

RECENT OTHER ACQUISITIONS

<u>Nora Braniff</u> —Nora discovered a large fulgurite (glass resulting from a lighting strike) near Houghton Lake, Michigan. Nora donated the largest piece of the fulgurite as well as smaller specimens for research.

<u>Jared Freiburg</u>—Jared donated an outstanding calcite crystal group from an underground limestone quarry near Chicago.

<u>Angela and Cory Hammond</u>—The Hammonds donated an outstanding specimen of rhodochrosite crystals from the Climax Mine in Colorado.

<u>Robert Heyrman</u>—Heyrman donated a mineral collection strong in Midwestern specimens including a fine calcite crystal from the Sweetwater Mine in Missouri.

<u>John Jaszczak</u>—John, adjunct curator, has donated a number of rare minerals to the museum collection acquired during his research at the museum from the Merelani, Tanzania gem deposits, including a fine alabandite crystal, microcrystals of germanocolusite and others.

<u>The Frank and Mary Northrup family</u>—The family has donated Frank Northrup's mineral collection. The Northrup collection is a collection with a focus on Franklin, New Jersey, Michigan, and Illinois and of particular note is a fine angel wing calcite from Mexico.

<u>Marcus Origlieri</u>—Marcus has donated an outstanding specimen of the rare copper-uranium mineral cuprosklodowskite.

<u>Doris Synder</u>—Doris has donated one of the largest and finest datolite nodules discovered offshore of Isle Royale which had been on loan to the museum for a number of years. This exceptional specimen will now be a part of the museum's permanent collection.