



Idaho Falls Gem & Mineral Society

We are a non-profit organization promoting the study of geology, lapidary and applied sciences, and fostering a spirit of fellowship among the members. We are members of both the Northwest and American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

Meetings are the **2nd Monday of each month at 6 pm** at the **FairBridge Inn & Suites**, 850 Lindsay Blvd.

Visitors are always welcome. (August and December meetings are held elsewhere). We have a social hour (6-7) where members bring in samples of things they are working on. Then there is usually a guest speaker or demonstration, followed by the business meeting.

Membership and Dues: \$28 for a single adult membership; **\$33 for a family** membership (1 or 2 adults and all minor children); (this includes a one time fee of \$5 for name tags, etc.)

Your membership is good until December 31 of this year. Our by-laws require us to start collecting NEXT years dues at our annual steak fry in August. To remain a member, your dues for the following year must be paid before December 31 of this year. Dues are NOT pro-rated..

The Show: In April we have our Rock and Gem show here in Idaho Falls. Members display the various things they do, and several demonstrate different aspects of our craft. There are also dealers that sell quality items relating to gems and minerals. Everybody is encouraged to participate in some manner, be it setting up and tearing down and/or selling tickets and manning the clubs booths. After the show ends Sunday night there is a pot luck dinner.

2022 Officers:

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Amount Paid: **Single: \$28** **Family \$33** (Make checks to **IFGMS**) Date _____

Note: Newsletters will be sent by e-mail.

If you prefer regular mail, please circle the words **REGULAR MAIL**.

What are your expectations in joining (circle all that apply): Short field trips Overnight field trips
Social gatherings Learning a new hobby Learning about rocks Exploring 'remote' areas
Jr rock club Just collecting some rocks Other:

Please return this box with your check to: IFGMS Box 2362 Idaho Falls, ID 83403

Learning Days Members can take classes from other club members.

Club Breakfast in late May, in conjunction with a field trip and learning days.

Field Trips: The club has 3 mining claims, one in Montana (near Leadore, ID), one near Arco and one near Challis. Including the claims, other trips will be planned.

Steak Fry and Dues: In August we have our steak fry, which is a pot luck dinner with steaks provided by the club. Dues for the following year are due at this time.

Club Sale In October, club members hold a public sale. This gives members an opportunity to sell their items as we don't want to conflict with the dealers at our show.

Elections: In October, a nominating committee solicits members for running for the various board offices. The election of officers takes place at the November meeting and the new officers take over at the first of the new year.

Last Party: The last party is the holiday party in December, which again is pot luck. There are table prizes as well as a gift exchange and entertainment.

Junior Rock Club For kids 8-14 whose parents or sponsoring adults are club members. Activities include meetings, crafts, field trips and merit badges from the Northwest Federation. A parent or sponsoring adult must be actively engaged in all Jr Club activities in which their child participates. This is not a baby-sitting service but a real chance to learn about rocks. (At this time there is NO junior rock club)

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