

## The Prez says....

June already! And it's 100 degrees here. That's what happens when you live in the desert. Also, we have some awesome rockhounding but you already knew that too.



It's time to start thinking about the SWNM State Fair. The club has a number of classes you can enter with your rocks & crafts that involve rocks. We also need folks to man the booth and the gates. Sign-up sheets will be at the clubhouse.

We will also be having a 4th of July get-together starting at 7pm at the clubhouse. More info in the newsletter. That's it for this month.

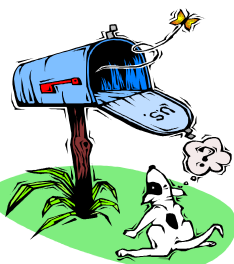
*Sheila*

## Roundup Information

We know it is a while off until our next Roundup show. However, we want to bring to yr attention some things as follows: We have good working job descriptions for each area of the Roundup that should help anyone who will be handling and overseeing Roundup in the future.

2013 is the last year Maurice and Judy Crawford will be overseeing Roundup. We **MUST** have someone to work with us starting in September/October to learn the time schedules of things that must be done ahead of time. PLEASE think about this, it is not something that can wait until the "snowbirds" come back. You do not have to be here in Deming, you can do most of it by phone or email. So the excuse you are not here all the time, is not valid. It is and can be fun, challenging, but the routine is pretty much the same from year to year. Take advantage of having someone to help you now.

If we do not get someone to take over the Roundup for 2014, then there may not be any more Roundup shows. This is how our club makes the money to run the club, the lapidary shop and other venues. If no show, then no more money, then no more club. If the club is important to you and you want to see it continue, then please make the choice to help learn to run the Roundup. *Thank you. Maurice & Judy*



## Change your address? Please let us know!

Send the changes to DGMS Membership, P.O. Box 1459, Deming, NM 88031 or to our email at: [theDGMS@gmail.com](mailto:theDGMS@gmail.com)

## Summer Shop Hours

The shop will now be open Monday, Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. until noon.



## Previous Field Trip

Paul Browning led the club into the Rough and Ready Hills, and we found agates, perlite, calcite crystals, travertine onyx, jasper, and banded rhyolite. We stopped at a quarry, an open pit prospect, and a volcanic dome hill.

About thirteen DG&MS members participated. We had a great time rockhounding, and we want to thank Paul for taking the time to take us on the field trip. See photos below.

## Upcoming Field Trips

**On Saturday, June 9th** Frank Barber will lead the club into the north side of the Tres Hermanas Mountains, south of Brazil Road to look for calcite, pink onyx, olivine, and serpentine. We will meet in front of the Clubhouse parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and depart at 8:00 a.m. sharp.

**On Saturday, July 14th** Ben & Barb Staff will lead the club to the Cedar Mountains area where we will look for the famous Baker Ranch "raisins" – the agate/chalcedony left over from a geode. We will also look for pink chalcedony. We will meet in front of the Clubhouse parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and depart at 8:00 a.m. sharp.

For both trips: Four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended. A hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, plenty of water, and food are recommended.



DG&MS members at quarry looking for calcite, jasper, and banded rhyolite

Rockhound site near volcanic dome hills where agates and geodes are located



### General Meeting – April 26, 2012

All officers were present. Minutes were posted in the bulletin and accepted by the members.

Treasurer's report was read and will be posted on the bulletin board. No correspondence received.

FIELD TRIPS: Wayne has stated he did not want the job of field trips next year. We will need someone to step in his shoes or perhaps they could work with him and take some of the pressure off.

CLAIMS: Judy and Morris are working hard to get the claims filed before the dead line and straightened out the Big Diggings Claim.

MEMBERSHIP: None reported.

SUNSHINE: Cards sent to Lloyd Page and Elna Bost.

SHOP: Joe reported that the shop is running very good and Morris will be the shop foreman during the summer. Lortone saw needs fixing.

Timer is up and running for the trim saws. Get work ready and then do the trimming. This eliminates paying by the inch. Joe stated the 24 inch saw is starting to wear out. He said it could be used to cut smaller stones.

ROUNDUP: Morris stated we NEED an ASSISTANT CHAIRMAN for the Roundup. We will have to buy the small geodes for next year. The insurance waiver for Big Diggings should be for the days of the Roundup and there by saving us some money. Susan will post the figures on the bulletin board.

NEW BUSINESS: Judy would like to have a rock sale. Items to be donated to the club and then sold to the public. The money will be put in the treasury. We will have a work time this summer or early fall to start filling the bags for the Roundup.

The holiday pot luck will be the second Thurs. in November and another one proposed around the first of April.

We should consider having a program after each meeting that has to do with rock and gems, and mines in the area. Judy is looking for help on teaching classes. Remember no charge for the class but if materials are furnished you will need to pay for them.

LIBRARY: Many new books and DVD's available. The library is open during general club meeting.

Shirley Krasinski would like to set up a display case at the First Savings Bank with items from the club member. You will get to keep your items but they will be on display for a spell. She also trying to get other businesses interested in this also. She also stated that our classes should be listed in the paper and the, radio, also all field trips and other try to get a class for children 10 years or under.

Remember this is your club and if you have any suggestions please send them to the President, or secretary.

Meeting adjourned and refreshments were served. Silent auction held during the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Morgan, Secretary

**No Quorum So No Board Meeting on May 2nd**

### General Meeting – May 24, 2012

President Shelia opened at 2pm. Present was VP Marilyn Page filling in as secretary. Guests: John Dike & Monika's son Tony.

No treasurer's report.

Art Krasinski and Joe Bost made motions to accept the minutes as posted in the bulletin. Passed

Field Trips: Wayne stated that 13 people went to the Rough and Hills and found black calcite, banded rhyolite, travertine, oynx, black agate, and others. Good time had by all.

Next trip: June 9th, 7:30 am in parking lot. Frank Barber will lead us to the Three Sisters area for pink oynx, green serpentine and possibly red marble. Need pry bars etc. for digging.

July 14th 7:30 am going to an area near the Baker mine for geodes and pink chalcedony.

Around Oct. Wayne is going to have a Ranger give a presentation of the mines off Brazil Road.

Our web site has listings of the trips for the future, check it out.

Membership: no report.

Sunshine had two cards sent for illness.

Bulletin: Carolyn will prepare and send to Judy to print. Thanks to all who make this possible.

State Fair will be Sept 25-30th. Building one will have to be cleaned and partitions put up. Many hands make light work. Need someone to take responsibility of signing up people to work on the different shifts. Will need workers for the gates. There will be 4 gates this year.

Display cases need to be assembled for the fair. Anyone interested in having a case for display call Jerry. Marilyn Page and Shelia each have already asked for one. We need a chairman for this area and workers.

Members can display their projects and also they can be entered for judging.

Shop: Morris said the shop is doing good; the Lortone saw is down for the time being. Open Mon., Fri., and Sat. 9 - 12.

Library has many books and videos so take advantage of this. It's free.

Roundup: March will be upon us soon enough. Need and assistant Chairman to learn the ropes. Working on the finalization of the claim. Mats must be put down so that grass etc. won't grow.

Shirley Krasinski is going to promote the Club through display cases. The first one will be at the First Savings Bank for February, and or March. Will need items to put in and they will be returned.

Door Prize won by Becky Mayer and the 50/50 by Dan Mayer and the name tag drawing by Barbara Staff.

Motion to adjourn made by Judy Crawford and seconded by Jerry Abbey.

Refreshments were served during the break.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Page acting Secretary

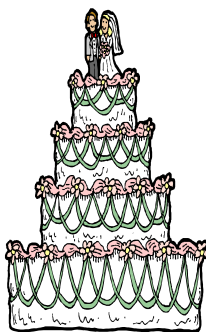


### June Birthdays

*Jerry Abbey, Charyl Barnes,  
Judy Crawford, Truman Dean,  
Marianne DeMott, George  
McPherson, Bill Sutton, and Wayne Treers*

### June Anniversaries

*Art & Karen Amati, Frank &  
Sandra Barber, Ron & Juanita  
Erickson, Clinton & Rosemary  
Evetts, Radon & Mary Love-  
land, Kathy & Brent Nason,  
Clint & Paulette Schilling*



### Sunshine Greetings

*A get well card was sent to  
Elena Bost and Grace Bent*

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

### Refreshments

May refreshments will be provided  
by \_\_\_\_\_

*Our tummies*

*Thank You*



Please save your Peppers receipts for our Club.

Peppers will pay us 1% of the total receipts turned in. This is a Community Project that they sponsor for non-profit organizations and another easy fund raiser for our DGMS.

Our Treasurer will collect them at the meetings and then turn them in to Peppers.

### Rockhound State Park Happenings June, 2012

*Submitted by Rocky Rockhound*

Most of the time, I thoroughly enjoy New Mexico weather. Blue sky, warm temperatures, no mosquitos, and no terrible storms. Of course, the wind is another story, and the wildfires are really scary.

We have fewer campers at this time of year, but many visitors come for the day. **Music in the Park** is scheduled for June 16<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 8 PM at the campground group shelter. Loose Blues Band will be performing. Come out for some good music. And, it is FREE. Thank the Friends of Rockhound for that.

On June 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 AM, Rink Somerday will be telling us all about **Bears & Mountain Lions**. Keep this in mind while you plan your monthly activities. It is FREE also.

Rockhound State Park is open all year. The Visitor Center is open most days from 10:00 A.M. to noon, and from 1:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. Our telephone number is 575-546-6182 for any questions about the park.

### YOUR TOP TEN LIST

#### The Top Ten Nightmares for Rockhounds

10. Collecting partner bursting with song.
9. Opening your backpack on arrival at locality and finding kids school books.
8. Sirens!
7. A lovely pond where the pit used to be.
6. Specimen bag is too heavy on way out.
5. Specimen bag is too light on way out.
4. A rattling noise in the rock pile.
3. Your spouse has 'cleaned up' your collection
2. Hammer seeking lightning.
1. A tour bus parked at favorite locality.

#### SEE INSIDE STONES...

See inside stones before faceting by immersing them in oil of cinnamon or oil of cassia. These are sold in most drug stores. Their refractive index is near that of most gemstones, so surface irregularities of the stones will vanish and you can see flaws and inclusions.

#### SECRETS TO GOOD GLUING:

1. Equal parts glue and hardener. Use the exact same amount for both. If anything, use a tiny bit more hardener.
2. Mix well. Once you think you have mixed well, mix a little more. You can cut off the pointed end of a toothpick and use it as both a stir stick and an applicator. Try putting a piece of wide masking tape on your work bench and mix the epoxy on that. You can check the curing of the epoxy by touching the toothpick to the leftover puddle of glue on the tape. When the masking tape becomes covered with dried epoxy, pull it off the bench and put a new piece down.

*Source of the above: Gems of the Rogue - 2/12*

# THE DEMING GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.

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

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## DUES ARE DUE & PAYABLE ON DECEMBER 1st EACH YEAR

Membership Dues: \$10.00 per person for Adult Members

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**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

### 2013

Roundup Meetings

As Needed

*Visitors are invited and welcome at membership meetings.*

### OFFICERS

President.....	Sheila Hoag .....	544-8841
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Field Trips .....	Wayne Treers .....	575-528-8696
Historian.....	Zillah Karstetter .	575-694-0456
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2 Yr. Director .....	Kevin Coleman.....	546-4078
Past President .....	Frank Barber.....	546-0212

### CHAIRPERSONS

Claims .....	.....	
Custodian .....	Members sign up for one month	
Librarian.....	Sandy Barber.....	546-0212
Membership .....	Elena Bost .....	546-9003
Parliamentarian .....	.....	
Photographer .....	All Club Members	
Social Chairperson.	Monika Anderson.....	544-4655
Refreshments.....	All Club members	
Reporters.....	All Club Members	
Shop .....	Joe Morone .....	937-206-2111
Sunshine.....	Barbara Hamilton.....	544-8643
Webmistress.....	Sheila Hoag .....	544-8841

### ROCKHOUND ROUNDUP

March 7 - 10, 2013



### The **ROCK CHIPS**

is the official bulletin of the Society

The Society presents the Annual Gem & Mineral exhibition at the SWNM Fair toward the end of September. It is an official society function.

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## Rockhound Roundup . . . OFFICIAL SHOW OF THE SOCIETY

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

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.*

## DEMING GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC. Board Minutes JUNE 6, 2012

President, Sheila Hoag, called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. Board members present: Ron Ehrlich, Frank Barber, Maurice Crawford, Susan Schiffner, Sheila Hoag, Judy Crawford, acting secretary. Non-board members present; Ernie Bent, John Ewert.

**Secretary's report:** Judy showed an article that was printed in the June issue of Rock & Gem, about Luna County agates. It was written by a couple that attended our last Roundup and went on all the field trips. They talked a lot about our club and the Roundup and field trips, so we got a lot of free advertising. The article will be posted on the bulletin board for all to read.

**Treasurer's report:** Susan gave her report and it will be posted on the bulletin board. Motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Frank Barber, Maurice Crawford seconded, approved.

No President's report.

**Committee reports:**

**Claims:** Reseeding of our claim will be done between June 15 and July 15<sup>th</sup> per BLM instructions. Paperwork is proceeding and should be filed in July.

**Roundup:** Need assistant for upcoming Roundup this summer for next year.

**Shop:** Vice on the Highland Park has been sent out for repair. Maurice thanked Frank Barber, Ben Staff, Ernie Bent for coming out 5-28-12 to weed the yard, and dispose of mud buckets. Judy Crawford cleaned out the grinders and the shop equipment.

Not Present: Membership, Sunshine, Library.

**Field Trips:** Frank Barber advised of the field trip on June 9<sup>th</sup> to

the Tres Hermanas for pink onyx, calcite, olivine and serpentine. Meet at the club parking lot at 7:30 am., leave at 8:00 am. Bring lots of water, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses.

**Bulletin:** Anything wanted to go into the Chips, send to Carolyn via email by tonight.

**Old Business:** Since July 4<sup>th</sup> is our next board meeting and we usually have an ice cream social and watch the fireworks, we will have the board meeting at 7:00 p.m. and ice cream social following. Please bring any kind of cookies, pies, cakes to go with the ice cream. Also, bring your own chairs to sit outside to watch the fireworks. Hope to see you then!

The club usually donates a sum to the City of Deming for their fireworks show. After discussion, motion was made by Maurice Crawford to donate \$100 to the show fund, seconded by Ron Ehrlich. Approved.

**New Business:** Susan brought up that the craft classes cannot be charged for as it might jeopardize our standing with the IRS for a non-profit club. Judy advised that we do not charge for classes, there may be a charge for materials used, so why would that jeopardize a non-profit standing if there is not a profit for a class. After discussion Judy advised that she will no longer be giving craft classes unless asked to do so. Shirley Krasinski has the list of persons who can teach classes, and the club can go from there. Materials for the classes can be purchased by the club, so there should not be any further questions.

No further business for the club, so motion to adjourn was made by Maurice Crawford, seconded by Frank Barber. Meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Crawford, acting secretary

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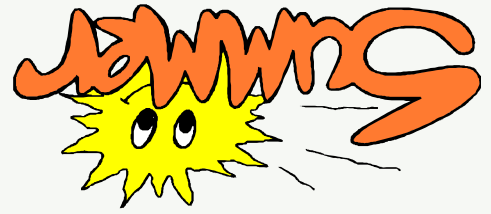
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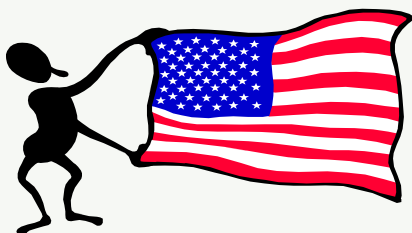
Thursday, July 26	General Meeting	2 p.m.
Wednesday, July 4th	Ice Cream social & Fireworks following the Board meeting	7 p.m.
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Thursday, June 28th	General Meeting	2 p.m.
Sunday, June 17th	Fathers Day	
Thursday, June 14th	Flag Day	<i>Fly it With Pride</i>
Wednesday, June 6th	Board Meeting	2 p.m.

**JULY**

**JUNE**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

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**June 14th is Flag Day**  
*Fly It With Pride!*