



THE GRAND JUNCTION GEM & MINERAL CLUB, INC
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Affiliated WW1 The Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies

We'd like to welcome you to the Grand Junction Gem & Mineral Club, Inc., and are taking this opportunity to share some information concerning you and the club.

The purpose of this organization is to encourage the study, collecting, & display of minerals, fossils, and gems. We study the geologic formations of our area as well as other locations. We also offer the art of hand-crafted lapidary and jewelry making.

We have numerous classes throughout the year to assist in the development of whatever interests you may have, including making chains & cabs, intarsia, mineral ID, silversmithing, filigree and others. The second Thursday of the month is "Cookie Night" where we have volunteers sign up to bring cookies. We begin at 6:30 pm with socialization time. At 7:00 we have a program followed by a business meeting.

We also have a meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month, with socialization at 6:30pm and a program at 7pm. We will have guest speakers for one or both of the monthly meetings. There is only one meeting in December – it is on the second Thursday only and it is our annual Christmas dinner.

We expect all members to participate in volunteer opportunities that are necessary for the club to function. Volunteers are needed for our meeting nights, which include greeters, and clubhouse cleaners. Please do what you can to help, remembering this is your club, so take your turn to assist. We also need volunteers to serve in the various positions on the Board of Directors.

Annually, we have a Gem & Mineral Show. All members are encouraged to participate and are invited to attend designated show meetings. The show chairman appoints committees to organize the show. There are many opportunities to volunteer: pre-show organizing, participating in one of our many stations at the show, setup and takedown processes.

Our field trip committee has interesting and fun trips scheduled throughout the year. Field trip map books for purchase are stored in our library and are available through our librarian to all members.

Open shop is held on Wednesdays from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm to utilize our equipment and share ideas with your peers. There will be someone there to help you use the equipment properly. Please obey the shop steward and rules of the shop. A minimal fee is charged.

Officers of the club are identified with name tags for easy reference. Please contact any of them with any questions or concerns you have.

We prefer, due to mailing costs, to email your newsletter. The email address(es) you provided will be added to the newsletter email list. If you prefer to receive a hard copy by mail instead there will be an additional minimal fee.

You can also find us online. Our website is www.grandjunctionrockclub.org. Check out our page on www.meetup.com for meeting dates and news. We have a Facebook page, too.

We look forward to serving and helping you with this fascinating hobby of rocks! Again, we welcome you to our club.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Date: _____

Name 1: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

PRINT VERY CLEARLY

Name 2: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

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Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Annual Dues – Due by January 1st of each year.

One Adult: \$40.00

Two Adults or Family (same household): \$50.00

FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY – After June 30th through December 31

One Adult: \$20.00

Two Adults or Family (same household): \$25.00

I understand the responsibilities of membership include volunteering for club events and board members as needed. Acknowledge by signing:

Make Checks Payable to: Grand Junction Gem & Mineral Club

Mail Check, Completed Application, and Release form to:

Membership Chairperson
P.O. BOX 953
Grand Junction, CO 81502

(Please see next page)

Thank you so much for wanting to join the Grand Junction Gem & Mineral Club. We look forward to helping new members learn about rock hounding, and shop skills such as lapidary and silversmithing. We are an active club, with field trips, classes, rock and craft shows, and 2 meetings most months. Nobody can do it all, but everyone can help with something. Please consider if you would be willing to volunteer to help the club flourish. Which activities listed below would you feel comfortable helping with?

Please check all that apply.

Committees and Volunteer Positions

- Building and Grounds:** Arrange for needed repairs of building, utilities, or grounds.
- Club Promotional Items:** Provide information on club clothing such as hats, t-shirts, etc.
- Correspondence Secretary:** Send cards to members for special occasions and memorial acknowledgments.
- Decorating:** Decorate the clubhouse for meetings corresponding to holidays close to meeting dates.
- Field Trips:** Schedule field trips and assign leaders for those trips.
- Hospitality:** Coordinate volunteers for greeters, kitchen help, and cleaning crew.
- Greeter:** Greet members as they arrive and hand out door prize tickets.
- Kitchen Helper:** Bring cookies on cookie nights, help set-up and clean-up at potlucks.
- Cleaning Crew:** With at least 2 members, clean the clubhouse prior to next meeting.
- Librarian/Historian:** Maintain inventory of club's library. Prepare & maintain history of the club's activities.
- Membership:** Collects applications, dues and keeps records on membership.
- Newsletter Editor:** Create and publish "Leaverite News" monthly.
- Publicity/Community Relations:** Contacts media for coverage of club activities and show publicity.
- Social Media:** Maintain club web site and social media sites.
- Supplies:** Maintains all kitchen, restroom and general clubhouse supplies including keeping refrigerator stocked.
- Wall Cases:** Maintains display cases including cleaning, making additions and deletions, and keeping an inventory.
- Jr. Science Rock Club:** Manage and promote kids club meetings and events.
- Shop Steward:** Manage open shop.
- Shop Maintenance/Equipment:** Maintain rock saws and shop equipment.
- Gem & Mineral Show:** Help with club responsibilities during show, such as setup and teardown, cutting geodes, admissions, silent auction, security, etc.

Club Interests (Check all that apply):

Educational Programs: ____ **Field Trips:** ____ **Lectures:** ____ **Shows/Fairs:** ____ **Jr. Club:** ____
Classes: **Lapidary:** ____ **Silversmithing:** ____ **Intarsia:** ____ **Enameling:** ____ **Wire Wrapping:** ____
Chain Making: ____ **Filigree:** ____ **Casting:** ____ **Faceting:** ____ **Wire Weaving:** ____ **Shop use:** ____
Other: ____ (Please explain) _____

Suggestions: _____



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PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The below named applicant(s) participant(s) agrees to abide by all rules and regulations established by the Grand Junction Gem and Mineral Club (hereafter referred to as GJGMC) and/or any organization(s), agency(s) or person(s) that may have jurisdiction or regulatory powers of any nature concerning the activities, field trips, meetings, etc. of GJGMC; and the below named applicant(s) participant(s) must and hereby agrees to bear the total cost of damages and fines resulting from his/her/their actions, thereby releasing GJGMC, its officers and representatives and personnel from any liability whatsoever.

The below named applicant(s) participant(s) realizes that there are certain dangers inherent in any activity and hereby releases GJGMC from all liability regarding dangerous activity. Either acts of God (such as, but not limited to, snakebite, poisonous plants, and insects, etc.) or self-induced dangers (such as, but not limited to, climbing on loose rocks or ledges, walking along cliff edge exposure, dehydration, etc.) and any other situation not described above that may jeopardize the safety or wellbeing of the applicant(s) participant(s) shall not be the liability of GJGMC, its officers or representatives or personnel.

The below named applicant(s) participant(s) authorize GJGMC, its officers and representatives and personnel involved in the above activities, in its broadest sense, to administer emergency treatment for any accident, injury or illness incurred during the period of the above-named activities, and to enlist, contract for, or hire any professional medical and or dental services they feel are necessary for the safety and well-being of the below named applicant(s) participant(s). It is further understood that the cost of such emergency transportation and/or rescue services is to be born in full by the applicant(s) participant(s) and GJGMC and its officers or representatives are released from any obligation or liability concerning such costs.

I certify that I have read the above terms regarding participation in GJGMCs activities. I'm signing this release of liability and promise to comply with all rules etc., regarding these activities willingly and without pressure. I certify that I am of legal age and competence to act in this manner. If any participant is a minor, I certify that I am a legal parent or guardian of that participant. If minor children are participating in this activity or application, certify that I am the legal head of that family and am acting on behalf of each of them in this release.

Printed Name(s) of adult members in same household:

Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Address: _____

Emergency Contact (name and phone #): _____

Daytime Phone(s) for Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Signature Name 1: _____ Date _____

Signature Name 2: _____ Date _____

Printed names of minor(s): _____

Signature of responsible party for minors: _____ Date _____