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Organized to foster the development of amateur lapidary and jewelry craftsman, to foster an interest in mineral collecting, to present educational programs designed to improve knowledge, craft skill and to promote public interest in these areas.

Affiliations:

AFMS – American Federation of Mineral Societies www.amfed.org

RMFMS – Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineral Societies www.rmfmms.org

AZC - Arizona Coalition of Rock Clubs

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ANNUAL DUES

Individual Membership.....\$ 12.00

Family Membership\$ 18.00 (A family consists of people living in your household, at the same address)

An additional charge of \$6.00 will be added to anyone requesting the newsletter be mailed to them, rather than emailed.

Membership dues will be used to fund the Club, to pay for membership in the Rocky Mountain and American Federations. (\$1.50) per member and for liability insurance (\$.75 per member)

It's time to pay your 2011 club dues. You may either mail them to the club or pay them at our meeting. The mailing address is :

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club
PGM Membership
P.O. Box 3923
Chino Valley, AZ. 86323



New Members

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club rolls out the welcome mat to the following new members:

Linda Stevens - Jack & La Dona Field

Bring a potential new member to our next meeting!!!

The Answer Line: You have questions? We have answers! It is sometimes hard to learn about the club and our hobby, especially if you are new to either or both. In our club, we have the resources and the willingness to help out in most cases. If your questions are about the club and how it operates, you should contact the club officers and volunteers. For example, questions about upcoming field trips should be directed to the VP Field Trips. If you fail to receive your newsletter, check with the Membership Chairman to insure that they have your correct email address. Their telephone numbers are listed on the first page of this newsletter and they would be glad to hear from you. If you have questions about a segment of our hobby, pick out one of the members below who have experience in that area and give them a call. They are ready, willing and usually able to help!

- Don Crenshaw 899-0737 – Field Trips, Lapidary
- Max Hatch 636-0946 – Field Trips, Lapidary, Silversmithing, Faceting
- Alex Horst 830-9455 – Silversmithing (classes), Gemstone Carving, Commercial
- Keith Horst 778-7243 – Lapidary (classes), Commercial
- Larry and Pam Jackson 636-9188 – Lapidary, Faceting, Silversmithing, Beading
- Maggi Lieber 520-831-0017 – Intarsia, Lapidary
- John McArthur 636-9790 – Field Trips, Intarsia, Lapidary
- Roland Michaelis 443-8550 – Faceting, Fluorescent Minerals
- Joan Moss 636-5384 – Lapidary, Beading, Silversmithing
- John Munday 772-9053 – Wire Wrapping, Lapidary
- Gary Pope 541-7872 – Minerals
- Phil Preble 541-0614 – Minerals
- Marilyn & Dick Rodenbury 778-5166 – Faceting, Lapidary
- Ed Sullivan 776-0231 – Field Trips

If you are willing to share your experience/expertise in an area not covered by the volunteers above, please tell Maggi Lieber (520-831-0017 or fluffierox@hotmail.com). In particular, we need someone with experience in prospecting to join our list.



FOR SALE

Use the column to let other club members know about the great stuff you have regrettably decided to sell. In other words, list whatever equipment or other paraphernalia, rock related only, you have for sale. Send your information to fluffierox@hotmail.com by NLT the 25th of the month for insertion into the newsletter.

Russian Gem microscope and briefcase with some gem ID equipment, sold as one, make offer.
Cash, trade for guns or whatever.

Robert A. Kurokat rakuro@commspeed.net or 928-772-6357

Photos Wanted: We are always looking for new photos of our club in action; Christmas pot luck, meetings, field trips, etc. If you have any photos that you think represent our club in action, please email them to either myself at fluffierox@hotmail.com or to our club historian, Linda Loschke at lindasue@commspeed.net.

Program Meetings: The club meets on the 1st Saturday of the month at 10:00 AM at the Prescott Public Library on Goodwin Street in Prescott, Az. The meeting takes place in the Founders Suites A & B on the lower level of the library. Lectures, slide shows, guest speakers and videos on a variety of subjects. Be sure to verify meeting dates and times as occasionally dates and times change. Any questions, call President Ron Whorton at 928-925-8911.

Future General Meeting Date: June 4, 2011 (Spring Fling)
July 9, 2011 at 1:30 PM (Second Saturday of the month and afternoon time frame due to Independence Day Closures)
August 6, 2011
September 3, 2011
October 15, 2011 at 1:00 PM (3rd Saturday of the month and afternoon time frame due to Scheduling conflicts)

Future Board Meeting Dates: June 16, 2011
July 21, 2011
August 18, 2011
September 15, 2011
October 20, 2011

Anyone who plans to attend a board meeting should call President Ron Whorton at 925-8911, to be sure and get on the agenda. Board meetings are held at the home of Marguerite Ahl, 1st VP Programs.

Don't forget our **Show and Tell** opportunities. If you have an item or items that you would like to share with the entire club, please contact Marguerite Ahl at 775-2934 prior to meeting day so we can schedule time.

MINING MADNESS FOR KIDS

Hello Rockhounds,

There is a class at the Yavapai College for Kids this summer on Mining Madness, a hands on experience with mining and gem rough identification from around the world. The link to the college class is <http://www.deserteyeeducation.com/KidsCollege.html> I have been teaching classes like this for kids since 1980! They are fun and so insightful for the kids. I also welcome anyone of your members who might like to come and share lapidary techniques with us. The class is being given June 13-16 from 1-4pm. Please give me a call or respond by email. I look forward to talking with you.

Diane A. Vaszily

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TREASURER'S REPORT - See minutes of the General Meeting

YOU KNOW YOU'RE A ROCKHOUND IF.....

***** The local university's geology department asks permission to hold a field trip -- in your back yard. *****



It's Time to Pitch in and Help Out at Our Annual Show

We now have a full slate of Vendors for our Gem and Mineral Show to be held July 29 thru July 31. Putting on a show of this magnitude is a great deal of work and it couldn't be done without the help of ALL of our club members. That means you! There is a lot of work to be done and there is something for everyone, whatever your age or experience level. We are still in need of volunteers for work details: set-up, tear-down, Security, parking Lot, kidz mine and roulette wheel, Ticket table, membership table, and food supply (doughnuts and coffee, ice etc. each morning) We will have sign-up sheets available at the "Spring Fling" as well as the July meeting. Remember, this is your club and now is the time to volunteer a few hours to make the show go smoothly. The more hands we have, the easier it is for everyone, so lets roll up our sleeves and make this our best show ever! This is your club so don't just sit on the sidelines and watch, step up and be a part.

Thanks, Maggi Lieber and Judy Sullins, Show Co-Chairs



Marguerite Ahl - VP Programs

June: Spring Fling at Heritage Park Ramada

July: Wayne Ranney will be making another appearance. He'll talk about 'Ancient Lands'. He is not to be missed!

September: Kristine Uhlman. Speaking on arsenic in our ground water. She spoke at our January meeting and was wonderful. If you missed her then, don't make the same mistake twice.

Marguerite Ahl
1st VP of Programs



PRESCOTT GEM & MINERAL CLUB at TERRITORIAL DAYS

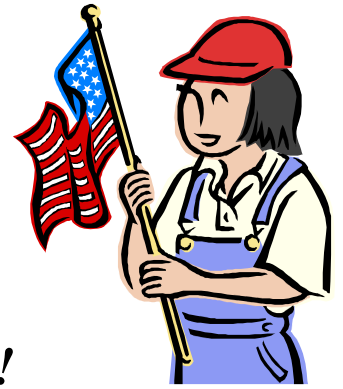
We now have a full booth for Territorial Days on the square on June 11,12. Judy will supply the tent, tables, tablecloths and all the items that go with the tent. We will meet on Friday June 10 to set up the booth after 5:00 pm (or whenever the last Judge leaves the court house) Anyone who can help set up will be appreciated. It isn't hard and doesn't take too long. Please bring your items for sale Saturday June 11 and plan to pick them up again at 5:00 Sat., then bring them back on Sunday. (You can make arrangements with another member to take your items with them overnight) We don't leave jewelry over night as you never know what can happen. They do provide security but remember this is only a tent! We will have flyers available for our upcoming July Show. This is a great opportunity to get them in the hands of the public!

We always have a lot of fun and even manage to make a few \$\$\$.

Judy will get in touch with each of you this week with a schedule and the location of our space.

Info: call Judy Sullins 445-1117 or sullinsjs@cableone.net.

Thank you Judy



IT'S PARADE TIME AGAIN FOLKS!!

OK, here's your chance to step lively and have some fun while helping to promote you club. The Prescott Gem and Mineral Club will again be participating in both the Prescott Valley Days Parade in June and the Frontier Days Parade in Prescott in July. Last year we all had a great time passing out flyers for our upcoming show, plus we got a little exercise too! There will be sign up sheets on the membership table at the Spring Fling and at the July meeting, so don't be shy. The Prescott Valley Days Parade is June 18th and the Frontier Days Parade is July 2nd.



Sunshine Lady

If you know of someone that is having surgery, has had a major trauma, is seriously ill or has lost a close loved one, please let me know so that I can send a card from the club.

This month a sympathy card was sent to Barbara Hertko on the passing of her brother.

Thank You, Maurine Haeberlin 778-9479

Minutes of General Meeting of the Prescott Gem and Mineral Club - May 14th, 2011

Meeting called to order at 10:03AM.

Agenda: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Treasurer Carol Gilson reported a beginning income of \$1,738.71 (\$1,479.00 of which is for expenses at the upcoming show), expenses of \$933.71 (\$575.00 of which was paid to Embry-Riddle for Show expenses), leaving a balance in checking of \$17,743.81. A motion was made by Judy Sullins to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Robin Albert. Vote unanimous to approve.

President Ron Whorton asked for a motion to accept the minutes as published in the PGMC May Newsletter. Motion made by Sheldon Edelman, seconded by Margie Rathbone. Vote unanimous to approve.

2nd VP Field Trips, Mike Brody, reported that last Saturday's field trip to Fossil Creek was good. He also reported on the Utah field trip; petrified wood, coprolite (dino poop) and other materials were found. Clyde Griffith was the trip leader with 18 people attending. Samples from the trip were put out for members to see. The ladies found the best specimens this trip. He also reported that there is a change in the trip schedule. May 18th will be a trip to the Jerome area for Azurite and Malachite, 4 wheel drive needed. June 18th will be a trip to Mingus Mt. for Jasper and Hematite, no 4-wheel drive needed.

Secretary Heather Redden reported it's official, the Mingus Gem and Mineral Club Board voted on April 25th to lend their spinning wheel to the Prescott Club for their show.

Show Co-Chair Judy Sullins told members about the showcases for the show and invited members to sign up for a case to display their collections. One was set-up for viewing.

Volunteer Membership Person Pam Jackson reported 71 members in attendance with 5 guests and 2 new members.

Old Business: None

New Business: Show Co-Chair Maggi Lieber stated that there were sign up sheets on the back table for our upcoming show and also for both the Prescott Valley Days Parade and the Frontier Days Parade in Prescott. Please sign up. Show Volunteer Sharon Holly announced that we have more flyers and new small signs for our show, so please pick up a few.

Keith Horst announced that he is teaching a week long class on Intarsia, July 11-14. The cost is \$154.00. There are 4 openings.

A guest asked if they can come on field trips. Independent Director, Max Hatch, said you really should be a member. Otherwise you must have a sponsor who is responsible for you.

Former Hospitality Volunteer, Doris Edelman, reported she had received the papers from the City of Prescott for our Spring Fling, June 4th from 10AM to 2PM at Heritage Park, same location as last year. She gave the papers to President Whorton. He in turn gave the papers to our present Hospitality Volunteer, Robin Albert. Robin announced that she was sending around a sign-up sheet. She will need volunteers to set-up and for clean up. You need to bring your own plates, glasses, silverware and beverage. NO ALCOHOL ALLOWED! There will be a \$2 parking fee per car.

Break at 10:33AM. Meeting resumed at 10:50AM.

1st VP Programs, Marguerite Ahl, introduced our speaker, Mr. Wayne Ranney, who spoke about the theories on the formation of the Grand Canyon.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Jeanette Myrick at 11:40, seconded by Beth. Vote unanimous to adjourn.

Raffle followed.

Minutes Submitted by Heather Redden, Secretary

Minutes of Board Meeting of the Prescott Gem and Mineral Club - May 19th, 2011

Meeting called to order at 5:15PM. All board members present, except Mike Brody, Brad Balue and Don Crenshaw.

President Ron Whorton reported that Hospitality Volunteer Robin Albert has a new job and will not be available, He thought that Margie Rathbone would make a good replacement, so he will contact her. He also stated that the cost of the 20lbs. of brisket would be \$160.00 from the catering service. 1st VP Programs Marguerite Ahl reported that Raffles/Silent Auction Volunteer Linda Loschke is giving up her position effective Dec. 31, 2011. Marguerite volunteered to take over the job January 2012.

President Whorton brought up the topic of the club meeting date for the new year. He suggested a change to the 3rd. Saturday of the month which we have had in the past. This year, due to library scheduling, we have had to rearrange 7 dates from the first Saturday of the month. He made a motion to change the meeting date to the 3rd. Saturday effective January 2012. The motion was seconded by Show Co-Chair Maggi Lieber. Vote unanimous to approve.

1st VP Programs, Marguerite Ahl, reported that we have not heard from Yavapai College about the scholarships, and that she had heard there was confusion on how the Club scholarships were being handled. After some discussion, it will be investigated again. Pam Jackson, who handled the scholarships in the past would be contacted on setting a new screening process.

President Whorton will be paying the fees for the Spring Fling with a Club check and will take care of an error on the form.

1st VP Programs Marguerite Ahl said she would like to have Wayne Ranney back again for the July 9th program and the Board agreed, so she will contact him.

Treasurer Carol Gilson asked how we are handling the cash for the show. It was explained that banks were set up for the various sections like admissions, etc. and counts and pickup were done on a daily basis with receipts.

A short discussion was held on the parades and the need of 2 cars, trucks or jeeps.

Show Co-Chair Maggi Lieber volunteered to pick up the donuts and water for our show. Someone will need to start the coffee. President Whorton said that he has picked up screwdrivers for the Show toolbox. Also we will need to ask the membership for donations for the Kid's Mine and the Spinning Wheel.

Motion to adjourn made at 6:17 by President Whorton, seconded by 1st VP Ahl. Vote unanimous to adjourn.

Minutes Submitted by Heather Redden, Secretary

COALITION FIELD TRIP-sponsored by the WHITE MOUNTAIN GEM &
MINERAL CLUB, Show Low, AZ

JULY 23, 2011

LOCATION: STEWART'S ROCK SHOP & OSTRICH FARM. Our host/owners are Charles and Gazell Stewart. Exit I-40 at 303. Shop is located on the north side of freeway 15 miles east of Holbrook, AZ

MEET AT: Rock Shop for the opportunity to explore 140 acres

TIME: 10:00 am

WHAT YOU WILL FIND: Petrified Wood and possible fossils. Watch for SNAKES!!

VEHICLE: Any vehicle will do

WEATHER: It will be hot!! If threatening rain or is raining, the trip will be canceled.

WHAT TO BRING: Lots of drinking water, hat (I'm hoping for a shade tent, also), wear good hiking boots, chairs, bag lunch, cash, and your usual rock hounding tools and containers.

TERRAIN: High desert-rolling hills. You will be able to wander over the Stewart's 140 acres which borders the Painted Desert/Petrified Wood National Park.

FEES: \$2.00 per person, 50 cents per pound for what you find out in the field, and at the end of the rock shop in fenced -in area, \$1.00 a pound.

WAVIERS OF LIABILITY: Each person must sign the waiver.

RULES: No ATV's allowed. If you have pets (dogs), they must be kept on a leash and far away from the Ostriches.

Stewart's Rock Shop is a unique place. If able, visit their websites

www.petrifiedwood.com

www.roadsideamerica.com/story/13649

Any questions, call me at (928)536-7209. Please wear your club name badge.

Eunice McQuiston

President's Message 06-2011 (Our Independent Director is Pinch Hitting This Month)

Just a quick reminder to all members. We are fast approaching the single most important event of our Club Year, the annual Show & Sale. There are still a number of volunteer spots that have not been filled. These are not difficult positions but they all need warm bodies in them. This is an excellent time for old & new members to participate in their club. Don't forget that we need donations of polished small rocks for our 'Leaverite' mine and this year we also need rocks and/or other items for our wheel of fortune. All donations will be gratefully received.

There have been several field trips in the past few weeks and more planned for the future. Please let Mike Brody, Vice President of Field Trips, know how you liked them and what you would like to see in the future. Remember, these trips are planned for our members. Mike has strived to have trips that can be enjoyed by all levels of participants. The club responsibility is to plan a safe outing for members. We can not control weather and or other factors, although Mike tries. Please let Marguerite Ahl know how you have like our recent programs. She has worked very hard and put in many hours of her time getting the best speakers available. She has been trying to upgrade the quality of our speakers and is doing a fine job. Let her know how you appreciate her efforts.

OK folks, the rest of the year will go even faster than the first half. Participate in your club, have fun, but be careful out there!

Max Hatch

Independent Director

President's Message 06-2011 (The Prez Himself!!)

I am looking forward to the parade on June 18, 2011 in Prescott Valley.

It should be lots of fun so come out and join us.

I will see all of you at the Spring Fling this Saturday. I hope the weather holds out.

See you all there !

Pres Ron

Mike Brody - 2nd VP Field Trips

The last field trip to Jerome for azurite and malachite was a huge success in terms of participation. We had 22 people in 13 vehicles. We discovered late that there was better stuff further up the hill. We'll look there next time. At Rodeo Flats we encountered the same situation. The good stuff was further up the road.

We will be going to Agate Mountain / Chase Creek on June 11th for agates and fossils. There will be plenty of both at these sites. We will leave the Blue Hills Cafe in Dewey at 7:30; Don't be late. High clearance vehicle is recommended for the trip.

The **Mingus Mountain trip for June 18th is being CANCELLED** because of the Prescott Valley Days parade being on the same day. Our club will be participating in the parade. We will reschedule the Mingus Mountain trip at a later date. You can ride in Mike's army truck or walk and pass out flyers.

A reminder: Wear long pants and hiking boots on field trips. Bring plenty of water, insect repellent or head net. Don't look for help to carry your rocks back. Gather only what you can carry. Two-way radios (walkie-talkies) are always recommended. The club has a limited number available for folks who don't own one. They cost about \$50 a pair. Carrying a referee's whistle is also a good idea. Especially for us older folks. See you all at the Spring Fling.

Mike Brody, VP Field Trips

Tentative Dates for Upcoming PGMC Field Trips

These are TENTATIVE dates for these field trips. ALWAYS check with the 2nd VP Field Trips, Mike Brody, or the designated leader of a specific trip before heading out, particularly in the case of questionable weather.

Saturday, June 11. Agate Mountain / Chase Creek. Meet at Blue Hills Cafe, Hwy 69 Dewey at 7:30 am.

Saturday, June 18 Mingus Mountain. Meet at Waffles & More at 7:30 am.. **CANCELED**

Wednesday June 22 I-40 Sandstone Quarry. Meet at Waffles & More at 7:30 am.

RAFFLE ITEMS

We are in need of quality materials for our raffle table. These donated materials, that are raffled at our meetings, help defray the operating costs of the club and help us to keep our dues as low as possible.. Please bring a donation to the next meeting. Make sure your donation is marked as what it is and, if known, where it came from. Your continued support is needed and much appreciated.

Linda Loschke and Stephanie Allen

SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY - 2011

June

10-12—ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO: Show; Gem Faire Inc.; New Mexico State Fairgrounds, 300 San Pedro NE; Fri. 12-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; \$7 weekend pass; contact Yooy Nelson, (503) 252-8300; e-mail: info@gemfaire.com; Web site: www.gemfaire.com

July

29-31 - PRESCOTT, ARIZONA: Show and Sale. Prescott Gem and Mineral Club 8th Annual Show and Sale, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Activity Center, 3700 Willow Creek Rd, Prescott, AZ. Fri and Sat 9-5, Sun 9-4, \$2 Admission. Fossils, Beads, Slabs, Equipment, Cabochons, Mineral Specimens, Jewelry. Contact Maggi Lieber (520)831-0017 or Judy Sullins (928)445-1117 Web Site: www.prescottgemmineral.org

September

3-5—SILVER CITY, NEW MEXICO: 28th annual show; Grant County Rolling Stones Gem & Mineral Society; Grant County Business and Conference Center, Hwy. 180E, next to Ace Hardware; Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; free admission; mineral ID, Wheel of Fortune, silent auction, dealers, rough rock, minerals, handcrafted jewelry, field trips, special exhibits; contact Marcia Andre, (575) 534-0006; e-mail: rollingstonesgmshow@gmail.com; Web site: <http://rollingstonesgms.blogspot.com>

November

12-13—LAKE HAVASU CITY, ARIZONA: 42nd annual show; Lake Havasu City Gem & Mineral Society; LHC Community Center, 100 Park Ave.; mineral and jewelry displays, dealers, demonstrations, educational geological presentations; contact C. Russell, (928) 846-0927