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Chips and Chatter



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Don Shurtz, Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas

As a reminder, the January and August issues of the Chips and Chatter are really only meeting reminders. Our August Meeting will start at 7:15 PM at the Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive, Garland. We will be through by 8:45 PM. Our presentation will be a "Play Night". Part of the festivities will be a Color and Rock Bingo. Also, **EVERYONE** (that means YOU) needs to bring in a rock or mineral that needs identification. As a group, we will see if we can come to a consensus. SEE YOU THERE.

President's Message

Joe Vulk, Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas

Welcome to Mary and Ryan Vickery who are new club members. A big thank you to Bob Huntington for a very informative and comprehensive lecture and display of precious coral he gave in our June meeting. Thanks also to our 1st Vice President for Programs, Carolyn Grady for arranging the coral program.

Brenda and I really enjoyed the patriotic (4th of July) social at Spring Creek BarBQ. Attendance was good - almost all of our active members came.

For the August meeting, I plan to provide the results of our club's "direction survey" conducted earlier this year.

VP Carolyn is planning a short but fun program.

Shows and Activities – Upcoming Show and Activity Dates

Check with the show contact to verify the show status

September 2023

- 23 – 24 September, San Antonio, TX, Southwest G&MS, Wonderland of Americas, www.swgms.org/
- 23 – 24 September, Lubbock, TX, Lubbock G&MS, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, www.lubbockgemandmineral.org

October 2023

- 13 – 15 October, Westwego, LA, G&MS of Louisiana & SCFMS Convention,
- 14 – 15 October, Temple, TX, Tri-City G&MS, Frank W. Maborn Civic and Convention Center, lrolston@hot.rr.com
- 14 – 15 October, Fort Worth, TX, CERA (Cowtown G&MS), 3300 Bryant Irving Rd, steve.l.shearin@lmco.com
- 20 – 22 October, Austin, TX, Austin G&MS, Palmer Events Center, www.agms0tx.org
- 27 – 29 October, Oklahoma City, OK, Oklahoma G&MS, Oklahoma State Fair Park, omgs-minerals.org

Ref: Rock & Gem Show Dates, <https://www.rockngem.com/ShowDatesFiles/ShowDatesDisplayAll.php?ShowState=ALL>

Ref: May-June 2023 SCFMS Newsletter

CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2023

President: Joe Vulk
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August Meeting

Our August meeting will be at the Bradfield Recreation Center starting at 7:15 PM. President Joe Vulk will review the results of the Club Direction survey. For the activity portion of the meeting watch out for a Color and Rock Bingo game. Also, bring a rock or mineral that needs identification. We may argue a bit about it, but we will get an answer.

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Meetings

First Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be April 6 at the Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive, Garland, TX 75040

Membership

Single Adult: \$16.50,
Junior: \$5.00, Family: \$27.50
(Plus badge fee for new members)

PURPOSE

The Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas is organized for charitable and educational purposes to promote interest in the various earth sciences, particularly those hobbies dealing with the art of cutting and polishing gemstones, the science of gems, minerals, and metal crafts, as well as their related fields. Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas is a not-for-profit organization

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To

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

**Our next meeting will be Thursday, August 3, 2023, at the Bradfield Recreation Center
Results of the Club Direction survey will be discussed, along with a Rock Bingo Game and
Rock/Mineral Identification activity**

VISIT AN AREA CLUB

[Arlington Gem & Mineral Club](#), meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm, 1408 Gibbins, Arlington, TX
[Cowtown Gem, Mineral, & Glass Club](#), meets the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm, CERA 3300 Bryant Irvin Rd. Fort Worth
[Dallas Bead Society](#), meets 1st Saturday of each month at 10:00 am at The Point at CC Young, 4847 W. Lawther Dr., Dallas, TX
[Dallas Gem & Mineral Society](#), meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm, American Legion, 10205 Plano Rd, Dallas (next to their shop)
[Dallas Paleontological Society](#), meets the 2nd Wed. of each month at 7:00 pm, Brookhaven College, Building H, 3939 Valley View Lane,
[Fort Worth Gem & Mineral Club](#), meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm, 3545 Bryan Avenue, Ft. Worth
[Oak Cliff Gem & Min Soc.](#), meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm, Unitarian Universalist Church, 3839 W. Keist Blvd, Dallas,
[Pleasant Oaks Gem & Mineral Club](#), meets the 1st Thur. of each month at 7:15 PM, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Dr, Garland,
[Wild West Bead Society](#), meets 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, Wild Beads, 1124 S. Bowen Road, Arlington, TX

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