



Words from the President



Hello Club Members;

What an Awesome Oct!!

General Meeting! The meeting started with a noon meal with 29 people attending. VP Dave gave an informative and engaging presentation on polishing our treasure rocks. Great job Dave! Make sure to read the minutes to find out all the happenings.

On Halloween the club will be supporting the community with a trunk "tailgate" at the Deming's Trunk or Treat on Main Street handing out candy, If you're out enjoying the event stop by and say "Hi."

I'm looking forward to November as it will be a busy and exciting month. Starting on Sat. Nov 9th the shop opens at 9am for rock work and there will be spinning wheel inventory/organization help need. Followed with a Roundup meeting at 11am and a noon meal (Thanksgiving themed). The general meeting will start at 1pm and end with a presentation from VP Dave. Field trip weekend will be the 16th & 17th and the craft fair will be on the 23rd & 24th. Hope everyone has a Happy & Blessed Thanksgiving on the 28th.

Rose Townsend-Baros

***NOTE** Field Trip Information

Saturday the 19th to Mule Creek for Apache Tears
Sunday the 20th Exploring the Tres Hermanas
November trips will be the 16th & 17th and will be announced at the General Meeting on the 9th

Things to bring on a Field Trip

Full Tank of Gas, Lots of water, Snacks, Lunch, Bag or Bucket for rocks, Hat, Whistle, Proper Shoes.

Greetings everyone!

Here's a big thank you to everyone who attended the October general meeting and participated in our discussion about rock tumbling. Lots of member involvement kept things lively and interesting. I've already talked with a couple of members who plan to get started or restarted in rock tumbling! As we saw, there are lots of members who are happy and willing to help you and answer any questions you might have, so get them tumblers out, dust them off, and get them rolling.

Fall is upon us, cooler days and cooler nights make for great rockhounding weather, so be sure to attend one of our upcoming field trips. Halloween is just around the corner, so bring your ghouls and goblins to the Deming trunk-or-treat on the 31st. Sunday Nov 3rd we set our clocks back 1 hour to standard time.

Our next general meeting is on Saturday Nov 9th. Even though that's after Halloween, here at D.G.M.S., the treats just keep coming. Club member Susan Postlethwait will give a talk and demonstration on wire wrapping for jewelry, with the possibility of some upcoming wire wrapping classes... you don't want to miss this!

We are also hoping to have another member give a demo on opal polishing for the Dec meeting. Fingers crossed and I'll keep you updated when things are finalized. Remember that the heart of our club is it's members, so if you have a topic or demonstration that you would like to present to the club, we want to hear from you. See me at the meeting or contact me at davendar2@gmail.com to let me know what you want to share with your fellow members, and I'll get you on the schedule.

That's it for this month's VP report, Rock On!



Sunshine Greetings

If you know of someone who
Could use a little sunshine
Greeting, Please TEXT

Pauline Ott at 979-618-3432



Happy October Birthday's

Carlos Chavez, Marcia Foky, Jim Lamereier, Janet Reffert, Virginia Mast, Gianna Deleon, Lucas Deleon, Brian Keeney, Martin Ridgway, Martha Weaver, Lynn Dahmen, Daryl Johnson, Carolyn Abbey, James Brown, Ronald Kuharski, Chelsea Lucas, Traci Pearson, Joe Piles



Happy October Anniversary's

Kristi & Dan Brookshire, Katie & Frank Rogers, Shirley Barter & Grant Stockdale, Donna & Daryl Johnson, and

Not getting your chips bulletin by email?

When you've requested it that way? Please add The Club's email to your contact list as the bulletin is sent out in bulk and may go to your SPAM list if not listed in your addresses. Our Club's email is: theDGMS@gmail.com

Shop Hours

In October 9am til 12pm
Monday, Thursday and Saturday
(Closed 3rd Saturday during field trip days)

Board Meeting October 3, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by President Rose Baros Townsend who then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Those Board members in attendance were Rose, Larry Baros, Dave & Darlene Bleicher, Marilyn Page, Carolyn Abbey, Jim Paddock, Kathy Townsend, Beka Sternhagen, and Andy Taylor. Also present were club members Judy (JJ) Johnson and Frank Watts. Rose then gave us an overview of the Club members who were at Spring Canyon to protest the proposed Luna County Monuments, along with several ranchers, off-road enthusiasts and their families. They handed out information and answered questions that were asked of them.

Vice President: Dave said that at the next meeting he will talk about rock tumbling. Also suggests that we bring something rock related to share, or if you have something to sell. Secretary: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: As Maria is ill, Marilyn reported on the financial status. Roundup: Marilyn Said the first meeting will be Saturday, October 5th at 10 a.m. and the next one will be on November 9th at 2:30 p.m.

Shop: Larry said it is going good. We will need to replace a couple of the large saws.

Bulletin: Beka said she will add a Classified page so we may include some advertisements. Send her your I.S.O. and for sale items so she can post them.

Claims: Andy said nothing new.

Field Trips: The next trip will be on October 19th led by Jim Paddock with Kassandra as tail gunner. We will be tentatively going to Mule Creek, depending on access. There was a discussion of other possible Field trip destinations. There was also a discussion on charging for our monthly field trips. It was decided that there will be no charge for people who go on a Club field trip. The Club will reimburse the trip leader and tail gunner for their fuel by \$.52 per mile each way. Also noted that we do have good first aid kits to take along on the trips.

Library: Nothing new to report.

Property: Larry said the lot has been cleaned up and is in good shape now.

Old Business: An Ex club member who wants to rejoin the DGMS was denied membership for “just cause”. They can go on field trips but not as a member.

New Business: It was voted to have Larry go ahead and purchase a 30” or 36” saw. Dave asked if we would be interested in preparing a dog run in the yard so that members can safely bring their dogs to the Club. He will check into the options and costs involved. Rose asked if the Club would support she and Larry participating in the Trunk or Treat Halloween candy give away on Main Street in Deming. They will have a DGMS sign and Halloween decorations on their truck. We voted to reimburse them for the cost of the candy to be given to the kids. The next DGMS General Meeting will be on October 12th. The November Board Meeting will be the 7th, and the November General Meeting will be on the 9th. The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Carolyn Abbey, DGMS Secretary

Carolyn Abbey

10/12/2024 General Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Rose Baros Townsend at 1:05 p.m. who then led the Pledge of Allegiance, and thanked everyone for coming today.

The new members in attendance were introduced: Marie & Fred Curtis, Traci Pearson, Steve Sheldon, and John, James & Ellen Piles. Welcome to all of you. We currently have 247 members.

The **Minutes** were approved and published in the Chips Bulletin.

Treasurer: Maria reported she needs receipts for all purchases for shop supplies. There are reimbursement forms available at the desk. The Club will reimburse for mileage to people who have traveled for Club purposes. She also gave us a report on the Club finances.

President Rose announced that she and Larry, on Halloween night, will be passing out candy at the Deming Trunk or Treat event. They will be representing DGMS with a banner.

Vice President: Dave will be checking into the cost and feasibility of a dog run to be installed on Club property. Jim P. will be assisting him.

Roundup: Marilyn said there were very few people who attended the first RR meeting. The next meeting will be Saturday, Nov. 9th at 11 a.m. before the 1 p.m. General Meeting.

Shop: Larry reported that most all is up and running. A new 10" self fed trim saw has arrived and is set up.

He expressed the need to replace the two "really old" large saws. Motion made and passed to research and purchase new ones.

Bulletin: Beka said next month there will be a "Classified" page in the Chips. Email her pictures and info of any rock related items you would like to sell or buy.

Claims: Andy reported there's nothing new at this time.

Library: Nothing new. It's open now.

Field Trips: Jim checked out Mule Creek last week end. It will need 4x4 in one area. The trip will be on Sat. the 19th. Meet at 8 and leave at 8:15 a.m. from the Club house. Those coming from Silver City can meet us at the McDonalds in Silver.

Rose, Larry & others Exploration trip to Gage area last Sunday found an abundance of Chalcidony and Apache Rhyolite.

Another Exploration trip will be on October 20th to the Tres Hermanas area. If you'd like to go and explore, meet at the corner of Sunshine Rd. and Hwy 11 (Columbus Hwy.) at 9 a.m. and leave at 9:15. (The Mennonite Church/School building)

Property: Larry said there is still a little more to do.

It was suggested we have another smaller sign at the roads edge leading to our clubhouse. Marilyn will check with the City to see if we can add one.

Drawings were won by Darlene, Marilyn, Jim P. Dave B. and Jim P. again.

Sunshine: Rose, speaking for Pauline, said there were four cards sent out this month.

Craft Show: Marilyn said vendor invite letters have been sent out, and there's been some response already. Show to be held in Bldg. 2 of the Fairgrounds. Will mark booth spaces on the prior Wednesday. Set up begins Friday Nov. 22nd.

John Robbins told us of a proposed Soldier Art Workshop, where some teens from Fort Bliss, will be bussed to DGMS and attend half day rockhounding and half day working in our shop. Possible date for this would be November 30th. He will have more details next meeting.

New Business: Marilyn has a few pieces of free formed melted aluminum from Lloyd's ramp, which was melted in her home fire in June. If anyone knows how to polish it, please contact her.

Frank W. inquired about the buckets of rocks from the Judy Murphy estate. It was noted that we are selling five gallon buckets, assorted, for \$50.

Dave B. led a discussion on tumbling how's, why's and wherefores.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Abbey, DGMS Secretary

Photos of the Month

If you have photos you want to share, Please send them to theDGMS@gmail.com c/o Beka

The Great Pumpkin Candy Drop



From high in the sky,
A great pumpkin will drop **FREE** candy.
Come join the fun
at Rabbit Park
on Sunday, Oct. 20th
11:00am start, candy
drop at 1:00pm

Sponsored by Friends of the Community

(575) 524-2990

Raffle Proceeds are used to support the Soldier Art Workshops for our Active Duty Soldiers, Veterans & Families.

SOLDIER ART WORKSHOPS
2024 EXHIBIT November 9th-30th

MWR SKIES/TEEN Youth Art & Soldier/Veteran Art
WELCOMING RECEPTION SATURDAY, 9th of NOVEMBER

Teen Mural Unveiling 2pm	1:00-4:00 PM	Youth Spinning Wheel 1-4 pm
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International Museum of Art
1211 Montana Street El Paso, TX

Please don't lick rocks. Lol!



Welcome New Members;
Ellen Marie, Joe and John Piles



Don't forget to send in pictures of digs or rocks to display in the Chips

If you can find at least 21 words
You are so smart, it's spooky!

 7 Words
(Average)

 12 Words
(Smart)

 19 Words
(Scholar)

 25 Words
(Genius)



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ACROSS

- Main ingredient in a popular pie
- Scare
- What the pot might call the kettle flying mammal
- What a spider spins
- Comes out on full moon days
- _____ or Treat
- When ghosts come out to play _____ stories
- Incey wincey is one of these
- When something makes our skin crawl, it's this
- Witch transportation
- Fire burn, and _____ bubble
- Disguise
- Evil or mischievous creature

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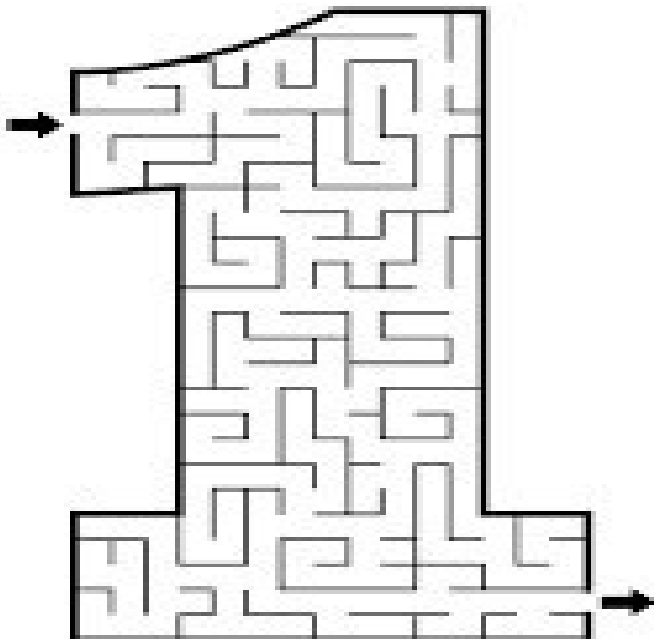
- Frankenstein has one
- Mr. O' Lantern
- October 31st
- Where a Vampire sleeps
- _____ house
- Sabrina for example
- He swallowed the canary
- Playground for ghosts
- Frightening
- A boney sort of fellow
- He hates garlic
- A skeleton is a bunch of these
- The count
- Might be full, half, or new
- Found in Egypt

HALLOWEEN CROSSWORD



Across: Pumpkin, Frighten, Black, Bat, Web, Werewolf, Trick, Night, Ghost, Spider, Creepy, Broom, Cauldron, Costumes, Goblin
Down: Monster, Jack, Halloween, Coffin, Haunted, Witch, Cat, Graveyard, Scary, Skeleton, Dracula, Bones, Vampire, Moon, Mummy

Number 1 Maze





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Memberships dues: \$15.00 per person and \$25.00 per Family

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Halloween 2024

October, 2024



All meetings are held at the Deming Gem & Mineral Clubhouse

4200 Raymond Reed Blvd, Deming, N.M.-
Visitors are invited and welcome at membership meetings

BOARD MEETINGS
 1st Thursday of every Month

Next Meeting
 will be
 November 7, 2024



2025 60th Annual
**ROCKHOUND
 ROUNDUP**
 March 6-9 2025



DEMING GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

General Meetings
 2nd Saturday of every Month

Next Meeting
 will be
 November 9, 2024



THE OFFICIAL SHOW OF THE SOCIETY

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

“Rock Chips” is the official bulletin of the society

Email: theDGMS@gmail.com

Official Website www.thedgmsclub.com

THE DEMING GEM & 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.

Summer is here! Stay Cool

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Send the changes to DGMS membership
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

October

Thursday the 3rdBoard Meeting 1PM
Saturday the 12thGeneral Meeting 1PM (Lunch at Noon)
Saturday the 19thField Trip to Mule Creek 8AM
Sunday the 20thExploration field Trip to Tres Hermanas (Meet at corner of HWY 11 and Sunshine)
Monday the 21st & 28thShop Open 9-noon
Thursday the 24th & 31stShop open 9-noon
Saturday the 26thShop open 9-noon

November

Thursday the 7thBoard Meeting 1PM
Saturday the 9thCraft Fair Meeting 11AM
Saturday the 9thGeneral Meeting 1PM (Lunch at Noon)
Saturday the 16thField Trip to be announced
Sunday the 17thExploration field trip to be announced
Saturday & Sunday the 23rd & 24thCraft Fair 10-5 & 10-3
Monday the 4th 11th 18th & 25thShop open 9-noon
Thursday the 7th 14th & 21stShop open 9-noon
Saturday the 2nd & 9thShop open 9-noon

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Visitors and guests are welcome at membership meetings.