

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC.

GENERAL MEETING

January 24, 2004 at Antelope Park Shelter

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President James Marburger, following the Rock Swap. Ed Ridge reported that 26 members and 3 visitors were present.

Phyllis Parks moved that the minutes of the December meeting be approved as printed, 2nd by Pat Akins. Motion carried.

Motion was offered by John Harrison to approve Treasurer's report as printed with 2nd by David Heffebower, motion carried.

First Vice President Pat Akins presented Susy McMahan with her past president plaque.

OLD BUSINESS: The Club received a thank you letter from the Food Bank. Members donated 22 pounds of food and \$15 in cash which was delivered in December.

Pat Akins reported that the Storage Trailer is nearly done. The black light is installed and all the Club's material possessions are loaded. Donations of rocks that will fluoresce will be accepted at any time, even at the show. Pat was presented with an award certificate for all his time, energy and resources used for making the trailer show-ready.

Roger Pabian gave a progress report on the 2004 Show. All 14 dealers have been contracted, most demonstrators and special features have responded, and 4 or 5 programs have been lined up. Several media have been contacted for advertising.

NEW BUSINESS: President Marburger announced his proposed President's Field Trip, scheduled to take place on the July 4th weekend. The Denver Gem & Mineral Guild will allow our Club access to their claims on Wigwam Creek in Jefferson County, Colorado. Amazonite, smoky quartz, goethite, fluorite, and topaz are found in this area.

Phyllis Parks announced that the books are nearly ready for audit. She also provided information collected on membership history.

Roger Pabian was awarded a life membership in the club. He was "roasted" by Jim Swinehart, Bill White, Judy Reilly, and David Heffebower. Congratulations, Roger.

Vera Lyman received the contract from Pershing for the 2008 MWF Show. The dates are June 20, 21, and 22, 2008. David Heffebower moved to accept the contract, 2nd by Roger Pittard. Motion passed. Phyllis Parks made a motion that the Club certify Roger Pabian as Show Chairman for the 2008 Show, 2nd by Susan Taylor. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn made by Susy McMahan, Kay Jurgens 2nd. Motion carried.

Thanks to all who contributed goodies for the Rock Swap. Special thanks to Vera Lyman for providing our "golden" anniversary cake.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Marburger, Secretary

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC. – GENERAL MEETING
February 26, 2004 at Antelope Park Shelter

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President James Marburger. Ed Ridge reported that 20 members and 1 visitor (Tom Gitchell) were present.

Phyllis Parks moved that the minutes of the January meeting be approved as printed, 2nd by David Heffelbower. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jim Atkins to approve Treasurer's report as printed with 2nd by Judy Reilly, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: The Club received thank you letters from the Claude Scott family and the owners of the stash for memorials; from the Friends of Museum for renewing membership; and from Pioneers Park Nature Center for participation in Geology Day. The date for the 2005 Geology Day is set for February 13 and the 2005 Grinding Party is scheduled for July 17.

President Marburger offered his proposed budget for 2004, showing a net loss of \$ _____. A motion was received by Phyllis Parks to accept the proposed budget, 2nd by David Heffelbower. Motion carried.

Vera Lyman reported that she received responses to inquiries made to Midland, Wesleyan, and Concordia Colleges regarding possible scholarship recipients. Concordia's interested student is a geography major and Wesleyan has no qualified students; Midland has two interested students; one a senior who won't remain in Nebraska; the second student is a freshman. Dr. Smith at UNL suggested the club make the scholarship available to regional students in order to broaden the range of acceptable candidates. After general discussion, Charles Woolridge made the following motion: Make the scholarship available to graduate students in a Nebraska institution who are doing research in the North American mid-continent region, the criteria (which will be re-evaluated annually) to be drafted in a letter by Roger Pabian, and sent out to the various institutions. A 2nd was offered by Vera Lyman, motion carried.

Roger Pabian thanked all members who attended Geology Day. There were 11 or 12 active demonstrators, a gem cutting demonstration, fossils, and minerals. There was a good crowd.

The 2004 Show is the State Show this year. A request for four volunteers to act as delegates netted Charles Woolridge, Phyllis Parks, Jim Atkins, and Aulden Stewart??? Thanks, folks.

Roger Pabian announced that a show committee meeting will be held immediately following the Board meeting on March 4. Dealers and demonstrators are nearly lined up. Setup of the show will be Friday morning beginning at 8 a.m. Dealers will set up first, then displays. Help for covering tables and general setup is requested, along with volunteers to work two-hour shifts during the show. Individual displays are also needed. Kay Jurgens stated that pieces are needed for the gem dig – small polished stones, shells, tiny fossils, etc.

Reminder that the Omaha Club will be making their annual Memorial Day field trip to Kedoka, South Dakota. Some members are trying to arrange a Memorial Day field trip to Lincoln, Missouri to hunt for Mozarkite. Don't forget about the President's Field Trip on the July 4th weekend to Wigwam Creek in Colorado.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business was offered from the floor.

Motion to adjourn to refreshments and program was made by Jim Atkins, Susy McMahan 2nd.
Motion carried. 8:40 p.m.

Program by David Heffelbower – How to purchase rough opal.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Marburger, Secretary

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC. – GENERAL MEETING – April 22, 2004
Antelope Park Shelter House – 7:30 P.M.

2nd Vice, Roger Pabian called the Meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. in the absence of President and 1st Vice.

Thirteen members were in attendance including new members Terry and Andrea Anderson and daughter, Leahh. Welcome! We had one guest, with Phyllis Parks. She made application for membership. She is Annette Gifford.

BUSINESS:

Minutes of the February Meeting were approved with motion by Phyllis Parks, 2nd by Jim Atkins. Motion carried. Treasurer's report for February approved with motion by Jim Atkins, 2nd by Mary Pittard. Carried. March Treasurer's report also approved with motion by Dave Heffelbower, 2nd by Roger Pittard. Carried.

Scholarship Chair requested response as to whether the Club wished to award an additional scholarship to Naomi Kohlmeier of Concordia College at Seward. We had solicited applicants from the smaller colleges around Lincoln. Motion was made by Phil Rose to grant Naomi a \$250 scholarship. Motion was 2nd by Jim Atkins. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Show – Chairman Roger Pabian reported that he was pleased with the Show profit (approximately \$1,300-1,500). He thanked everyone who served on the Committee and helped out before, during and after the Show. The only complaint was the lack of exhibits at the Show. We can all be thinking ahead to the next Show and plan on a much better showing. Thanks Roger, for your excellent leadership as Show Chair.

MEETINGS:

Board Meeting will be May 6, 2004 @ 7:00 P.M. at Kinkos. General Meeting will be May 27, 2004 at Antelope Shelter House. This is a special Meeting, so please mark your calendars. Supper at 6:30 P.M. with Club furnishing sandwich-type supper and all members are requested to bring a dessert. Table service and drinks will be furnished. Remember, this is Scholarship presentation Meeting. Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Meeting was adjourned with motion by Jim Atkins, 2nd by Phil Rose. Carried.

All those present enjoyed delicious pies, coffee and tea.

Then Phil and Patty Rose gave an excellent program on "Lost Wax Casting" (silver).
THANK YOU for your fine presentation.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera Lyman

Vera Lyman for Sharon Marburger

LINCOLN GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC. – GENERAL MEETING
September 23, 2004 at Antelope Park Shelter

Meeting was not called to order and no business was conducted because quorum was not met.
Twelve members were present.

Roger Pabian provided the program on the history of lapidary.

Beautiful moxarkite and agates were offered for door prizes. Everyone in attendance had the opportunity to select a prize.

Finger foods were brought and enjoyed. Thanks to all who participated.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Marburger
Secretary

GENERAL MEETING – October 28, 2004, Antelope Park Shelter

The Halloween/Reunion meeting was called to order by President Jim Marburger at 7:35 p.m. Twenty-six members and eight guests were present for the meeting.

Phyllis Parks moved to accept the minutes of the May meeting as printed, 2nd by Pat Akins. Motion carried. The motion to accept the treasurer's report was received by Phyllis Parks, 2nd by Pat Akins. Motion carried. The 2005 show budget was brought before the membership. Phyllis Parks moved to accept it, 2nd by Pat Akins. Motion carried.

Treasurer Lyman reported that the checks written to the AFMS scholarship were never cashed, so they were written back into the account. Discussion ensued regarding trying to give the money again. Phyllis Parks moved that the club give 400%, 2nd by Marilyn Stewart.

Judy Reilly reported that Suzy McMahan and Vera Lyman have jointed her on the juniors steering committee. They are accepting ideas for activities to attract and keep young club members. Please phone any of them with suggestions.

Anyone who has requested or would like a copy of the Midwest Federation directory, please see Vera Lyman.

The Nominating Committee has nominated the following as officers: President – Jim Marburger; First Vice President – Pat Akins; Second Vice President – Roger Pittard; Secretary – Sharon Marburger; Treasurer – Vera Lyman; and Jim Atkins, Judy Reilly, John Harrison, David Heffelbower, Suzy McMahan, and Charles Wooldridge for Board Members.

Prizes were awarded to the best costumes. Judy Reilly won best prize, dressed as Picasso stone. Phyllis Parks was a "tired old fossil", Betty White a beautiful crystal, Suzy McMahan a blue star sapphire, and Leah Anderson a rock girl.

As there was no new business, the meeting adjourned to the program at 7:58 p.m. on the motion by Pat Akins and 2nd by Judy Reilly.

Eric Fritsch presented the program Minerals of Canada. Thank you, Eric.

After the meeting, two more members and two guests arrived.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Marburger

GENERAL MEETING – November 18, 2004, Antelope Park Shelter

The meeting was called to order at 7:22 p.m. by First Vice President Pat Akins. Sixteen members and one guest, Mike Reilly, were present.

Jim Atkins moved to accept the minutes of the October meeting as printed, 2nd by David Heffelbower. Motion carried. The motion to accept the treasurer's report was received by Phyllis Parks, 2nd by David Heffelbower. Motion carried.

Judy Reilly presented a typed plan and suggestions from the juniors steering committee. The committee continues to accept ideas for activities to attract and keep young club members. They plan to contact youth groups, hold a meeting in the spring, and determine the number of meetings according to interest. Great start, Committee!

The Christmas Party will be held at 5:00 p.m. on December 5 at the Antelope Park shelter. As usual, the Club will provide the meat and the members bring a hot dish and salad or dessert. Those who wish to participate in the gift exchange should bring a small, wrapped hobby-related gift. As the holidays are for the kids, bring some!

The Rock Swap is planned for January 22, 2005 from 1:00 to 5:00. There will be a pizza party after the swap, followed by the general meeting. Bring items for the silent auction.

Elections were held. Susan Taylor moved to accept by acclamation the offices of President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Mary Pittard 2nd the motion. Motion carried. The officers are as follows: President – Jim Marburger; First Vice President – Pat Akins; Second Vice President – Roger Pittard; Secretary – Sharon Marburger; Treasurer – Vera Lyman. The 2005 Board of Directors, by ballot, are Jim Atkins, Judy Reilly, John Harrison, and Charles Wooldridge. Susan Taylor moved and David Heffelbower 2nd the nomination of Susan Esquivel and John Harrison as replacement Nominating Committee members. They were approved by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 on a motion by Roger Pabian, 2nd by Jim Atkins. The program was presented by David Heffelbower – a video of Lecheguilla Cave. The video was very interesting. Thank you for sharing it, David.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Marburger

GENERAL MEETING – December 5, 2004, Antelope Park Shelter

After feasting on fried chicken, ham, a plethora of salads and hot dishes, and yummy desserts, the meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Jim Marburger. Twenty-two members and one guest, Eve Lanik, were present.

The Treasurer's report was read by President Marburger. Pat Akins moved to accept the report as read, second by Phyllis Parks. Motion carried. The minutes were read by Sharon Marburger. Phyllis Parks moved to accept the minutes as read, second by Pat Akins. Motion carried.

Vera Lyman is now accepting dues for the upcoming 2005 year. Dues will be accepted until January 31. Those who want a subscription to the Gem Palette need to add \$5.00 to the dues.

Roger Pittard reported that the Swap flyers have been printed. Contact Roger if you need flyers to hand out or if you want to volunteer to help out at the Swap.

As there was no new business, Pat Akins moved to adjourn "to the good part", second by Susy McMahan. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 to the Christmas celebration. Games, prizes and fun abounded.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Marburger