

## **2020 WINTER NEWSLETTER**

Dear Valued Customer:

How fast time flies! It seems like just yesterday we were concerned with the heat, storms and heavy rain. Now we have the cold, wind and snow to contend with. Oh well, let's turn our thoughts to books, minerals and mining memorabilia. Are you looking for a book or two to read this winter? Check-out this Newsletter for a nice selection of books, as well as minerals and mining memorabilia. I hope to hear from you soon. Also, please let me know if you are looking for any special book?

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**H70 FIELD GUIDE TO THE GEOLOGY OF THE KEWEENAW PENINSULA, MICHIGAN** by Theodore J. Bornhorst, William I. Rose, Jr. & James B. Paces, 1992. (First printing was 1983) Prepared as a field trip guide for the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Institute on Lake Superior Geology held at Michigan Technological University on May 11 – 14, 1983. Full of excellent information, maps and illustrations. Large size, 116 pages, softcover. \$35.00

**H142 NEW MEXICO MINING HERITAGE GUIDE** by John R. Park, 2006. "This book is a history of the mineral resources of New Mexico, in encyclopedic form." This guide is great at providing a wealth of information about mines and mining related subjects in New Mexico. 164 pages, photos, index, softcover. \$20.00

**H892 SAUK COUNTY MINING – THE ILLINOIS, IROQUOIS, LaRue AND BEYOND** by Mid-Continent Railway Gazette Vol. 36, No. 4, December, 2003. Excellent information and photos of this Wisconsin iron mining area, known as the Baraboo Range. 39 pages, excellent old photos, maps, softcover. Scarce! \$17.00

**H964 GHOST MINE MAPS: A GUIDE TO THE HISTORIC MINES OF THE BLACK HILLS OF SOUTH DAKOTA** by Dale Baity. The author maps 2,300 square miles of the Black Hills and locates over 880 ghost mines. Each historic mine, mapped in this guide, is located by tier, range, section and quarter section. Alternate names mined at each location are listed. Large size, photos, softcover. \$33.00

**H965 GHOST TOWN MAPS: A GUIDE TO THE HISTORIC TOWNS OF THE BLACK HILLS OF SOUTH DAKOTA** by Dale Baity, 2006. The author maps nearly 400 ghost and historic towns and covers 2,300 square miles of the Black Hills of South Dakota. Each historic town mapped in this guide, is located by tier, range, section and alternate town names. Large size, 73 pages, s.c. \$33.00

**H534 MICHIGAN GOLD: THE HISTORY OF THE ROPES MINE** by Michael P. Basal. *Matrix Journal Vol. 11 Number 1, 2003*. The author provides excellent information about the mine and the minerals from this historic Michigan gold mine, as described by an authority on the Ropes Gold Mine. Scarce! \$20.00

**RG1 ROPES GOLD MINE CROSS SECTION SLAB** – Size 8" x 7 ½" x ¼" thick. An interesting pattern on this specimen from this famous Michigan gold mine. \$45.00

**RG2 ROPES GOLD MINE CROSS SECTION SLAB** – Another interesting specimen! Size 7 ½" x 5 ½" x ¼" thick. \$40.00

**PC228 PHOTO – MICHIGAN GOLD MINE** – Black & white photo, size 6 ¾" x 5". Photos shows mine headframe with miners in the background. The Michigan Gold Mine is located in Marquette County, Michigan. \$8.00

**RG3 GOLD, PYRITE & TETRAHEDRITE IN QUARTZ** – From the Gold Bluff Prospect, north of the Dead River, Marquette County, Michigan. Collected 11/1/99. Very nice small specimen mounted in a 1 ¼" square plastic display box. \$50.00

**RG4 GOLD ON PYRITE WITH QUARTZ** – This specimen also comes from the Gold Bluff Prospect, north of the Dead River, Marquette County, Michigan. Collected on 10/15/2000. Size ¾" x 1" x 5/8", mounted on a clear plastic base. \$25.00

**PC229 PHOTO OF FRANK LUNDIN WHO ACQUIRED A LEASE ON THE ROPES PROPERTY IN 1927 INSPECTING AN ORE SAMPLE –** Black & white photo, size 6 ¾" x 5". The Ropes Gold Mine is also located in Marquette County, Michigan. \$8.00

**L10 MICHIGAN GOLD & SILVER: MINING IN THE UPPER PENINSULA** by Daniel R. Fountain, 2013. Spanning the U.P. in geography and in time, the author takes the reader from silver deposits in Wakefield to gold ores in Marquette, from tiny one-man exploration shafts to the mechanized mining in the modern era. 243 pages, photos, illustrations, maps, index, s.c. \$18.95

**Customers sometimes ask: What are some popular books that you are selling? I am listing five books that have been popular!**

**H1262 COLORADO'S GREAT DEPRESSION GOLD RUSH: THE OLIVER TWIST TUNNEL** by V. Larry Frank, Jr., 2017. George and Robert Elder put their savings and their sweat into the London Mountain Gold Mining Company, working devotedly to coax a bonanza from the old Oliver Twist Tunnel atop the 13,185 – foot-high Mosquito Pass. 176 pages, 125 historic photos, illustrations, softcover. An interesting book! \$18.95

**H1291 THE GOLD KING MINE** by David L. Thayer & Douglas R. Thayer, 2018. A really interesting book that tells the history of the Gold King Mine and the events leading to the Gold King Mines spill of 2015. The Gold King Mine is located in San Juan County, Colorado. 149 pages, photos, illustrations, index, softcover. \$16.95

**H40 WHITE PINE COPPER: AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF THE MINE AND ITS INGOTS** by Bruce Cox, 2014. At its height in 1974 the mine located in White Pine, Michigan employed 3,100 people. This book explains about the operations of the White Pine Mine, as well as providing stories and photos of the memorabilia items that were made at the mine. Large size, 77 pages, photos, softcover. \$21.95.

**H1038 BONANZAS TO BORRASCAS: THE MINES OF TOMBSTONE, ARIZONA** by Burton Devere, Jr. "For 82 years mining sustained Tombstone, but only six years, from 1879 to 1885 could be considered profitable. The boom ended when the water was struck in the lower workings, and the district languished until 1900, only to be revived by an ambitious professional and expensive development known as the Tombstone Consolidated Mines Company. Assets of the Tombstone Consolidated Mines Company was passed to Phelps Dodge, who operated until 1933. After that a succession of firms and lessees carried on until 1979." 205 pages, photos, illustrations, index, hardcover, dust jacket. \$34.95

**L12 MY HOME AT PRESENT** by Duane Smith and Mark & Karen Vendl, 2013. Life in the San Juan Boarding House of the nineteenth century could be dangerous and exciting, but also deadly and boring. This totally illustrated history explains what life was like in the Colorado mountains away from home. 168 pages, illustrations, hardcover, dust jacket. One of my favorite books! \$39.95

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**H742 SILVER & GOLD: CASED IMAGES OF THE CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH** edited by Drew Heath Johnson & Marcia Eymann, 1998. "Silver and Gold, the first book-length treatment of the earliest major historical phenomenon to be recorded by the camera lens, presents more than 150 extraordinary daguerreotypes and ambrotypes, many never before published, from private and institutional collections across the country." Large size, 226 pages, spectacular photos, softcover. \$25.00

**H1078 MICHIGAN'S COLUMBUS: THE LIFE OF DOUGLASS HOUGHTON** by Steve Lehto, 2009. As the fledging state's first geologist, he found more than any explorer before him. His reports helped launch a "rush" to the Keweenaw Peninsula's Copper Country. 166 pages, photos, bibliography, softcover. \$23.00

**H885 MISSOURI MINING HERITAGE GUIDE** by John R. Park, 2006. "If you are planning to visit any mining sites in Missouri, this book is a must." 279 pages, photos, maps, index, softcover. \$25.95

**H853 THE CORPSE ON BOOMERANG ROAD: TELLURIDE'S WAR ON LABOR 1899-1908** by MaryJoy Martin. A century ago, a war between union organizers and mine operators rocked Telluride, Colorado as western miners sought a decent wage and safe working conditions. A well-researched and informative book! 377 pages, photos, index, hardcover, dust jacket. \$29.95

**H770 MARYLAND MINING HERITAGE GUIDE** by John R. Park, 2003. A comprehensive guide to mining sites in Maryland. 89 pages, photographs, maps, index, softcover. \$16.95

**H921 MINES AND GEOLOGY OF THE RANDSBURG AREA: AN HISTORICAL GEM OF THE MOJAVE DISTRICT** by D.D. Trent, 2015. 38 pages, photos, index, softcover. \$12.95

**POSTCARDS – Postcards are mailed postpaid!**

**PC216 BURKE, IDAHO: MILL OF THE HECLA MINING CO.** – Nice color view of this mill. \$5.00

**PC217 WEBB-SUSQUEHANNA – WEGGUM IRON ORE MINE** – A view from an observation point of the deepest open-pit iron mine on Minnesota's Mesabi Iron Range at Hibbing. Color card. \$4.00

**PC218 QUINCY NO. 2 SHAFT** – Located in Hancock, Michigan, this mine ceased production in 1945. The #2 shaft went down 9,260 feet. Color card. \$4.00

**PC219 OLD QUINCY MINE #1** – This is the famous shaft house that was constructed with many gables. Color card. \$4.00

**PC220 WHITE PINE MINE** – Located in White Pine, Michigan this color card shows a good view of the mine and smelter. \$4.00

**PC221 ARGO TUNNEL AND MILL, IDAHO SPRINGS, COLORADO** – Black & white card showing a neat view! \$8.00

**PC223 PLACER MINING AND MOUNT OF THE HOLY CROSS SOUTH PARK DIV. C & S COLORADO** – Black & white photo. Published by Barkalow Brothers, Denver, Colorado. \$8.00

**PC224 RICHEST HILL ON EARTH, BUTTE, MONTANA** – Great color view of the mines. \$5.00

**PC225 MESABI MOUNTAIN, VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA** – Color card shows a “new electric shovel loading iron ore” in the mine. \$4.00

**PC226 HULL RUST MINE – HIBBING, MINNESOTA** – Color view of mine, also shows a steam engine pulling ore cars in the lower corner of the card. \$4.00

**PC227 OMAHA PLANT AMERICAN SMELTING & REFINING COMPANY** – Color view of the smelting and refining complex. (crease on r.h. lower corner) \$5.00

**PC228 UNDERGROUND IN A MICHIGAN COPPER MINE** – Neat color card showing miners underground. \$8.00

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**H9 CORNISH IN AMERICA: LINDEN, WISCONSIN** by Jim Jewell, 1990. The Cornish came to Linden and southwest Wisconsin to mine lead and zinc ore. This is an interesting historical glimpse at the immigrants from Cornwall, England. 128 pages, photos, softcover. \$15.95

**H245 ON THE STEAM ENGINES IN CORNWALL** by Thomas Lean, 1969. This reprint of a rare and little-known classic will be welcomed by all who are interested in the history of steam engineering and of the Cornish beam engine in particular. 152 pages, tables, fold-out-plate, hardcover, dust jacket. \$35.00

**H121b EAST WHEAL ROSE** by H.L. Douch, 1979. This is the history of Cornwall’s greatest lead mines. 88 pages, photos, illustrations, softcover. \$15.95

**H98 EAST POOL & AGAR: A CORNISH MINING LEGEND** by Philip Heffer, edited by J.H. Trounson, 1985. “The history of the East Pool and Wheal Agar Mining Companies is one of absorbing interest to anyone researching the subject of Cornish mining in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.” 60 pages, excellent photos, softcover. \$15.95

**TS1 MICHELL – A FAMILY OF CORNISH ENGINEERS 1740-1910** by F. Bice Michell, 1984. The Michell family was involved with pumping engines, winding engines, stamping engines, etc. 76 pages, illustrations, softcover. Scarce! \$20.00 (One available)

**H1243 RECONNAISSANCE OF METAL MINING IN THE SAN JUAN REGION: OURAY, SAN JUAN AND SAN MIGUEL COUNTIES, COLORADO** by William H. King & Paul T. Allsman. March, 1950. *Bureau of Mines Informational Circular 7554*. (Reprinted 2016 by Will Meyerreicks). The quality of this publication has been upgraded as well as the addition of 31 photographs, some historical and some modern to compliment the text. Large size, 164 pages, maps, photos, softcover. \$27.95

**H379 SILVERTON THEN & NOW** (Revised edition) by Allan G. Bird, 1999. This interesting book provides the reader with a pictorial journey through Silverton, Colorado from 1874 to 1922 and beyond. 198 pages, photos, index, softcover. \$14.95

**H513 GHOSTS AND GOLD: THE HISTORY OF THE OLD HUNDRED MINE** by Scott Fetchenhier, 1999. The Old Hundred Mine in Silverton, Colorado had led a long and fascinating history lasting over 130 years. The author takes you back into the past with the absorbing documentation of one of the most-asked-about mines in Silverton. 143 pages, photos, softcover. \$19.95

**H396 VOLCANOGENIC MASSIVE SULFIDE DEPOSITS OF NORTHERN WISCONSIN: A COMMEMORATIVE VOLUME** edited by Gene L. LaBerge, 1996. *Institute on Lake Superior Geology Proceedings Volume 42, Part 2*. This publication contains a vast amount of information on the Flambeau Mine, its ore body, etc. The Flambeau Mine is located in Ladysmith, Wisconsin and was a rich open-pit copper mine. It is now closed and the mining property has been reclaimed and is back to its natural state. Large size, 179 pages, maps, illustrations, color aerial view of the mine on the cover. \$30.00

**If you are looking to add to your collection a few nice Michigan specimens, here is a listing of specimens at reasonable prices! Please note that only one of each specimen is available. All dimensions are in inches. Dimensions and weights are approximate.**

**M331 COPPER/SILVER** – From the Superior Mine, Houghton County, Michigan. An attractive copper nugget with a nice area of silver on the r.h. top corner. Mounted on a clear plastic display base. Size 1 ½" x 5/8" x ½". \$40.00

**M332 COPPER/SILVER** – Another specimen from the Superior Mine, Houghton County, Michigan. This is a small, but eye-catching specimen size 5/8" x ¾" x 3/8" with a nice area of silver on the l.h. corner. Mounted on a clear plastic base. \$16.00

**M333 COPPER, QUARTZ & CHLORITE** – From the Rhode Island Mine, Houghton County, Michigan. Size 3" x 1 ½" x 1 ¾". This specimen will display well! \$22.00

**M334 FELDSPAR & EPIDOTE** – From the Nebraska Mine, Ontonagon County, Michigan. Size 2 5/8" x 2" x 1 1/8". Nice mix of colors in this specimen. \$22.00

**M335 CALCITE CAST COPPER FORMATION** – From the Central Exploration Mine, Keweenaw County, Michigan. Size 2 5/8" x 2" x 3/16". A delicate looking specimen with an unusual formation. \$22.00

**M337 COPPER & EPIDOTE** – From the C & H Mine, Osceola pile, Houghton County, Michigan. Size 1 ¼" x ½" x 1 ½". This is an eye-catching specimen. \$22.00

**M339 COPPER & FELDSPAR** – From the Seneca Mine, Keweenaw County, Michigan. Size 2 ½" x 1 ½" x 1 ¼". Looks like you are looking into vugs of copper and feldspar. An aesthetic specimen! Displays well. \$24.00

**M340 COPPER CRYSTALS** – From the Central Mine, Keweenaw County, Michigan. Size 2 ¼" x 1 1/8" x ¾". This specimen shows an interesting pattern of copper crystals. \$45.00

**M342 COPPER CRYSTAL, PREHNITE & DATOLITE** – From the Mass Mine, Ontonagon County, Michigan. Size 1 ¾" x 1 ½" x 7/8". This specimen will catch your eye with the large copper crystal at the top of the specimen. Very nice specimen! \$60.00

**M343 POLISHED CORE SAMPLE** – Chrysocolla in Conglomerate from Bumbletown Hill, Allouez, Michigan. Chrysocolla forms in the oxidation zones of copper ore bodies. Size 1 ½" diameter x 2 ¼" high. The entire core sample has been polished, which allows the chrysocolla to really stand out. \$75.00

**M344 COPPER** – From the C & H MINE, OSCEOLA, Houghton County, Michigan. Size 1 ¼" x 2" x 1 ¾". This is an interesting specimen due to the fact that the copper is like a plate of copper with the copper formed vertically (1 ¾") at the back of the specimen. Catches your attention! \$24.00

**M345 COPPER & CHLORITE** – From the Central Mine, Keweenaw County, Michigan. Size 2 ½" x 1 ½" x ½". Lots going on with this specimen! The chlorite is on the l.h. side and the copper on the r.h. side. An interesting specimen! \$24.00

**M346 COPPER CRYSTALS** – From the White Pine Mine, White Pine, Michigan. Size 2 ¾" x 1 ½" x 1/16". This specimen reminds you of a tree, with branches. Delicate looking! Comes with a color postcard showing the mine. \$40.00

**M351 GOLD** – An eye appealing display of five small pieces of gold from Dry Creek, located near Shasta Lake, California. The gold is displayed in a 1 ¼" diameter gem jar. Very nice! \$38.00

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**CHB THE COPPER HANDBOOK: A MANUAL OF THE COPPER INDUSTRY OF THE WORLD VOLUME VII 1907** by Horace J. Stevens. 1,228 pages plus 52 pages of interesting mining advertisements, index, hardcover. (Covers show wear and are loose) Priced accordingly. \$110.00

**H88 GOLD CAMPS & SILVER CITIES: NINETEENTH-CENTURY MINING IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN IDAHO** by Merle W. Wells, 2002. Idaho's gold excitement began in 1862 and for many it has never ended. Boom or bust – adventurous miners scrambled by the hundreds to promising diggings in central and southern Idaho. Large size, 233 pages, photos, maps, index, softcover. \$30.00 (Two available)

**H749 GOLD AND SILVER IN THE MOJAVE: IMAGES OF A LOST FRONTIER** by Nicholas Clapp, 2012. Overnight towns named Randsburg, Tonopah, Goldfield, Rhyolite, Greenwater, Skidoo, Ballarat and Bagdad popped up in this arid desert as gold and silver was discovered. The rush was on as miners worked their various digs. This is an exhaustively researched book! 200 pages, photos, index, softcover. \$27.95

**H1244 VIRGINIA CITY: TO DANCE WITH THE DEVIL** by Nicholas Clapp, 2015. This has been a very popular book for anyone interested in the history of Virginia City! This book has it all – great photographs, excellent illustrations, a beautiful lay-out and an excellent text! The book portrays the virtues and vices of a frontier boom-and-bust life. The author has certainly captured the spirit of the time. This is a book that you will want to add to your library! Large size, 216 pages, great color and black & white photos, illustrations, high quality paper, softcover. \$28.95

**H1256 BODIE: GOOD TIMES & BAD** by Nicholas Clapp, 2017. The author reveals the often-harsh life of those seeking fortune and hopes and dreams of the families who followed. "Good bye God; we are going to Bodie!" Large size, 144 pages, color photos, softcover. Another really interesting book by Nicholas Clapp. \$25.95

**H1288 ROCKHOONDING WISCONSIN: A GUIDE TO THE STATE'S BEST SITES** by Robert Beard, 2018. Explore the mineral-rich region and unearth the state's best rockhounding sites, ranging from popular and commercial sites to numerous lesser-known areas. 288 pages, 84 collecting localities are included in this book, photos, index, softcover. \$24.95

**H1268 LAS VEGAS & TONOPAH RAILROAD: THE GOLDFIELD ROUTE** by Phil Serpico. An historical account of the rise and demise of the LV&T (1905-1919) and its service to the gold & silver mining districts of southern Nevada, including Tonopah, Goldfield, Bullfrog and Rhyolite. Large size, 160 pages, photos and illustrations, including timetables and maps. Hardcover. \$42.95

**H1270 TONOPAH & TIDEWATER RAILROAD: THE NEVADA SHORT LINE** by Phil Serpico, 2013. The railroad originally operated from Ludlow, California to Gold Center, Nevada and served as a connecting line to the gold and silver mines of southern Nevada and in latter days thrived as a shipper of talc and clay. Includes material on the Death Valley and "Baby Gage" railroads at Ryan, as well as Bullfrog, Goldfield, Las Vegas & Tonopah, Tecopa, Borate and Daggett, and the Ludlow & Southern railroads. Large size, 296 pages, photos, illustrations, hardcover, dust jacket. A beautiful book! \$57.95

**H1304 A ROAD TO RICHES: THE RANDSBURG RAILROAD AND MINING DISTRICT** by Phil Serpico, 2019. An historic epic of California desert railroad construction and operation in the Rand Mining District of the Mojave Desert from 1897 to 1934. Read about the discovery of gold on Rand Mountain, the immense tungsten deposits at Atolia and the rich silver at Red Mountain. Also includes material on the various stamp mills serving the area. Large size, 112 pages, photos, illustrations, maps, h.c. \$32.95

**H1305 JAWBONE: SUNSET ON THE LONE PINE** by Phil Serpico, 2016. Beginning in 1908 the Southern Pacific Railroad commenced construction of a standard-gauge railroad running north and east from Mojave to Owens Valley. This book examines the history of the Mojave-Owens branch, later called Lone Pine Branch and more affectionately "The Jawbone", and the subsequent business relations along the route. This wide range of historical and photographic material has never before been compiled under one cover! Large size, 128 pages, maps, color and black & white photos, illustrations, hardcover. \$42.95

**H1269 LIFE IN THE GHOST CITY OF RHYOLITE, NEVADA** by Betsy Ritter, 1939. Reprinted 2012. The author (aka Mrs. Elizabeth Clemens wife of *Rhyolite Herald* editor Earle R. Clemens) revisits the bustling life of the Bullfrog Mining District with memories of the fast and furious times of Rhyolite. Large size, 56 pages, black & white images, softcover. \$17.50

**W965 PROSPECTING AND MINING ADVENTURES IN ALASKA** by Ron Wendt, 2005. 71 pages, photos, softcover. \$15.95

**EMPIRE MINE BRASS TAG** – The Empire Mine is located in Marquette, County, Michigan. The tag has an ornate shape, 1 ½" x 1 5/8" high. At the top is EMPIRE; below MINE and at the bottom 524. \$25.00

**MM496 TILDEN MINE BRASS TOOL CHECK** – The Tilden Mine is located in Marquette County, Michigan. 1 ¼" diameter. At the top of the tool check is TILDEN; below 744 and at the bottom TOOL CHECK. \$20.00

**MM498 LLOYD MINE BRASS TAG** – The Lloyd Mine is located in Marquette County, Michigan. This brass tag has an ornate shape, 1 ½" x 1 5/8". At the top of the tag is LLOYD; below 336. \$25.00

**MM499 HUMBOLDT MINE ALUMINUM TAG** – The Humboldt Mine is located in Marquette County, Michigan. This tag also has an ornate shape, 1 ½" x 1 5/8". At the top of the tag is HUMBOLDT; below MINE and at the bottom 171. This tag is aluminum with the lettering in black. \$22.00

**MM500 REPUBLIC MINE BRASS TOOL CHECK** – The Republic Mine is located in Marquette County, Michigan. 1" diameter. At the top of the tool check is REPUBLIC MINE; in the center 726 and at the bottom, TOOL CHECK. \$20.00

**MM501 INLAND STEEL CO. BRASS TAG** – This tag is from the Grace Mine which is located in Minnesota. The tag is 1 ¼" x 1 3/8" in size with rounded corners and a slot cut near the top of the tag. Below the slot is; I.S. Co; below 173 and at the bottom of the tag GRACE MINE. \$25.00

**MM502 MATHER MINE BRASS TAG** – The Mather Mine is located in Marquette County, Michigan. This is another ornate shaped tag 1 3/8" x 1 5/8". At the top in large letters is MATHER and at the bottom 248. \$25.00