

LITTLE GEMS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



FRED BUNGE, President

General Meeting:
Second Tuesday of the month
Katherine Heidenreich Senior Center
1776 Airway Ave.,
Kingman, AZ 86401
General Meeting
7:00 PM

January brings us into the New Year. We wish our successors well and will be there to assist them in their transition. Your new officers for 2012 are: Bill Buck, President; Clarkie Segreaves, Vice-President and Brian Murphy, Secretary. There is a need for a Treasurer.

Our annual Gem and Mineral Show will soon be upon us and it takes a lot of work. Gary Gann will chair the raffle prize committee. He would certainly appreciate your help. It appears we have crews for security, set-up and take-down. Over 60 vendors have been contacted and at least 15 have paid their fees thus far. It looks like another terrific show will be presented in Kingman. For those of you who may not know – this is our 42nd Annual Gem & Mineral Show.

Members are requested to help supply the following for door prizes and the silent auction table: Slabs, tumbled rocks and small prizes for the kid's booth.

ROCK SHOW

THE MOHAVE COUNTY GEMSTONERS PRESENTS
OUR 42ND ANNUAL ROCK & GEM SHOW!

WE ARE GEARING UP FOR A GREAT SHOW AND A GREAT TIME. THIS YEAR'S MISSION: TO OUTSHINE LAST YEAR, THIS WILL TAKE A LOT OF COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION. IF YOU ARE ENTERTAINING IDEAS THAT YOU THINK WILL BENEFIT THE SHOW, DO NOT HESITATE TO SHARE. ALSO, IF YOU KNOW A SURE FIRE WAYS TO KEEP THE SNOW FROM FALLING THAT WEEKEND FEEL FREE TO WORK SOME MAGIC!

The Mohave County Gemstoners' Club is a member of the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies (RMFMS) and associated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

The purpose of the Mohave County Gemstoners is to:

1. Stimulate interest in Mineralogy and Lapidary Arts.

2. Stimulate individual's interest in cutting and displaying of minerals, fossils and gemstones.
3. Stimulate interest in stonecutting, carving and setting of fine gems and jewelry.
4. Stimulate interest in other areas, such as faceting, jewelry design, jewelry fabrication and metalsmithing of jewelry.

Fiscal year for memberships runs from January 1st thru December 31st. Dues are \$15.00 per person, \$20.00 per couple and \$25.00 for family. Junior Membership cost is \$8.00.

Name badges are required, Either Pin or Magnetic style available at cost.

Little Gems is published monthly. It is available online at www.gemstoners.org The Newsletter is in PDF format so it will be necessary to download Adobe Reader (free program) to view. Submissions should be to the editor by the 20th of the month to: quadpol@aol.com or mail to: Mohave County Gemstoners PO Box 3992, Kingman, AZ 86402.

2011 Club Leadership

Elected Officers:

President – Bill Buck
 Vice President –Clarkie Segreaves
 Secretary – Brian Murphy
 Treasurer –Mary Gann

Board of Directors:

Year ending 2012: Roger Price
 Year ending 2013: Trent Szabo, apprentice
 Year ending 2014: Sam Knott

Club Committees 2010

By-Laws – Fred Bunge
 Field Trips – Gary Gann
 Greeters–Sue Bielman
 Membership – Dorothy Bunge
 Webmaster – Mary Gann

Newsletter Editor – Mary Gann
 Refreshments – John & Laraine
 Telephone - John & Laraine Smith
 Show Chairman 2012 – Mary Gann

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2011 GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 PM by our President, Fred Bunge. The flag salute was led by the Vice President.
Previous Meeting Minutes: Were approved as printed in the Little Gems Newsletter.
Treasurer's Report: The Club is in very good financial shape.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership – We welcomed one visitor to our meeting. We also celebrated those with anniversaries and birthdays this month. We now have 78 members.
Show – Meeting 13 DEC at the Library in conjunction with wire wrapping & beading class.at 2-4 PM.
Field Trip –The Secret Pass, Don Nelson's Fire Agate claim and Thanksgiving In The Desert III were extremely good. Always check our web site for details on our trips. A trip meeting will be held in Jan.
Web Master –Visit the site several times each month as information may have changed since the newsletter was published.
Editor – Need an Editor.
Refreshments – Next month we will need cookies.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Trailer work party – we need to modify the new trailer and get rid of the old one.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Vacancies, elections & committee – President, Bill Buck; VP, Clarkie Segreaves and Secretary, Brian Murphy. We are still looking for a Treasurer. Present officers will assist new officers in the transition process.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Door prizes.
 2. 50/50: - \$28 – Kadek Mangold
 3. Pending legislation that may affect land use & rockhounding, see American Lands Access @ www.amlands.org/6652/index.html
 5. Toys For Tots –two of the three boxes supplied by the Marine Corps League were filled with toys by our membership – Great job!!!!
- As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.
Respectfully submitted, Fred Bunge, President

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Roger & Fran

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Shirley Darga, Le Everly, Sandra Hasting, Cheri Hommel,

Bill Moor, Linda Super , Johnny Sangick



January Birthstone



January's birthstone is as dramatic and bold in color as the importance of the month itself. It is the first month of an entirely new year, an end to what has gone before and the promise of things to come. No matter how the previous year has treated you, you are suddenly in control of things again. A new chance to be the pilot of your future. The Garnet has long been the stone believed to protect travelers no matter what their journey. A gift of Garnet to a loved one was believed to ensure safe travel and a speedy homecoming.

The first Garnets were mined in Sri Lanka over 2500 years ago. Now it is mined in Africa, Australia, India, Russia, South America, and the United States in Arizona and Idaho.

FIELD TRIP INFORMATION



- Sign in 15 minutes before departure time.
- Leader will state relevant information after everyone has signed in.
- Each vehicle is to keep the one behind it in sight. Stop if vehicle is not visible and report situation on radio channel 5.1.
- Always notify leader if you are hiking or driving to another site, give your approximate return time, and keep a radio with you and turned on.
- If leaving and not returning, notify leader.
- Always take food, water, and first aid kit, full tank of gas.
- Name badges are required at all Club functions.

***There will be a Trip Meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 24th at Gary's house, (992 Selma Dr.) at 10 am. Any questions: call Gary at 757-8121.

Need worn wooden stirrups, old spurs, new pony or horse shoes for art project. Contact Mary at 757-8121.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HAPPY NEW YEAR!! 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	1 ST Brd Mtg & Gen Mtg of New Year 5 & 7 PM 10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	Trip Planning Meeting at Gary'-10 AM 24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Feb 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	Show Meeting at Library- 10 AM 6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	Board & Gen Meetings Happy Valentine's Day!! 14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29			