



# ROCK CHIPS

MAY 2019



Dar with the beanie and Keith Rickwartz, are the gold coin winner and the top prize winner in the Detector Contest.

## Great Finds at the 1st Annual Detector Contest.

FUN FIND! The ring is an American Airlines ring given to kids as a promo during the 40s.



One of the Many Prizes from the Detector Contest.



### Make Note

General Meetings will not be held  
June, July, or August.

### Club Shop Hours

**Monday – 9 a.m. - Noon**

**Wednesday – Noon - 3 p.m.**

**Wednesday – 6 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

**Friday – 9 a.m. - Noon**

**Saturday— 9 a.m. - Noon**

Hours are subject to change.

**Board Meetings are first Wednesday of month 2 p.m.**

**General Meetings are forth Thursday of month 2 p.m.**

Dates are subject to change.

## THE DEMING GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.

FOUNDED - JANUARY 1965

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**Meetings are held at the Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. building**

## DGMS General Meeting 25th April 2019

Donna George served as president because Jerry Abbey was away.

Meeting called to order 1400L

Motion made to accept secretarys report as published in Chips, seconded, carried.

Pat Smail gave treasurers report: overall club finances are good, no major changes, income and expenses discussed for last month, biggest expense was Luna county property taxes. It was noted that Kingsley North donated \$458.00 in materials and tools which were used as prizes during roundup. A thank you card was sent. April's treasurers report is posted on the DGMS bulletin board outside the office.

Donna said she went to the bank to get the second key for our safe deposit box. One of the locksmiths tools broke so it will be next week, Wednesday. As an aside it was noted that John Edwards has been removed from all accounts. Mention was made about the finance committee which is to be assembled from volunteers. Also our income tax statements went to the accountant last week, an extension had been filed, but we still filed 1 week ahead of ddl.

Still no C3 status.

Rock and Gem has not billed us yet for an ad.

Shop Report: Marilyn Page said the new belts will slide a little on their respective wheels until they get a little worn, this can be remedied by applying pressure to the opposite side of the belt to make it slide back. #21 chop saw is to have its pillow block bearings replaced as soon as its time to change the blade, and that is soon.

It was noted we need a petty cash fund. Any expenditures from this must be accompanied by a receipt(s).

The new color printer is in and operational. To be used for roundup and other special applications.

Nancy Guernsey stated that the ladies from the Mica Museum in Massachusetts sent the club samples of the mines product, and were soliciting donations to get their museum going. Marilyn made a motion to send them \$50.00, seconded, carried fully.

Marilyn also noted that during roundup every state west of the Mississippi river was represented, even Alaska, and perhaps as many as 45 of the 50 states.

Sherry needs big diggins pictures and metal detecting picture from roundup.

New Business: Marilyn looked into having 6000 flyers made for 2020, there is a lot of interest in this.

Gallagher brought up getting a Tucson room during the gem and mineral show, and maybe an ad in the show guide. A text listing in the Tucson show guide is usually included free. Members could sell their stuff, and use the shuttles to see the show and pass out information about our show. Also

would like to offer free or very cheap outside spaces at craft show, no flea market stuff, prefer demonstrators, and maybe vendors of handmade local items.

Steve and Rose Fowers visited from Sho-lo AZ, Rose is club president there, the White Mountain Gem and Mineral club, and they told us about their club activities. Steve noted they had a lot of fun with Bill and Robert at the Big Diggins field trip that same morning, very early. They also told us about their show which is held the weekend after the fourth of July at the Sho-lo Honda Casino. Marilyn suggested we make a field trip to the show.

Marilyn was made registered agent for the club corporation, until the December voting.

Meeting adjourned 1500.

## THANK YOU BILL GALLAGHER, For heading up the 1st Annual Detector Contest

*Photos by Bill Gallagher and Nancy Guernsey*



## Hope we see you at the May General Meeting

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### DGMS Library News

**We hope all members uses the clubs library. Our collection has a wealth of information. Even things you can't fine through google.**

**The key to the cabinets are in the office. Ask one of the members in the office to open.**

**Please make sure to check the books out. There is a small white books to put the book checkout card in.**

**Thank you Donna George for the valuable time it took to organize.**

**Lets all help keep to it organized.**

### Editor's Note

**Please email me any images, articles or other items of interest. We are looking for new ideas to go in the newsletter. Article work best if when they are under 300 words**

*Thank you,*

*Sherry Wilson*

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### Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, 1 May, 2019

Meeting called to order by President Jerry Abbey 1415L.

Pat Smail gave a treasurers report as follows: got some, spent some, have some left. Now we will see who really reads these notes. Actually finances are in the same basic shape as they were during the general meeting. The financial report for the month of April is posted on the club house bulletin board. 2 checks for pay outs were produced by Pat for explanation, and then approved. Pat then tendered his formal resignation in writing after 1.5 years of exemplary service to our club, and the resignation is included in the original notes in the secretary book. Good luck Pat Smail, and thank you for all you did. Safe travels back to PA and we will look for you in the fall. Marilyn Page will be interim treasurer until the fall when a new treasurer can be found. Volunteers please.

Gallagher stated there was no secretaries report, then made a motion to accept the last board meeting notes as published, seconded, carried fully.

Marilyn Page stated there will be no more styrofoam used in the clubhouse or in club activities, in an effort to curb plastics use.

Sherry Wilson asked for the exact dates of our next craft show: 9-10 November 2019.

It was noted by President Abbey that the Fair Board Meeting is held on the first Monday of the month, 1900L. Tom Rodrigues is our new fair board member, and he is also running the duck races this year so his position there will be a good thing for everyone involved.

Marilyn said Roundup received another large bill in the mail, though roundup funds are still in excellent shape.

To the best of everyone's knowledge it appears we did not place an ad in Rock and Gem Magazine. Gallagher will look into this, and try to find out about an ad in the Tucson Show Guide too. Maybe Rock and Gem would trade ads for articles.

President Abbey was briefed by Gallagher on the idea to get a club room @ Tucson next year during the rock show, even if it is only two days during the GPAA extravaganza. Also the idea of having free or very cheap outside spaces during the craft show for demonstrators and craft vendors. He said move with it. Efforts will be made to secure the ad in the Tucson show guide and the room.

President's report: Baja was good. Benches in the back room for children lapidary and other tumblers will take somewhere around \$500-600.00 in materials. Motion was made by Marilyn to go ahead with this project with a ceiling of \$1000.00. Gallagher mentioned that the wood life will be prolonged if it is painted as well.

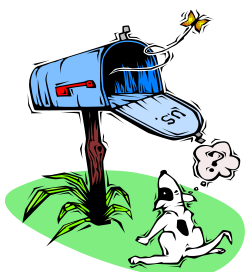
The safe deposit box keys issue came up again, Donna George waited at the bank for almost an hour before being advised the locksmith had broken his key making tool, and would not be able to supply us with keys until the following week. This is being monitored closely.

Nancy Guernsey stated that the library cases are locked, and wondered why. It was noted that books in the cases are rare and extensive, and can only be signed out to a member by a board member. All books must be signed for. This is an excellent and hard to find resource. It behooves us to protect it.

Carolyn and Jerry brought grapefruits, they were very good.

Meeting adjourned 1520L.

# Photos From Round up and Big Diggins Day



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

Send the changes to DGMS Membership,  
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