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NEXT MONTH:

There will be no  
meeting of the MNNE in  
June. Our next meet-  
ing will be at the  
Reiners' on Saturday,  
July 13, 1985.

The next meeting of the Micromounters of New England will be the special Northeast Meeting at the 4-H Conference Center in Ashland, MA, on Saturday, May 11th. Registration begins at 9 a.m. We hope that all of you who are planning to attend have already sent in your registration forms. Don't forget to bring extension cords, three-way plugs or multiple outlet strips, and adapters (be sure to have your name on them so that they can be properly returned), together with your usual equipment. Steve Cares has indicated that there is a good selection of give-aways, but please bring any with you if you were unable to get them to Steve before the 11th. Don't forget to include the donor's name with the give-aways as someone might have a question regarding the material, and it's always nice to know whom to ask. Those who have promised baked goods (and anyone else who would like to make a contribution) are reminded to bring them along. (See page 2 for Map.)

DONATIONS BY MEMBERS:

As promised in the last newsletter, we are previewing some of our members' donations to the Northeast Meeting. Two items were donated by one of our charter members, Chet Teichman. One is a fluorescent-lit table top display case, and the other is a round table at which four people can sit. Microscope lights may be plugged into an electric outlet in the table's center, and the table top can be rotated so that others may look through the various microscopes without leaving their seats.

Marilyn Dodge, The Monaghans, Ken Canning, and Jim Cahoon have donated specimens for the sale table for which we thank them. Also available for sale will be program books from previous Northeast Meetings, magnetic strips (as described in this newsletter under "MICROTIPS"), stainless steel tweezers, small self-sealing plastic bags for specimens, and, of course, some choice mounted specimens. There will be copies of the Franklin, NJ, issue of "Rocks and Minerals", and a reprint of the history of that area by John Baum.

Among the doorprizes will be an original Neal Yedlin mount donated by Edna Lerer. Thanks also go to Dana Jewell for rough fluorapatite, and to Marilyn Dodge for miscellaneous give-aways. We will still welcome donations for the sales table until the day of the meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to our newly elected officers who will assume their elected positions at the end of the May meeting: Palmer Sevrans, President; Frank Leighton, Vice-President; Janet Cares, Treasurer; and Ralph Carr, Secretary.

NEW MEMBERS:

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MICROTIPS

This is the first of what we hope will be a regular feature of the Newsletter. It will present tips on various aspects of micromounting such as mounting, display, testing, useful accessories, etc. At times it may be only a few sentences, but it could be lengthy if necessary. Members are encouraged to submit any ideas they may have, and they will be credited in the write-up. If you have an idea to share but don't consider yourself a writer, pass it along verbally---and we'll write it up for you.

The first tip suggests attaching a strip of self-adhesive magnetic tape to the base of your microscope to hold needles or pins used for hardness testing, opening up small vugs, cleaning coatings from specimens, or removing chips to test in acid, etc. A number of these strips have been packaged and will be available at the Sales Table at the Northeast Meeting at reasonable cost. Ordinarily this magnetic tape is found in specialty sewing centers to be used for holding needles or pins on a sewing machine.

FRANKLIN-OGDENSBURG MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC., MILL SITE BULLETIN--SPRING 1985:

MINERAL COLLECTING open to the public, at the former NJZ mill site in Franklin, NJ, will again be permitted on specified weekends only beginning Sunday, April 14, 1985, and will continue through the Spring, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following dates only: APRIL: 14,21,22,27 & 28; MAY: 4,5,11,12,25,26,&27; JUNE: 1,8,9,16,22,23,29,&30;

A mandatory donation of \$5 to defray operating costs and facilitate the ultimate bulk recovery of material for the Franklin Mineral Museum will be required for every 100 lbs of material, or portion thereof, removed from the site. Applicable parts of the safety rules and regulations adopted by the FOMS Field Trip Committee will be in force at all times. Safety glasses or goggles-Gloves-Leather or safety footwear-will be required for entry to the site.

There will be a FOMS Tailgaters Swap and Sell, at the site to benefit the Society on Sunday, May 26, 1985. The tailgating fee will be \$20 for dealers.

THE SITE WILL BE CLOSED AT ALL OTHER TIMES--TRESPASSERS SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION

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NOTE: ACCORDING TO JOHN BAUM, THIS IS MATERIAL FROM THE PICKING TABLE, AND HENCE FROM THE MINE, NOT THE PICKED-OVER MATERIAL FOUND ON THE BUCKWHEAT DUMP.

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