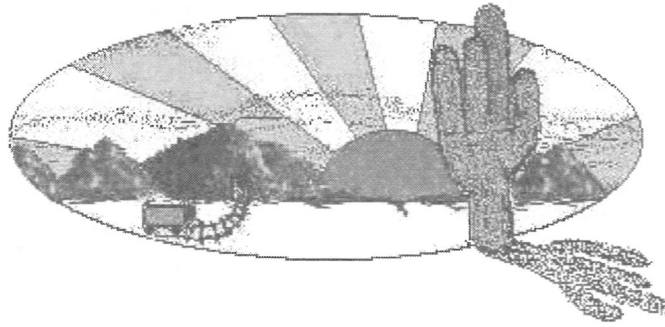


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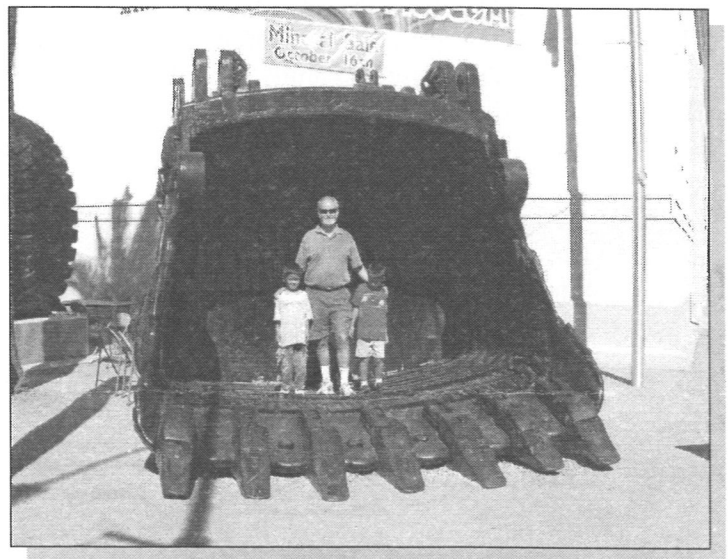
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Chairman's Letter

By Ray Grant

I suspect that you have heard about the Governor's plan to change the Mining and Mineral Museum into the Centennial Museum. At the present time we have no idea how this will affect the Foundation and our collection. Most of the people associated with the Museum are against putting it under the Historical Society and reducing the role of minerals in the exhibits. We will try to keep members apprised of what is happening by e-mail. Think positive.

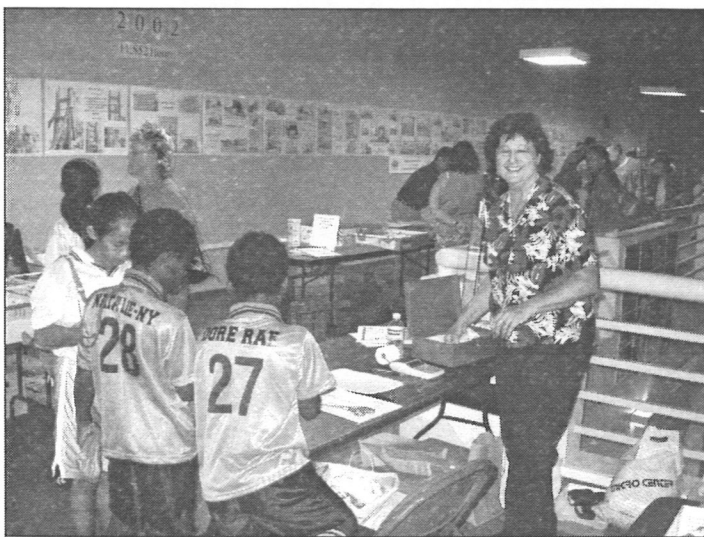
I want to thank the many people who made donations of specimens to the Foundation at the end of 2009 and in 2010. They include Chuck Kominski, Ed Davis, Gary Spraggins, Jeff Johnson, Dana Slaughter, Rukin Jelks, Brian Beck, Dr. Armitage, Dennis Foreman, Andy Clark, Mark Hay, Dick Morris, Les Presmyk, and Terry Stambaugh. After the Flagg Show dealer fees, the sales at the Flagg



Families come to the Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum for an educational experience.

Show, Minerals of Arizona Symposium, and Fall Family Day are our second major source of income. We depend on the donations to have material for our sales. Keep looking in your garage and collections for minerals to donate. We also give away thousands of specimens to kids at the Flagg Show and always need more of that type of material.

Don't forget to check the Minerals of Arizona Symposium program and registration material in this newsletter (Saturday March 20). This is the 18th year that we have held the symposium and we have another great lineup of speakers. You don't want to miss this symposium. We will also feature some interesting things in the silent auction at the symposium. Chuck Kominski has lined up a field trip for Sunday (March 21) for the Symposium participants. Time and place to meet will given out at the Symposium.



Lavone helps young people build a mineral collection. Thanks for all your hard work, Lavone!

Join the Foundation

The Arizona Mineral and Mining Museum Foundation was formed to support the Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum. Over the years, many Benefactors have donated cherished collections, and though all are greatly appreciated, they can not all be displayed. We preserve what we can, and hold sales to allow others to add these treasures to their personal collections. The proceeds are used to acquire specimens and fund Museum projects.

Foundation Activities

The Foundation holds the Flagg Show each January at Mesa Community College, and hosts a Symposium each March on Arizona Minerals and Localities. A sale is held at the Museum in October in conjunction with The Museum Family Day. We go on field trips to working mines that might not be available to individual collectors.

For \$25 you can be a member and will receive:

- ⇒ A subscription to the Foundation newsletter.
- ⇒ Free Admission to the Museum.
- ⇒ A 10% discount at the Museum store.
- ⇒ An invitation and discount for special events.
- ⇒ Admission to Members-Only Pre-Sales.
- ⇒ Invitation to Field Trips.
- ⇒ A Foundation membership card.

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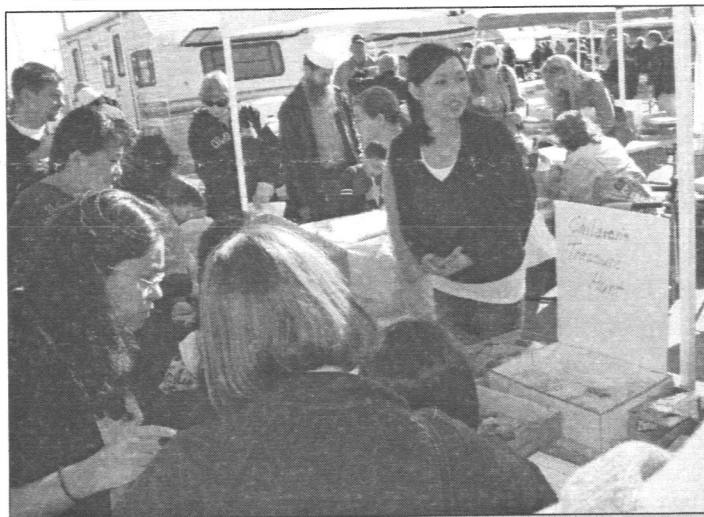
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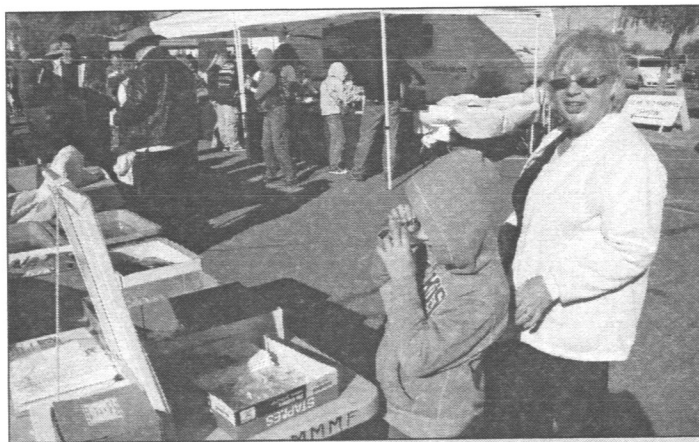
Send This Form and \$25 To:
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Mesa, AZ 85274

Upcoming Events

Foundation Meeting Thurs., Mar. 18, 2010 7:00 p.m.	Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum 1502 W. Washington St.
18th Minerals of Arizona Symposium – Sat., March 20, 2010	Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum 1502 W. Washington St.
Collection Committee Fourth Tuesday of Each Month	Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum 1502 W. Washington St. 7:00 p.m.
Flagg Gem and Mineral Show Jan. 7, 8, and 9, 2011	Mesa Community College



Kids are the main focus of the Flagg Show for the MCC students who volunteer and for the Foundation!



A young mineralogist using his new loupe.

Genie Howell wins the 2010 A. L. Flagg Distinguished Service Award

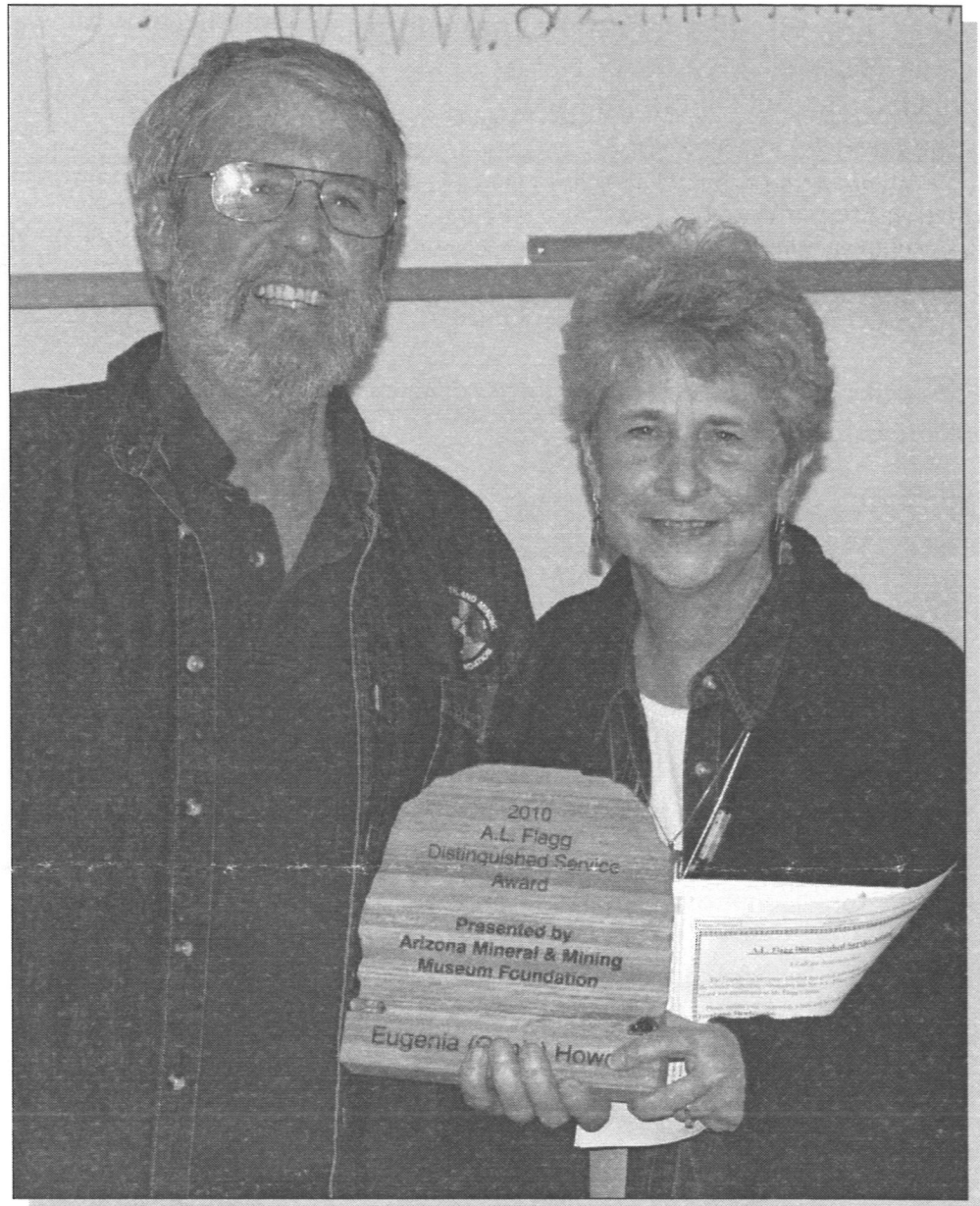
By Ray Grant with
information supplied by Genie

Genie Howell was awarded the 2010 A. L. Flagg Distinguished Service Award at the January Annual Meeting of the Foundation. Genie has been on the Foundation's Board for twenty years. She has served as Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Collection Committee chair, and Awards Committee chair. She was part of the group in 1991 that moved the Foundation collection from the Museum at the Fairgrounds to the present Museum.

Genie has been interested in minerals and geology since she was 10 years old. On a family trip west she started to pick up rocks, buy some petrified wood and azurite and visit places like the Grand Canyon. Her sister had to

suffer through all the "rock stops". Genie's interest continued at home and soon she had a collection in four showcases in the family dining room. In her early years, two important mentors were Lester Kibler, a lapidary hobbyist from Luray, who worked for the Luray Caverns, and Charles Haun, a high school teacher in a nearby-community. Years of science fairs led to her being a finalist at the 13th Annual National Science Fair-International held at the Seattle World's Fair in 1962. A picture of Genie and her exhibit is in the 1963 Book of Knowledge Annual.

In 1968 Genie graduated from the Virginia Tech with a BS in Geology. Her career has been quite varied. She ran a small rock shop in Virginia with her mother. She volunteered as a tour guide at the



Arizona Mineral Museum, and was then hired as a tour guide at the Museum under Art Bloyd. Genie managed Van's Pretty Rocks in Metrocenter, and worked as a hydrologist for the Arizona Department of Water Resources. She retired from the state in 2000.

Here are some thoughts from Genie: "Today from home I look toward the Bradshaw Mountains, a fine example of regional metamorphism, the study of these mountains brought Arthur Flagg and his family from Rhode Island to Arizona in 1914. My next-door neighbor collects minerals. A daughter and a granddaughter of my sister collect amethyst. Revenge is sweet! My sister comes when she can to go to the shows in Quartzsite and Tucson. Life is good."

Minerals of AZ 18th Annual Symposium

Saturday March 20, 2010 from 8 AM. to 5 PM.
Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum,
15th Avenue and Washington

Tentative Program

8:00 - 9:00 - Coffee Hour

9:00 - 9:10 - Welcoming Remarks and Introductions

9:10 - 9:40 - Arizona's Mineral Heritage – a new
book project – Les Presmyk

9:40 - 10:10 - Smithsonite in Arizona – Tony
Potucek

10:10 - 10:50 - Break, Mineral Silent Auction

10:50 - 11:20 - Aquamarine from Sierrita
Mountains, Pima County, Arizona – Barbara
Muntyan

11:20 - 11:50 - The Eureka Mining District &
Vicinity (T13.5-15.5N, R9W), Yavapai County,
Arizona – Anna Domitrovic

11:50 - 1:20 - Lunch, Mineral Silent Auction

1:20 - 1:50 - How to find a meteorite in Arizona –
Carlton Moore

1:50 - 2:20 - Crown King Ore Deposits - Brian Beck

2:20 - 2:50 - Break, Mineral Silent Auction

2:50 - 3:20 - Rare minerals from Tiger, Arizona–
Harvey Jong and Joe Ruiz

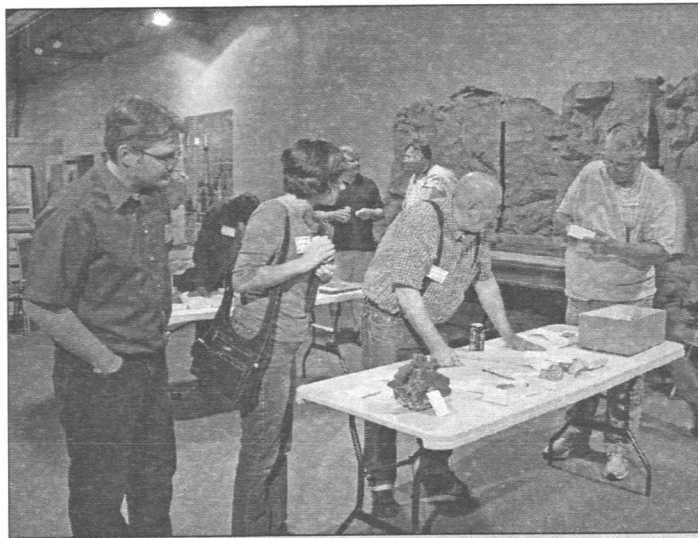
3:20 – 3:50 - Mineralogy of the Grandview mine,
Grand Canyon – Ray Grant, Malcolm Alter, and
Peter Williams

3:50 – 4:20 - What's New in Arizona Minerals –
Marcus Origlieri, Harvey Jong and Ray Grant

4:20 - Closing remarks

We will have a symposium field trip on Sunday
March 21 to the Big Horn pit in Tonopah. The

meeting time and place will be given out at the
symposium. You will need sturdy shoes, long pants
and long sleeve shirt, hardhat, water, food, and
collecting tools. Some of the collecting will be
breaking up large boulders.



Silent Auction at 2009 Symposium

Symposium Registration Form:

Please mail this form with the \$35.00 registration fee
(Foundation members pay \$30.00) before March 14,
2010 so lunch and other food can be ordered.
Mail to:

AZ Mineral and Mining Museum Foundation
P.O. Box 41834
Mesa, Arizona 85274

Make checks payable to: Arizona Mineral and
Mining Museum Foundation or AMMMF.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____
registrations.

Name(s):

Address:

2010 Annual Meeting Minutes (Draft)

Arizona Mineral and Mining Museum Foundation
January 7, 2010

Attendees: Lavone Archer, Neil Bearce, Pierre Cantou, Darrel Dodd, Cynthia & Ray Grant, Genie & Jack Howell, Paul Jaeger, Jeff Johnson, Harvey Jong, Chuck Kominski, Carleton Moore, Sam Nasser, Phil Richardson, Dana Slaughter, Kelli Smith, George Stevens, Harry Warren, Mike Williams, Bill Yedowitz

The meeting was called to order by Ray Grant. He thanked members for attending the meeting.

A. Treasurer's Report (Darrel Dodd)

Darrel reported that the current balance of Foundation's checking account is around \$16,000. He asked for any bills.

B. Committee Reports**1. Collection Committee (Bill Yedowitz)**

Bill thanked members for donating minerals. The materials have really helped, and the Foundation always has a need for quality specimens.

Bill pointed out that the next Collection Committee meeting will be held on the fourth Tuesday in January (1/26) and invited interested members to attend.

2. Website: www.azminfun.com also www.flaggshow.info (Harvey Jong)

Harvey indicated that he experienced problems updating the website - all existing files were write protected. In spite of this, he managed to upload the annual New Year's mineral ball animation. The 2010 ball is a cavansite with stilbite from Poona, India.

3. Newsletter (Steve Decker)

No update since Steve wasn't able to attend the meeting.

4. Field Trips (Chuck Kominski)

Chuck mentioned that he was working on four different field trips which include Rosemont, Reymert, and the Collins Cut. He indicated that he is

making lots of phone calls, but so far hasn't able to get a commitment. Ray thanked Chuck for his continuing efforts in organizing trips and dealing with the frustrations of tracking down people to get approvals.

5. Flagg Show - 2010 (January 8,9,10)

a. Need help with sales, kid's activities, and cleanup

Ray pointed out the record number of dealers setting up at the show and asked for volunteers to help with show activities. He commented that help on Sunday was especially needed.

There was a brief discussion on new ways of publicizing the show. A billboard ad was suggested.

6. A. L. Flagg Award (Genie Howell)

Ray asked to Genie to come forward to describe the award and nomination process. He made a surprise presentation of the 2010 award to Genie. He indicated that she was being honored for her many years of active participation which include serving as the Foundation's Secretary, Vice Chairperson, Collection Committee Chairperson, and Historian.

7. Minerals of Arizona Symposium - March 20, 2010

Ray reminded members that the 18th Annual Minerals of Arizona Symposium will be held on March 20th. He mentioned that he has identified about half of the speakers and asked members interested in making a presentation to contact him. Ray indicated that he wanted to send out a preliminary program next month.

C. Old Business

1. Case and plans for collectors to exhibit
Phil Richardson mentioned that the first exhibit may be the Rukin Jelks collection. He indicated that he would contact Jan Rasmussen about making the necessary arrangements. There was some discussion about when to hold the reception. A separate event where the Foundation scholarship could be announced was suggested.

2. Any other old business
None.

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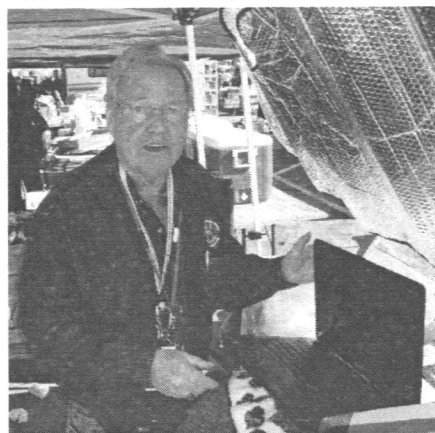
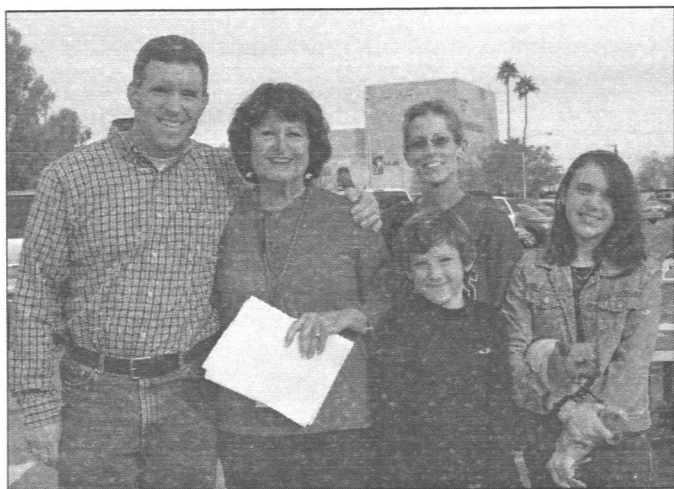
2010 Flagg Show

by Ray Grant

The 2010 Flagg Show was the very best that the Foundation has sponsored! The weather was perfect. We had 130 paid dealers, the most ever. The kid's booth was a great success. There were three school bus loads on Friday and almost more kids lined up then we could take care of on Saturday. Thanks to Donna Benson and some MCC students for their help with the kid's activities on Saturday. Sunday was busy but not like the other madhouse days. The foundation also had great sales at our booth.



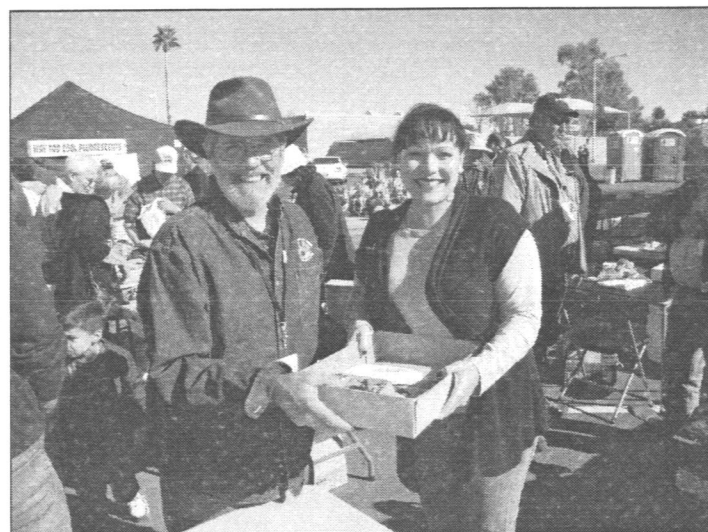
So many people helped to make the show such a success. Three people stand out as doing the work needed to make the show so great. Lavone Archer took on the job of setting up the parking lot and communicating with the dealers. She had the hard job of assigning spaces to dealers and trying to satisfy their requests. All in all it went very well and there were only a few complaints. Terrific job Lavone!



Darrel Dodd has all the best minerals on his computer hard drive, making them much easier to carry!

Harvey Jong designed and made the show poster, helped Lavone with the dealer spaces and made a large magnetic board where we could locate any dealer at the show. Bill Yedowitz spent hours getting all the Foundation materials for the sale labeled and priced. This made our sale very successful. There are many others who helped before and during the show and we could not do the show without them. They included Cynthia Grant, Darrel Dodd, Jack and Genie Howell, Phil, Kathleen, Erica and Allison Richardson, Terry Stambaugh, Steve Decker, Nancy Ratcliff, Mike Williams, Tony Occhiuzzi, Jeff Johnson (all the way from Morenci), Paul Jaeger, Marc Fleischer, Dana Slaughter, Chuck and Harris Kominski, Steve and Mason Kaminski, John Mooney, Doug Lindsay, Bob Jones, Ann and Karl Baker, Rick Obermiller, Homer Hughes, Kara and Amy Gallo, Savannah Gale, Kaycee Gale, Thomas Webb-Sandoval, Maria Wolsiffer, Neil Bearce, Mike Shannon, and Susie Herrick. Thank you all,

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Ray shares some educational specimens with a fellow teacher.

Annual Meeting Minutes (Draft)

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D. New Business

1. Election of Board and Officers

Ray pointed out the main item of business for the Annual Meeting involves electing Trustees and Officers. He indicated that the Nominating Committee recommended continuing the terms for Board Members whose terms expire in 2010. The slate of Trustee candidates include:

Lavone Archer
Marc Fleischer
Ray Grant
Chuck Kominski
Doug Lindsay
Les Presmyk

Ray also announced that current Foundation Officers will be re-nominated for another term in their respective positions:

Ray Grant, Chairman
Phil Richardson, Vice-Chairman
Darrel Dodd, Treasurer
Harvey Jong, Secretary

Lavone Archer, Corresponding Secretary

Ray asked for any additional nominations from the floor, but there were no new candidate recommendations. Bill moved to close nominations and approve the slate of Board Members and Officers. Neil Bearce seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ray pointed out that he has been serving as Chairman for many years and that it's time to bring in some new blood. He encouraged members to consider becoming an Officer.

2. Any new business

Superstition Mountain Lost Dutchman Museum
Ray described the museum and the relationship with the Foundation. He pointed out that as part of the Peralta Stone loan agreement Foundation members receive free admission. He encouraged members to visit the museum.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Harry Warren moved to adjourn the meeting, while Bill seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Next Foundation meeting -
Thursday March 18, 7 PM at the Museum

Respectfully submitted,
Harvey Jong, Secretary

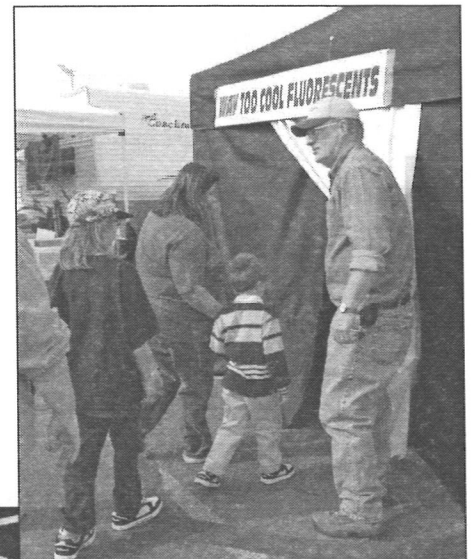
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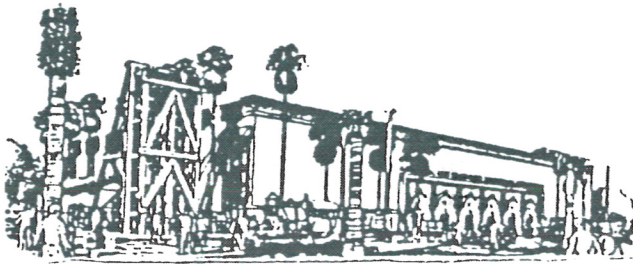
you did a great job.

A special exhibit of fluorescent minerals including a 400 pound boulder was set up by Bill Gardner. It was a hit, and Jack Howell has become our resident fluorescent expert. In the last few years, Bill has worked the Purple Passion mine near Wickenburg for fluorescent minerals. You need to go to his web site, www.purplepassionmine.com, and look at the photographs of the boulders that he has mined and the photographs of the mining activity. He recently shipped a 3,800 pound fluorescent boulder to China. The boulders contain calcite – fluoresces bright red, willemite – fluoresces green to yellow green, fluorite – fluoresces blue to violet, and aragonite – fluoresces light blue to white. Many thanks to Bill for his contribution.

Jack Howell shows off the great exhibit Bill Gardner worked so hard to set up before the start of the Flagg Show. Bill had to be at his day job all weekend and missed the show himself.



Folks really enjoyed the "Way Too Cool Fluorescents" display at the 2010 Flagg Show, Thanks to Bill!



Foundation Officers

Chairman	Ray Grant
Vice-Chairman	Phil Richardson
Treasurer	Darrel Dodd
Secretary	Harvey Jong
Corresponding Secretary	Lavone Archer

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<i>Glenn Hoffman</i>	2011
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