

Littleton Gem and Mineral Club

P.O. Box 283, Littleton, CO 80160

Application for Membership

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Dues are \$25.00 per calendar year and apply to the immediate family / household. Dues 9/1 through 12/31 are \$10.**Name/ signature:** _____**Spouse/ signature:** _____**Names and birth years of minor children:**

(birth years are used for insurance purposes only) _____

Address: _____**City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____**Email/ spouse email (please print clearly):** _____ **Phone (best contact):** _____*Note that email is required (we do not send printed newsletters), and that this is our primary form of communication with you.***Why do you want to be a member of the club?** Some reasons could be: mineral collecting, faceting, cabochons, jewelry making, fossils, social, educational, field trips.**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 LGMC to be successful, members are encouraged to participate in its activities and eventually hold a position on the board, become a committee member, or volunteer for annual events. Shared responsibilities tap the varied skills of all members, while lightening the burden of leadership. Members may be more experienced with rocks, gems and minerals; but all kinds of skills are needed to promote and enhance the club. Members are encouraged to share their skills, toward the common goals of the club. Below is a list of areas where leadership is needed (several are short-term positions). Indicate #1 for self, or #2 for spouse, the areas in which you would be willing to serve the club after one year of membership or before if you wish. Volunteering is not mandatory for membership.

Board of Directors

- ☐ President
- ☐ Vice President, Membership
- ☐ Secretary
- ☐ Treasurer
- ☐ President Elect
- ☐ Past President
- ☐ 2 Trustees (2-yr. term)

Committees

- ☐ Field Trips
- ☐ Grab Bags
- ☐ Historian
- ☐ Hospitality
- ☐ Newsletter Editor
- ☐ Outreach (marketing)
- ☐ Sunshine
- ☐ Programs
- ☐ Refreshments
- ☐ Shows, displays and exhibits
- ☐ Review Financials
- ☐ Web Administrator
- ☐ SignUpGenius Coordinator

Annual Events

- ☐ Founders Day
- ☐ Picnic / Grab Bag Party
- ☐ DG&MS Club Booth
- ☐ Auction
- ☐ Holiday Party

Special Interests

- ☐ Cabbers and Faceters
- ☐ Pebble Pups (children's activities)
- ☐ Mineral Studies
- ☐ Fossil Studies

Approved by Board: _____**President:** _____

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors, except for the trustees, are all one-year terms and are voted into office by club members. You must plan to attend a board meeting once a month, if possible. The meetings are held via Zoom, generally on a Monday following the regular club meeting. Meetings are at 7:00pm.

Other Positions Who Attend Board Meetings

Newsletter Editor: Publishes and distributes the club newsletter. Collects pertinent data from club members, board members, other clubs, etc. Works with the board.

Grab Bags: Ensures the club meets the requirement from the council for grab bags for the DG&MS. Leads the committee that stores donated rocks/minerals, ensures cloth bags are sewn and available (spring), conducts grab bag party (August). Due to the storage requirement, needs to commit to the club for several years. Requests help from members throughout the year.

Historian: Maintains scrapbooks, etc. for club history, works with the editor and board. Plans the Founder's Day.

Sunshine: Sends cards, acknowledgments, etc. to members. This person is the goodwill ambassador for the club.

Hospitality: Greets members and guests, gives door prize tickets at regular club meetings, makes name tags for members.

Refreshments: Establishes a sign-up list and schedule of members to bring refreshments to club meetings. Prepares drinks for meetings. Stores supplies provided by the club.

Field Trips: Organizes field trips to various locations for rock hounding activities. Must be willing to research data on locations. Schedules 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. Reports on planned trips to members at regular club meetings. When scheduling, considers other scheduled club activities.

Programs: Finds speakers for regular club meetings, makes detailed arrangements with speakers, ensures that needed equipment is available, gets ideas and assistance from club members, other clubs, etc.

Vests: All supplies are purchased by the club. Vests include patch and club pin. Proceeds go to the club. Encourages members to purchase vests.

Membership: Promotes, tracks, and reports old and new membership information.

Exhibits: Arranges to promote and display mineral specimens, fossils, jewelry, or any hobby related material in libraries, schools etc., including the DG&MS. Requests and collects specimens, organizes display cases.

Door Prizes: Stores and brings door prizes to regular meetings. Door Prizes are donated by members, dealers, or purchased by the club.

Web Administrator: Maintains the club website and email correspondence. Works with the SignUpGenius Coordinator and Field Trip Coordinator. Updates the website along with the content on a regular basis.

SignUpGenius Coordinator: Works with the Field Trip Coordinator and Web Administrator posting the online field trip sign-ups, maps, email correspondence, etc.

Committees for Annual Functions

Founders Day: Organized by the historian to remember the club founders and history. Keeps track of memorial trees and special awards for members.

Picnic / Grab Bag Party: Potluck held in late July or August.

Auction: Board members make the plans; but require help in organizing and performing a wide range of duties from tabulating, cashiering, advertising, setting up the potluck lunch, and verbal auction.

Holiday Party: This requires club members who can plan, organize, prepare and host for the evening. The club provides all reasonable supplies, while the members provide food for a potluck dinner.

Other Opportunities

Representatives: These are club members who attend DG&MS (Denver Gem & Mineral Show) committee/ council, RMFMS (Rocky Mountain Federation Mineral Society) & AFMS (American Federation Mineral Society) meetings and represent LGMC.