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PURPOSES:

- ♦ To promote education and recreation
- ♦ To develop the art of faceting
- ♦ To exchange information related to faceting
- ♦ To provide meeting for those of like interets
- ♦ To promote the achievement of individuals

MEMBER OF:

- ♦ The Midwest Federation of Mineralogical and Gemological Societies
- ♦ The American Federation of Mineralogical Societies

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13 STEPS TO KILL A CLUB

1. Stay away from meetings.
2. If you come, find fault.
3. Decline office or appointment to a committee.
4. Get mad if you are not nominated or appointed.
5. After you are named, don't attend meetings.
6. If you do get to a meeting, clam up until it's over, THEN tell them how things should really be done.
7. Don't do any work if you can help it and when the "old reliables" pitch in, accuse them of being in a clique.
8. Oppose all meetings and seminars as being a waste of time and member's money.
9. When there's a lot of business of discuss at the meeting, complain the meeting is dull, too long and you aren't interested.
10. Never accept a place at the head of the table. You might learn something new.
11. If you aren't asked to sit there, get angry and threaten to resign because you are not appreciated.
12. Don't pay your dues on time, let the executives sweat. After all, they wrote the budget and write the checks.
13. Read your mail only now and then. Put the club bulletin aside, there isn't anything in it anyway!

AND HOW TO RESURRECT IT

1. Decide to take part in all you can. You've always planned to do more, do it now while there's someone left to do it for and with.
 2. Offer to share your skills and expertise by putting on a program.
 3. Consider your contribution in absolute terms. What will you gain and what can you give. [Ignore comparisons to the contributions of others - their situations, money, health and interests will be different.]
 4. Lead by example. It's much more effective than describing a course of action you can't yourself follow.
 5. Offer to do a program at a local school, scout meeting, or youth group and invite kids to come to your meeting, workshop or show.
 6. Remember, criticism of others invites criticism of one's self. Only the "Noblest Romans" can bear such scrutiny.
 7. If you can't say something nice, shut up and let others talk. Kind words and good deeds always go anywhere, gossips easily find their way home.
- [Via AFMS Newsletter 9/00]

INSTRUCTORS NEEDED

We need a few more instructors for our upcoming seminar Aug. 17-19 Flint, MI.

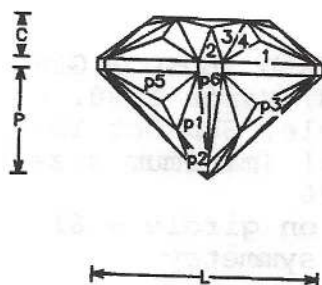
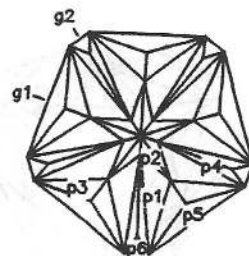
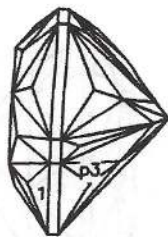
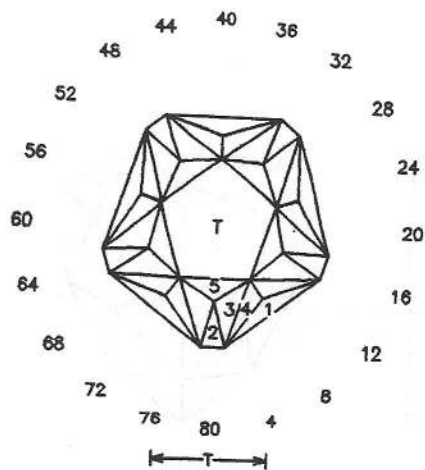
When we organized the Midwest Faceters Guild, it was with the idea that this guild would be an educational organization to share faceting knowledge - to share with others in the Guild and to promote faceting to all those who are not members but who would like to have further knowledge of faceting. This meant that all instructors or those with faceting abilities would help others to promote the hobby of faceting.

The Seminar is a two day concerted effort to introduce faceting to new persons or more advanced persons who would like to further their knowledge in this fascinating hobby. In order to impart this knowledge, it is imperative that each instructor be limited to a maximum number of two students. In order for us to do this, we will need eight to ten additional instructors this year.

If you feel that you can instruct anywhere from beginner to advanced students, please contact Harold "Arizona" Rice at 1122 Lois Lane, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043, or call 810 463-5972 or email to azrice@wwdb.org

UPCOMING SHOWS

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|-----------------|--|
| March 3-4, 2001 | Macomb, IL, MINERAL & GEM SHOW,
W.I.U. Student Union Ball Room, Murray Street, Macomb, IL |
| June 1-3 | Southeastern Michigan Gem & Mineral Show,
"2001: An Earth Odyssey", Allen Park Civic Area,
15800 White, Allen Park, Michigan |
| June 22-24 | Lawrence County Rock Club Gem Mineral & Fossil Show &
Swap, Monroe County 4-H Fairgrounds, Bloomington IN |
| Sept. 7-9 | Northwest Wisconsin Gem & Mineral Society, "A Rock
Odyssey 2001", Barron County Fairgrounds, Rice Lake, WI |



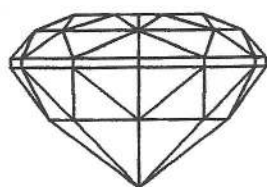
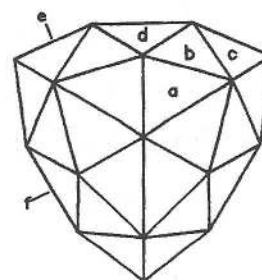
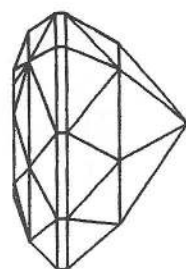
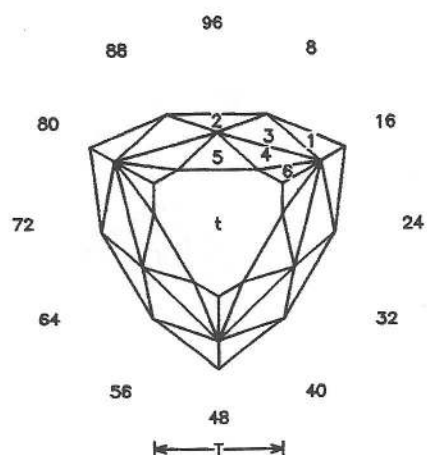
CLASS 16 CHALLENGE CUT (STAR86.GEM)
 STAR 86 By Robert Strickland
 Texas Faceters Guild Newsletter v8n4, Oct. 87
 Minimum size 10 mm. Any material
 Angles for R.I. = 1.76
 86 facets + 10 facets on girdle = 96
 5-fold, mirror-image symmetry
 80 index
 $L/W = 1.051$ $T/W = 0.537$ $T/L = 0.511$
 $P/W = 0.497$ $C/W = 0.194$
 $H/W = (P+C)/W+0.02 = 0.710$
 $P/H = 0.699$ $C/H = 0.273$
 $Vol./W^3 = 0.278$

PAVILION

p1	44.00	04-12-20-28-36- 44-52-60-68-76	Meet at TCP
p2	41.50	06-10-22-26-38- 42-54-58-70-74	Cut to PCP
p3	47.50	06-10-22-26-38- 42-54-58-70-74	Meet p2-p1-p1-p2
p4	43.50	02-14-18-30-34- 46-50-62-66-78	Meet p2-p1-p1-p2
p5	58.00	08-24-40-56-72	Meet p1-p3-p4
p6	46.00	80-16-32-48-64	Meet p1-p3-p4-p5
g1	90.00	08-24-40-56-72	Meet p1-p3-p4-p5-p6
g2	90.00	80-16-32-48-64	Level Girdle

CROWN

1	53.00	08-24-40-56-72	Match pavilion at girdle
2	38.00	80-16-32-48-64	Level girdle
3	37.00	04-12-20-28-36- 44-52-60-68-76	Meet c1-c2 at girdle
4	41.00	06-10-22-26-38- 42-54-58-70-74	Meet c1-c2-c3 at girdle
5	18.80	80-16-32-48-64	Meet c3-c2-c3
T	0.00	Table	Meet c3-c4-c5



CLASS 14 LONDON SHIELD (LONDON.GEM)
 by Tom Ricks, FACETS, March 1980, p3
 Edited by Long & Steele, SFD Oct 1988, p3
 Any synthetic material (minimum size 6.0 mm)
 Angles for R.I. = 1.76
 52 facets + 9 facets on girdle = 61
 3-fold, mirror-image symmetry
 96 index
 $L/W = 1.009$ $T/W = 0.510$ $T/L = 0.506$
 $P/W = 0.475$ $C/W = 0.169$
 $H/W = (P+C)/W+0.02 = 0.664$
 $P/H = 0.715$ $C/H = 0.255$
 $Vol./W^3 = 0.242$

PAVILION

a	43.00	04-28-36-60-68-92	Cut to centerpoint
b	51.00	04-28-36-60-68-92	About 70% of final stone size
c	56.00	06-26-38-58-70-90	Meet b-a-a-b
d	60.00	96-32-64	Meet a-b-c
e	90.00	06-26-38-58-70-90	Meet b-c-d
f	90.00	96-32-64	Level girdle, meet b-c-d-e

CROWN

1	51.30	06-26-38-58-70-90	Match pavilion girdle
2	56.80	96-32-64	Match pavilion girdle
3	42.00	04-28-36-60-68-92	Meet c1-c2 at girdle
4	32.00	04-28-36-60-68-92	Meet c3-c1-c1-c3
5	23.00	96-32-64	Meet c4-c3-c2-c3-c4
6	21.50	08-24-40-56-72-88	Meet c4-c3-c1-c1-c3-c4
t	0.00	Table	Meet c4-c5-c6

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL
MEETING
OF THE MIDWEST FACETERS GUILD
HELD ON: January 13, 2001
AT: Flint, Michigan**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Elspeth Gibbs.

The minutes from the last General meeting were presented by J. Swain; motion by B. Schell and seconded by G. Swain that the minutes of the General meeting held on October 28, 2000 be approved; motion carried unanimously.

President Gibbs expressed concern that no one has stepped forward to volunteer to serve as Treasurer for the Guild. If we do not have a Treasurer, the Guild could very well stop functioning. President Gibbs strongly reaffirmed that she could not serve as President and Treasurer. A discussion ensued regarding auditing the Guild books—if no one volunteers T. Miller has a recommendation for an auditor to employ.

Membership: Ray Becker reported that paid members currently total 180 for 2001. Of the total of 180, 7 members are Canadian, 32 members live in Ohio, 94 in Michigan and 9 are from Indiana.

Seminar: Harold Rice reviewed plans for Seminar 2001. He presented a proposed budget for review and a proposed Seminar flyer. He also reviewed classes to be offered and their respective teachers. The next Seminar Committee meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2001.

Show: Glenn Swain reviewed with members a summary of last year's show. A small loss was realized but there are plans to reduce costs so the 2001 Show operates in the black. Plans for the upcoming 2001 show to be held at the Taylor Gibraltar Trade Center were also presented.

President Gibbs announced that the report/recommendations for proposed changes to the Guild's Constitution and Bylaws will be presented at the March general meeting in Toledo.

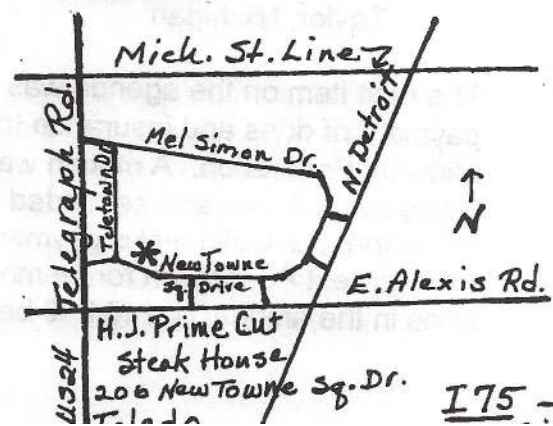
President Gibbs announced that the next meeting will be held March 17, 2001 at the Prime Cut Restaurant in Toledo. Tentative plans are being made for the May meeting to be held in Toronto. The Annual Picnic will be held June 16th.

We were reminded that the Guild needs to have a Treasurer, an Auditor, and Chairs for the Rules and Historian Committees.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline Swain, Secretary
1/24/2001



Elspeth Gibbs announced that Lester Medlen has agreed to stay on as Treasurer through December. She also announced that the following Committee chairs are open: Competition, Education, Rules and Historian.

A motion was made by T. Gibbs and seconded by L. Medlen that the following Committee Chairpersons be affirmed for 2001:

Editor	Carol Seebon
Mailing	Carmen Eiche
Membership	Ray Becker
Parliamentarian	Thomas Gibbs
Seminar 2001	Harold Rice
Show 2001	Glenn Swain
Sunshine	JoAnn Rice

Motion carried unanimously.

President Gibbs also presented the Meeting Scheduled for 2001:

1/13/2001:	Flint, Michigan
3/17/2001:	Toledo, Ohio
May 2001:	To be determined
June 2001:	Annual Picnic - The Home of Bob Wodarak Saginaw, Michigan
October 2001:	Annual Meeting - To be determined
August 17-19, 2001	2001 Seminar, Mott College, Flint
November 9-11, 2001	2001 Show, Taylor, Michigan

The next item on the agenda was payment of dues and insurance to the Midwest Federation. A motion was made by B. Schell and seconded by T. Miller that the Guild make payment to the Midwest Federation for membership dues in the amount of \$464.00 based on

a membership total of 232 members; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by T. Gibbs and seconded by C. Eiche that the Guild forward payment to the Midwest Federation for insurance in the amount of \$464.00 based on a membership total of 232; motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline Swain, Secretary
1/2/2001

EDITOR'S EXCERPTS...

The dues year ends 12/31/2000. Check your label on this newsletter for your dues date. We need your input ASAP if your dues are due so you won't miss one newsletter.

Carol J. Seebon.

Every oak tree started out as a couple of nuts who decided to stand their ground.

-- Anonymous

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL
MEETING
OF THE MIDWEST FACETERS GUILD
HELD ON: October 28, 2000
AT: Southgate, Michigan**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Elspeth Gibbs.

The minutes from the last General meeting were presented by J. Swain; motion by B. Horton and seconded by F. Bevins that the minutes of the General meeting held on June 17, 2000 be approved; motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2000 was presented by Lester Medlen. A motion was made by C. Eiche and seconded by G. Swain that the Treasurer's Report be approved; motion carried unanimously.

President Gibbs announced that the Guild's books have not been audited for 4 years. Volunteers are needed to audit our books. If no members volunteer, an outside auditor will be employed.

President Gibbs announced the Board's decision not to extend courtesy newsletters to those members who do not pay dues by December 31st. A motion was made by T. Gibbs and seconded by B. Schell to concur with the recommendation Board and not mail newsletters to members who have not paid their dues prior to December 31st; motion carried unanimously.

It was also announced that the Guild is indeed fortunate to have Carol Seebon as our new Editor.

Newsletter: A lengthy discussion ensued regarding delays in receiving the Guild newsletters once they have been mailed out.

Seminar: E. Gibbs presented the Seminar report in the absence of Harold Rice. Seminar 2000 had 62 students enrolled and 31 staff and operated in the black this year.

Show: Glenn Swain reported on how plans are progressing for our Show but that volunteers are needed during the Show. Setup will be Thursday before the Show at 12:00 noon. We will have a larger floor area than in 1999.

President Gibbs announced that Thomas Gibbs has been appointed Chair of a Committee to review the Guild's Constitution and ByLaws. He plans on presenting proposed revisions at the January general meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was presentation of the Murray Award for 2000. Thomas Gibbs presented the award this year to member Carmen Eiche.

The Nominating Committee presented the Slate of officers for 2001:

President	Elspeth Gibbs
Vice President	Tyler Miller
Treasurer	Position Open
Secretary	Jacqueline Swain

A motion was made by C. Eiche and seconded by B. Kramer that the Guild accept the slate of officers as proposed by the Nominating Committee by acclamation; motion carried unanimously.

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