



Prez sez . . .

I would like to thank everyone who helped at the Duck Races. We all had a good time, and thanks to Tom Rodrigues for securing a good spot for our booth again this year.

It is with heavy heart that I tell of the passing of Lloyd Page, husband of Marilyn Page and long time member of DGMS.

Also for those who haven't heard, club member Susan Shiffner was in a very bad auto accident and has a long recovery. Please keep these folks in your prayers.

I hope you've all have had a good Summer, and with Fall just around the corner, we will be starting Field Trips again, the first one being on October 21st to Mule Creek. Contact Judy Murphy for more info.

We will be starting up the beginning Silversmith class on September 18th, and the Shop will be open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays beginning on September 11th, 9 a.m. til noon.

We can still use help at 9 a.m. on Wednesday mornings, filling grab bags to be used at the upcoming December Craft Show and our March Roundup.

We are looking forward to the soon return of the Snowbirds.

Our next meeting will be on Sept. 27th at 1 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Kaye




**Multi-Holiday
Craft & Gift Show**
Hosted by Deming Gem & Mineral Society
December 9 & 10, 2023
Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm



SWNM State Fairgrounds
4300 Raymond Reed Blvd in Deming, NM

**The shop is now open
9 til noon on Mondays,
Wednesdays & Fridays**



Board Meeting Minutes - September 6, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Membership: We had 8 people in attendance.

Treasurer Report: All bills are up to date.

Minutes: Approved as read by Secretary.

Claims: Jim Brown said the wavier fee of \$50. was paid to BLM and the seeding reclamation was done near the end of August. The left-over seed will be used this fall if we get any more rain.

Big Diggins has some new owners surrounding it. We will be discussing whether or not to partner with them, in some of the backhoe epenses, at the General meeting on Sept. 27th.

Shop: On September 11th, shop will begin opening on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. until noon. Foremans will be Marilyn Page, James Brown, and Jim Paddock.

Trim saw blades received that are too thin and have bent will be returned to supplier. The tumblers have been fixed so they are rolling.

Roundup: Still working on bags for shows. The first Roundup meeting will be October 14th, at 10 a.m.

Duck Races: We would like to thank everyone for their help working during the weekend.

Silversmithing Class: Nancy Jimerson said class is going to start up again on September 18th at 9 a.m. This will be a beginner's class, There will be a \$5 fee and a limit of 4 people. To sign up please call her at 575-418-8408.

Bulletin: If you would like to put anything in the Bulletin, please have to Carolyn by the 10th.

Refreshments: Please sign up at September 27th meeting, for upcoming meetings.

Field Trips: There will be a trip on October 21st to Mule Creek for Apache Tears. Please bring lunch and water and a Full Tank of gas. You will need 4 wheel drive or can carpool with someone. It will be a 2-hour trip. We will leave at 8:30 a.m.

If you have information about or would like to lead a trip please talk to Judy at 575-544-7453.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Judy Murphy, Secretary

Sunshine Greetings

If you know someone who can use a sunshine greeting, Please call Pauline Ott at 979-618-3432



Our first 2024 Roundup meeting will be held on Sat., Oct. 14th at 10 a.m. Hope to see you there.



Happy September Birthdays

Jan Bernier, Jennifer Campbell,
Susan Duncanson, Marco Franco,
Kaye Green, Jerry Huffma, Jan
Hayes, Dave Hoggatt, Al Krause,
Joan Keeney, John La Buwi,
Krystyna Robbins, Ronald McKee,
Joyce Levinson, Dennis Prim,
Jon Mull, Joseph Stoner,
and Gary Swinford



Happy September Anniversaries

Jerry & Carolyn Abbey
Frank & Jacqueline Barth,
and Tom & Bea Gorse



Lloyd led a wonderful life. We started camping in 1965 and didn't stop until we hit N.M.

He put his woodworking shop in the fifth wheel and enjoyed every time he made something/ He started making little cars for the children 5 years ago and has given out over 3500 of them.

In N.H. he made all kinds of furniture, tied flies and fished with them, and had

an English Setter Bird dog. We raised 4 kids, 3 boys and a girl. Maria is the Treasurer for our club. The 2 boys live in N.H. and the third, Eddie passed in 2014.

Lloyd led a full happy life that we shared for 63 years. He was 94 years old, a Korean Vet, Past Master of the Masons, Past Patron of Eastern Star, and also was a Rainbow Dad.

He is missed but I'd like you to remember his smiling and happy face.

Thank you all for the love, cards, texts, emails, and phone calls I received. You caring helped me through a rough road and I will not forget this. Marilyn

May 24, 2023 - General Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Membership: We had 20 people in attendance. There are 179 currently paid members.

Treasurer Report: All bills paid.

Minutes: Approved as published in the bulletin.

It was voted on to buy 5 rolls of stamps for the office to use on the mailings of flyers etc. It passed.

Roundup: We will be checking on insurance for the building to be insured during the shows.

Claims: Payment for all items due currently for BLM/State have been sent out. There will be a State Inspection at Big Diggins, on May 31st, with 7 club members to attend.

Shop: All set up and running well.

Silversmithing Class: Nancy Jimerson will be scheduling Monday workdays & will restart classes in September.

Bulletin: Get Items to Carolyn before the 10th of the month to put in the next bulletin. The bulletin will start again in September.

Sunshine: John Green, Kaye's husband, is home now. Cards have been sent to John Robbins, Shirley Barter, and Susan Schiffer.

Refreshments: If you can, please let us know if you will bring Refreshments for the meeting.

Field Trips: There will be trips set up in September. Call Judy 575-544-7453, if you can help with a location or lead a trip.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, passed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

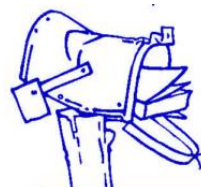
Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Page
for Judy Murphy, Secretary

**Running a rock club is like polishing a gemstone –
The more planning and work by involved people,
the more brilliant the finished product.**

Rockhound Poem

By Adin Van Wine

Climbing over rocks and crags,
Putting rocks in pockets and bags,
Walking in mud till each foot weighs a ton,
Getting wet and calling it fun.
Hiking miles through brush and vines,
To hunt the dumps of abandoned mines,
Looking in holes and gravel pits,
Cracking big rocks into little bits,
Doing all this may take some guts.
But these are the reasons they call us nuts.



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

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

A ROCKHOUND'S RAMBLINGS *By Susan Young*

DID YOU KNOW...

TALC is used in eye shadow, liquid make-up, rouge, blushes and pressed powders.

IRON OXIDES (magnetite, black oxide, hematite, red oxide, limonite, yellow oxide, goethite) are used in liquid makeup.

ZINC OXIDE is used in creams to protect skin from the sun.

MICA is used in eye shadows. If coated with rutile or anatase, it makes pearlescent shades of lipstick, eye shadow, hair gel, body lotion, rouge and blush.

CALCITE is a binder in eye shadow and pressed makeup, in chewing gum bases, antibiotics, antacids and dentrifices.

QUARTZ is used in scouring soaps and toothpaste, in coatings for pills and capsules and in ointments, suppositories and lotions.

Recycling

the ROCKHOUND'S way:

Old toothbrushes can clean specimens and stones, polish hard-to-get spots; the handle can be a burnish tool or polish mixer.

Foam meat trays are good for sorting or for small displays.

Milk and juice cartons provide bulk storage on a field trip. Close lid to stack.

Plastic tubs are good for mixing, sorting, measuring or storing grit and findings.

Use old T-shirts for drying stones or for hand polishing.

Metal cans are good for storing rough or tumbled



5/31/23 Three State agencies, Mary in middle, Rich Little lower left

Work days at Big



8/12 23



Judy Murphy, Kaye Green, Jim Paddock, Art Guterrez, Todd Montes, and James Brown



RECLAMATION:



Wildlife at Big Diggins
Todd Montes photo

Board Meeting Minutes - August 2, 2023

There was no July Board Meeting.

The August meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Membership: We had 10 in attendance. 8 Board members.

Treasurer Report: All bills have been paid.

Claims: \$50. maintenance waiver will be sent out by August 25th. We need seed for 1/4 acre to do the reclamation at Big Diggins in August as required by the State..

Shop: Two trim saw blades and a tumbler liner were ordered by Marilyn. Shop is doing good.

Roundup: Working on bags to be sold at the Duck races.

Duck Races: The dates will be August 24-27th. We will be setting up on Friday 25th at 8:30 a.m. and working Sat. the 26th & Sunday the 27th. From 9 til 5.

Bulletin: If you would like to put anything to sell in the Bulletin please have to Carolyn Abbey by the 10th of the month.

Sunshine: Please let Marilyn know if there is someone who should receive a card. A sympathy card was sent to the family of Louise Treanor as she passed away this month.

Refreshments: Please sign up to bring some to the meeting.

Field Trips: They will begin again in the Fall. A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Murphy, DGMS Secretary



How to become a Rockhound

First, buy a bag of marbles. Then, when you find a rock, leave a marble.

When you've lost all your marbles, you're a rockhound



The DUCK RACES
A few of the helpers.



There were lots of great floats in the Parade

Board Meeting Minutes - June 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Membership: We had 7 people in attendance. There are a total of 183 currently paid members.

Treasurer Report: All bills and taxes have been paid.

There was a suggestion that the club see if we can get a debit card for the clubs use by Al Krause and Maria Costa with approval needed for charges over \$100.

Post Office Box: It was suggested that when the current amount paid runs out that we transfer to a box across from the Helicopter area. It will be less than 1/3 the P.O.Box cost. It was passed.

Claims: Jim Brown and Jim Paddock surveyed the claim for the upcoming inspection. Recommended that we buy seed to reclaim the land in August. The State Permit was approved. Received a \$400 invoice for use of the backhoe for upgrading at the claim.

Property: The grounds look nice and thank you to Larry Baros and Art Gutierrez who cleaned out weeds, etc. in May. Art submitted a bill for \$100 for items used on the property.

Shop: One of the large saws is currently down.

Roundup: Marilyn said she will have two assistants for the 2024 show, Shirley Barter and Judy Murphy. Rose Baros will be in charge of the Inside Dealers assisted by Carolyn Abbey. Shirley Barter will be in charge of the Outside Vendors.

Duck Races: Will be August 24-27th. We will be setting up on Friday 25th at 8:30 a.m. and working Sat. 26th & Sunday the 27th from 9 til 5.

Silversmithing Class: Nancy Jimerson said class is going well. She will have a class again in the fall.

Bulletin: If you would like to put anything to sell in the Bulletin please notify Carolyn by the 10th of the month.

Sunshine: Ifs there anyone that needs a card sent due to illness please let Marilyn Page (575-544-9019) know.

Field Trips There will be Fall trips, call Judy at 575-544-7453. A motion to adjourn was made, and passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Judy Murphy, Secretary



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: \$15.00 per person and \$25.00 per family

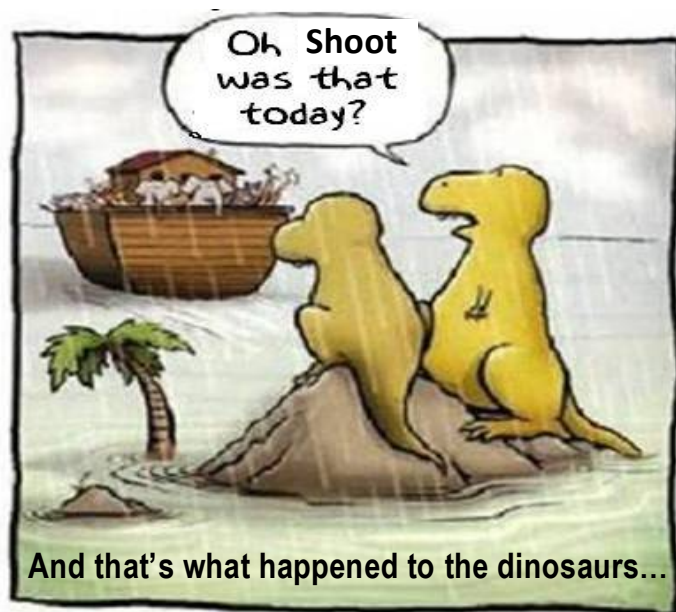
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Visitors are invited and welcome at membership meetings.

THE OFFICIAL SHOW OF THE SOCIETY

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

BOARD MEETINGS
1:00 p.m.
1st Wednesday each month

NEXT MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
1:00 p.m.



59th Annual

**ROCKHOUND
ROUNDUP**

March 7—10, 2024

"ROCK CHIPS" is the official bulletin of the Society

Email: theDGMS@gmail.com

OFFICIAL WEB SITE www.thedgmsclub.com

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

Wednesday, September 6th Board Meeting 1 p.m.
Monday, September 18th..... Beginner Silver Class MUST pre register
Wednesday, September 27th General Meeting 1 p.m.

OCTOBER

Wednesday, October 4th Board Meeting 1 p.m.
Wednesday, October 2nd General Meeting, 1 p.m.
Saturday, October 21st Mule Creek Field Trip meet 8 a.m.
Tuesday, October 31st **HALLOWEEN**

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Watch out for the kids

