

Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society

May 2016

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MDGMS Officers 2016

President: **Danny Watts**
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Board of Directors

Bill Johnson
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Annual Membership Dues

Adults: \$ 20.00
Juniors: \$ 10.00 (10-18 yr)

Editors

Leslie Walker
La Vella Tomlinson
Wayne Mallon

Meetings / Workshops

Meetings: 1st Friday 7:00 PM
Workshop: 3rd Friday 6:30 PM
Location: 25647 W. Main St
Barstow, Ca 92311

Club Objectives

- **To collect and study minerals and rocks.**
- **To disseminate a general knowledge of the science of mineralogy and allied subjects.**
- **To provide opportunity for the exhibition and exchange of specimens.**

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SHOW DATES -May

May 7 - 8: ANAHEIM, CA

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society
Brookhurst Community Center
2271 W. Crescent Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4:30
Contact: Margaret Hogarth, (909) 597-7033
Email: hogarth.m@gmail.com
Website: www.searchersrocks.org

May 7 - 8: JACKSON, CA

Amador County Gem & Mineral Society
Kennedy Mine
12594 Kennedy Mine Rd (off Hwys 49/88)
Hours: 10 - 4 daily
Contact: Gaylene Lichty, (209) 245-5388
Email: mountaingirl@volcano.net
Website: www.amadorgemandmineral.org

May 7 - 8: RENO, NV

Reno Gem & Mineral Society
Reno Livestock Event Center
1350 North Wells Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Daniel Ellis, (775) 229-4420
Email: sailondan55@aol.com
Website: www.renorockhounds.com

May 13 - 15: YUCAIPA, CA

Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Yucaipa Music & Arts Festival
Adams St. & Yucaipa Blvd
Hours: Fri 6 - 9; Sat 11 - 10, Sun. 12 - 6
Contact: Lee Peterson, (909) 794-0731
Email: res09ayd@verizon.net
Website: www.yvgms.org



May 2016

2nd	Judy Livingston
4th	AJ, Nick & Cassidy Schwartz
5th	Didi Naples
12th	Martin Baum
12th	Charles Toles
23rd	Wayne Mallon
28th	Leslie Walker

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For Sale: Vintage Faceting Machine
"The Taylor," made by Norris and Mollin
¼ horsepower motor, it has no cabinet but lots of extras
Call Nicolette at 714-342-3352



Seth Perez is getting a lot of help at the workshops. He learns the names of rocks and how to polish his treasures.

*If you haven't paid your dues this year, please see Judy Livingston.

The March workshop had guests from the Lake Havasu Rock Club: Gayle Gilpin, Bryant Tippet, Edith Waldin. And from Australia, Miles Davitt, geologist, who brought Australian rocks to share. And Diandra Perez brought our new junior member Seth Perez.

Leslie Walker brought her cabochon teaching kit and worked with members on the Genies to refine their cab making skills.

Danny & Vivian Watts brought in 300 samples of Opalite from the El Paso Mountains. Danny, Bill & La Vella Tomlinson labeled and bagged them, ready for the December show grab bags.

Vivian Watts & Judy Livingston made scorpions as prizes for the Wheel of Fortune for the December show.

The next workshop will be May 20th at 6:30 pm.

*Our June 3rd Barbecue, Potluck & Silent Auction is approaching. 6:00 PM.

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MDGMS General Meeting Minutes, April 1, 2-016

The meeting was called to order by President **Danny Watts** at 7:15 pm. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by **Joseph Deer**.

Guests: **Miles Davitt**, a geologist from Australia, joined us again. He brought some rock samples from Australia to share and also some he found in the Cady Mountains, contributing several to the door prizes.

Birthdays: Happy Birthdays were wished to the members with April birthdays. **Sandy Wagner** was present for her birthday and cut the April birthday cake brought by **Vivian Watts**.

Hostesses: Delicious refreshments were provided by **Rick & Joseph Deer, Ceci Kawasaki & Vivian Watts**. Thank you.

Business: **Judy Livingston & Rick Deer** motioned that the minutes for the March meeting be approved as read in the newsletter; the motion was passed by the members.

Kemp Root's wife passed away. The club gave their condolences. **Judy Livingston** made the motion that the club sends flowers, up to \$50, with the sympathy card to **Kemp Root**. The motion was seconded by **Bill Tomlinson**, and passed by the membership.

Judy Livingston gave the Treasurer's report. Reminder that the dues for 2016 are due now.

Ceci Kawasaki brought 45 gem trees that she made as prizes for the exhibitors for our December 2016 Gem & Mineral Show. **Ceci** also made some for Wheel of Fortune prizes. Thank you.

Danny Watts reminded everyone that the Hostess & Door Prize sign-up sheets on the bulletin board need some fill-ins. Prizes and Food make the meetings fun, so please volunteer.

Our June 3rd Barbecue, Potluck & Silent Auction is approaching. Remember to sign up for a pot luck dish; dinner starts at 6 pm on Friday, June 3.

Scholarship applications are due May 15th. Encourage applicants.

Program: The program was a video on Cabochon making. This was a slightly different technique than **Leslie Walker** teaches at workshop. **Danny Watts** reminded everyone to come to the workshop and work on your beautiful cabs.

Field Trip: Saturday, April 16th will be the next field trip. Meet at Diamond Pacific by 8 am, 4 wheel drive needed for this trip. MDGMS will meet-up with the Palm Springs rock club. The best way to find out about the field trips is to attend the monthly meeting & workshop. Field trips are usually the Saturday after workshop.

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Cab of the Month: **Charles Toles** won cab of the month with a chalcedony free form cab that he left the natural texture on the top rather than polishing to a dome.

Door Prizes: Door prizes were provided by **Danny Watts** and **Miles Davitt**. Happy winners were **Rick Deer, Miles Davitt, Leslie Walker, Danny Watts, & Charles Toles**.

Show & Tell: Rock of the month was Limestone. **Danny Watts** shared limestone from the mines above Lucerne Valley with pink rhodochrosite streaking through the pure white limestone. **La Vella Tomlinson** shared fossils in limestone. **Seth Perez** shared trilobite fossils.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 pm by president **Danny Watts** after a motion by **Patti Deer & Rick Deer** to adjourn and then agreed by the membership.

Respectfully Submitted, **La Vella Tomlinson**, Secretary



Rock of the Month SANDSTONE

Sandstone is a sedimentary rock made of sand, cemented together. Sand from beaches, dunes and sea floors that are laid down and buried.. Medium size sand include pieces of minerals and rock called clasts. Silt is finer and gravel is courser and may be included in sandstone. Sandstone with 30% gravel or cobble are considered conglomerate or breccias. Let's see some nice examples of your Sandstone.

Rock Search

P	H	Q	G	X	H	U	M	E	M	E	T	A	M	O	R	P	H	I	C
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Rocks to find:

RoseQuartz

Onyx

SnowflakeObsidian

Jasper

PetrifiedWood

Marble

LapisLazuli

Amethyst

Agate

Opal

Citrine

Calcite

Carnelian

Cinnabar

Diamond

Rhyolite

Topaz

Igneous

Sedimentary

Metamorphic

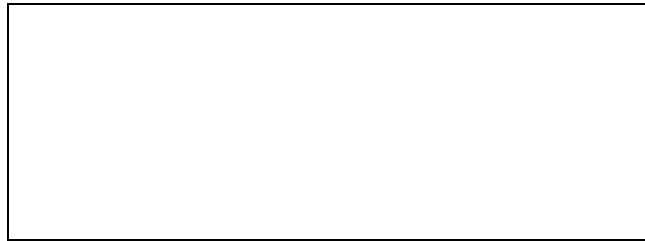
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