



The Prez Sez.

Hi and a Happy Thanksgiving to all of you. Our meeting will be Nov. 15th and we will have a BLM Ranger as our guest.

Remember our veterans and help them in anyway you can, as they've paid the ultimate price for our FREEDOM.

Shop leaders: please sign and date your envelopes, Thank You.

I'd like to Thank Susan Shiffner for all the work she has done as our Treasurer. We tend to forget the ones who work all the time for us as they are usually in the back ground. Susan, Thank You, for a job well done and a good set of books. We all hope Robert is on the road to recovery.

A big Thank You to Kay Victor and Judy Crawford for working the cases everyday and a big thank you to all the others who recycled themselves to help. Enjoyed working the gate with Frank and Sandy. We made a good team. And, thank you Carolyn for all that you do.

We will need a 2 year Director so think about it and step forward to help keep our club going.

Remember a frown is only a smile upside down so stand on your head if you are frowning. We need the smiles.

Your Prez, *Marilyn*



Holiday Potluck Dinner

Thursday, Dec. 13 th – 2 p.m.

Deming Gem & Mineral Clubhouse
4200 Raymond Reed Blvd.

Turkey, Dressing & Gravy, Ham,
Rolls & Butter, Coffee & Tea
Will be furnished by the Club

Please Bring a dish to share
Please bring your own table service

Sign up at November meeting

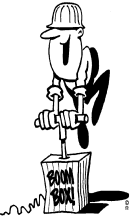


Upcoming Field Trips

On Saturday, November 17th Wayne Treers will lead the Club to the Round Mountain BLM Rockhound Area, northwest of Lordsburg, NM. We will be looking for chalcedony, common opal, and fire agate. Passenger cars are not recommended as we will be crossing a few arroyos (washes). High clearance and four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended. Carpooling at the meeting place is possible. A hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, plenty of water and food are recommended. Also dress appropriately for the weather (it will be chilly in the morning most likely).

We will meet at the dirt parking lot in front of the Clubhouse at 7:00 AM and leave promptly at 7:30 AM. We will travel west on I-10 to Exit 22 in Lordsburg, NM and take a break at the McDonald's Restaurant there. From there, we will travel north and west on Hwy 70 to the Round Mountain area It will be a long day with the sun setting between 5:00 and 5:15 PM.

On Tuesday, December 4th, BLM park ranger, McKinney Briske, will lead the Club on a 3-hour round trip hike to the Pre-historic Trackways National Monument in the southern Robledo Mountains. We will observe slabs of trackways and fossils of ancient amphibians, reptiles, and plants from the Permian Period of the Paleozoic Era (some 90 million years BEFORE the dinosaur period!). WE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ROCK- HOUND! However, we will learn a lot about the fossils, environment, and geology of the area. We will meet McKinney at 10:00 AM at the monument entrance. Details of the ranger-led hike and a map of directions will be given at the Club's monthly meeting on Nov. 15th.



Wayne

Rockhound Roundup Next Meeting November 10th



We are gearing up for our next Gem & Mineral Show. As always, we need people to volunteer to help run one of the areas in the show. We know many of you have talents that can be useful and we count on all of you who have worked in the past to make the Roundup such a success. Come to the meetings to see where you can help.

No job too small! Meetings: Nov. 10 and Dec. 8 at 10:00 a.m. Come on down! Thank you, *Maurice*

Shop:

We are replacing 2 cabinets for our Lortone grinders and they are being worked on. This will prevent so much water leaking.

The shop hours are the same right now as we are awaiting more snow birds. Mon, Fri and Sat 9-12 a.m. If you are interested in being a shop leader, please see Maurice.

Deming gem & Mineral Society, Inc.
BOARD MINUTES NOVEMBER 7, 2012

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

Board members present: Carolyn & Jerry Abbey, Maurice Crawford, Ron Ehrlich, Frank Barber, Judy Crawford (acting secretary), and Georgia Hoggatt (Interim treasurer). Club members present: Art & Shirley Krasinski, Jim Foutch, Ernie Bent.

Secretary's report: Judy advised that we have 3 craft classes coming up: Nov. 10 for rock art, Nov. 24 for our Christmas craft of a pierced tin candle holder and Dec. 8 for crystal angel and Christmas tree earrings. Come by the club to sign up.

Treasurer's report: Marilyn advised that the Roundup account balances; the other two not yet finished. We are still waiting on our quarterly reports from the CPA. Marilyn advised bills that had been paid in Oct. and Georgia advised of the bills to be paid for Nov so far. Motion by Judy to pay the Nov. bills, seconded by Jerry, approved.

Committee Reports:

Sunshine: Barbara reported to Marilyn that a sympathy card was sent to the Leiter family.

Membership: Not present.

Shop: Maurice reports that we have 2 new cabinets for the Lortone grinders and he has been working on them. The shop will need a barrel of oil soon; it will be shared with Roundup. Motion to purchase oil made by Jerry, seconded by Georgia, approved.

Roundup: Maurice advised that everything is in place until we get the Certificate of Liability in Feb for BLM. The next meetings are Nov. 10 at 10:00 a.m. and Dec. 8 at 10:00 a.m. at the club. Please come and see where you can help.

Claims: Everything has been completed that needed to be completed and we have the permit for the Roundup dig.

Bulletin: Carolyn advised that anything needing to go into the Chips be sent to her no later than Thurs.

Old Business:

Jim Foutch reports that he has not been able to get anyone

else to volunteer for offices. He also suggested that we have a meet and greet with the cheerleaders he has provided with pendants. Jerry made motion to have an ice cream social at our general meeting in January to which they will be invited. Seconded by Frank Barber, approved for Jan. 24th.

General meeting for Nov. is on the 15th this month because of the Thanksgiving holiday. Mark your calendars.

Holiday potluck is on Dec. 13th at 2:00 p.m. We will have our nominations of officers just before the meal. Be sure to sign up at the club so we know how much meat to buy.

New Business:

There will be a new lock put on the front gate. Persons approved by the Board will receive keys and they will pay a \$5.00 deposit. If anyone else feels they need a key, they will submit a letter to the board for consideration.

Proposal to hire Border Pest Control for a bi-annual spraying for weeds was presented and discussed. Motion to hire was made by Jerry, seconded by Carolyn. Approved.

Motion was made by Jerry and seconded by Frank that Georgia Hoggatt be approved for interim treasurer. This will be presented to the general membership for approval.

Georgia suggested the club have a speaker on first aid and critter bites and what to do. The board also discussed another CPR/first aid class and more information will be acquired.

Marilyn advised that Tina Wentz donated two club vests to the club. We will have a drawing for names at the next general meeting to award those vests to someone who does not already have one.

Discussion was made for future meetings and some fun things to do. This will be explored further.


No further business for the good of the club. Motion to adjourn was made by Frank Barber, seconded by Ron Ehrlich. Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

by Judy Crawford

for Pam Morgan, Secretary

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November Birthdays

Art Amati, Mel Carpenter, Clinton Evetts, Ray King, David McClaskry, Frank Pulliam, Elaine Smith, Barb Staff, Doris Sutton, and Jane Wellons

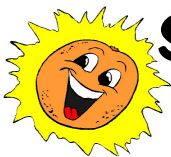


November Anniversaries

Arlene & Fred Beem, Brian & Mary Beringer, David & Marilee Crumley, John & Kaye Green, Charles & Pat Grimes, Dave & Georgia Hoggatt, Daryl & Donna Johnson, David & Jane McClaskry, Doris & Don Miller, and Henry & Emily VanDen Bos



Sunshine Greetings



A sympathy card was sent to Terry Leiter for the loss of his wife, Laura.

If you know someone who could use some sunshine, please call Barbara at 544-8643

November Refreshments

will be provided by

Kay Victor and Elena Bost

Our tummies Thank You



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Rockhound State Park Happenings November 2012

Submitted by Rocky Rockhound

Happy Thanksgiving to all Rockhounds everywhere. Don't you hate it when the stores go directly from Halloween to Christmas? Holidays that are food and family oriented are my favorite times of the year. Nothing beats left-over turkey sandwiches and pumpkin pie especially when a good cook makes the meal!

Winter visitors and those passing through on their way to warmer weather have been staying longer at the park this year. Since our fall was so beautiful, people are enjoying it for longer periods of time.

The new plants in the Native Garden have settled in. It is so easy to keep them watered now that we have the faucets conveniently placed.

The Friends of Rockhound Garden Group come once a month to care for the plants. Lately, they have been making water wells surrounded by pretty rocks around our new, tender plants. The garden looks great. Come out and take a look.

The Friends of Rockhound hold the monthly meeting the last Wednesday of the month, which is November 28th at 10:15. They always have a good presentation.

Rockhound State Park is open all year. The Visitor Center is open daily from 10-12, and 1-4 PM. We will be closed for Thanksgiving and Christmas. For any questions or concerns about the park, our telephone number is 575-546-6182.

A Big Thank You

I wish to thank all those who helped set up and tear down all the display cases for our DGMS booth. Also those who helped man the shifts at the booth, and the class demonstration tables. Those persons are as follows: Jerry Abbey, Ernie Bent, Maurice Crawford, Keith Meherg, Frank Barber, Judy Crawford, Kay Victor, Gayleen Laudermilk, John Ewert, Barbara Hamilton, Nancy Johnson, Deb Rorick, Doris and Bill Sutton, Bill Haworth, Jim Frederick, Monika Anderson, Ron and Nida Ehrlich and myself.

I want to thank all those who participated in having a display case of their items. Those were: John Ewert, Rich Little, Marianne DeMott, Jim Frederick, Ernie Bent, Kay Victor, Dave & Ruth Shephard, and myself. The Best of Show ribbon was won by Rich Little, First Place: John Ewert, Second: Ernie Bent, Third: Marilyn Page. Premiums for those ribbons were paid by the club at the **October** General Meeting. Thank all of you for all the hard work to make it a success.

Also, a thank you to Doris Sutton who donated 3 books to the club. Two are on Indian Jewelry making and one on making gem trees.

Marilyn Page

**PLEASE REMEMBER
THAT THE SHOP WILL BE CLOSED
ON ALL HOLIDAYS.**

DEMING GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC. GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 25, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by President, Marilyn Page, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests today were Carolyn Wilson and Laura Underwood, sister and mother to Marilyn Page.

Marilyn asked for a motion to approve the minutes as printed in the Chips. Motion made by Jim Foutch, seconded by John Ewert, approved.

No secretary report or treasurer report. Marilyn said the books are now brought up to date.

Committee reports:

Field trips: Don Bennett reported on our field trip east of the Spaceport America and Hatch. 18 people attended and went to several sites led by Paul Browning. We found Carnelian, petrified wood, and nice jasper. Our next field trip will be Sat. Nov. 17 to Round Mountain.

Sunshine: A sympathy card was sent to the family of Terry Leiter, whose wife, Laura, passed away suddenly last week.

Claims: Maurice and Judy report that we have the permit for our excavation for Roundup in hand.

Membership: Elena said that when you are renewing your membership, you do not fill out a new application form. Just use the short form on the membership table.

Bulletin: Carolyn reports everything good.

Shop: Maurice reports 2 new frames for the Lortone saws have been ordered. We will need to order oil for the shop and Roundup soon. The cost is \$750 a 55-gal barrel. The 24" saw was cleaned out last week.

Librarian: The library will be open during the meeting.

Roundup: The first meeting was held Oct. 20th. The next meeting is Sat. Nov. 10 at 10:00 am at the club. Please come and see where you can help. We had several people sign up for chairpersons already and we appreciate that. The chairpersons will receive the procedure folders as they sign up. Judy asked that everyone be thinking about what they can donate for the silent auction tables. Take a table with 20 items, or bring smaller amounts to fill in. Sign up sheet is on the front table. Maurice advised that Keith Meherg has volunteered to assist with Roundup this year. We need one more person also.

Old Business:

Our Holiday Potluck is set for Dec. 13 at 2:00 p.m. Please sign up at the membership table and indicate what you will be bringing to share.

Marilyn reminds to destroy old rosters by shredding or burning. Coolers will be serviced soon.

Jerry thanks everyone who helped at the fair and manned the gates. It saved us a lot of money for Roundup rent.

Marilyn thanks those who helped set up and tear down the display cases for our club. It was in a better location and we had a lot of interest in club and class demonstrations.

Reminder: November General Meeting is on the 15th!

Shirley advised again of the display case at First Savings Bank, which we have reserved for Feb. and March. Consider lending

us items to show what the club does with rocks and other class items. The case will be locked.

Marilyn advised of the Gem & Mineral Show in Las Cruces on Feb. 23, 24 at the NM Ranch & Heritage Museum. She will post the information on the bulletin board.

New Business:

Jerry advised that he will be teaching a Driver's Safety Course on Nov. 12 from 1-5 p.m. Vets are free, including spouses, bring your ID or DD-214. Sign up at the front table.

Judy advised that Shirley now has 3 classes set up. Those are Nov. 10 for stone art; Nov. 24 for pierced tin candle holders; and Dec. 8 for Christmas Tree and Angel crystal earrings. Sign up at the class tables.

Marilyn advised she would like to see one of the club display cases, at the fair, showcase items that are made at our various classes.

Jim Foutch advised that he completed 35 pendants for the Jr. High cheerleaders. They were very excited and appreciative. He also presented the proposed slate of officers for 2013. They are as follows:

President: Marilyn Page

Vice President: Shirley Krasinski and Jim Foutch

Secretary:

Treasurer: Gloria Hoggatt

1 Year Director: Frank Barber

2 year Director: Ron Ehrlich

Bulletin: Carolyn Abbey

Roundup Assistant: Keith Meherg

Past President: Jerry Abbey, Pro Tem

Jim asked for any nominations from the floor. There were none.

Marilyn advised that we need a Historian also. Please step up and serve your club.

Break. Reminder the silent auction will close 5 minutes after the end of the meeting.

50/50 won by Maurice Crawford; Door prize of a blue agate and sagenite specimen donated by Elaine Smith won by Deb Rorick; Name tag prize of a bolo was won by Don Bennett; Bonus prize of a rock specimen of Arsenite from NJ won by Frank Barber.

Marilyn thanks Elena Bost, Kay Victor, Shirley Krasinski, Nancy Johnson and Deb Rorick for the refreshments today. We need volunteers to sign up for November.

Dave Shephard advised that someone left cans of rocks outside the gates, presumably as a donation for the club. Whomever it was, thank you.

Dave also advised that he and member Lon Shelton, would be willing to give a photography class in the spring on how to photograph your rock specimens, jewelry, etc. It is an art to do it properly. We will have a sign up sheet on the class tables if you are interested in attending.

No further business for the good of the club. Motion to adjourn made by Jim Foutch, seconded by Kaye Green. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. Silent auction closes in 5 minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Crawford for Pam Morgan, Secretary

Cleaning Jewelry with Liquid Cleaners

This information was from the web site of Fire Mountain Gems, to be used for educational purposes. (Instructions by Tom Triplett, Content Development Manager.)

Empire's Instant Tarnish Remover

Instant tarnish remover is an acid-based cleaner. Create a hook from a spare piece of sterling silver wire to use for picking up the jewelry to be dipped. Remove the lid from the jar. Pick up the jewelry piece with the hook. Dip the jewelry piece directly into the cleaner solution all the way in. Dip 2 times. Rinse the piece under running water, or in a bowl of clean water. Dry the beads as soon as possible. Do not store away until they are completely dry.

Jewel Brite™ Cleaner

Jewel Brite is an organic cleaner and is safe for cleaning anything, including porous stones. Open the jar of cleaner. Drop the piece of jewelry to be cleaned into the basket inside the jar. Let the piece soak for a few minutes. Pull the basket out of the cleaner to retrieve the piece being cleaned. Use the brush that comes with the cleaner to get dirt out of crevices and from behind stones. Rinse the piece with running water, and dry completely.

ODX Degreaser

ODX Degreaser is basically a de-greaser: Good for removing dirt, grease and finger prints.

Remove the cap from the spray. Spray ODX directly on the items that are to be cleaned. Let set for a couple of minutes. Pat dry with clean soft cloth.

Do they work and are they safe? Who knows? I haven't tried them.

(Our disclaimer.)

Cleaning Quartz:

One way to clean quartz and amethyst crystal that does

not involve dangerous acids is to cover them with fresh

vinegar and remove the carbonates such as calcite, barite,

and lime, allowing the crystals to stand overnight in the vinegar. Repeat if necessary. Wash well, and then place the crystal in washing ammonia for 8 to 12 hours.

Remove, rinse, and wipe. *From Oregon Rockhound Bulletin 1/11*, via Southern Washington Mineralogical Society 2012 website www.swams.org

November 2012 THE ROCKHOUND GAZETTE

Fossil Websites

<http://www.fossilsites.com/>
<http://www.fossilsites.com/STATES/OK.HTM>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_fossil_sites

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>

WEBSITES FOR KIDS

Here are some great websites - for kids but we rockhounds just might find it interesting too. Check them out and enjoy.

<http://www.gatorgirlrocks.com/> (NEW) awesome site!

<http://www.kidsgeo.com/geology-games/rocks-game.php>

<http://www.bestcrystals.com/kids.html>

<http://www.rocksforkids.com/>

<http://homeschooling.gomilpitas.com/explore/rocks.htm>

<http://rockhoundtips.com/>

<http://www.pbandjadventures.com/Things/>

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DUES ARE DUE & PAYABLE ON DECEMBER 1st EACH YEAR

Membership Dues: \$12.00 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 Meeting

Saturday, November 10th

Visitors are invited and welcome at membership meetings.

OFFICERS

President.....	Marilyn Page	544-9019
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Secretary	Pam Morgan	218-220-8452
Treasurer.....	Susan Schiffner	546-4591
Bulletin Editor	Carolyn Abbey	543-8916
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Historian.....	Zillah Karstetter .	575-694-0456
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2 Yr. Director	Kevin Coleman.....	546-4078
Past President	Frank Barber.....	546-0212
Pro Tem	Jerry Abbey	543-8915

CHAIRPERSONS

Claims	Maurice Crawford	546-0056
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

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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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Thursday, November 15th **General Meeting** 2 p.m.
Thursday, November 22nd Thanksgiving Day (*Have a great day*)

DECEMBER

Wednesday, December 5th Board Meeting 2 p.m.
Saturday, December 8th, Rockhound Roundup Meeting 10 a.m.
Thursday, November 13th..... Holiday Pot Luck & Very Short Gen. Meeting. 2 p.m.
Tuesday, December 25th Merry Christmas—Have a great day

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Visitors and guests are welcome at membership meetings.*



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