

ROCK CHIPS



Miz Prez 's message

Roundup has come and gone. Thank you to all who helped!

As we continue the rest of this year, I hope you will be conscious of the needs we have for the future of this club. The most important thing is to build our membership with

active people, people who are willing to keep this club where it should be.

One position that we have to fill right away is that of Membership Chair. We really need someone to fill this. Please consider this, and contact me if you think you can help out, and I'll give you more information.

Thank you again for your help. *Shirley*

UPCOMING FIELD TRIP

On Saturday, April 19th we will leave the clubhouse at 8:30 a.m. and head to Round Mountain. It is about 20 miles west of Lordsburg on Rt. 70.



There are geodes, agate, chalcedony and more to be found in this area.

I will be traveling for 3 or more months so we will need someone to take over leading field trips during my absence.

Frank

**April
Schedule**

Monday and Saturday 9 a.m. - noon
Wednesday - Noon - 3 p.m.
Friday - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

May hours may change, so check the Board

Editor's Note

This is just to let all of you know that I will be retiring from doing the Newsletter on December 31st. Therefore, someone needs to be thinking of taking this over. It seems like a long way off, but as we all know time flies.

I have been the Editor since 2005 (with a 2 yr lapse when Jer & I were Chairs of the Roundup). It is time for some new ideas.

Carolyn

DUES ARE PAST DUE

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Or bring to the April 24th, 6 pm, General Meeting

Hi everybody,

Words can't express the pride and thanks to all of you who stepped up and helped out at the Roundup. Many of you just filled in wherever you were needed. We had a real good crew for set up on Monday and Tuesday, and also a good crew on the Tuesday after the show.

I received several calls from vendors and other people that were very happy with the show. We outdid ourselves.

I especially want to thank Carlos who worked the whole time on the geodes. Lloyd and Edward Page served doughnuts and coffee, etc. every morning from Wednesday thru Saturday to the field trip people. Candace and George Laudermilk worked on the grinders showing everyone how easy making a cab was.

Jerry was busy getting bit by a spider but he still made a good auctioneer. Carolyn was busy everywhere. Darryl should be speechless, and Delana should be out of the dough by now.

We had a good year and are making plans for our 50th so everyone who might have suggestions please bring them forward.

**Again a GREAT BIG THANK YOU
TO EVERYBODY WHO WORKED. IT WAS APPRECIATED.**

Marilyn

Rockhound State Park Happenings April, 2014

Submitted by Rocky Rockhound

The poppies are here, but not as many as years past. Still, it is good to see them. The Scarlet Sage is in bloom, so the hummingbirds can't be far behind.

The Friends of Rock Hound will be hosting the annual *Desert Alive and Native Plant Sale* on Saturday, April 12th, from 8:00 A.M. until 12:00 noon at the Visitor Center. There will be interpretive programs, and lots of plants that are native to this area for sale at very reasonable prices. Come take a walk, visit with the rangers, and buy a plant. Support the Friends of Rockhound. They do great things for our park.

The monthly meeting of the Friends of Rock Hound will be held on Wednesday, April 30th. At 10:00 A.M. at the Visitor Center. The speaker will be Scott Green, from the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Museum. He will be talking about **Trains and Cattle**. Everyone is welcome to attend, and it is free.

Rock Hound State Park is open all year. The Visitor Center is open from 10:00 A.M. to noon and from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Spring Canyon is open Wednesday through Sunday from 8:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Our telephone number is (575)546-6182.

Thank You to Elaine Angstman who has offered to do the Calligraphy for our Memorial plaques.

**Rockhound
Roundup**



Deming Gem & Mineral Society Board of Directors Meeting – February 26, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Shirley Krasinski at 2:00 p.m.

The members were lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by Shirley Krasinski. Board members present were Shirley Krasinski, Barbara Staff, Carolyn Abbey, George Laudermilk, Linda Edwards, Marilyn Page, Joe Morone, and Art Krasinski.

Discussions were had on the following topics:

Joe spoke about tumblers and the issues with them. He also spoke about the saw that was donated to our club by Silver City. Ernie has it finally running. Ed helped him with the wiring issues. Additionally a discussion was had regarding spaces available at Roundup.

Carolyn Abbey spoke regarding the Bulletin and noted that it will be out later than usual, because of the Roundup.

Shirley indicated that the city won't allow another sign closer to the road. The city said we can cut the grass if we want it cut. Shirley noted that we should get this in writing so no problems come up down the line.

It was discussed that we need a new sign for outside that says, "Do not block the gate."

Art is renting a big mower for the weeds at the fairground. It also will be used for the weeds behind our property.

Joe noted that a member donated a cash register which will be used at the geode cutting area at Roundup.

The General Meeting will be held tomorrow evening at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, by Linda, Edwards, Secretary 2014.

Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. General Meeting – February 27, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Shirley Krasinski at 6:00 p.m. She then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

All guests at the meeting were introduced.

The minutes of the Board Meeting were accepted as read.

The Secretary had no new business to report.

The Treasurer's report was given by Marilyn Page and approved.

Field Trips: Last month they hit 3 spots near the Tres Hermanas. No other trips planned.

Claims: Ready to go.

Sunshine: Several cards were sent out to members who are not well.

Bulletin: Will be coming out later than usual because of Roundup.

Joe gave the Shop Report: Because of Roundup, Saturday will be the last day open due to Roundup.

Round-Up Report: There are still a number of areas that need help.

Shirley noted that we need a new Librarian as our current one has resigned.

Crafts: We need a Crafts Coordinator. There are going to be Open Crafts on the first Saturday of each month. The second Saturday of the month is a teaching class.

The saw donated by Silver City is being brought back to life by Ernie and we appreciate his efforts.

Barbara Staff discussed their trip to the Tucson Gem Show. They brought back some brochures which are for the membership to enjoy.

Prior to the meeting being adjourned, it was announced that there are only 5 more minutes before the silent auction closes.

Respectfully submitted by

Linda Edwards, Secretary 2014

Bench Tips By Brad Smith

On Tool Organization: An easy way to keep all your files organized at the bench is to use a magnetic tool strip. They're not expensive and help keep a lot of small tools from cluttering the bench top. I got a couple of them from Harbor Freight for about \$5 each. See <http://www.harborfreight.com> and search on "magnetic-holder". My only regret was putting some of my small drills on the magnets. The drills got a little magnetized and now stick together when I carry them in a bottle in my tool box.

On Storing Metal Sheets: The more you work with jewelry, the more problems you have finding the piece of metal you need. My pieces of sheet were generally stored in various

plastic bags, and the wire was in separate coils. Few were marked, so it often took me a while to locate that piece of 26 ga fine sheet I bought last year, especially since I usually take my supplies back and forth to classes. A tip from a friend helped me organize everything. I bought an expanding file folder from the office supplies store (the kind that has 13 slots and a folding cover) and marked the tabs for each gauge of metal I use. Then I marked all my pieces of sheet with their gauge, put them in plastic bags, marked the gauge on the bag, and popped them into the folder. I usually store coils of wire loose in the folder, but they can also be bagged if you prefer. I use one tab for bezel wire and one for the odd, miscellaneous items.

The resulting folder is really convenient when I want to take my metal out to a class or workshop, and it's colorful enough for me to easily find in the clutter of the shop!

Source: Rockhound Ramblings 3/2014



Happy Birthdays March

Monika Anderson, Frank Anderson,
Ernie Bent, Ronnie Coon, John Della-
Ratta, Al Hemke, Ron Kiely, Don MacDonald, Lloyd
Page, Maureen Scepka, Dee Schlueter, Jamison Smith,
Richard Troxell, and Bud Daily.

April

Alice Baumann, Dawn Bell, Grace Bent, Kathy Bur-
nett, Leon Chanco, James Chetterton,
Joe Chavez, Peter Coyer, William Cunningham, Cleo
Edwards, John Ewert, Rebecca Hasenbeck, Robert
Kosnick, Carol Lyman, Christine Mercano, Linda
Pliska, Mike Rudloff, Lee Sakkas, Dick Schlueter,
Roger Siems, and Al Spencer

Welcome New Members

Robert Been - Toyahvale, TX
Peter & Irene Coyer - Bowler, WI
Michael Day - Nashville, IN
Carol Lyman - Regina Beach, SK, Canada
Bonnie Rosenquist - Deming, NM
Rae Sprong - Regina Beach, SK, Canada
Al Krauswe - Wittenberg, WI
Michael Stanley - Socorro, NM
Clifford Cooper - Mercer Island, WA
Carol Green - Albuquerque, NM
Mark Edens - Kermit, TX
Arsen Khanbabaian - Deming, NM
Dan Williams - Corona, NM
Jeff & Lupe DeMas - El Paso, TX
Allen Wagner - St. Paul, MN
David Rinsch - Silver City, NM
Carla Rosell - Deming, NM
Tim Geddes - Silver City, NM
Anay Eby - El Paso, TX
Lori Colon - Deming, NM
Ray Thomas - Sandia Park, NM
Joanne Bryan - Deming, NM

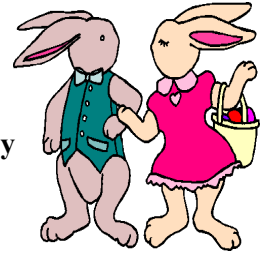
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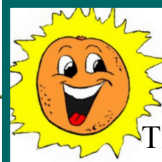
Happy Anniversaries March

Terry & Tanya Barry, Ric &
Linda Morgan-O'Connor,
Mike & Elisa Rudloff, and Jerry
& Stephanie Ward



April

Ernie & Grace Bent, Wendi & Jerry Bierling,
Merle & Nancy Burton, Carlos & Fran Chavez,
Jim & Pam Contreras, Marco & Felicia Franco,
Calvin & Glennix Jackson, Harry & Priscella
Lingenfelter, John & Dorothy Shoemaker, Ken &
Karen Spring, and Bob & Cary Voss



Sunshine Greetings

Get-Well cards were sent to: Undine
Tindell, Delena Lindenmuth, Jerry Abbey,
Bill Sutton, and Marianne DeMott.
We wish them all well soon.

If you know of someone who needs a little sunshine
call Barbara 544-8643



Refreshments

for April's meeting will be
provided by Marilyn Page
and Delana Lindenmuth
We love the goodies. . . .
Our tummies thank you!

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Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. General Meeting – March 27, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Shirley Krasinski at 6:00 p.m. She then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

All guests at the meeting were introduced, who included Nancy Thomas of Deming (formerly of East Patterson, NJ, Pat Storm of Deming, and Daniel Mayer of Buffalo, NY. Each guest came forward and chose a welcome gift.

The minutes of the Board Meeting were accepted as read.

The Secretary had no new business to report.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

Field Trips: A trip to Fluorite Ridge is planned for tomorrow (March 28th) and will be leaving at 8:30.

Claims: To be discussed at the Board Meeting.

Sunshine: No report.

Bulletin: Will combine March and April due to the Roundup.

Joe gave the Shop Report: Shop leaders are needed for this summer or else the shop will not be able to be open all the time.

Judy announced that \$1538 was raised by the silent auctions at Roundup.

Shirley noted that there will be a Cancer Celebration of Life

walking event will be held April 26th. Please see her for details if interested.

Shirley also announced that Elaine Angstrom will be holding an Earrings Galore class on the second Saturday, April 12. The cost will be \$5.00 and will include 2 sets of earrings. She also will be having a wire wrapped ring class 2 weeks later on the 26th.

The saw donated by the Silver City Club is being brought back to life by Ernie and we appreciate his efforts.

Shirley noted that the custodian has left the area for a while and we need volunteers. She said that if you volunteer, you get free shop time as an incentive.

Shirley also noted that we need a Membership Chair, a person to review the scholarship information, a Librarian, a Historian, and a Public Relations person. She explained that each position is not very time consuming and encouraged the general membership to step up and volunteer.

The door prize drawings were held as was the 50/50 drawing.

A motion to adjourn was submitted and seconded and approved.

Respectfully submitted by

Linda Edwards, Secretary 2014

Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. — Board Meeting Minutes – April 2, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Shirley Krasinski at 2:00 p.m. who then lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present were Shirley Krasinski, Carolyn Abbey, Linda Edwards, Marilyn Page, Joe Morone, Frank Barber, and Louise Treanor.

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.

Discussions were had on the following topics:

Scholarships: It was noted that we only have 2 applications for scholarships and neither of them meet the earth science qualification. Discussion was had regarding the possibility of the club donating a piece of equipment to the Deming High School Earth Science department. Marilyn will contact the teacher to see what their needs are.

Shirley mentioned the details of the Cancer Society's Celebration of Life walking event to be held on April 26th at 8 a.m. Marilyn intends to participate in honor of her son.

Frank Barber, our current Historian, requests that members take pictures of field trips and others of interest to the Club, and get them to him to be put in our History Albums.

Discussion was had regarding our claim, Big Diggins. Specifics concerning seeding and mulching were discussed and the BLM will be contacted to clarify the details.

Frank announced a fieldtrip on Saturday, April 19th to Round Mountain outside of Lordsburg. It was noted that Lordsburg has

a rock club and it would be good to let them know that we are planning a field trip to their area, and they would be welcome to join us.

Marilyn and Fran will clean the restrooms every Monday as long as they are in town since the custodian is not in the area at this time.

Joe discussed shop specifics, namely that the shop hours will stay the same through April 30th. Hours for May will be determined by how many volunteers are available to supervise the shop and saws.

Refreshments for the April meeting are needed. Marilyn said that she would take care of this.

Shirley was pleased to announce that we now have a PR person, Irene Coyer. Shirley said that Irene has some good ideas to improve our visibility in the community.

Joe mentioned that there is a Mission in Mexico that looks after abused children and they are in need of the following items: soap, shampoo, acrylic paint, and new or used paint brushes. It was decided that since there are only 10 children involved that if we get more donations than they can use that we can donate them to some veterans organizations in the area.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Linda, Edwards, Secretary 2014



Obsidian In The Past and Present by Jan Baumeister

Obsidian is an igneous rock that forms when molten rock material cools so rapidly that atoms are unable to arrange themselves into a crystalline structure. The result is a volcanic glass with a smooth uniform texture that breaks with a conchoidal fracture (see above photo: *in the rough*). Obsidian is usually an extrusive rock, one that solidifies above Earth's surface. However, it can form in a variety of cooling environments such as along edges of a lava flow, a sill or dike, where lava contacts water and lava can cool while airborne! When lava cools off, usually as a result of coming into contact with water, it causes many sharp shards of crystals, which can easily be broken off and used as knives, blades, mirrors and jewelry.

When lava cools off, usually as a result of coming into contact with water, it causes many sharp shards of crystals, which can easily be broken off and used as knives, blades, mirrors and jewelry. In the United States Obsidian is not found east of the Mississippi River as there is no geologically recent volcanic activity there. In the western US it is found at many locations in Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. Most obsidian used in the jewelry trade is produced in the US.

Snowflake obsidian is a semi-precious gemstone known for its black background and snowflake-like white spots. Obsidian is made from silicon and oxygen. It is scientifically written as SiO₂, most Obsidian is caused by lava cooling off extremely quickly, which is usually the result of obsidian coming into contact with water. The effect is a very glossy sheen and crystals that can be sharp and beautiful. There needs to be a large amount of silica in the environment (this accounts for 70% of obsidian's composition). Lava must cool rapidly, freezing before it has time for crystal growth. Pure obsidian is dark, but impurities usually result in dark green, brown, black, and gray coloring. Other impurities result in stones known as golden obsidian, apache tears, mahogany and rainbow obsidian, ribbon and snowflake obsidian. Blue obsidian has been found at Lassen Creek, CA depth about 6 foot .The crystals found within snowflake obsidian are a type of quartz crystal.

Obsidian is a very useful material and natives in North America, Italy, Armenia, Mexico, South America, Italy, Armenia, Greece, and Scotland and other countries. It is highly valued in ancient times and was often used as points for blades and weapons. Because it has no crystal structure, obsidian blades can reach molecular thinness, making it a great asset in making to both modern and ancient times. Pliny the Elder wrote about obsidian stone two thousand years ago. It has been mined and used for jewelry and sculptures by many cultures since then. In earlier civilizations, obsidian was highly valued and traded across great distances. It's amazing ability to fracture into sharp edges made it perfect for hunting weapons such as arrowheads, and spear heads. It also came in handy for weapons of war, and used obsidian tools and weapons, both in the "Clovis" (mainly North America) and "Fishtail" (mainly South America) styles. Widely used throughout the western hemisphere and the rest of the world as well) obsidian blades, when freshly struck from the core represent the sharpest cutting edge known, several times sharper than a surgical steel scalpel. In fact obsidian blades are currently in use in some U.S. hospitals for heart bypass surgery. It seems that they cut cleaner, thereby promoting more rapid healing with less scar tissue.

In Oregon, the most well known area having obsidian fields is around Glass Butte. Few people realize that it extends between 40 and 50 square miles and different types of good gem grade obsidian can be found anywhere. One of the early explorers, P.L. Forbes who knew this area as a gem hunter found something unusual in the flow of liquid lava and called it "double flow" in an outcrop at the top of a ridge. Apparently two flows of obsidian came together in almost a straight line, one side flowing black lava and the other side, the lava was bright red and contact made at top of this ridge. When the flows met the obsidian was cool enough so the colors did not intermix, but fused and chilled on contact leaving a sharp line of color demarcation. Two other locations is the Walnut Creek area in northern California and Yellowstone Park, Wyoming. Indians had central meeting places and obsidian was traded for buffalo robe from the Plains Indians. The first piece of obsidian I ever found was lying on the dirt road going into an area of pink limb cast diggings in northern Nevada. I found a previously worked obsidian piece after a backhoe dug out a carport area in a creek bank at end of our property 30 years ago which had to have been traded and transported and in this western area in South Dakota years ago

Working Obsidian by Clarence Bratt

IRIDESCENT - There are two types of iridescent obsidian. In cutting both correctly, the orientation of the color is most important. One type is banded and the color lies in the bands. **On the unbanded type of obsidian**, the surface has to be chipped to find the color. **The banded obsidian** –cut it parallel to the bands to get an eye effect. **To get a rainbow effect**, cut the stone approximately at a 15 degree angle across the bands. The Glass Butte obsidian is banded. **In the Golden Sheen obsidian-** To get the most out of mahogany golden sheen type, saw the bands as if they were stack of plates and you wished to unstuck them. Watch for "fire" spots in the gold sheen. It is not plentiful, but opal-like colors sometimes occur in this type of obsidian. **The Midnight Lace variety-**Lace patterned obsidian should be cut across the surface pattern that you desire to reproduce. *Source: the Ammonite—4/2014.*

SHOP STUFF

EDITOR'S NOTE: The source of these tips and hints are other club bulletins. Be careful when trying out any new idea. They have not all been tried by this editor.

No-Mar Pliers

Pliers can often leave nicks and scratches on your work. If this is giving you a problem, first take a close look at the plier jaws. New tools can be a little rough. I typically relieve any sharp edges, sand away any tool marks and give working areas a quick polish.

If that doesn't solve the problem, you probably need to cover the jaws. Plastic electrical tape provides a quick fix but can leave messy adhesive on the jaws. Dips don't seem to last very long. A quick and easy way I've found is to slip a length of 1/8 dia vinyl tubing over each jaw. It's quick and leaves no sticky residue. Only problem is that it increases the size of the plier jaws a bit. Tubing can be found in a store that sells aquarium supplies.

More BenchTips by Brad Smith can be found at [facebook.com/BenchTips](https://www.facebook.com/BenchTips) or groups.yahoo.com/group/BenchTips/

HOMEMADE AIR FRESHENERS - Mary Beringer



This project takes a total of five minutes to make, is highly economical, and each jar should last you about a month. This would also make great gifts!

To make these little beauties, you first need heat-proof jars, food coloring colors

of your choice, and essential oil. You can find inexpensive essential oils of various scents at craft stores and some grocery stores. I chose a raspberry scented oil... it smells delightful.

Into each jar, drop a few drops (I repeat...a few...it doesn't take more than 2 or 3) of food coloring. Then, put in about 30 drops of essential oil, give or take. The more essential oil you put in, the stronger the smell.

Now for the fun part. Gather up 4 envelopes of unflavored gelatin, a tablespoon of salt, and 2 cups of cold water. Why salt? Salt (or vodka) apparently will help keep the gel from molding. Interesting fact, isn't it?!?

Get one cup of water boiling on the stove. When it begins to boil, whisk in the gelatin, stirring until it's all dissolved. Then, pour in the other cup of cold water and the salt, stirring until the salt is dissolved.

Quickly pour the hot gelatin mixture in each of your jars, and then use a disposable stick or spoon to stir it into the oil and food coloring.

Let these gel overnight, and then voila! Air freshener!

United States Rock Club List

For those of you who like to and have the time to travel here is a website that you might want to look into.

<http://www.rockhounds.com/rockshop/clublist.shtml>

Mineralogical, Lapidary and Fossil oriented clubs and associations are the most valuable resources created and enjoyed by the rockhound community.

Source: Rockhound Gazette—1/2014

Did You Know?

Toothpaste — Can be used for a multitude of things besides brushing your teeth.

Carry a small tube during a backpacking trip as an all purpose soap. After all, it is designed to be a cleaner, a polisher and a mild abrasive.

If you are an RV'er toothpaste makes an excellent and surprising cleaner and polish for stainless steel folding stove tops, stainless steel bathroom and kitchen sinks, chrome plated appliances, to remove the goeey bottom from plastic sun-tea jars, to clean tea and coffee stains from plastic dishes and plastic glassware.

A little foamy toothpaste on tiny mirrors in a camper help to keep them from steaming up.

Just a little dab is all that's needed, a little buffing and everything is sparkling.

Source: The Glacial Drifter June 1/2014)

"ODE TO THE ROCK HOUND,"

I think that there shall never be, an Ignoramus just like me.

Who roams the hills throughout the day, to pick up rocks that do not pay.

For this one thing I've been told, I take the rocks and leave the gold.

O'er deserts wild or mountains blue, I search for rocks of varied hue.

A hundred pounds or more I pack, with blistered feet and aching back.

And after this is said and done, I cannot name a single one.

I pick up rocks where e're I go, the reason why I do not know.

Rocks are found by fools like me, where God intended them to be.

Source: H&B Macy via Shirley Krasinski

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**ROCKHOUND
ROUNDUP
March 12 – 15, 2015**



**THE
OFFICIAL SHOW
OF THE
SOCIETY**

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

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

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

6:00 p.m. - 4th Thursday of each month

BOARD MEETINGS

1st Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m.

ROUNDUP MEETINGS AS NEEDED

**All meetings are held at the Deming Gem &
Mineral Society, Inc. building
4200 Raymond Reed Blvd., Deming, NM
Clubhouse phone: (575) 546-2554
Visitors are invited and welcome
at membership meetings.**

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.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

APRIL

Saturday, April 12th	Earrings Galore class	9 a.m.
Saturday, April 19th	Field Trip to Round Mountain	leave at 8:30 a.m.
Sunday, April 20th	EASTER SUNDAY	
Thursday, April 24th.....	General Meeting.....	6 p.m.
Saturday, April 26th	Wire wrapped ring class	9 a.m.

MAY

Wednesday, May 7th	Board Meeting	2 p.m.
Sunday, May 11th	MOTHERS DAY	
Thursday, May 22nd	General Meeting	6 p.m.
Monday, May 26th	MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED	

All meetings are held at the Clubhouse (4200 Raymond Reed Blvd.) unless otherwise noted.
Visitors and guests are welcome at membership meetings.



Spring has Sprung. . .



Deming Gem & Mineral Society

Carolyn Abbey, Editor

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Happy Easter

