



The Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. **ROCK CHIPS**



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Miz Prez sez . . .

Hi ya all,
Glad so many of you could enjoy our Christmas Dinner. It was just fabulous and I thank all who helped make it such a success.

Monika retired from being our hostess so we are looking for some one or two to help with monthly refreshments.

Classes are up and running so check the bulletin for dates and time. If anyone has comments or suggestions for the club feel free to call me.

We are planning another pot luck in the Spring to say so long to our snow birds and Judy and I will handle this. Please step forward and help out at the Roundup. Even one hour or so a day will help. Many hands make light work and after all this is your club and our biggest money maker.

Hope to see you at the General meeting and if you don't know me then please step forward and introduce yourself as I don't know alot of you by name either.

Have a great year, *Marilyn*

Classes for the New Year

Saturdays January 19 and 26, and February 2nd Joe will teach you the full procedure of beading around a cab.

February 2nd, Kay will show us how to make Valentine crystal earrings. Cost is \$3.50 for long, \$2.50 for Med, \$1.50 for short.

February 16th, Shirley will teach a safety necklace class.

Possibly in March, we would like to teach an arrow bracelet and wirewrapping.

Beginning March 1st there will be a \$1.00 charge to each person attending each class. This will help us pay the cost of the heating and AC costs.

Claims

One to two people are needed to work with us this year to handle claims paperwork for the next year.

See Maury or call him at 575-546-0056

ROUNDUP TIME IS FAST APPROACHING AND WE NEED YOUR HELP.

We really need someone to assist the Roundup Chairs and be able to take over the task for 2014.

We still have several positions to fill so please offer to help out with one or more of these areas.

We need a Raffle ticket coordinator, Live Auction coordinator, someone to assist our Coffee & Donuts Chair (Maureen), an assistant for Big Diggins/security, an assistant for membership Chair, and donation solicitations, and Raffle ticket sales (off site). There are still Silent Auction tables to be signed up for.

General show set up on Monday, March 4th and help with display cases,

During the show we need people for Wednesday gate duty, help with the bucket brigade (this involves going to the dealers and picking up the item(s) they are donating for the live auction), people to work in the information booth and the spinning wheel., and ,of course, lots of help at all of the stations. **In other words we need you, all of you to help.**

We will have a meeting on Sat., Jan. 12th at 10 a.m. of all the committee chairs, and everyone interested in helping out please plan to attend. **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY TO WORK IN THE ABOVE JOBS.**

This is our only fundraiser. This show keeps our dues low, the clubhouse warm and the shop running. Again this show **takes all club members participation!** Plan on being at the meeting on Sat. Jan. 12th. **We need you!!!**

Right after the February 9th meeting, please stay a while to help fill the grab bags.

Also, we need items to put at the Spinning Wheel, i.e. kids jewelry, etc

.Maurice & Judy

Shop Notes

I want to thank everyone who worked in the shop this past year to help make it a successful year.

We have a great crew of volunteers and I hope they will all help our shop manager, Joe, this coming year.

Maurice

Our January 24th Meeting

We have invited the Deming High School Cheerleaders for an Ice Cream Social.

Please come and meet them and bring some goodies to go with the ice cream.



PLEASE pick up your Roundup raffle tickets at the January 24th General meeting. Save us the chore and expense of mailing them

THE DEMING GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.

P.O. BOX 1459, DEMING, N.M. 88031

FOUNDED - JANUARY 1965

DUES ARE DUE & PAYABLE ON DECEMBER 1st EACH YEAR

Membership Dues: \$12.00 per person for Adult Members

Junior Memberships: \$2.00 per person (up to 18 years of age)

All meetings are held at the Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. building

4200 Raymond Reed Blvd., Deming, NM -- Clubhouse phone: 575- 546-2554

BOARD MEETINGS

2:00 p.m.

1st Wednesday each month

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

2:00 p.m.

4th Thursday of each month

NEXT ROUNDUP MEETINGS

10:00 a.m. Sat., January 12th

10:00 a.m. Saturdays

February 9th & 23rd

Visitors are invited and welcome at membership meetings.

OFFICERS

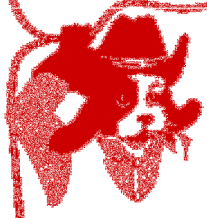
President.....	Marilyn Page	544-9019
Vice President.....	Shirley Krasinski	544-1315
Secretary	Jerry Abbey	543-8915
Treasurer	Georgia Hoggatt ...	309-678-7342
Bulletin Editor.....	Carolyn Abbey	543-8916
Roundup Chair ('13)...	Maurice Crawford	546-0056
Asst. Rnd.Up Chair ...	Keith Meherg	575-694-5747
1 Yr. Director.....	Frank Barber.....	546-0212
2 Yr. Director.....	George Laudermilk	520-403-1878
Past President.....	Frank Barber.....	546-0212
Pro Tem	Art Krasinski.....	575-494-5971

CHAIRPERSONS

Field Trip Chairs	Frank Barber	546-0212
	Joe Bost	546-9003
Shop	Joe Morone	937-206-2111
Claims.....	Maurice Crawford	546-0056
Librarian.....	Sandy Barber.....	546-0212
Membership.....	Elena Bost	546-9003
Parliamentarian
Photographer.....	All Club Members	
Sunshine.....	Barbara Hamilton.....	544-8643
Historian
Social Chairperson
Refreshments	All Club members	
Reporters.....	All Club Members	
Custodian	All Club Members	
Webmistress	Gaylene Foutch	546-5716

ROCKHOUND ROUNDUP

March 7 - 10, 2013



...OFFICIAL SHOW OF THE SOCIETY

Held every year on the second weekend (Thursday through Sunday) in March at the SW New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

The Society presents the Annual Gem & Mineral exhibition at the SWNM Fair toward the end of September.

It is an official society function.

“ROCK CHIPS” is the official bulletin of the Society

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OFFICIAL WEB SITE www.dgms.bravehost.com

THE DEMING GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY, INC. *an incorporated, non-profit organization shall be dedicated to the knowledge, advancement and enjoyment of the earth sciences and associated subjects. The Society's primary purpose is the dissemination and furtherance of knowledge of mineralogy, gem cutting and geology, and to stimulate interest in the development of these studies. It is composed of individuals who have chosen gems and the aforementioned studies as a major interest in their lives.*



January Birthdays:

Diana Measday, Joe Morris, Kathy Nason, John Read, Richard Renfro, Roger Schaap, and Steve Turner

Happy Anniversaries to

Monika & Rod Anderson, Jay & Barbara Galloway, Charles & Sandra Jago, Susan & Robert Schiffner, Chuck & Karen Smith, and Bill & Doris Sutton



Sunshine Greetings

A sympathy card was sent to Art & Karen Amati.

A thinking of you card was sent to Elena Bost.

If you know of someone who could use a little sunshine greeting, please call Barbara at 544-8643

Welcome Club Members

William Cunningham - Deming, NM

Lora Underwood - Claremont, NH

Annalee Long - Box Elder, SD

Tom Edwards - Livingston, TX

Richard Troxell - Ft. Walton Beach, FL

DUES ARE DUE



a little reminder. . .
Mail your payment to
Elena Bost, P.O. Box 543,
Deming, NM 88031
Or you can pay them at a meeting.

Refreshments

January will be an Ice Cream Social
 Everyone please bring something
 to go with the ice cream

Our tummies Thank You



Each year I believe it is good to revisit the Rockhounds Code of Ethics. New information for the new Rockhounds and a good review for the well seasoned ones., so all of you please read them over.

Code of Ethics

I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas. I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use Good Outdoor Manners and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.

Deming Gem & Mineral Society Board Meeting Minutes – January 2, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by President, Marilyn Page who then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers present were: Carolyn Abbey, Jerry Abbey, Shirley Krasinski, Maury Crawford, Frank Barber, Georgia Hoggatt, Marilyn Page, Art Krasinski, George Laudermilk, and Joe Bost.

Club members present were: Judy Crawford, Elena Bost, Joe Morone and Sandy Barber.

Secretary's report: None

Treasurers report: Joe advised some adjustments need to be made to the bank accounts.

President's report: Marilyn said she was very pleased with the Pot Luck, turnout and food and volunteer participation.

Jim Foutch and Monika received thank you cards and gift certificates for their service to the club. A big thank you to all those who helped do decorations for the Holiday Dinner.

Committees:

Field trips: None for January. Joe Bost & Frank Barber will be sharing the position of Field Trip Coordinator.

Claims: In mid February we need to get certificate of Liability for permit for Roundup.

Membership: All dues should go directly to Elena Bost at her address. Motion by Maury, 2nd by Georgia, approved

Sunshine: Not present

Field Trips: Discussion to reimburse leader their mileage for one trip per month (from the club house). Expense chit to be turned in monthly. Judy made motion, Maurice 2nd

Shop report:

Tumblers - The shop and Roundup to split grit cost 50/50. Estimated cost for grit for 2013 \$326.00 from Johnson Bros. who will deliver it to the Roundup at no charge. Also need a new tumbler drum at a cost between \$100-200.

Will need new tumbler base soon. Maury motion, Frank 2nd to purchase it at Roundup.

Need new tumbler person to learn procedure from Dave as he will be moving soon. Should be someone who lives locally. Position takes approximately one hour a week and comes with free shop privileges.

One year of shop sign in sheets were given to Secretary to file.

A discussion was made on ways to advertise our shop in the newspaper to gain more public participation.

Two new Lortone grinders are up and running. Highland park saw is down for maintenance.

New lights installed in saw room. Have reconditioned the lights on the grinders.

NEED SAWYERS WILL TRAIN.

Bulletin: Need shop report and any other items for the bulletin the day after Board meeting.

Kay Victor will teach a Valentines ear ring class on February 2nd. As of March 1st the club will charge \$1.00 per person per

class to help cover the utilities costs.

Marilyn appointed Art Krasinski as Pro-Tem for 2013. Need to fill Historian and Parliamentarian positions.

Roundup: Need Chair people and workers.

Next meeting will be on Jan. 12th at 10:00 a.m.

Need trainee for Big Diggins to supervise excavation for Roundup.

Videos and audios should be done soon.

Will have a cab making demo in Bldg. 2.

The Amati's will be able to be here to have their children's educational area.

Jerry will set up an auctioneer for the Live Auction.

It was suggested that the gems, that have been in the safe deposit box, be appraised and perhaps some sold at the Live Auction.

Shirley asked that we donate some items for the Spinning Wheel.

New tires have been purchased for the field trip trailer. We have another 4x6' trailer, no longer being used, that it was suggested the club sell.

Dellana has volunteered to assist the Treasurer for Roundup.

Marilyn has prepared an informational birthstone book at the request of several people.

February 2 - 16th there's a Tucson Gem & Mineral Show. Info on bulletin board.

A suggestion was made that club members be able to put finished work in the club's silent auction (at general meetings) with a percent of the selling price going to the club (20%).

Please bring your items to Shirley Krasinski, to loan for the Bank display case, to the general meeting on January 24th. The items will be returned to you in March.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Judy Crawford for Jerry Abbey, Secretary



Your
2013 Club
Officers

President: Marilyn Page, Vice President: Shirley Krasinski, Secretary: Jerry Abbey, Treasurer: Georgia Hoggatt, Bulletin Editor: Carolyn Abbey, Roundup: Maurice Crawford, Pro Tem: Art Krasinski, 1 Year Director: Frank Barber, and 2 Year Director: George Laudermilk

Insects Found in Ancient Amber

Scientists have found three well preserved ancient insects frozen in amber -- and time -- in what is Earth's oldest bug trap.

The discoveries of amber-encased insects in Italy may sound like something out of "Jurassic Park" but these bugs are even older than that.

They are about 230 million years old, which puts them in the Triassic time period, and about 100 million years older than what had been the previously known oldest critters trapped in fossilized tree resin, or amber. Researchers painstakingly examined 70,000 droplets of amber found in northeastern Italy.

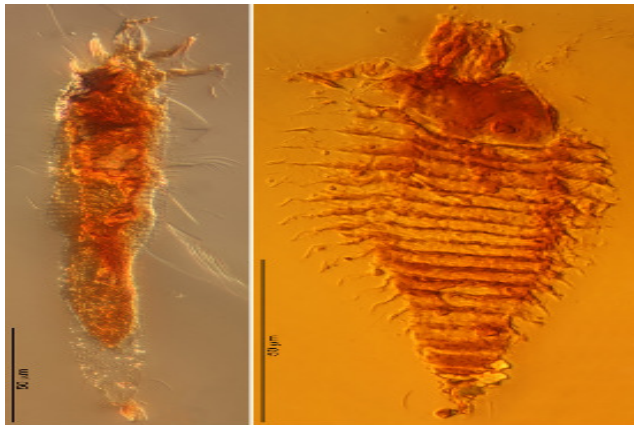
Stuck in them were two microscopic mites and much of one fly. the discovery was reported on August 27, 2012, in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

When study lead author-or David Grimaldi, curator of the American Museum of Natural History in New York, compared the ancient mites to their modern day descendants, he was surprised about how similar they were. Except for difference in the mouth and fewer legs, "they're dead ringers for (modern) gall mites," he said. The modern ones can be found in bubbles or galls on plant leaves. The two species of gall mites preserved in 230-million-year-old amber are *Triasacarus fedelei* and *Ampezzoa triassica*.



Amber Droplets

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Mites found in Amber



Microscopic images of modern day Gall Mites



Gall Mites on a Maple Leaf

DGMS, Inc. – General Meeting – December 13, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Marilyn Page, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The proposed slate of officers was presented. The position of Secretary was filled by Jerry Abbey. After the ballots were tallied, the position of Vice President was filled by Shirley Krasinski. The interim secretary cast a vote by acclamation that the proposed slate be confirmed by affirmation. Darryl Johnson made motion to approve, seconded by Tom Edwards. The membership approved. The following were elected our 2013 Officers: President - Marilyn Page; Vice President - Shirley Krasinski; Secretary - Jerry Abbey; Treasurer - Georgia Hoggatt; Bulletin Editor - Carolyn Abbey; Roundup Chair - Maurice Crawford; 1 Year Director - Frank Barber, and 2 Year Director - George Laudermilk.

A card and monetary thank you was presented to Jim Foutch and Monika Anderson for their service to the club. Marilyn gave thanks for all those who helped set up our holiday dinner. Those people were Joe & Dellana Morone, Chet & Paulette Schilling, George & Gayleen Laudermilk, Nancy Johnson and Deb Rorick, Kay Victor, Barbara Hamilton, Dan Mayer, Maurice & Judy Crawford, Monika Anderson and Marilyn and Lloyd Page.

Motion to adjourn was made by Sandy Barber, seconded by Maurice. Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m. to enjoy our Holiday Dinner and all the delicious food that was prepared.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Respectfully submitted,
by Judy Crawford, for Pam Morgan, Secretary.

Rockhound State Park Happenings January, 2013

Submitted by Rocky Rockhound

The holidays are over, and we are getting fat. There is just too much good food out there during the holidays. Even people who normally don't cook up exciting dishes seem to "knock themselves out" preparing enticing foods for us to eat.

The campground is full most nights with visitors staying for a few days on their way to warmer climates, or just enjoying our park. When you watch the weather reports on places east, west, or north of us you get a real appreciation of this area. Makes complaining about the wind a little moot.

The Friends of Rockhound will hold their monthly meeting the last Wednesday of the month, which will be January 30th at 10:15 A.M. Meetings are held in the shop behind the Visitor Center. As always, they have an entertaining and informative speaker.

Rockhound State Park is open all year. The Visitor Center is open daily from 10-12A.M., and from 1-4P.M. Our telephone number is 575-546-6182 for any questions or concerns about the park.

A Happy New Year!

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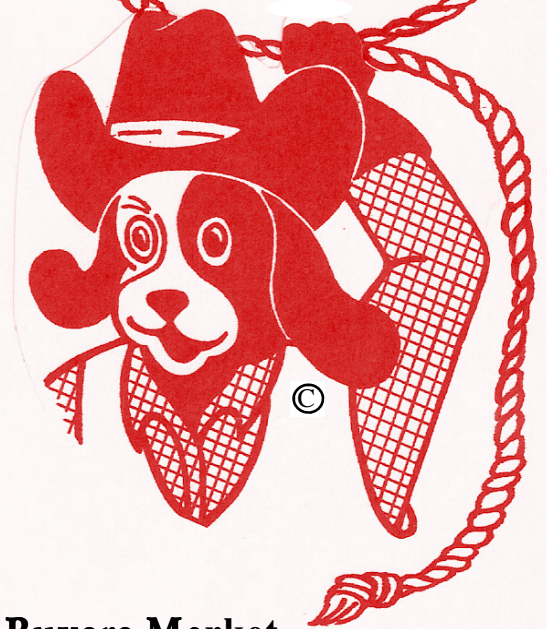
9 a.m. til 5 p.m.

(Thursday through Sunday)

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- Public Invited
- Free Admission
- Free Parking

- Jewelry & Rock Related Items • Buyers Market
- Lapidary Equipment • Displays and Demonstrations
- Guided Field Trips • Auctions • Coffee, Donuts, Breakfast & Lunch



FIELD TRIPS

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Trips leave 8:30 a.m. from the Fairgrounds
Public Invited on field Trips *Donation* \$5.00
(*Big Diggins trip – \$10.00 donation*)

Materials found:

Onyx, agate, geodes & other gem stones.

Bring suitable clothing & shoes, lunch, water, and tools.

DAILY DOOR PRIZES - 11 a.m. & 3 p.m. — \$15 Gift Certificate to vendor of your choice

CASH RAFFLE DRAWING - Sunday: 3 p.m. — Prizes: 1st – \$250; 2nd – \$150; 3rd – \$100

\$1 donation per ticket or 12 tickets for \$10 — Need not be present to win

Dealers will set up Wednesday, March 6, 2013 — No Selling will be allowed to the public that day!

AUCTIONS

Friday Night - 6:30 p.m. Silent Auction

Rockhounds mark bids on auction forms. Items are donated by dealers and members. Available are cutting

materials, slabs, geodes, crystals, gem stones, etc.

Saturday Night - 7:00 p.m. Live Auction

Fine specimens, jewelry, etc. will be auctioned, which have been donated by dealers and members.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

Maurice Crawford, Chairman – (575) 546-0056

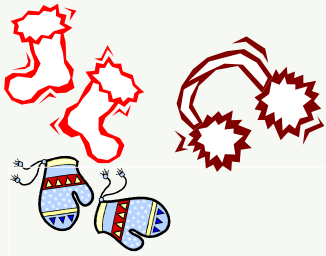
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Burrrrrrr... Tis the Season!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

JANUARY

Saturday, January 12th	Roundup Meeting	10 a.m.
Saturday, January 19th	Class: Beading around a Cab #1	9 a.m.
Thursday, January 24th	General Meeting / Ice Ccream Social	2 p.m.
Saturday, January 26th	Class: Beading around a Cab #2	9 a.m.

FEBRUARY

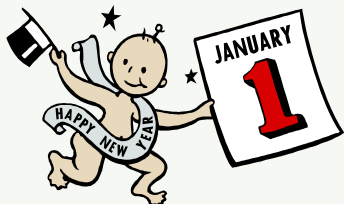
Saturday, February 2nd	Class: Beading around a Cab #3	9 a.m.
Saturday, February 2nd	Class: Valentine earrings	9 a.m.
Wednesday, February 6th	Board Meeting	2 p.m.
Saturday, February 9th	Roundup Meeting	10 a.m.
Thursday, February 14th	Valentines Day	
Saturday, February 16th	Class: Safety clasp necklace	9 a.m.
Saturday, February 23rd	Roundup Meeting (<i>last one before show</i>)	10 a.m.

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Carolyn Abbey, Editor

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HAPPY NEW YEAR