

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Date: _____

New Member _____ Renewal _____ (If renewal, what year was last membership paid) _____

I wish to apply for membership in the Littleton Gem & Mineral Club. Dues are \$20.00 a year per application:

Name: _____ Birthday(month/day) _____
 Spouse: _____ Birthday(month/day) _____
 Names of minor children: _____
 Address _____ Phone(H) _____ (W) _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail _____

Why do you want to be a member of LGMC? mineral collecting, faceting, cabochons, jewelry making, casting, fossils, beading, social, learn the hobby, field trips, others.

(Self) _____
 (Spouse) _____

Note what you have to offer the club: Activities, interests, programs, support, unusual collections or kinds of experience you have or may have had in the past relating to gems and minerals as a hobby.

(Feel free to use another sheet of paper if necessary)

For the LGMC to be successful, members need to be active by holding a position on the board, committee chairman and/or become a committee member on one of the yearly activities. Shared club responsibilities tap the varied skills of all club members, while lightening the burden of leadership on each individual member. LGMC needs members with various skills to promote and enhance the club. Each member has some kind of skill to share towards the common goals of the club. There are many areas available in the club where you can be productive and will have the opportunity to become acquainted. Below is a list of areas where leadership is needed. There are several short time positions. Circle and indicate, (#1 for yourself and #2 for your spouse) the area/areas in which you would be willing to serve the club after one year of membership or before if you wish. See below for different areas of club involvement.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President
 President Elect
 Vice President
 Secretary
 Treasurer
 Trustee (3 positions)
 1 Past Pres. 1 yr. term
 2 yr. & 3 yr. term
 (2 & 3 Elected by club members)
 Trustee At Large (no term)

COMMITTEES OTHER POSITIONS

Field Trips
 Historian
 Hospitality
 Librarian
 Membership
 Newsletter Editor
 Programs
 Refreshments
 Shows/Displays and Exhibits
 Sunshine

ANNUAL

Founders Day
 Club Picnic
 Auction
 Christmas Party
 Grab Bags
 Review Financial Books

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Cabbers and Faceters
 Mineral Studies
 Fossils and Pebble Pups

Signed #1 _____
 Signed #2 _____

APPROVED BY BOARD ACTION

Signed _____ Date: _____
 Club President's Signature

1) **The Board of Directors, except for the trustees, is one year terms. They are voted into office by club members. You must plan to attend a board meeting once a month, if at all possible. The meetings are held at board members homes, generally on Monday following the regular club meeting. Meetings are at 7:00, with the host and hostess furnishing refreshments.**

OTHER POSITIONS WHO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

2) **Newsletter Editor:** Responsible for publishing and distributing the club newsletter. Collect pertinent data from club members, board members, other clubs etc. Works closely with board, club historian and club photographer.

3) **Grab Bags Chairman:** Assures the club meets the requirement from Show GB chairman for the Sept. show. Stores donated rocks/minerals, assures cloth bags are sewn and available, conducts grab bag party at the annual picnic. Needs to make the commitment to the club for several years...because of storage. This volunteer needs help from members throughout the year.

4) **Historian:** Maintains and stores the scrapbooks, pictures etc for history of the club, works closely with the editor, photographer and board.

5) **Sunshine Person:** This person is goodwill ambassador, sends cards, acknowledgments etc to members.

6) **Hospitality:** Greets new and old members, gives door prize tickets at regular club meetings.

7) **Refreshments:** In October of each year, establishes a sign-up list and schedule of members to bring refreshments to general meetings. In January, makes copies of complete list giving a copy to each person on the board. Prepares drinks for meetings (supplies provided by club but stored and controlled by refreshment chairperson.)

8) **Field Trips:** A club member who is willing to organize trips to various locations for rock hounding activities. Must be willing to research data on locations. This person will schedule times and places for club field trips; but does not have to be leader if others are willing or if others have more knowledge about specific locations. This person will draw support and knowledge from other members and other clubs as well as publications. Reports on planned trips to members at regular club meetings. Trips are scheduled at the discretion of the Field Trip chairperson, but chairperson must take into consideration other scheduled club activities.

9) **Librarian:** Stores and maintains the club library books, checks books in and out to club members, upgrades the club library as required and promotes the use of the library through club reports and reminders to club members.

10) **Programs:** Makes contact with others in the hobby or related fields for presentations at the regular club meeting, makes arrangements with presenters and insures that needed equipment is available, takes ideas and assistance from club members, other clubs and etc.

11) **Photographer:** Takes pictures at club events and at regular meetings: field trips, Denver September Show, club auction, Christmas party, Founders day, summer picnic, grab bag party, provides photos to club historian and newsletter editor.

12) **Vest Chairman:** Stores the vest samples and brings them to the general meetings. Orders the vests sizes needed for members after payment is made to the treasurer. Patches and pins are given to each member who orders a vest.

13) **Membership chairman:** Promotes, tracks, and reports old and new membership information.

14) **Exhibits Chairman:** Responsible for making arrangements for promoting and displaying mineral specimens, fossils, jewelry, or any hobby related material in libraries, schools etc. including the Denver Gem and Mineral September Show. Responsible for making members aware that specimens are needed, help collect specimens and organize the display cases.

15) **Door Prizes:** Responsible for storing and seeing that some door prizes are at all meetings. Door prizes are donated by members, dealers, or purchased by the club.

COMMITTEES FOR ANNUAL FUNCTIONS:

Founders Day: Occurs at the May general meeting each year and includes acknowledgment of older club members, giving awards, sharing food and is the last meeting before the summer break.

Club Picnic: Pot luck held in late July or August. Club furnishes meat, everyone brings a dish to serve 12. Grab bags are filled for the September show.

Auction: Board members make the plans; but requires a lot of help in organizing and performing a wide range of duties from carrying, tabulating, cashiering, advertising and setting up a pot luck lunch and a verbal auction. Success depends upon the entire clubs participation.

Christmas Party: This requires a club member/members who can plan, organize, prepare and be Host and Hostess for the evening. The club provides all reasonable supplies, while the members provide the food for a pot luck dinner.

Representatives: These are *tenured club members*, who attend show committee, council, RMFMS (Rocky Mountain Federation Mineral Society) & AFMS (American Federation Mineral Society) meetings and represent LGMC.