



# TAILINGS

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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](http://www.amfed.org)

RMFMS - Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineral Societies [www.rmfmts.org](http://www.rmfmts.org)

ESM -Earth Science Museum [www.earthsciencemuseum.org](http://www.earthsciencemuseum.org)

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Coffee Crew-----	Bob & Diane Heise	237-9135-----	Volunteer	
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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)

Membership dues will be used to fund the Club, to pay for membership in the Rocky Mountain and American Federations. (\$1.50) per adult member and children over 12, and for liability insurance (\$.65 per member)

It's time to pay your 2018 club dues. You may either mail them to the club or pay them at an upcoming meeting. The mailing address is:

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club

PGMC Membership

P.O. Box 3923

Chino Valley, AZ. 86323

**Makes checks payable to PGMC**

**Regrettably, the cost of printing and mailing the newsletters has gone up dramatically in the past few years. To the point that PGMC is forced to raise the cost added to your membership to \$24. If you would like to have the newsletter mailed to you, please add that amount to your annual dues and see Debbie Ramsey. There will be copies of the newsletter available at the meetings for those who wish to pick one up there.**

**Program Meetings: The club meets on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30 AM at the Moose Lodge at 6501 E. 6th Street in Prescott Valley, AZ. Lectures, slide shows, guest speakers and videos on a variety of subjects. Board meetings are held at 5:00 PM at the workshop at 430 S. Montezuma Ave. Prescott. Be sure to verify meeting dates and times as occasionally dates and times change. Any questions, call President Colleen Denton at 928-308-3986.**

Future General Meeting Dates:

June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Spring Fling

July 7<sup>th</sup>

Aug-No Mtg Due to Our Show

Sep 1<sup>st</sup>

Oct 6<sup>th</sup>

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>

Dec 1<sup>st</sup> – Holiday Potluck

Future Board Meeting Dates:

June 20<sup>th</sup>

July 18<sup>th</sup>

Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

Sep 19<sup>th</sup>

Oct 17<sup>th</sup>

Nov 14<sup>th</sup>

Dec – TBD

Anyone planning to attend a board meeting, please call Pres. Colleen Denton, 928-308-3986, to be sure to get on the agenda. 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 Nick Sacchetti at 928- 379-6848 prior to meeting day so he can schedule time.

**NEW MEMBERS – PRESCOTT GEM and MINERAL CLUB**  
**PGMC sends out a huge welcome to all of our new members!!**

**Ana Sandoval \* Karen Smith \* Pat Tucci \* Zelda Bailey \* Patrick O'Hara**

**Here's to many more years of continued rock hounding!!**

**We roll out the welcome mat to our new members!!**

Members, it's time to pay your dues. Even if you just joined, payment is for the full calendar year. Pay by mail at P O Box 3623 Chino Valley 86323 Please address your checks to PGMC. Pay in person, we'd love to see you! Not sure if you have paid or not. If you are attending the meeting we have an updated roster to show if you have paid or not or you can email Debbie at [debra\\_326@hotmail.com](mailto:debra_326@hotmail.com) or call Debbie at 928-379-6983. Family dues are \$18 and single dues are \$12

If you have not paid your dues, then you are no longer a member. A roster will be provided at the work shop to verify your membership. You will no longer receive the newsletter.

OK Members it's time to take a look at the roster once again. I have a little elf that helps me delete info that isn't supposed to be deleted! Please check to see if you are on the roster or if any info is incorrect. PLEASE DIRECT ALL CHANGES OR CONCERNS REGARDING INFO THAT GOES INTO THE ROSTER TO MEMBERSHIP. Our wonderful newsletter editor will receive the changes from membership.

Membership handles info on the roster. Email addresses are then forwarded to Maggi our amazing newsletter editor. If any changes in address, email or phone number please contact Membership.

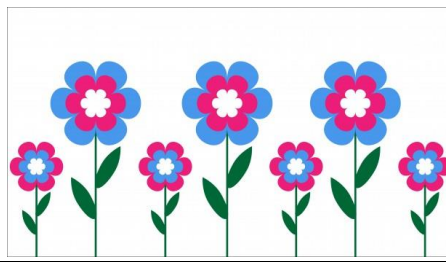
*Thanks - Debbie Ramsey, Membership Volunteer*

## FOR SALE (OR WANTED!)

**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](mailto:fluffierox@hotmail.com) by NLT the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month for insertion into the newsletter**

HIGHLAND PARK 6" TRIM SAW AND 8" LORTONE DOUBLE ARBOR. TRIM SAW HAS USABLE 6" BLADE AND SLAB ATTACHMENT WITH 1/3 HP MOTOR. LORTONE ARBOR IS SET UP FOR CORUMDUM USAGE. INCLUDED IS APROXAMATELY 6" OF A 8" WHEEL. ALSO 4- 8" SANDING DRUM ASSEMBLIES ALONG WITH 24 NEW SANDING BELTS AND LOADS OF USED ONES. THREE 8" FLAT DISCS. ONE DIAMOND POINT WHEEL DRESSER AND ONE TOOL REST. TWO FULL SPLASH GUARD ASSEMBLIES AND A 1/3 HP MOTOR. BOTH UNITS ARE ATTACHED TO A 24" x40" SHEET OF PLYWOOD. THIS UNIT CAN BE EASILY CONVERTED TO DIAMOND USAGE IF YOU DESIRE.

CONTACT MAX HATCH AT 928 636-0946 WITH YOUR BEST OFFER



### **SPRING FLING**

*The Spring Fling potluck is this Saturday morning, right after the meeting. Bring your favorite dish; and please come a little early to help setup- many hands make for light work, thank you.*

*We are looking forward to seeing you all there. It is a wonderful time to eat, share stories and 'tall tales' of what you have found or made recently, too!*

*Your Hospitality volunteer,*

*Jim Turner*

# YOU KNOW YOU'RE A ROCKHOUND IF

\*\*\*\*\*You've spent more than ten dollars for a book about rocks.\*\*\*\*\*

## A WORD OR THREE FROM OUR SHOW CHAIR

Everything is on track with the show. Don't forget to sign up on the volunteer lists.  
Just because it's our Spring Fling party, you're not off the hook. Table is by the front door.

Just in case you forgot. : > )

Thank you volunteers that have already signed up to help.

**Melanie Capps – Show Chair Extraordinaire**



## 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.

**Gail Walker - 928-277-0068 or [gawalkeraz@cableone.net](mailto:gawalkeraz@cableone.net)**

## Contributions for the Monthly Raffle

*We are seeking unique or unusual rocks, specimens and lapidary jewelry for the monthly raffle. Actually, anything pertaining to rockhounding, such as books, tools, etc. would be appreciated! The more variety we have, the better the participation and buyer gratification. Please label the specimens donated, if possible, with the name of the material and where it was discovered.*

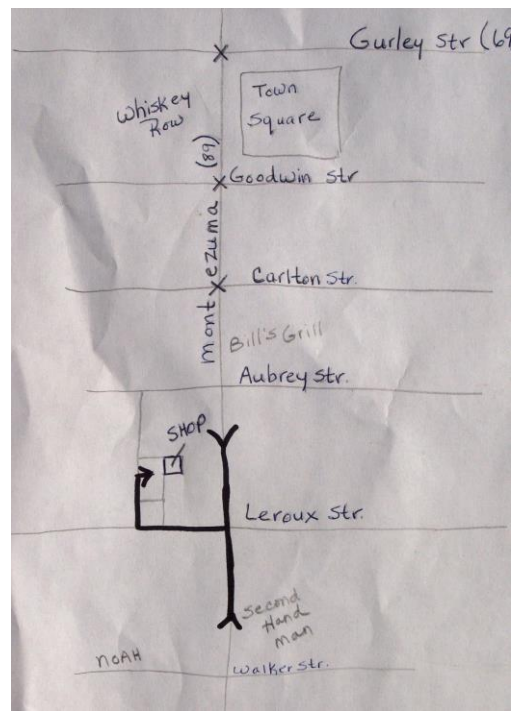
Thanks!

Patrick Denton – Raffle/Silent Auction Volunteer

## WORKSHOP HOURS and ADDRESS

Tues., Wed., Fri., and Sat. from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Tuesday by appointment. Contact Dana Ramsey for availability.

**Address:** 430 S. Montezuma (actually on S. Granite), Suite B,  
There is a map on the website and maps will be available at meeting. Call Steve Dudar 201-873-9645 OR [Stevedudar@hotmail.com](mailto:Stevedudar@hotmail.com) for more information.  
Below is a map to help you find the workshop.



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## FIELD TRIP REPORT

Until the fire danger is over, there will be no local field trips until September. If the fire danger conditions improve, we may schedule a trip in a couple of months. If you go out on your own, please be very careful and remember there is **NO SMOKING OUTDOORS** right now. This means if you are out and you need to smoke, please smoke in your vehicle. Steve and Donna Ellis are planning a field trip to Reserve, NM in June. If you are interested in going on that trip, please contact Steve or Donna.

This is my last year that I can be your field trip leader; I am termed out. Please consider running for this Board position in November. I will be happy to help out when I can.

Shane Slay

BE SURE AND CHECK OUT THE PRESCOTT GEM AND MINERAL CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE!!

[https://www.facebook.com/pages/Prescott-Gem-and-Mineral-Club/1634964643402533?ref=aymt\\_homepage\\_panel](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Prescott-Gem-and-Mineral-Club/1634964643402533?ref=aymt_homepage_panel)



NICK SACCKETTI–VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS

### Up-Coming PGMC Programs

May: Barry & Rita Loucks For May, our speaker will be Barry Loucks, who was the photographer for an exploration expedition of the Lechuguilla cave in New Mexico a number of years ago. Barry and his wife Rita will be presenting an old-fashioned slide show (yes, actual photographic slides) and showing us a map of the cave - it should be a unique story!

June: Spring Fling

July: Anna Domitrovic Will be discussing the process of cave formation, both natural & manmade.

August: Annual Show

September: Brian Beck

Humboldt Mining: Past, Present, and Future

October: Steve Maslansky

Roadside Geology on the Way from Phoenix to Prescott

November: Jim Turner

History of Turquoise Mining in Arizona

December: Annual Holiday Party

Nick Sacchetti

## **PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE**



I hope all of you had a wonderful, safe Memorial Day Weekend!!!! Our Annual Spring Fling pot luck is here! This is a great time for just getting the chance to socialize and enjoy the fellowship. Bring your favorite side dish and just suit up and show up! It's always a good time!!!!

See you all Saturday!

Colleen Denton

### **Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, May 5th, 2018, General Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was held at the Moose Lodge, 6501 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Prescott Valley, AZ.

Call to order at 9:32 a.m. by President Colleen Denton.

The Pledge of Allegiance is conducted.

Additional board members in attendance were: Nick Sacchetti, Linda Loschke, Carolyn Johnson, John Munday, Gail Walker, Deja Jetmir, Shane Slay and Melanie Capps.

Carolyn gave the treasurer's report:

Current Balances: Checking Account: \$ 7,345.77, Escrow Account: \$ 9,028.03, Savings Account: \$8,861.38, Money Market Account: \$ 47,631.76 Total Club Funds: \$72,866.94

Nick gave programs update. The talk today will be on the Lechugilla Cave. He states the rest of the year's programs is in the newsletter.

Shane gives field trip update. He stresses the importance of using the club's sticker to ensure people are not lost when driving to the field trips. There is no field trip currently scheduled for this month. Because of the fire danger being so high, Shane warns that the forest could possibly be closed. He states the only current field trip is the one Steve Ellis is planning to New Mexico. He also reminds us that this is his final year he will be able to be the field trip coordinator and people need to think about volunteering.

Steve Ellis talks about the field trip and gives a tentative date of June 10<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup>. Steve gave out his contact information (which can be found in the club roster) for anyone interested in the field trip.

Gail has nothing to report.

John Munday talked about term limits for board members and explained the job he does since his term is also coming to an end this year. He explained that the independent director goes over all the contracts the club enters into and follows up with the treasurer to ensure proper checks and balances.

He informed the members it was time to vote on whether to keep the workshop open. Steve Dudar explained that the shop has seen increased usage over this past year with this past month at an all-time high of 120 hours usage. The benefits of keeping the workshop open over the cons of the cost were discussed. John Munday motioned to keep the workshop open for another year, Shane Slay seconded. There was some more discussion about the costs then Colleen called for a member vote and the members unanimously approved to keep the workshop open for another year.

Then John went on to focus on the current contract for the workshop. He informed the members it was now time to vote on whether to accept the new rent at the current workshop. He explained the other options the Board looked at were not adequate for the amount of rent they were charging. Steve Ellis suggested that the Board stay on a month to month lease in case a better option was found. The new rent will be \$600 a month plus water and electricity (gas is covered under the rent). With operating costs of approximately \$800 to \$1,000 a year, the approximate total amount to keep the same workshop location will be \$10,050 for the year. Discussion was had about various options of increasing the cost to use the shop or possibly increasing the shop's hours. The members were reminded that the shop was for the benefit of the members for their contributions and ongoing education and that the cost to use the workshop would not go up. John Munday motioned to fund

the shop for the next year, Robin Albert seconded and the members agreed unanimously to fund the shop for the upcoming year.

While on the subject of the workshop, Colleen announced the generous donation from the Bouses. She states the Board recommends the Bouses be given honorary lifetime membership to the club. Jim Turner motions for the recommendation, Dana Ramsey seconds and the members vote unanimously to make the Bouses lifetime honorary members. Colleen will notify them.

Melanie gave show update. She states there are still about 5,000 rack cards left. She encourages everyone to take some and distribute wherever they can. She also reminds us the sign-up tables are available at the entrance and encourages everyone to sign up for something at the show.

Debbie states there are 82 members signed in today and welcomes new members and guests in attendance. She also goes over the car sticker stating they should be placed in the upper left-hand corner of the car's back window and informs anyone who needs one that they are only \$1.

Kathy Messersmith talks about her free jewelry classes and encourages everyone to sign up.

Jim Turner talks about next month's Spring Fling and informs everyone there is a sign-up sheet for the pot luck by the front door. He tells everyone to bring their own cooler if their food needs to stay cold during the meeting before we eat and to bring your own drinks. He also asks for some volunteers to show up early to help set up.

Dana states he has a couple of buckets that belong to some members from the last field trip. They were exchanged for his personal backpacks and asks for them to please be returned.

Keith announces that there are still openings for his Lapidary 1 and 2 and jewelry classes in the Fall at Yavapai college. He encourages everyone to sign up and use the scholarship the club has available. He reminds the members to see Linda Loschke about the scholarships.

Colleen announces lost and found is up by the stage and to be sure to check if anything belongs to you.

Robin Albert motions for a break, John Munday seconds, the members vote unanimously to take a break at 10:23 a.m. Meeting resumes at 10:40 a.m.

The members receive a talk on the Lechugilla Cave.

Susan Reed motions to adjourn, Sharon Ellis seconds, the membership votes unanimously to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. Raffle follows adjournment.

Minutes Submitted by Deja Jetmir, Secretary

### **Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, 0May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was held at the PGMC workshop, 438 Montezuma, Suite B, Prescott, Arizona, and called to order at 4:59 p.m. by Past President Linda Loschke.

Other officers in attendance were: Nick Sacchetti - VP Programs, Shane Slay - VP Field Trips, Deja Jetmir- Secretary, John Munday - Independent Director, Carolyn Johnson - Treasurer, and Melanie Capps – Show Chairman. Gail Walker and Colleen Denton were absent.

Linda asks if there are any corrections to minutes from April's board meeting. There are no changes. John Munday motions for minutes to be approved as written, Nick seconds, the board agrees unanimously to approve minutes as written.

Carolyn gives the treasurer's update. Carolyn reports on the club accounts: Checking: 3,555.42, Savings: 8,861.38, Escrow: 9,948.03, Money Market: 47,631.76, Accounts Total: \$69,996.59.

Nick gives programs update. There will be no talk in June due to Spring Fling.

Shane gives a field trip update. He states Mike Brody has volunteered to take people on trips, but Shane thinks with the current fire danger all field trips should be postponed until fire season is over. The Board agrees, all club sponsored field trips will be cancelled. Members can still go on individual field trips, the Board just wants to remind everyone to be safe. Steve Ellis's field trip to New Mexico is still on.

John Munday states he is still working on the contract for the workshop. He notifies the board that it will be a month to month lease and Carolyn will pay each month instead of all at once to allow for greater flexibility in case a new space becomes available that the club likes.

Melanie gives a show update. She verifies with the Board where the new tables for identification and bag sales will be placed. Linda states she sold 22 bags at the last meeting. She will have them at the July meeting to sell again.

No further business is discussed. John motions to adjourn the meeting, Carolyn seconds, the board votes unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by Deja Jetmir, Secretary

## SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2018

### JUNE

**1-3—FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Coconino Lapidary Club, Silver Saddle Outdoor Market; 9001 US-89 N, Hwy. 89 N and Silver Saddle Road; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; Free Admission; We have a large kids zone, with lots of things to do. Raffle drawings and rocks, minerals, fossil, gems, jewelry and other items for sale.; contact Wayne Scott, Flagstaff, AZ, (928)-607-3185; e-mail: coconinolapidaryclub@gmail.com; Web site: flagstaffmineralandrock.org

### JULY

**7-8—PINETOP, ARIZONA:** Annual show; White Mountain Gem & Mineral Club, Hon-Dah Casino & Resort; 777 Highway 260; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; Admission \$2; 21st Gem and Mineral Show in an indoor facility. Included will be vendors, displays, raffles, kids activities, jewelry, minerals, and fossils. ; contact Gary Alves, PO Box 3504, Show Low, AZ 85902, (575)-495-0242; e-mail: garyalves.chairman@gmail.com; Web site: [www.whitemountain-azrockclub.org](http://www.whitemountain-azrockclub.org)

### AUGUST

**3-5—PRESCOTT VALLEY, ARIZONA:** Show and sale; Prescott Gem & Mineral Club, Prescott Valley Event Center; 1301 Main St; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; Adults \$5, Seniors/Students \$4, Children under 12 free w/ paid adult; 15th Annual Prescott Gem & Mineral Show/Sale Vendors with a large variety of Gem & Mineral related products. Vendors will feature fine mineral specimens, crystals, gemstones, jewelry, beads, fossils, meteorites, lapidary equipment, tools, findings and much more. Demonstrations on wire wrapping, Genie equipment, geode splitting, gold panning and more. Junior rock hound area will exhibit their collection of minerals. Also, a spinning wheel to win samples of minerals they have collected. Raffle ticket will be given for each paid admission to win valuable prizes. Fluorescent Rock & Mineral tent where you can see what a plain looking rock looks like under black light. Exhibit cases from our members will be available for viewing. The Event Center is located on the corner of Glassford Hill Rd. & Florentine. Free Parking.; contact Melanie Capps, 7485 E. Horizon Way, Prescott Valley, AZ 86315, (208)-818-2363; e-mail: melaniecapps123@gmail.com; Web site: [www.prescottgemmineral.org](http://www.prescottgemmineral.org)

### OCTOBER

**13-14—SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Huachuca Mineral and Gem Club, Cochise College; 901 N. Colombo Ave; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; Geode cutting/sales, free gem stone identification, family friendly, all handicapped accessible, free parking; contact Maudie Bailey, 5036 S. San Carlos Ave, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650, (520)-249-1541; e-mail: gmbailey@msn.com; Web site: huachucamineralandgemclub.info