



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

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

ESM -Earth Science Museum www.earthsciencemuseum.org

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America	Vacant			
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 (\$.60 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:

Mar 2nd

Apr 6th

May 4th (Spring Fling)

June 1st

July 6th

Aug 3rd (NO Meeting, Show)

Sep 7th

Oct 5th

Nov 2nd

Dec 7th (Holiday Potluck)

Future Board Meeting Dates

Mar 20th

Apr 17th

May 15th

June 19th

July 17th

Aug 21st

Sep 18th

Oct 16th

Nov 13th

No BOD Meeting

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,

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

Bonnie Pearson * Pam Haycraft * Ken and Sally Kasner * Maryanne Kelly and James Meredith * Chere and Dave Lenz * Susan Mickelson * David and Sue Nystrom * Robert Salter and Victoria Peterson * Rachelle Sturdevant

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

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

MEMBERS PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2019. PAY BY CHECK OR CASH. PAY IN PERSON OR BY MAIL TO PGMC P O BOX 3923 CHINO VALLEY, AZ 86323.

Accepting 2019 Dues now. \$18 for Family \$12 for Single. Members will be dropped from the club starting in March if no payments have been made. All of your information will be deleted and we would have to start from scratch. Please contact Debbie Ramsey at 379-6983 or debra_326@hotmail.com if you have any questions

BADGES please let Membership know if you are needing a badge. New members are to have attended two or more meetings. Badges are free for new members. Replacements are \$3.50 for Magnetic or \$3.00 for Pin.

1. STICKERS are required for all vehicles when going on field trips. Stickers go on the back window top left side. One sticker is free when first joining the club. Replacements are \$1.00 at the meetings. \$2.00 at field trips.

Questions re Membership can be directed to Debbie Ramsey at debra_326@hotmail.com or call 928-379-6983.

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.

Thanks - Debbie Ramsey, Membership Volunteer

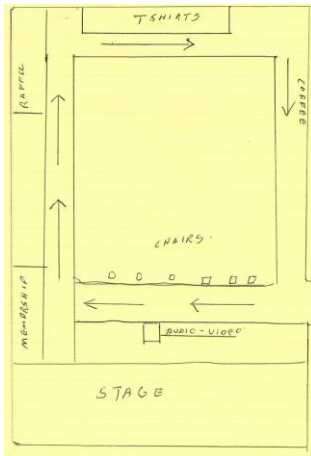
NEW SIGN IN PROCEDURE AT MEETINGS

Fellow Rockhounds,

Please be advised at the February meeting there will be a new procedure when signing in. Please go directly to the Membership table which has been relocated to the southeast corner of the room to sign in and to pay dues. We are doing this to speed up the process so that the meeting can start on time. The Moose Lodge only gives us a limited time to set up, have the meeting and cleanup and at no cost to the club. Doors open at 9:00 AM please be signed in by 9:30.

See diagram below. Charlotte our greeter will have a copy of the diagram and our independent director will be inside if you need help. Thank you in advance.

Mike Rowe



A WORD OR THREE FROM OUR SHOW CHAIR

The show is coming together great!. Remember if you wish to volunteer for any position see Debra Ramsey. If you would like to demonstrate your skills see Linda Loschke. If you plan on displaying in a show case Debra and I will need to know. So, let's show off. Remember the RMFMS Convention will be held here, and members from the Western States will be here admiring your work. Any questions about the show, feel free to ask me. Again, I thank all who have volunteered already. I am aiming for a record-breaking show again this year.

Melanie Capps – Show Chair Extraordinaire

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@yahoo.com by NLT the 25th of the month for insertion into the newsletter

10" Highland Park Saw with gravity feed. It has a new blade \$200. Dry Rock Grinder \$150/OBO. Sells new for \$495.00
Jack Messersmith messerj109@gmail.com or 928-759-9544



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

***** Your PC screen saver features pictures of rocks. *****



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

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



NICK SACCKETTI–VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS

Up-Coming PGMC PROGRAMS

The program speaker for this Saturday is Les Presmyk, who will be speaking on Arizona Quartz. Les, for those who haven't heard him speak before, has a high-end mineral business De Natura, and is a frequent vendor in our August show. He also was the supplier for our geode crackers!

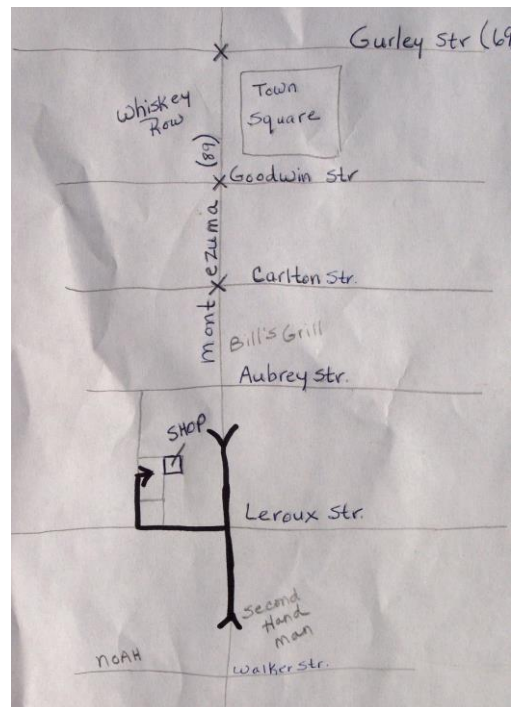
April 6	Silent Auction	(Remember your donations for this!)
May 4	Sindi Schloss	History of Stones Used for Adornment
June 1	Spring Fling Banquet	
July 6	Anna Domitrovic	Topic TBD, still considering several
That takes us to the Show in August!		

WORKSHOP HOURS and ADDRESS

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

Address: 430 S. Montezuma (actually on S. Granite), Suite B, Prescott. There is a map on the website and maps will be available at the meeting. Call Steve Dudar 201-873-9645 OR Stevedudar@hotmail.com for more information.

Below is a map to help you find the workshop.



FIELD TRIP REPORT

Please note: You MUST be a paid member of Prescott Gem and Mineral Club to participate!!

1) The trip for purple sagenite near Sheep Bridge on the Verde river in February was a true washout. Rain (less than a 20% chance) turned into a real gully washer before dawn. The creek near the ranch a few miles in was really running hard. So, we decided to "turn around, don't drown". Six vehicles with multiple hardy souls tried to get there. Maybe later on a non-scheduled weekend? If we do try again, our intrepid newsletter person will send out an email- thank you, Maggi!!

2) Anderson Mine is the next field trip, <https://www.mindat.org/loc-8448.html>

It is about a 3-hour road trip from Prescott, down through Yarnell. This trip is 4X4 only, as we will be crossing a large sand wash, and some rough country. Bring plenty of water and your gathering tools and backpacks or buckets as usual. We will meet at the Waffles-n-More parking lot, 1365 Iron Springs Road at 7:30 AM, and a 7:45 sharp departure. There is a huge amount of agate float on the surface. Please park out by Iron Springs Road; That way, if we leave a few vehicles behind they will not interfere with the businesses. The trip is Saturday, March 15. No children or pets, as this is an old uranium mine.

Bring plenty of water and lunch.

3) Dobell Ranch near Holbrook for petrified wood - on April 19 we will meet in Holbrook, at Jim Gray's Petrified Wood Co.; about a 3-hour drive from Prescott. We will depart from the rock shop at 9:30 AM sharp! Speaking with Rhonda at Dobell's Curios, she informed me that if you want a huge yard piece or log, she has a backhoe to load it into your pickup truck! For the rest of us, she will do a \$40/bucket of "you pick it"; or if you spread it on the ground, she will give you an even better price. THERE IS A NEW DIG.

They will provide a lunch of hamburgers and hotdogs free of charge- *Tips are appreciated*. RSVP is a MUST for food!!!! WOW! Let's bring some salad stuff and potato salad and beans to share- I will ask for volunteers for that. Do not go into the petrified National Forest after purchasing petrified wood! You may have your collection confiscated, even with a receipt.

4) In May, we will go to Rodeo Flats. With all this recent weather, there will be a lot of new float on the surface for easy pickings.

Happy Hunting!

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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



PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

Time is flying by so fast already! I can't believe we are already headed into March!!!! We have our annual Silent Auction coming up in April and there will be a donation box available at the meeting for that! Let's make it a good one this year!!! We all have some nice material or rock/mineral related items we could part with so Please help make this an exciting auction for everyone!!!! If you are unable to bring a donation to this meeting, you can bring something to put in the Auction at the April meeting, just Please be sure to label what your item is, where it came from, and estimated value (if known) to help make it easier on our Silent Auction Volunteers! **Donation ideas:** Good quality rough lapidary material for cabbing (little to no fractures), nice collector specimens, finished polished items for either jewelry (cabs) making or home décor, tools or equipment, nice hard back gem and mineral books, finished jewelry preferably made for the auction (New).....you get the idea!

I sent out a notice that we are in need of a new Hospitality person as well as a new Coffee Crew! I have yet to receive any volunteers for either of these volunteer positions. I would highly recommend that if you desire to have coffee at the meeting, **bring your own** as I cannot guarantee that I will be able to carry the Raffle items as well as the Coffee to the meeting this month! My little car is just not big enough for all of that!

I would like to take a moment to share with you where we are with Hosting the Conference for the RMFMS during our Show in August! We have made arrangements with the Prescott Resort for the Executive Board for lodging as well as their Editor's Breakfast, Delegate's Meeting, and Dinner Banquet! As the Host for this Conference, we will be required to sign the contract with the Prescott Resort for this event! I will be outlining at the meeting how this works and some of the details

for transparency purposes! If anyone has further questions, feel free to contact me! I will also have a copy of the contract at the meeting if anyone wishes to look at it!

I would like to Thank and Acknowledge Mark Wenden who has volunteered to act as the Assistant Secretary!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting Saturday!

Colleen Denton (President)

INFORMATION REGARDING DISPLAY CASES FOR RMFMS COMPETITION AT OUR SHOW THIS YEAR

Additional information regarding the Competition cases at the Show in August for the RMFMS! Anybody is able to enter into this Competition. Cases will be judged by judges provided by the RMFMS who will also be providing any trophies and ribbons. If you are interested in entering a Competitive Case, please visit the AMFS website at the link below to view the criteria of categories, qualifications, and all other information regarding case details! If you are interested in entering the Competition, we will have available the application form to fill out to enter soon!

<http://www.amfed.org/rules/rules.htm>

[AFMS Uniform Rules - amfed.org](http://www.amfed.org/rules/rules.htm)

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, February 2nd, 2019 General Meeting Minutes

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

Call to order at 9:31 a.m. by President Colleen Denton.

The Pledge of Allegiance is conducted.

Additional board members in attendance were: Nick Sacchetti, Carolyn Johnson, Deja Jetmir, Jim Turner, Mike Rowe.

Board members absent: Linda Loschke, Gail Walker, and Melanie Capps.

Carolyn gave the treasurer's report. She announced the possible move of the accounts to another bank. Also, scholarships were being finalized and the checks will be going out this week.

Nick gave a program update. Today he will give a talk on The New Wave in Fluorescent Displays. The upcoming presentations will be in the newsletter.

Mike Rowe has no updates.

Steve Dudar gave a workshop update. This past month had seven new members trained and 68 hours of usage.

Colleen explained the workshop and how to get trained to the new members in attendance.

Nick gave an update on the education workshop committee. He announced there will definitely be a booth for Earth Day downtown and he will need volunteers.

Colleen asks if there were any corrections to last month's minutes. Steve Fox motioned to accept the minutes as written, Robin Albert seconded, the membership voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

Colleen lets everyone know that Kathy Messersmith is ill today but wanted everyone to know that the free jewelry classes that she teaches are still going on.

Colleen reminds everyone that dues are due, and if they are not paid by March, then membership will be suspended until they are paid in full. She also reminds members that she is still looking for a hospitality volunteer, and that Mark Wenden has volunteered to be the assistant secretary.

Jim Turner gives a field trip update. Look for information in the newsletter for all upcoming field trips. He reminds everyone who attends the field trips to have their club sticker on their cars.

Debbie Ramsey gave the member report. There are 87 signed in members and 6 guests. She welcomes new members and guests in attendance. Debbie announces that she is helping Melanie obtain volunteers for the Gem Show in August. She gave the benefits of volunteering.

Colleen gives information about the show's contract and asks the members to consider a 3-year contract rather than a year to year contract. Colleen gave the breakdown of the fees that would be charged. Members discussed the proposal. John Munday motions to approve the 3-year contract, Robin Albert seconded, the membership votes unanimously to approve the 3-year contract.

Colleen then announces that the show banners need to be replaced. It will be close to \$2000 for 16 new banners. Steve Fox motions to approve buying the new banners, John Munday seconds, the membership votes unanimously to approve the purchase of the new show banners.

Debbie asks about if the membership dues will be increased. Colleen lets everyone know that it is currently in discussion with the Board. Debbie also suggests that new members that sign up at the show should pay for the full year, rather than the prorated amount and they would expire in August. Colleen said the Board will take it into consideration.

John Munday moves for break. Mike Rowe seconds. The membership votes unanimously to break at 10:03 a.m. Meeting resumes at 10:26 a.m.

Jim Turner shows items that are good to bring on rock hunts. Dana Ramsey gave recommendations also.

Nick gives his talk on fluorescent minerals.

Colleen gives an informal adjournment at 11:35 a.m.

Raffle follows adjournment.

Minutes submitted by Deja Jetmir, Secretary

Prescott Gem and Mineral Club, - Board February 20th, 2019 BOD Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held at the PGMCM workshop, 438 Montezuma, Suite B, Prescott, Arizona, and called to order at 4:38 p.m. by President Colleen Denton.

Other officers in attendance were: Deja Jetmir, Mike Rowe, Carolyn Johnson, Nick Sacchetti, Linda Loschke, Jim Turner, and Gail Walker. Melanie Capps was absent.

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

Nick gives a programs update. The next talk will be on AZ Quartz. Nick, Colleen and Linda discuss the silent auction and Spring Fling. He also brings up that the education group will need funds to accomplish what they are setting out to do.

Carolyn suggests the extra dues could go towards the group, while Linda said there is plenty of money in the accounts that could cover the amount that the education group is in need of.

Carolyn gives the treasure's report. It will be filed. She states that this round of scholarship checks has gone out.

Gail checked with Debbie about what happens with members who don't pay their dues. Debbie said she removes them from the roster and only adds them back once the dues have been paid in full. Colleen said she will put a reminder in the newsletter for the members to pay their dues.

Nick brings up that he will need some more volunteers for the Earth Day booth. He will put it in the newsletter and bring it up at the meeting too.

Linda has nothing to report.

Jim gives a field trip update. Out of the 29 people that signed up to go on the field trip, only six showed up due to the poor weather conditions. The next month's field trip will be to Anderson Mine. The newsletter will have more information.

Colleen announces that Doris is requesting and order of the green hats as she is out of them. The Board discusses. Linda motions to hold off on the reorder until the show or until the other hats run out, whichever comes first, Gail seconds; the Board agrees unanimously to hold off on ordering the hats.

Mike went to Chase bank to investigate moving the bank accounts. He gave the Board the advantages of moving the accounts. The Board discussed. Mike made a motion that the Prescott Gem and Mineral club close the banking accounts

with AZ1 Credit Union and open banking accounts at Chase Bank located at 746 Miller Valley Rd Prescott, AZ 86301 and all transactions will be completed by March 31· 2019, Jim seconded; the Board agreed unanimously to move the bank accounts to Chase. Colleen will verify who has to be present to open the accounts at Chase and all the money will be moved once all outstanding checks have cleared. Mike gave all the paperwork to Colleen for opening the account. Colleen announced that the audit was completed by her, Carolyn and Linda and everything was good. Mike said Steve Dudar would like a copy of the workshop budget for planning purchases throughout the year. Carolyn will provide. Colleen discussed the RMFMS conference that was coming up and the contract that needed to be completed with the Prescott Resort. Mike said he would get with Liz (the RMFMS president) with the help of Colleen by the end of this week or the beginning of next week to finalize the contract and get it signed. With no further business discussed. Deja motions to adjourn, Gail seconds, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm

SHOWS IN ARIZONA AND VICINITY – 2019

MARCH

2-3—MESA, ARIZONA: Annual show; Apache Junction Rock & Gem Club; Skyline High School, 845 S Crismon Rd.; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; adults \$3, students \$1 (with ID), and free admission for children 12 and under when accompanied by an adult; jewelry, gem, bead, rock, slab, and fossil dealers, with lapidary equipment, a gem-tree making activity, silent auction, and activities for children; contact Ed Lindsey, PO Box 712 , Apache Junction, AZ 85117-0712; Email: Apachejrgc@ajrockclub.com

7-10—DEMING, NEW MEXICO: Annual show; Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.; SWNM State Fairgrounds in Deming, 4300 Raymond Reed Blvd.; Thu. 9-5, Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-5; Free admission; 54th Annual Rockhound Roundup. Everything from rough rock to finished jewelry and equipment for sale. Plus, there will be demonstrations, silent and live auctions, guided field trips, activities for youth, raffle and gift drawings, and a variety of food. There is something for everyone; contact Marilyn Page, P.O. Box 1459, Deming, NM 88031, (575) 544-9019; Email: thedgms@gmail.com; Website: thedgmsclub.com

16-17—ANTHEM , ARIZONA: Annual show; Daisy Mountain Rock and Mineral Club; Boulder Creek High School, 40404 N. Gavilan Peak Parkway ; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; adults \$4, seniors and students \$2, free for kids under 12; jewelry, minerals, fossils, fluorescents, beads, wire wrapping, geodes, and activities for kids; contact Ed Winbourne, 1717 west Medinah ct, Anthem, AZ 85086, (978) 460-1528; Email: ewinbourne@gmail.com; Website: Daisy Mountain Rock and Mineral Club

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4-5—KINGMAN, ARIZONA: Annual show; Mohave County Gemstoners; Kingman Academy of Learning, 3420 N Burbank; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; free admission; Featuring hand crafted jewelry and art, turquoise, fire agate, many slabs and cabs in a range of prices will be offered; educational displays, silent auction and door prizes, and numerous activities for children; contact Mary Gann, 928-757-8121; Email: quadpol@aol.com; Website: www.gemstoners.org