



**58 Years  
Diggin' Rocks  
& Minerals**

**Denver Gem & Mineral Guild  
Founded March 1964**

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AFMS Silver Medal Club 2016



**August 2021**

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[HTTP://DENVERGEM.ORG](http://denvergem.org)

AND NOW FACEBOOK!!! (EMAIL = MINERALGUILD@GMAIL.COM)

### THE POWER OF YES!!!

Say "YES" whenever you can!

"Yes" opens doors.

"No" closes doors.

You can't go forward if the door is closed.

The DGMG club members proved the power of YES when they voted to move DGMG meetings (and other events) to the  
**Wheat Ridge United Methodist Church**  
**38th and Wadsworth**  
**Wheat Ridge**



### THE POWER OF YES!!!

The DGMG club members proved the power of YES when they voted unanimously to hold the 2022 show at the  
**Wheat Ridge United Methodist Church.**

**ZOOM Show committee meeting**  
**Friday August 13 7:00 at your house**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81308115477?pwd=dkUzM09vbkNrTTRUY1FqNjg1cnJlZz09>



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## 58 years of DGMG Kudos, Celebrations, & Events

### 2021 DGMG Officers & Chairmen

**President:** Linda Burns  
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**Denver Show Rep:** Kathy Honda  
**Sunshine:** Sandra Lucero  
**Party planning:** Deb Baldwin, Marj Becker  
**RMFMS Rep:** Kathy Honda  
**Outreach:** Susanne Peach; Bob Johnson  
**Inventory manager:** Linda Burns

An "Assistant" is the officer's backup in case of illness or other reason they can't do their job.  
 Every officer needs an "Assistant"!

Join up! Say YES when asked!

### Quote of the month:

**You can be anything you put your mind to. Why put your mind to just one thing?**

**Allegheny College brand campaign**

### August Birthdays:

Fred Ceconi  
 Zoe Loos  
 Marilyn Rockwell  
 Emmett Webber  
 Jamie White  
 Tricia Zeyrek

### August Anniversaries:

The Gordons  
 Bob and Debbie Johnson  
 The Luchtenburgs  
 Joe & Marjie Payne



### August Sunshine Spotlight

CONTACT **SANDRA LUCERO** 303-726-3829  
[gardengal001\(@\)yahoo.com](mailto:gardengal001(@)yahoo.com)

TO  
 INFORM HER OF SUNSHINE REQUESTS



And it's **Sandra** who needs our thoughts—her father has been ill and was in the hospital.

And **Jim Dennis**, who didn't come to the picnic for good reason—he was being operated on for melanoma cancer in his upper left arm!!! Wish him well!!!!

Send get well cards to him at

5540 W. Ohio Ave, Lakewood, CO 80226  
 or call him: 303-922-2903  
 or email him: dennisjo2@comcast.net

### THE DENVER GEM AND MINERAL GUILD—58 Years old!



Founded in 1964, the Denver Gem and Mineral Guild pursues exploration, experimentation, and education in the earth sciences; the discovery, development and preservation of minerals and mineral deposits; and the advancement, encouragement and utilization of the principles of art and craftsmanship as applied to gems and minerals.

The Guild meets on the second Friday of the month at 7:30 pm at Berthoud Hall on CSM Campus, except for June, July, August, and December. Picnics, field trips, and parties replace regular meetings those months.

Deadline for article submission for the Tips & Chips is the 20th of each month. Email photos and articles to editor Beth Simmons at [cloverknoll@comcast.net](mailto:cloverknoll@comcast.net) or [mineralguild@gmail.com](mailto:mineralguild@gmail.com). Exchange with other newsletters is invited, and reprinting of material from this newsletter with proper attribution is encouraged.

# 2021 DGMG CALENDAR OF EXCITING EVENTS

**A persistent page—watch monthly for additions! PUT THIS ON YOUR FRIDGE!!!**

**Next meeting, face-to-face!!!**

**September 10: 7:00 PM**

**Parlor Room**

**Wheat Ridge United Methodist Church,**

**38th and Wadsworth, Wheat Ridge**

**Program to be announced**

## **Directions to WRUMC**

### **From I-70**

1. Take I-70
2. Exit 269a for CO-121 S/Wadsworth Blvd
3. Turn left at Wadsworth Blvd
4. Turn left at W 38th Ave
5. Turn right onto Vance
6. Parking behind the building

### **From I-25 heading North**

1. Take I-25 North
2. Exit 209B for W 6th Ave
3. Merger onto W 6th Ave / US-6 W toward Lakewood
4. Exit onto CO-121 N/Wadsworth Blvd
5. Turn right at W 38th Ave
6. Turn right onto Vance for parking behind the building

## **From I-25 heading South and I-76**

1. Take I-25 South
2. Exit 216B to merge onto I-76W toward Grand Jct
3. Exit 1A for CO-121 S/ Wadsworth Blvd
4. Turn left at Wadsworth Blvd
5. Turn left at W 38th Ave
6. Turn right onto Vance for parking behind the building

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**The Calendar Committee will be meeting Wednesday August 4, 1:00 at Beth Simmons' to pick from the many submissions the photos for the 2022 calendar. Are your favorite photos submitted?**

## **PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE**

The PREZ sez:

Prez says hope you are having a great summer. It will be time soon to volunteer for the Denver Gem and Mineral Show. With the new venue this is going to be different than in the past but it should be a good show.



*Linda Burns*

*DGMG 2021 President*

**DENVER GEM AND MINERAL GUILD****MINUTES, July 25, 2021****Picnic at Bear Creek Lake Park****Attendance:** 15 people attended.**Call to Order** at 11:00 p.m. by President **Linda Burns****Minutes:** Discussion and motions made and seconded 1) to hold show for 2022, and 2) to hold the show at the Wheat Ridge United Methodist church. Discussion about the Denver Show being held at the Convention Center.

Ballots re: 2022 show distributed in hard copy at picnic, via email after picnic. Results to be published in the August Tips &amp; Chips.

**Treasurer's Report:** None**Nominations for officers**

It is not too early to nominate members as officers for next year. Before nominating a member, please confirm that he/she is willing to serve.

There being no further business, the group proceeded to pack 500 grab bags for the Denver Show.



**Greater Denver Area Gem and Mineral Show**  
**TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH**  
**HARD ROCK SUMMIT: DENVER CONVENTION CENTER**  
**SEPT. 16-19, 2021**

**DGMG Club Table & Demonstration Room****Contact Ron Snelling ([ron.snelling@draeger.com](mailto:ron.snelling@draeger.com))****if you wish to work at the DGMG Lapidary Table during the show****Dates:** September 16-19, 2021 (Note: this is a 4-day show)**Show Hours Open to the Public:** Show Hours: 10am-5:00pm each day**Parking:** The Convention Center has a paid parking garage that costs \$12 for up to 8 hours, \$15 for up to 12 hours, etc.See the link [denverconvention.com/attend-an-event/parking](https://denverconvention.com/attend-an-event/parking) for details.**For More Information:** Go to the websites [hardrocksummit.com](https://hardrocksummit.com) and [denvershow.org](https://denvershow.org)**Help wanted** at dealer booths—

Contact Karen Wenrich (booth at Crowne Plaza; 303-278-1218)

Contact Ron Snelling (303-880-7956) about a dealer from Wyoming named Steve



## The Original Denver Gem and Mineral Show – July 2021 Update Hardrock Summit Announcements

The 2021 Denver Gem & Mineral Show (DGMS) in conjunction with the Hardrock Summit will be held at the Colorado Convention Center from September 16-19, 2021. The Hardrock Summit includes two downtown venues, the Convention Center and the Sheridan Downtown Denver Hotel. The new Evolution show (Sept 16-19) will be located at the Convention Center along with the DGMS and the shows will be open to the public each day from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Evolution will also have special exhibits including:

- ☐ Fabulous Fluorites
- ☐ Alma and its Treasures (the reunion)
- ☐ The incredible Trilliants of Gene Meieran
- ☐ The World's largest Martian meteorite
- ☐ The Meteorite Room <https://vimeo.com/525247321/5eaa896e11>
- ☐ The Hamlin Necklace

The Sparkle & Joy/AGTA/ICA Denver Show (Sept 18-21) will be at the Sheridan Hotel, and is open to qualified trade professionals, buyers, retailers, and invitation-only VIP consumer attendees. A free shuttle will go between the two venues. We are grateful for the opportunity to be part of the debut year of the Hardrock Summit, which is positioned to be Denver's premier gem, mineral, and fossil show. Visit [hardrocksummit.com](http://hardrocksummit.com) and [denvershow.org](http://denvershow.org) for more details about this exciting new event.

The Hardrock Summit just posted that special hotel rates of \$150/night are available for the Show at the Sheridan Hotel for dealers, participants, volunteers, and attendees. Link to the hotel site for the special rate is located on the Hardrock Summit website at the top of screen (look for rolling announcement).

The DGMS will occupy the space on the upper, entry level of the Convention Center. The DGMS 2021 show will include the fluorescent room, club tables, speakers, display exhibits, a kids room with gold planning, Mr. Bones, education exhibits, and 40+ dealers. The theme of the 2021 DGMS is Fabulous Fluorite. There are still some dealer spots available in the DGMS area, so if you are interested, please contact Regina Aumente at [raumente@aol.com](mailto:raumente@aol.com).

### Speakers List

Here is the list of speakers scheduled so far:

#### Thursday 9/16

Jeff Scovil, The World's Most Colorful Mineral-Fluorite  
Lou Taylor, Colorado Fossil Discoveries: Old and New  
Ryan Bowling, Fantastic Fluorite Finds of the Alps

#### Friday 9/17

Peter Megaw, Mexican Fluorites  
Virgil Lueth, Exploration into the Cause of Color in Fluorite

#### Saturday 9/18

Dave Bunk, Colorado Fluorites  
Phil Simmons, New Mexico Fluorite

#### Sunday 9/19

Robert Carnein, Fluorescent Capitol of the World – Franklin, NJ  
Jared Freiburg, Illinois Fluorite

### Request for Club and Club Members Display Exhibits

Each member club can have one or two 8-foot tables. We also have display cases available and encourage club members to fill them with their collections (does not necessarily need to be fluorites). Contact Larry Havens at [lwrnchavens@comcast.net](mailto:lwrnchavens@comcast.net) if you or your club are interested in putting together a display case in the DGMS.

## New - Demonstration Area at Hard Rock Summit

The DGMS recently received an extra meeting room and we are thinking about using it for a demonstration area to showcase lapidary, gem cutting, cabochon polishing, jewelry making, silversmithing, wire wrapping, flint knapping, field collecting equipment, or anything else related to our hobby if we get enough interest. We will have donated equipment that can be used or you can bring your own. The Convention Center will allow the use of water as long as we put plastic on the carpet and do not make a mess. No fires or gas cylinders will be allowed; however, we will check with the fire department to see if use of a soldering iron will be allowed. We need to determine if we have enough volunteers to do demonstrations throughout the 4-day show, so please see the online volunteer signup information below to indicate if you would like to do a demonstration and which day(s) you are available.

You can also contact Amber (amberbrenzikofer@gmail.com) if you are interested.

## Volunteers Needed

We will still need volunteers for the DGMS, as well as the Evolution and Sparkle & Joy Shows. Volunteers are required to work a minimum of 2 hours and will get free admission (admission will be \$10/day) to the Convention Center shows for that day and free parking in the parking garage (normally \$12 per day) adjacent to the Convention Center. An online volunteer sign up is located at the following link and instructions for the sign-up are provided in a separate attachment:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D45A5AD2EA2F94-denver>

The online volunteer signup is just to sign up for specific days and assignments. Hours will be determined each day for each position in mid-August. If there are only specific hours you can work on a certain day, you can add that to the notes when you sign up online.

If you have any questions, please contact Amber Brenzikofer, 2021 DGMS Chairperson, at [amberbrenzikofer@gmail.com](mailto:amberbrenzikofer@gmail.com) or 720-480-5234.

## Colorado Convention Center Rules

**No food or drink** can be brought into the Convention Center. There are food vendors in the Center for purchases of food or drink.

There **will not** be a hospitality area for the club volunteers at the show.

**No carts** will be allowed on the convention center floor. If you have large or heavy items to carry into the show, such as your club's grab bags, they must be taken to the dock area. They will be put on a pallet and taken to the show floor by union workers.

Items may be hand carried or brought in by use of a wheeled suitcase. You may need to make multiple trips.



## 2021 Denver Gem and Mineral Show Volunteer Sign-up

The 2021 Denver Gem and Mineral Show will be at the Colorado Convention Center from September 16-19, 2021 in downtown Denver as part of the Hardrock Summit and Evolution Show. The Hardrock Summit has two venues that will require volunteers; one at the Convention Center and the other at the Sheridan Hotel for the Sparkle and Joy Gem and Jewelry Show. Volunteers will receive free admission to the Convention Center and free parking in the adjacent parking garage on the day(s) they volunteer. A free shuttle bus will run between the Convention Center and Sheridan Hotel.

The Sheridan Hotel Gem and Jewelry Show is a wholesale show, which requires a business license to enter, and volunteers will be needed to check business licenses and dealers badges for attendees.

The volunteer positions and descriptions for the Denver Gem and Mineral Show, Evolution Show, and Sheridan Hotel Gem and Jewelry Show are below. Please check which day(s) you can work and what you would like to do. You can select more than one position during the day and we will work out specific times next month.

A detailed schedule with specific days and hours will be prepared in August for those volunteers that have signed up.

Sign up at the following link. You do not need to create an account in SignUpGenius; however, if you do create an account, you can cancel and change your selections, if needed.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D45A5AD2EA2F94-denver>

If you have any questions or cannot sign up online, please contact Amber Brenzikofer at [amberbrenzikofer@gmail.com](mailto:amberbrenzikofer@gmail.com) or 720-480-5234. Thank You!!

### Volunteer Position Descriptions

**Display Case Set-up and Tear Down** – 40-50 wooden display cases to put together and take apart. Tuesday 10am-2pm and Sunday 5pm-9pm

**Demonstration Area** - Demonstrate techniques on lapidary, gem cutting, cabochon polishing, jewelry making, wire wrapping, silversmithing, field collecting equipment, flint napping, etc. using supplied equipment. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 10am-5pm. Identify in Question box what you plan to demonstrate and if there are specific times during the day that is preferable.

**Information Booth** – Sitting position to answer questions and direct people to shows. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 9am-6pm

**Volunteer Sign In Table** – Sitting position to sign in volunteers and hand out badges and work assignments. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 9am-5pm

**Badge and Ticket Checkers** – Standing/sitting position to check for badges and/or show tickets to enter Show areas. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 9am-6pm

**Dealer Unloading/Drop Off Area, Loading Dock** – Direct dealers to drop-off and unloading areas, direct and help dealers as needed, coordinate with union staff who will push carts and pallet jacks for dealers. Tuesday, Wednesday, Sunday, and Monday 7am- 6pm

**Grab Bags/Pins/Posters** – Standing/sitting at table to sell to attendees. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 10am-5pm

**Club Tables** – Standing/sitting at club tables to answer questions, do demonstrations. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 10am-5pm. Identify what club table you will be working at in comment box.



2021 Denver Gem and Mineral Guild Picnic



DGMG picnicking

Two group  
photos by  
**Pete Modreski**

Others by  
**Beth Simmons**

WHERE WERE  
**YOU????**





## What Did I Forget, Today? by Marj Becker

I'm in the living room.  
I stand.  
And, I stand.  
And, try to remember.

Why did I come in here?  
What am I looking for?

They say that if you  
Want to remember why  
You went into a room,  
Just go to where you were  
Before and start again.

So, I do ... go back  
Into the room  
Where I knew what I needed  
That caused me to walk  
Into the living room.

In the other room,  
I remember that I was  
On my way to brush my teeth  
When the living room called.

But, I didn't brush  
My teeth, then.  
So, I'll do it, now.  
And, try to remember.

And while I'm doing that  
I remember that I'd forgotten.

The dog is still outside  
And, it's raining.  
She won't be happy.

I dry her off.  
She is not happy,  
But forgives me.

Now, I remember,  
I was going after the mail.

I walk into the living room  
And the house phone rings.  
It's in the kitchen.  
I answer. Daughter #3  
Wants to talk.

Fifteen minutes later,  
I walk into the living room  
After ...

I FORGET!

What have you forgotten  
This week?



**Brad's Bench Tip Submitted by **Karlene Fry****

## **FIND THE BALANCE POINT**

**With odd-shaped pendants or earrings it's often difficult to find the right place to attach a bail or loop so that the piece is balanced and hangs straight.**

**A quick way to make a tool for this is to modify a set of tweezers. Any set of tweezers will work. Spread the tips, sharpen them with a file, and bend the tips at a right angle to point towards each other.**

**To use the tool, suspend the pendant or earring between two sharp points to see how it will hang.**

Smart Solutions for Your Jewelry Making Problems  
[Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith](https://www.amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith)



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## **Ray and Dorothy Horton's Rock, Mineral, and Lapidary Equipment Sale a lifetime of collecting Friday and Saturday, August 6 and 7, 2021 9 AM to 4 PM 3738 61st Street, Boulder, CO**

**Lapidary equipment; rock saws, faceting machines, microscope, cabochon machine, and etc... Rock and mineral specimens, cutting rough, petrified wood, fossils, agates, obsidian, turritella agate, and many other treasures collected by the Hortons in their lifetime.  
Something for everyone!**





## Web Corner – Web and Computer Resources for Rockhounds –repeat!

### The New DGMG Website – by DGMG Webmaster **Bob Johnson**

The 10-year-old DGMG website is back to its old address: **DENVERGEM.org** but the address [denvergem.co.education](http://denvergem.co.education) will redirect you there.

Many additional pages will be added to the site in the coming months.

A powerpoint about the rock chimney and pillars at Addenbrooke Park has been posted to the new Members Only page for "Special Programs". Read it before coming on the field trip!

<https://denvergem.org/special-programs/>

Here are the procedures for logging into the new Members Only area.

On the top menu, click on Login.

Enter your email address as your username.

Be sure to use the same email address that is listed in the club roster – the email address used to send you the Tips & Chips.

If you have forgotten your password, or if this is your first time logging into the new site, click on “Forgot password” and the system, after asking for your email address again, will automatically send you an email with a link to create your new password.

***Please keep our members area secure for everyone by using a strong password.***

See these recommendations: <https://blog.avast.com/strong-password-ideas>.

The system will suggest a password. You can use that one, or enter your own.

The *Members Only* area currently contains the most recent members directory in both excel and PDF format, and the DGMG photo albums. There are nearly 200 different albums which contain pictures that go all the way back to 1964 – our founding year.

Clicking on an album name will open that album in Google Photos. The initial album view will show all the pictures in the album (you may need to scroll down to see them all). Clicking on any picture will open a larger view of that one picture and from that view you can scroll left or right to see the individual pictures. To save any picture to your computer, just right click on it and select “save image as”. From the Album view, you can click on the 3 dots (in the top menu) to download the whole album.

Con’t next page

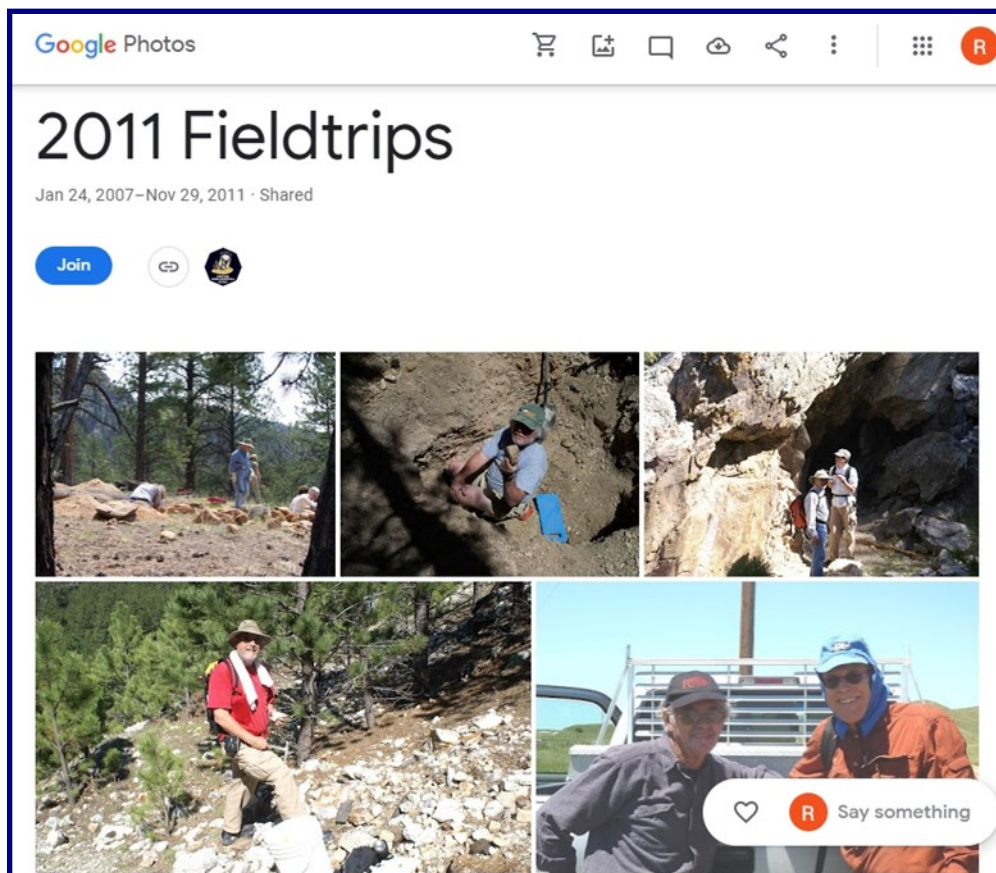




## Web Corner – Web and Computer Resources for Rockhounds (con't.)

At the bottom of the screen, you will see a button that says “Say something” Click on that button to leave a comment (about the whole album - from the album view or about an individual picture - from the picture view). You are encouraged to leave your comments and share your stories about these pictures!

The menu at the top of the picture view gives you additional options. The circled “i” will display additional information about that image, and the 3 dots will allow you to order prints, download, or view the pictures as a slideshow.



For more, see *The Ultimate Guide to Google Photos* -<https://techpp.com/2015/12/23/google-photos-guide/>

***If you have additional pictures that you would like to add to our collection please contact the webmaster!***

Below the Photo Albums are the Videos. Listed there are over 100 videos produced by DGMG Historian Marjorie Payne. They are selectable by categories (All, Fieldtrips, Programs, etc.) Note you will need to hit the “Load More” button at the bottom to be sure that all the videos of any category are actually displayed.

If you have questions, comments, suggestions or any problems logging in to the new site, please contact me, the DGMG webmaster. (The most capable computer guy on the planet –ed.!) )

Contact details are at the bottom of the site.



## IT'S TIME TO PAY UP!

## DENVER GEM AND MINERAL GUILD MEMBERSHIP 2021



 Renewal

☐ New Membership

Annual Dues:

○ Individual=\$15.00

☐ Family=\$25.00 (Family is one or two adults, living at the address, and your children, under 18)

Primary member \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Month Year

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Month Year

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary Month \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Member \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Month Year

Junior Member \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Member \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Month Year

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check this box if you DO NOT want your name, phone number and email address included in the Members Only section of the DGMG website.

**interests and Skills (check all that apply)**

- Fossils
- Lapidary
- Faceting
- Jewelry
- Have a collection
- Display at shows
- Attend mineral shows
- Willing to volunteer at shows
- Field trips

○ Mineral collector: (list favorites)

○ Willing to share special skills with others:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return membership form, liability form for each person, and payment to Membership Chairman at a monthly meeting or mail to: DGMG

Membership Chairman  
1420 S. Reed Street  
Lakewood, CO 80232

## DENVER GEM AND MINERAL GUILD

### RELEASE OF LIABILITY

By signing below, I acknowledge that all activities sponsored or conducted by the Denver Gem and Mineral Guild (DGMG), a non-profit organization, may be hazardous and may result in loss, damage, or death.

With full knowledge of these dangers, and in consideration for my acceptance as a member of the DGMG and participant in any and all field trips **and activities** sponsored by the DGMG, and the services and amenities to be provided by the DGMG in connection therewith, I confirm that I have read the foregoing and voluntarily assume all risks of such damages and hazards occurring in connection with the **activity**. I hereby agree for myself, all of my family, and heirs to **RELEASE** the DGMG and any of its trip leaders, club officers, club members, **hosting property owners** and claim owners, instructors, guides, or representatives from liability, claims, demands, or any causes of action.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT AND BY SIGNING IT, I AM GIVING UP MY RIGHT TO SUE OR OTHERWISE MAKE ANY CLAIM against DGMG or any of its trip leaders, club officers, club members, **hosting land owners and claim owners**, instructors, guides, or representatives which may arise during my participation in any and all activities of the DGMG **or activities I conduct as an individual on DGMG owned or leased properties**.

I intend this RELEASE OF LIABILITY to be effective whether or not any loss, damage, injury, or death RESULTS FROM NEGLIGENCE of the DGMG or any of its trip leaders, club officers, club members, hosting land owners, and claim owners, instructors, guides or representatives. I understand that negligence means failure to do an act which a reasonably careful person would do, or the doing of an act which a reasonably careful person would not do, under the same or similar circumstances to protect himself, herself, or others from injury or death.

I agree to be solely responsible for my own safety and to take every precaution to provide for my own safety and well being while participating in the activities of the DGMG. Also, I understand that on DGMG trips, there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise, which may be necessary to deal with potential injuries to which I may be exposed. I understand that these risks exist and notwithstanding them, I wish to participate in DGMG activities.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT AND HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF ITS CONTENTS BEFORE I HAVE SIGNED IT. ALSO, I PLEDGE TO UPHOLD THE CODE OF ETHICS ATTACHED TO THIS RELEASE.

Printed Name (Please print legibly): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST READ AND SIGN BELOW

I am the legal guardian of the above minor and have read the above RELEASE. I hereby consent to the terms of the RELEASE on behalf of the named minor, and give my consent to the participation of the above named minor in all activities of the DGMG on the terms stated.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

