



## Miz Prez 's message

Hi again,

Well fall will be up on us before we know it. The SWNM State Fair in Deming is approaching and we will need HELP manning the gates and the DGMS booth.

Please consider entering your work you have been doing. (the cost is \$1.00 per item to be judged) We will have three cases for judging your work and other cases for those who would like to fill a case with their collections of stones or gems. Please call me and make your arrangements soon.

Jerry is in need of help now with the fair coming up. Please call him and give a hand even if its only for a couple of hours. I'm quite sure there are many people out there that can help. Many hands make light work.

My mom, Lora Underwood, at the age of 92 climbed the Florida Mtns. where the towers are and then walked to the last tower and back to the first tower. She then proceeded over the top of the Mtn. to come down because she had already seen what it looked like going up the road. By the way, my mom will be 95 on the 19th of this month and she is still doing pretty good. She's not as spry but she is still getting around.

Thanks to all who have furnished refreshments for the shop and the meetings this summer. They were greatly appreciated.

Good luck to Carlos who will be under going a pacemaker operation.

Have a safe trip to Joe and Juanita who will be leaving us for Florida. We will miss you 2.

My # is 575-544-9019 for anyone interested in cases or any other problem they may have.

Your Prez *Marilyn*

## ROUNDUP

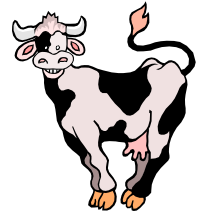
We still need someone to step forward and Chair our upcoming 2014 Rockhound Roundup.

## CLASSES:

New sign-up sheets and materials lists are now in the clubhouse so sign up for anything you are interested in. We will be adding new classes as we can.



**SWNM**  
**State Fair**  
**Coming soon . . .**



*Dust off your rock-related projects*, or create something new. The SWNM State Fair is just around the corner!!!! For just \$1.00 entry fee you stand a chance to win a cash award and a ribbon. Entries will be accepted at the Fair grounds in Bldg. #1 Wednesday, October 9th 2013, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Don't want to compete but have lots of neat things you have collected or created at home? Contact Marilyn Page at 544-9019 and arrange to have space to display your talents during the Fair in a secure case. All displays will be judged and one will be awarded a **Best of Show** ribbon.

**Have a couple of hours free during the Fair ???**

**Do you like to "people watch"??**

**Do you want to help support your Club???**

**Can you find your way to the Fairgrounds????**

If the answer to any of the above questions is **YES**, please come to the clubhouse and sign up for a shift at one of the gates during the Fair (October 10 thru October 13, 2013) or, you can call Jerry at 575-543-8915 and he will gladly assist you in signing up for as many shifts as you like (or only one, if you prefer). Ask anyone who has worked the gates during previous Fairs. It is **FUN!** It is not hard !! No Rocket Science is required ! **AND** you get to share your little ticket booth with other club members! You would not be alone! *What more can you ask for!!!*

## September Shop Schedule

Monday and Saturday 9 a.m.- noon

Wednesday, Noon until 3p.m.

**CLOSED Tuesday, Thursday & Friday**

## Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. General Meeting – August 22, 2013

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

Secretary: The minutes published in the Chips Bulletin were approved as written.

A thank you card was received for our \$100 donation to the City's Fireworks display this last July 4th.

Treasurer: The report was given by the President, and approved.

Marilyn announced that Paul Colburn (the Geode Kid) is in a Nursing Home in Silver City. We wish him well. His partner, Chris, is holding their shop open two days a week, so please call before you go out there.

Shop: Maury told us that all is well in the shop.

State Fair: The SWNM State Fair held here in Deming is fast approaching. In order to save the Club several thousand dollars in rent for our Roundup show, we are obliged to take care of the gates during the Fair. The Fair will be from Thurs. October 10th thru Sun. the 13th. We will also have to take care of one gate on Wednesday the 9th. Signup sheets are on the table in the club house.

This is a busy time of year for DGMS. We also have our booth during the Fair that we will need help taking care of. So, all of you, mark your calendars and be prepared to help out with the booth and/or the gates.

Nominating Committee: Jim Foutch will be the chair of this committee (from general membership), Barbara Staff (chosen by the President) will assist Jim. We still need one more person to fill the third spot on the Committee. Please let Marilyn know if you are willing to help out.

Break taken from 2:40 until 3:05 p.m.

Old Business:

It was voted on and approved to renew Border Pest's services.

We need some folks to train as sawyers for the Roundup and shop. Talk to Maury or Marilyn.

New members, Rosa and Rex Johnson donated a really nice semi-professional popcorn popper to the club. A big thank you to the both of you (and our tummys thank you.) *(A thought: we can use some DVD video programs from our library, and have a "popcorn and movie" session after our general meetings.)*

The idea of changing our club meetings to a 7 p.m. evening meeting was discussed. It was decided to table a vote until September's meeting when more people will be here.

Scholarships: We are working on updating the procedures and qualifications.

The club needs a Refreshment chairperson, and also a few people to sign up for September refreshments.

Classes: There are sign up sheets on the table, and lots of choices.

Jim Foutch made a motion to spend \$100 for bell caps for the jewelry he makes for kids. It was seconded and approved.

Door Prize drawing of a mineral specimen was won by Carolyn Abbey; Badge drawing of a bolo was won by Elena Bost; and the 50/50 drawing was won by Gary Halaburda. Congrats to all the winners.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jerry Abbey, Secretary



### Do You Email ??? Remember . . .

If you forward an Email PLEASE REMOVE all Email addresses before you send it on. *AND*, when forwarding to more than one person put all the addresses in the BLIND CARBON COPY (bcc) area to keep each one private!

**"Be kind to your e-mail buddies"**



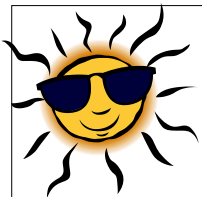


## Happy September Birthdays to

**Lisa Brown, Barbara Galloway, Jack Maxwell, Ric Morgan-O'Connor, Kay Victor, David Crumley, John Dreese, Bill Haworth, Georgia Hoggatt, Richard Jones, Lora Underwood, and Bill Wellons**

## Happy Anniversaries

**Jerry & Carolyn Abbey, Ken & Katy Breeden, John & Sandra Della-Ratta, John & Wendy Dreese, Terry & Susan Huck, Fred & Linda Hurd, Greg & Kim Slaybauh, Ben & Barb Staff, and Wayne & Julie Treers**



## Sunshine Greetings

Long-time Club member Tina Wenz passed away recently and card of sympathy was sent to her family.

*If you know someone who needs a little Sunshine call Barbara at 544-8643.*

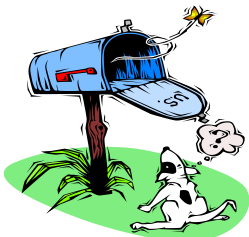
## Refreshments

for September will be provided by Barb Staff and other club members



*Thank you so much ... We love the goodies!*

***If a Parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?***



**Change your address?  
Please let us know!**

Send the changes to DGMS Membership, P.O. Box 1459, Deming, NM 88031

## Rockhound State Park Happenings September 2013

*By Rocky Rockhound*

The poppies are blooming along with other wild flowers in the park. It is beautiful. We didn't get the needed rain for them to bloom this spring, so we are amazed at the sight.

Progress is being made on the construction of the new restroom. Hopefully it will be completed before we get our fall visitors.

The Mariachi Festival will be held on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-8 P.M. Music will be provided by Corazon del Desierto, Rosas del Desierto, and the Folklorico dancers. The concert will be held in front of the Visitor Center. Bring your folding chairs, and enjoy the music. The rain date is Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1-3 P.M.

The Fall Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 A.M. to noon. The sale will be behind the Visitor Center. The Friends of Rock Hound are sponsoring this event. Pre-sales will be taken Aug. 29, Sept. 5, and Sept 12 at the County Extension Office in Deming. Buy a native plant, and support the park.

Friends of Rock Hound will hold their monthly meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:15. There is always a good speaker. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Summer hours for the Visitor Center are 9 A.M. to noon, and 1 to 2 P.M. Our telephone number is 575-546-6182.

## A Senior's Text Message to Husband

A senior-aged couple had finally learned how to send and receive text messages on their cell phones.

The wife, being a romantic at heart, decided one day that she'd send her husband a text while she was out of the house having coffee with a friend.

She texted.

"If you are sleeping, send me your dreams.

If you are laughing, send me your smile.

If you are eating, send me a bite.

If you are drinking, send me a sip.

If you are crying, send me your tears.

I love you."

The husband, being a no-nonsense sort of guy, texted back:

"I'm on the toilet. Please advise."

*(Brings a tear to the eye, doesn't it?)*

***If you try to fail, and succeed, which have you done?***

## Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. Board Meeting – September 4, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Marilyn Page. Board members in attendance were: Jerry Abbey, Carolyn Abbey, Maurice Crawford, and Marilyn Page. Club member present was Ernie Bent.

As there was not a Quorum of members present, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Submitted by, Jerry Abbey, Secretary

### Herkimer Diamond Quartz Crystals

*Reposted from Stoney Statement, May 2013 via The Cowtown Cutter, Fort Worth GMS, May 2013*

"Herkimer Diamonds" is the name given to the doubly terminated quartz crystals found in Herkimer County, New York and surrounding areas. These crystals have the typical hexagonal habit of quartz; however, instead of having a termination on one end, they are doubly terminated. This is a result of the crystals growing with very little or no contact with their host rock.

Such doubly terminated crystals are very rare and this is part of what makes Herkimer Diamonds so popular with mineral collectors.

The host rock for Herkimer Diamonds is the Cambrian-age, Little Falls Dolostone. The Little Falls Dolostone was deposited about 500 million years ago and the Herkimer Diamonds formed in cavities within the dolostone. These cavities are frequently lined with drusy quartz crystals and often are coated with a tarry hydrocarbon.

Although Herkimer County, New York is the location for which these crystals are named, similar doubly terminated quartz crystals have been found in a few other locations, including Arizona, Afghanistan, Norway, Ukraine and China. They have the same appearance but cannot rightfully be called "Herkimers".



**You know, of course, that our marriage is on the rocks!**

### Pneumonoultramicroscopicsillivolanolionosis

A long but deadly word is an ailment caused by inhaling very fine silicate or quartz dust produced by dry sanding. The word is long, but the cure is longer.

*Source: Leaverite News - 12/12*

### A Handy Hint

Have a note pad next to the tumbler to record the date, time and condition of the stones during the various steps and grit changes.

*Source: Gems of the Rogue—12/12*

### Red Opal

If the opal you are grinding turns red, you're probably grinding your finger tips.

*Source: Gems of the Rogue—12/12*

### Have you ever broken a drill bit off in a hole?

Sometimes you can grab it with pliers, but other times the steel piece is below the surface in the hole. If this happens, you can usually dissolve the steel in a solution of alum. Alum is typically available from a food store or a drug store. Use about a teaspoon per cup of warm water. Submerge your piece so that the partially drilled hole is facing up so that bubbles can float free.

*Source: Leaverite News - 12/12*



## ATTENTION

### Artists & Photographers

Beginners thru Advanced  
Adults and Children

### Art & Photography Show

At the SWNM State Fair in Deming  
October 10 thru 13, 2013

Entries accepted Wed. Oct. 9th 1-6 pm  
Entry info available at the club house

So get out your photos or your paintings (or both)  
and bring them to the Fair

*We'll see you there!*

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Art show: Carolyn 575-543-8916 or Maureen 575-546-2939

Photography show: Ron—575-546-1184



# Here are the Rules for the Deming Gem & Mineral Fair booth. Anyone can enter items. You do not have to be a Club member

## RIBBON AWARD IN ALL GROUPS

First Place	Blue Ribbon	Cash Prize: \$5.00
Second Place	Red Ribbon	Cash Prize: \$2.00
Third Place	White Ribbon	Cash Prize: \$1.00

**Only one prize money in each class to Exhibitor.**

There will be a BEST OF SHOW RIBBON For Senior exhibitors.

## DIVISION I—MINERALS

### CLASS

- 1820. Thumb nail — fits a one inch cube
- 1821. Miniature - fits a two inch cube
- 1822. Size two to six inches
- 1823. Size over six inches

## DIVISION II - LAPIDARY

### CLASS

- 1824. Cabochons - A. Mounted  
B. Un-mounted
- 1825. Faceted stones - A. Mounted  
B. Un-mounted
- 1826. Polished flats, nodule halves,
- 1827. Petrified wood sections, etc.
- 1828. Novelities, book ends, ash trays lamps, etc.
- 1828. Pictures in stone, mosaics, intarsia
- 1829. Stone carvings
- 1830. Channel inlays
- 1831. Chip inlays
- 1832. Clocks - lapidary, non-coated finish

## DIVISION III - JEWELRY

### CLASS

- 1833. Silver, gold, copper, etc. - with stones

## JUNIORS (17 years or younger)

The Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. would like to encourage more Juniors to participate in the SWNM State Fair by offering more prize money to the winners of all six divisions listed under Department of Gems and Minerals.

The prize money paid by the Deming Gem and Mineral Society will be as follows:

First Place	Blue Ribbon	Cash Prize: \$5.00
Second Place	Red Ribbon	Cash Prize: \$2.00
Third Place	White Ribbon	Cash Prize: \$1.00

In addition to the above there will be a BEST OF SHOW RIBBON\* There will be three prizes in each division, providing that the entries of that division merit an award. Winning entries may not be re-entered for competition for a period of five years. Entry fee same as adult.

## DEPARTMENT OF GEMS AND MINERALS

Sponsored by Deming Gem and Mineral Society  
SUPERINTENDENT

Marilyn Page - 544-9019

## GENERAL RULES

1. An entry fee of \$1.00 per exhibited item up to \$15.00 in each classification will be payable at time of entry.
2. Wednesday, October 9th, 10:00AM Open for entries  
Wednesday, October 9th, 6:00 PM Closed for entries  
Thursday, October 10th, Closed till 12 noon for judging  
Sunday, October 11th, 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. PICK UP YOUR ENTRIES.  
**Exhibits will be checked out upon presentation of claim check.**  
Entries are limited to residents of New Mexico.
3. Entry must be the work of the exhibitor both competitive and non-competitive for Division II and Division III.
4. All mineral, fossil and Indian artifact specimens shall be labeled to show name of Material and location of origin. Labels will be available from the Deming Gem & Mineral Society in advance.
5. All lapidary and jewelry specimens shall be labeled showing name of material. Labels will be available from the Deming Gem & Mineral Society in advance.
6. Exhibitors will be judged in general on:
  - a. Labeling: correct identification, spelled correctly
  - b. Quality of material
  - c. Variety: non-duplication of specimens
  - d. Lapidary: cutting, grinding, polishing quality
  - e. Jewelry: creativity
  - f. Educational: information interesting to the general public
  - g. Workmanship
7. **If entries under a classification are not of merit, no award will be given.**
8. The decision of the Judges will be final. If no award is shown on the Judge's sheet, no premiums will be paid.

## EXHIBITOR GROUPS

To promote more equitable competition, exhibitors are divided into three groups as named below.

- A. NOVICE This is beginner's group. An exhibitor who has never received a blue ribbon in the class wherein the current entry belongs is a novice.
- B. ADVANCED Any exhibitor who has been awarded one blue ribbon in the class where the present entry belongs must compete in this group.
- C. MASTER Any exhibitor who has been awarded two blue ribbons in the class where the present entry belongs must compete in this group.
- D. JUNIOR (17 years or younger)
- E. PROFESSIONAL For display only - no awards

# 2013 Southwestern New Mexico State Fair

## Schedule of Events \*

### Monday, October 7, 2013

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Livestock Entries Received

### Wednesday, October 9, 2013

9am to 12pm – Entries Received for Rabbits & Poultry

9am to 6pm – Entries Received for Ag Mechanics

10:00am – Livestock must be in place

12:00pm – Mandatory Meeting for Livestock

**1:00pm to 6:00pm – Entries Received for All Home Ec. Departments  
(includes Art & Photography )**

Check Applicable Section for Further Details

5:00pm – Poultry Show

6:00pm – Pig Show

### Thursday, October 10, 2013

8:00am – Lamb Show

10:00am – Goat Show (or immediately following the Lamb Show)

8:00am to 11:00am – Flower Show Entries Received

9:00am – Art & Photography Shows Judging, Home Ec. Judging

10:00am – Flower Show Judging

1:00pm – Heifer & Steer Show

2:00pm – Rabbit Show (or immediately following the Heifer & Steer Show)

**1:00pm –Home Ec. Building Open to Public**

3:00 pm – Deadline for Sale Animal Pulls (or 1 hour after end of rabbit show)

6:00pm – 2013 Fair Queen Contest & Cake Auction

7:00pm – Jr. Mini Bull Riding

7:00pm – Barnyard Scramble

### Friday, October 11, 2013

**9:00am –Home Ec. Building Opens**

**10:00am –Parade**

After Parade Hand out Sale Sheets (Meet at the Sale Ring)

1:00pm – Round Robin Showmanship

7:00pm – Best on the Border Bull Riding

9:00pm – Dance – Building #2

### Saturday, October 12, 2013

**9:00am –Home Ec. Building Opens**

9:00am– PeeWee Showman Ship

10:00am – Team Roping

12:00pm – Deadline for Livestock Disposition

7:00pm – Junior Livestock Sale

9:00pm – Dance – Building #2

### Sunday, October 13, 2013

**9:00am –Home Ec. Building Opens**

**3:00pm to 5:00pm – Entries and Premium Checks May be picked up in  
Building #1 for Home Ec. Exhibits, the Flower Show,  
and the Art and Photography shows**

*\*Since this is being printed a month before the Fair, some items are subject to change*

# 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)

### OFFICERS

President.....	Marilyn Page .....	544-9019
Vice President.....	Shirley Krasinski .....	544-1315
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Shop .....	Joe Morone .....	937-206-2111
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Membership.....	Judy Crawford .....	546-0056
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Photographer.....	All Club Members	
Sunshine.....	Barbara Hamilton.....	544-8643
Historian .....	Frank & Sandy Barber ....	546-0212
Social Chairperson .	.....	.....
Refreshments .....	All Club members	
Reporters.....	All Club Members	
Custodian .....	All Club Members	
Webmistress .....	Pamm Reynolds .....	715-808-2780

#### ROUNDUP MEETINGS

As Needed

#### BOARD MEETINGS

2:00 p.m.

1st Wednesday each month

#### MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

2:00 p.m.

4th Thursday of each month

**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 OFFICIAL SHOW OF THE SOCIETY

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

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**

**Email: the DGMS@gmail.com**

**OFFICIAL WEB SITE [www.dgms.bravehost.com](http://www.dgms.bravehost.com)**

## ROCKHOUND ROUNDUP

**March 6 – 9, 2014**



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

## SEPTEMBER

*Thursday, September 26th ..... General Meeting ..... 2 p.m.*

## OCTOBER

*Wednesday, October 2nd ..... Board Meeting ..... 2 p.m.*

*Wednesday, October 10~13th ..... SWNM State Fair.... We work the gates*

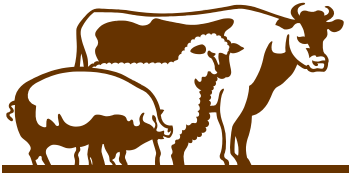
*Thursday, October 10~13th ..... DGMS Booth at the SWNM State Fair*

*Thursday, October 24th ..... General Meeting ..... 2 p.m.*

*Thursday, October 31st ..... HALLOWEEN*

All meetings are held at the Clubhouse (4200 Raymond Reed Blvd.)  
unless otherwise noted.

Visitors and guests are welcome at membership meetings.



**SWNM STATE FAIR TIME IS COMING**  
**OCTOBER 10 thru 13th**



**Deming Gem & Mineral Society**  
Carolyn Abbey, Editor  
P.O. Box 1459



**SCHOOL'S OPEN... DRIVE WITH CARE!**

