

Board Meeting..... 10:00 A.M.

Regular Membership Meeting... 1:00 P.M.

Program:

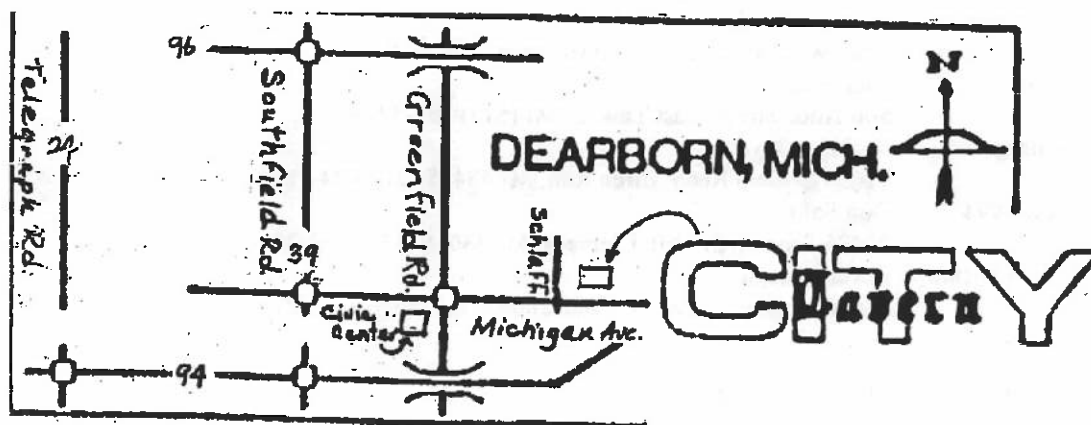
Short Business Meeting

Seminar Report

Show Meeting

*City
Tavern
Restaurant
serves a
GREAT
lunch!*

Bring A Friend !!



*See You
There!*

From the President's Quill...

Bill Gardiner

Join follow Guild members this meeting at the City Tavern Restaurant in Dearborn, Michigan. This is the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Faceters Guild and our last chance to get together to finalize plans for the Faceters Fair.

The Annual Seminar was a GREAT SUCCESS !!! We had over 50 cutters from near and far away. Represented were California, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Wisconsin, Iowa, Florida, Texas and Michigan!! There certainly was lots of Faceting, Facts, Friends and Fun - another wonderful weekend to inspire all of us to cut, cut, cut!!! Watch for plans for next summer and plan to be with us!!

Congratulations to Bill Horton who was surprised at the Seminar with the presentation of the prestigious American Society of Gemcutters Award "Most Outstanding Gemcutter" for 1994 sponsored by the Crystalite Corporation. Teri Bean of Crystalite was on hand to present the well deserved award. A GREAT one Bill!!!

The Faceters Fair Gem and Jewelry Show is just around the corner (October 28, 29 & 30) and your display, entries, help and attendance are needed. Please plan to be there, bring a display, volunteer to help for a few hours and invite all your friends and family to attend this SUPER SHOW !

**Keep cutting and keep in touch!
Hope to see you soon at a meeting or at the Fair!**

Dealers at the Midwest Faceters Fair October 28 - 30, 1994

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Cleveland, OH

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Goochland, VA

Mine Design
Clarence, NY



The Cutting Edge...

Ed Myers

Special Competition Chairman

Were you planning on entering your gemstones and or case display at the October Faceters Fair?? Why not???

The very best way to improve your cutting is to enter and find out your strengths and where to improve your weak areas. We have some of the very best judges in the country on board to help you learn!!

Enter - there are categories for all levels of cutters - Junior, Novice, Intermediate, Master and Societies and classes for everything from one stone to a case full!!

International Faceting Challenge for 1996 is announced by the Australian Faceting Guild. All countries are invited to compete in the International Teams Competition and the International Individual Faceting Championship. Teams are deemed at the time of judging to be comprised of the five highest scoring individual from any country.

Closing date for entry is 31st October 1995, and entry stones must be posted by 31st January 1996. Results will be announced at the Australian National Gem and Mineral Show, April 5 - 8, 1996 in Toowoomba, Queensland, Australia.

*Will you
consider
taking the
challenge?!*

New cuts are out and its time to get serious about winning the International Faceting Challenge Cup!!! We have GREAT cutters here and you are one of them!!! Will you consider taking the Challenge??? Contact Charlie Moon for details of entering and to join the sharing network of Challenge Cutters!!

Charlie Moon
155 Myrtle Court
Arcata, California 95521
Phone (707) 822-6063

**Winners Take the Challenge and
Go For It !!!!!!!**

Rules Ramblings...

Dick Fairless
MWFG Rules Chairman

We need you at the 1994 MWFG Faceters Fair and Jewelry October 28-30 Show.

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR STONES READY!!!!???

Entering competition is the BEST single way to improve your cutting.

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Now is the time to look over the different levels and classes and plan to have your entries ready. We have classes for every level of faceter, Junior, Novice, Advanced and Master cutters and Societies. When entering you will only be competing with others of similar cutting experience to yours.

The MWFG also has classes for jewelry using faceted stones, photography and educational exhibits. With so many opportunities to enter it should be easy to find a class or two for you to join in the thrill and fun of competition!

Need a case ??? Have a rules question ??? Give me a call at (517) 362-5748.

From The Rolls...

Tom Gibbs

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Seminar Notes...

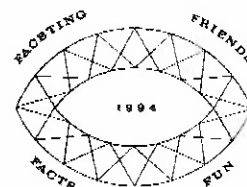
Kathleen Myers
Seminar Co-Coordinator

Midwest Faceters Guild

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ow!! What a GREAT Weekend of FACETING , FACTS FRIENDS and FUN!

The cutters, beaders and teachers came from near and far to join together in a wonderful weekend at the Annual Seminar.



Fifth Annual Seminar

We had enthusiastic cutters from all over the country!! It was wonderful to hear the sharing of ideas and cutting tips from everyone. We all enjoyed learning about steam casting, what's new in faceting and the diamond mining operation at our evening sessions. The ring of laughter could be heard all around as we enjoyed the now traditional "Moose Goosers" that gave everyone a big smile which lasted all weekend.

Special THANK-YOUs to all of our GREAT TEACHERS and HELPERS - YOU ARE THE BEST!!

Plan on next year - we are already lining up staff, checking on dates and places and will have news by the next issue!!

Hope you can join the fun!!

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Last Name _____

City _____

State _____

Street Address _____

Phone _____ Zip _____



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Flint, MI 48450

Total cost \$ 6.50
(includes shipping)

Secretary's Minutes...

Fran Bush

The Board of Directors of the Midwest Faceters Guild was called to order on August 6, 1994 at 10:50 AM by President, William Gardiner in H J'S Prime Cut Restaurant, Toledo, Ohio. Those in attendance were: President Gardiner, Frances Bush, Thomas Gibbs, Bernard Bush, Jane Holt, Doris Medlen, Carmen Eiche, Happy Gibbs and Carol Seebon.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as published in THE MIDWEST FACETER through a motion made by Tom Gibbs and seconded by Doris Medlen.

The Treasurer was absent so no official report but Tom Gibbs gave the following report: "WE received money, We spent money and we still have money".

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HOSPITALITY Chairman, Doris Medlen said plenty of helpers and donations of foods and snacks are needed for the Show.

SEMINAR Coordinator absent but President Gardiner reminded us the important event is coming August 19-21, 1994 at Hartland School, Building 21, Hartland, Michigan. The Bead Class will begin at 9:00 AM on Friday. A great time is planned for all.

SHOW Chairman, Don Sahr absent. Tom Gibbs has the contract with Dearborn Civic Center for the 1995 Show. A discussion was held on the price and size of the booths for dealers. Frances Bush made a motion, "That we retain the same price for the Dealers Booths for the 1995 Faceters Fair." Tom Gibbs seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The dealers are all committed for 1994. The same security as last year will be maintained. Plenty of Exhibits are needed. Dearborn cases will be used so plenty are available for displaying.

William Gardiner suggested the various Clubs should be contacted and invited to Exhibit. Cases other than faceted stones will be accepted.

Bernie Bush reported Raffle tickets were mailed so please do your best to buy or sell them. More tickets are available for the asking. Many Raffle Prizes are needed.

Faceting demonstrators are needed for the Midwest Federation Convention at South Bend, Indiana. If you plan on being there, please bring your faceting machine and share a couple hours demonstrating.

A Board meeting will be held at the Seminar on Friday night and everyone is requested to bring ideas and suggestions to make the meetings more interesting as well as educational. The faceting hoby must be introduced to younger persons so we can survive. It was suggested we have monthly meetings so a schedule can be established and have a better opportunity to conduct business. Panel discussions that are open to the Membership were suggested.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Frances Bush, Secretary.

Secretary's Minutes*continued from page 8*

The Membership meeting of the Midwest Faceters Guild was called to order by President, William Gardiner, at 1:23 PM on August 6, 1994 in H J'S Prime Cut Restaurant, Toledo, Ohio.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in THE MIDWEST FACETER through a motion made by Tom Gibbs and seconded by John Gansen.

Treasurer, Bill Horton absent, no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATIONAL Chairman Bernard Bush reported the Faceters Guild will maintain a Booth at the Midwest Federation Convention at South Bend. Demonstrators are needed. George Judd will present a program on "Gemstones of the World" at today's meeting. Many prizes are needed for the Raffle. Prizes may be anything you'd like to win and not necessarily faceted stones.

MEETING HOSTESS, Jane Holt reported 20 members present.

SPECIAL COMPETITION, Edward Myers; HISTORIAN, June Ramshaw; LIBRARIAN, Debra Stuts; PARLIMENTARIAN, Nettie DuSold; RULES CHAIRMAN, Dick Fairless; and SPECIAL DISPLAY CHAIRMAN, Dorothy Loyd were all absent-no reports.

NO OLD BUSINESS:**NEW BUSINESS:**

Ideas suggested for meeting topics were for pannel discussions; transferring stones and use of super glues for dopping.

Everyone present was given a ticket for the drawing and Ralph Donovan was the lucky winner of the new \$50 Bill.

Bill Gardiner was the recipient of the free dinner.

Jane Holt and Bill Gardiner were winners of the 50/50 Raffle, each receiving \$10.00.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM, to enjoy a program on "Gemstones of the World". The Gemstones were presented by Groups such as Jade, Topaz, Crysoberyls, Feldspars, Corundums, Diamonds, Opals, Quartz, Beryls, Tourmalines, Spodomines, Garnets, along with locations they were found and their various colors, their hardness and Refractive Indexes. Very interesting to learn some of the precious Gemstones were cabbachons as well as faceted. Thank you for an interesting program, George.

Respectfully submitted, Frances Bush, Secretary.

Start a Tradition - Cut a Family Heirloom!

Refraction

via Gems and Jewelry by Joel Arem & TRANSFER BLOCK, May 1994

Light travels through space at a constant speed of 186,000 miles per second. It is not slowed down very much by air, but in solids and liquids it is both slowed and forced to change its path. The degree to which light is slowed down in a material, relative to air, is called the index of refraction of the material. This index is also a measure of the bending of light in a solid or liquid medium. Gems cut from highly refractive materials tend to be brilliant and bright, and this factor sometimes affects the style of cutting of particular gems.

Light traveling in different directions through certain minerals is bent to a different degree. This difference in refractive can be so extreme that back facets of a gemstone may appear to be "doubled" as seen through the body of the stone. The refractive indices for most gems are constant and useful in identification. An instrument devised to rapidly determine the refractive indices of a gem is called the gem refractometer.

Some types of gem display only one refractive index. Others display two or three, depending on fundamental differences in crystalline structure of these various materials. The difference between refractive indices in a given gem, called birefringence, is itself a useful measurement for identifying gemstones. Perhaps the best example of a strongly birefringence gem, where doubling of back facets is distinct, is zircon.

Faceters Fair Notes...

Don Sahr
Show Chairman

Faceters Fair October 28-30, 1994 at the Dearborn Civic Center is almost here - will you be there?? Now it is time for each of you to make your plans to bring your display, enter competition, volunteer to help, invite your friends and your local club members to attend (remember to tell them this is not just a show for faceters).

We need lots of help from our members to make the show a real success please consider volunteering an hour or two taking tickets, guarding a door, make a food dish for the worker and dealer hospitality room and bring your display. Set up will begin on Thursday afternoon and be in full swing Friday A.M. and many hands are always needed to cover tables and get things ready for our visitors. Maybe you can stay around Sunday and join the clean-up crew - it always goes easier and faster if we have lots of help **PLEASE VOLUNTEER!**

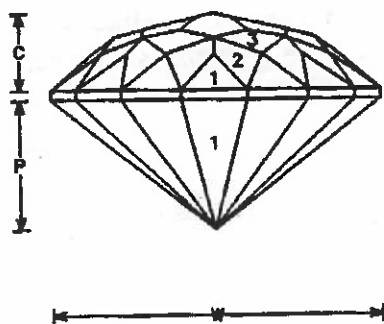
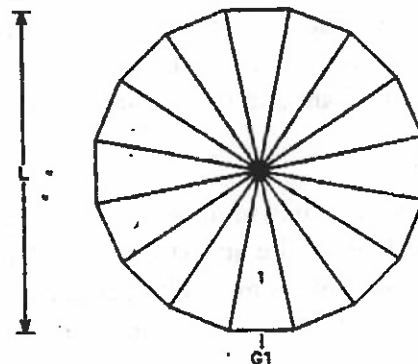
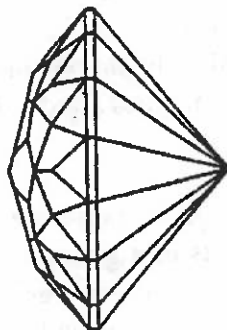
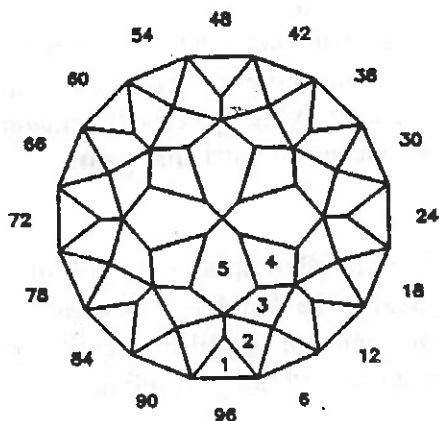
*We need lots
of help from
our
members...*

Don't forget the raffle - have you sold your tickets and turned in the stubs??

This will be the greatest Faceters Fair yet...we hope you plan to be there!

Sunstar

by Jerry Capps
Mazomanie, WI

**"SUNSTAR"**

By - Jerry L Capps

Pavilion below critical angle.

Angles for R.I. = 1.58

64 facets + 16 facets on girdle = 80

4-fold, mirror-image symmetry

96 index

$L/W = 1.000$

$P/W = 0.405$ $C/W = 0.242$

$H/W = (P+C)/W+0.02 = 0.667$

$P/H = 0.607$ $C/H = 0.363$

$Vol./W^3 = 0.224$

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CROWN

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3	29.63	06-18-30-42-54-66-78-90	MP 2-1-2.
4	15.71	12-36-60-84	MP 3-2-3.
5	14.50	96-24-48-72	MP 3-2-3; Apex "cross".

Faceup/tilt=20 degrees

Quartz=91.6/63.1 Sunstone=91.5/70.2 Topaz=90.8/73.7

Spinel=89.5/82 Peridot=90.3/78.2 Corund=88.7/84.5

Quartz Discredited

by Lilac A. Rugg ; Mineral Information Network (4/1/94)
via TRANSFER BLOCK, May 1994

In an announcement that continues to send shock waves through the international mineralogical community, researchers at Pine Ridge National Laboratory have discredited quartz as a mineral species. The news, which was delivered to a stunned audience of mineralogists, crystallographers, and geoscientists, was the result of two years of work by Drs. Philip and Rhonda Zirkle, a husband and wife team who perform crystallographic research at the lab. Cryocrystallography deals with the study of low temperature crystal formation.

The researchers, who made their discovery while studying the crystalline phase transitions that occur in ice when it is subjected to varying pressure and extreme low temperature, were initially puzzled by the presence of a gritty residue found in the growth chamber of their experimental apparatus. When the residue was identified as quartz, the Zirkles began an investigation to determine how it got there. After a two-year series of experiments, they conclusively determined that quartz is an ultra stable crystalline form of water in which individual atoms are locked in place so tightly that the compound survives the transition to normal and high temperatures.

As part of the crystallographers' research, Dr. Rhonda Zirkle examined the scientific record of the early analysis of quartz and discovered that, due to a calibration error in the original equipment, the two atoms of hydrogen in quartz were misidentified as oxygen, and the one atom of oxygen was misidentified as silicon. Thus, instead of SiO_2 , quartz should have been OH_2 or, written in conventional notation H_2O . She explained that apparently no one has ever thought to confirm the original analysis. The error persisted until the Zirkles' research.

Scientists at Bell Laboratories, where quartz crystals are grown for use in the electronics industry, said the recent discovery explained a long-standing mystery. At the lab, quartz crystals are grown by "cooking" scrap quartz fragments in a hydrothermal solution under high pressure. The scientists observed that even though the process produced large, high-quality quartz crystals, the size and number of the scrap quartz pieces did not diminish. "Clearly, something was going on that we just did not understand," said Bell Labs spokesperson. He added that the Zirkles' results "explained everything." The synthetic quartz is formed from the water in the hydrothermal solution while scrap quartz acts as a catalyst.

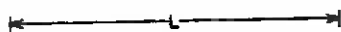
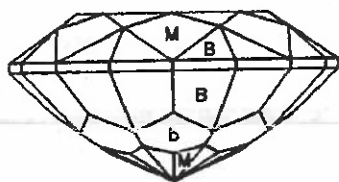
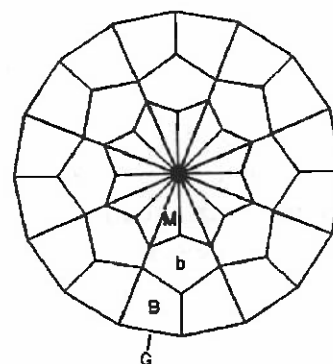
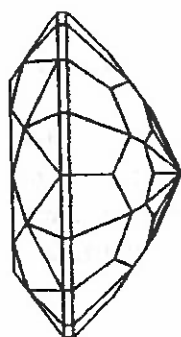
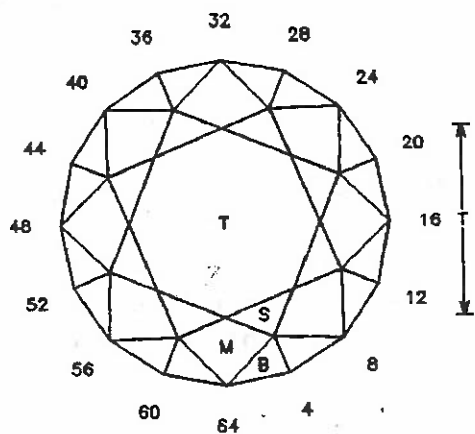
In response to the announcement from Pine Ridge, the International Mineral Names Organization immediately discredited "quartz" as a distinct mineral species. Museum curators around the world have already begun the process of relabeling the quartz specimens in their collections as "Ice, variety Quartz" and have advised serious amateur mineral collectors to do the same.

"Ironically," said Dr. Philip Zerkle in an interview after the public announcement, "the ancient Greeks believed that quartz was water that had frozen so solidly that it wouldn't thaw. It looks like the ancient Greeks were right all along."

Your Never Too Old To Learn Something New!!!

Happy's Star

by Thomas Gibbs
Wyandotte, MI



Happy's Star

August 1994

Named after my wife Elspeth N. "Happy" Gibbs

Angles for R.I. = 2.41

73 facets + 16 facets on girdle = 89

8-fold, mirror-image symmetry

64 index

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The Editor's Gems...

*Kathleen Myers
Bill Horton*

- * Looking forward to the Faceters Fair and hoping that all of our members can be there to share the fun and excitement of the show. We will all be stocking up on rough, equipment and supplies for the winter's cutting.
- * Remember when you cut your first gemstone ? It was a pleasure to enjoy that excitement again through the eyes of the beginning cutters at the Seminar - what an enthusiastic group!!
- * Bring your display to the Fair - sure it seem old hat to you but each year we have new viewers and your display just may be the one to catch their eye and make them want to join this great hobby.
- * Thanks to Tom Gibbs and Jerry Capps for the cutting diagrams this issue.
- * Can your group host a Guild meeting?? The Board of Directors are looking for ideas to help enable more of our members to attend meetings - ideas??? - contact any MWFG officer.
- * Do you have a faceting tip or hint that you can share with our readers?? Please send it along for publication in the next bulletin - we need your help !
- * How about that Quartz thing??? - To think all this time we have been cutting ice - wouldn't that just melt you???
- * Enjoyed having Joe Rubin and Kent Cales rejoin the ranks at the Seminar after a long absence- it is GREAT to have them back with us - hopefully again SOON!
- * Congratulations to Bill Horton on his ASG Award "Outstanding Gemcutter" for 1994- we who have the privilege of knowing Bill personally know just how deserving he really is of this honor - he is the wind beneath our wings!

Midwest Faceters Fair Gem & Jewelry Show
October 28-30, 1994
Dearborn Civic Center

MIDWEST FACETERS FAIR**DEARBORN CIVIC CENTER****DEARBORN, MICHIGAN****APPLICATION FOR DISPLAY SPACE**NAME _____
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Please use a separate form for each exhibit.

Class Number _____

Exhibitor Group _____

(Junior, Novice, Advanced, Master, Open, Society)

Case Size: Width _____ Height _____ Depth _____

MAIL IN EXHIBITS: Fill in this additional information

Telephone Number (____) _____

Amount of insurance desired _____ (You must include return postage and insurance fees.)

NON COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS: Fill out the following information.

TYPE OF EXHIBIT _____

(Faceting, Jewelry, Educational, Special, etc.)

Case Size: Width _____ Height _____ Depth _____

Exhibitor's Signature: _____

ENTRIES MUST BE RETURNED BY OCTOBER 15, 1994 TO:Dick Fairless
506 Alice St.
East Tawas, MI 48730

_____ Please return my entries by mail

_____ I will collect my entries at the Fair on
Sunday

MIDWEST FEDERATION CONVENTION -- SOUTH BEND INDIANA
September 3, 1994

As we sat at the delegates meeting I very diligently took notes (ten pages, plus) and I wondered just how many persons would really be interested in reading them when they were transcribed, so I'll try to hit the high lights.

The Century Center is a perfect place for the Show as you can check in at the beautiful hotel that is attached to the Center, park your car in the garage and enjoy the enclosed walkway all the way to the Show. A very well planned show at that. Margaret Heinek (a member of the Guild) and her Committee are to be commended for the results of their efforts they put forth for our enjoyment. The scenery from our hotel room looked like scenes you'd place on a postcard to mail home, wishing everyone were able to be there.

The Convention started out with a beautiful invocation by Norman Hanschu, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The Dignitaries and Past-Presidents were introduced and a moment of silence for those no longer with us.

The meeting proceeded with reports from all the State Directors and was very proud that Harold Rice (also a Guild Member) had more to talk about from Michigan Clubs. These were presented with Anniversary Certificates: Flint, 35th; Grand Rapids, 35th, Isphehming, 35th, MGAGS 20th and the Midwest Faceters Guild was presented with our 15th as members of the Federation. Michigan has a total of 33 Clubs with 2,296 Adult Members and 127 Juniors.

Archeology Chairman, Glenn Hanning reported that Native Americans have won the right to lay claims to materials held in Historic Museums.

Gordon Boone suggested Clubs utilize materials that are available. They are listed in the Directory on page 11. Your Directory also lists all the Clubs, with their meeting dates, officers and Shows; Museums in the states belonging to the Federation; the Federation By-Laws and Many Programs that are available to make your meetings more meaningful. If Twenty or more Directories are mailed to one address they may be purchased at \$2.00 each, otherwise they are \$2.50 and may be ordered by any member of the Federation and should be used to benefit your organization.

The Show dates for up-coming Conventions will be in Detroit at the Light Guard Armory in 1995; at Western University, McComb, Illinois in 1996 and Wisconsin is considering the possibility for 1998. 1997 is open and any Club is welcome to bid for the honor as the Federation is always looking for new places for the Convention.

Merit Awards Chairman, Randy Phillips sent his report on the All American Awards and Small Clubs are no longer in competition with the larger Clubs.

Les Wilson would like one leader from each state to act as a Liaison for Micro Mount Groups. His able Committee members, Dave Olson, Bob and Ruth Beauvais, Frank & Lillian Nadeau and Sam Libur are more than willing to get your group started. A 10 power microscope or loop is all you need. Mr. Wilson is willing to demonstrate at your Show if you invite him.

Program Chairman, Marge Collins stated changes for Making Programs Competition. Cash prizes will be offered. \$100 for First Prize and \$75 for Second Prize. If interested see 1995 MWF Program Competition.

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MIDWEST FEDERATION CONVENTION (con't)

JUNE KING of Safety & Field Trips would really appreciate your help to compile a list of quarries and hunting areas in the MWF area that are available. If you can help her address is: 3423 Percentum, Toledo, OH 43617.

What the Convention needs is more exhibits, both Competitive and Non-Competitive. There were only nine in Competition and 50+ Non-Competitive.

The Endowment Fund Committee consists of Neil Snapp, Bill Cook, Harold Rice, John Beall, Joan Rice and Lyle Kugler. The Funds are controlled by the Committee. They meet three times a year and any decisions made require a 2/3 majority vote of those present to pass. Only the interest may be used and the fund remains untouched.

Environmental & Legislation Chairman, Dean Stone commended all 60,000 that made an effort to block the Land Management Bill. The Rules are being rewritten to include suggestions that were brought to their attention by Rockhounds. The trial for "Sue" begins November 1st.

Diane Dare is interested in early history of the Federation and would appreciate any accurate information such as dated letters, correspondence, etc. Flossie Anderson reported they have Educational packets that are available to teachers that contain information to pass on to their students. Packets may be received by sending name, address, the name of your School and grade to: Placer Dome, Inc.; 1600-1055 Dunsmuir Street; Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V7X 1P1

MWF Insurance for 1995 will have a ten-month year to bring all due dates together. After 1995 all will be due on February 1st. Additional Insurance for Shows is needed and must be applied for when applying for Insurance. \$100.00 extra will be charged for Shows and protects Policy Clubs and individuals against being sued at any Club activity with over 500 people involved. the Show is the only activity that requires additional Insurance. Thomas Gibbs was appointed MWF Insurance Chairman, replacing Bob Mullalhy.

A very special plaque was presented to the Federation from the State of Michigan. The document signed August 13, 1993 will be given to Stan Dyle to be displayed at the Museum.

The AFMS will continue to use the rotation system for holding their Conventions. The next to be held in Boise, Idaho in 1995 and in Riverside California in 1996.

The dues will stand at 50¢ going to the AFMS.

The following are Officers of 1995: President, Anne Cook of Cleveland Heights, Ohio; First Vice President, Mary Hanning of Huntville, Illinois; Second Vice President, Robert Miller of South Bend, Indiana; Secretary Jean Reynolds of Clarendon Hills, Illinois and Treasurer, Norman Hanschu of Canton, Michigan. Kathy Miller of the Nominating Committee made a motion, The Secretary cast one vote for 1995 slate of officers." Motion seconded and carried.

Margaret Heinek explained when correspondence, Show packets, etc, are received they are not just for the member they are addressed to but are meant to be shared with the entire Club.

It was suggested that every Club establish a permanent address for mailings from the Midwest Federation.

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If I Had My Life To Live Over I Would

Relax, take things less seriously
Climb more mountains
Eat more ice cream and fudge
Have fewer imaginary problems
Have great moments, instead of
hopes of great years
Have success be a journey, not a goal

Walk barefoot on the beach
Love more..... Hate less
Do a good deed for the joy of it
Be less critical
Live to die..... not die to live
Laugh more heartily
Admire youth, even with envy

Chance more mistakes
Ride more merry-go-rounds
Rather give, than get
Be born old..... to get young
To know sooner, these are truths

September 9 - 11
Toledo Gem & Rockhound Show
Masonic Complex
Toledo, OH

October 1-2
Livingston Gem & Mineral Show
Hartland High School
Hartland, MI

October 8
MWFG Annual Meeting
City Tavern Restaurant
Dearborn, MI

October 14-16
Michigan Mineralogical Society
Show
Light Guard Armory
Detroit, MI

October 21-23
Gem & Mineral Show
Lansing, MI

**Midwest
Faceters Fair
Gem & Jewelry
Show**

October 28-30

**Dearborn Civic
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Dearborn, MI**



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