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Chips and Chatter

Don Shurtz, Pleasant Oaks Gem and Mineral Club of Dallas

The January and August issues of the Chips and Chatter are meeting reminders, not complete editions. Our meeting on Monday, August 4, 2025, will start at 7:00 PM. We will meet at the Knights of Columbus, Council 6402 Hall, located at 3722 Cavalier Drive in Garland. Our program for AUGUST will be a SURPRISE – but I bet it will be good. The odds are that there will be a lot of talking and fun.

Shows and Activities – Upcoming Show and Activity Dates

Check with the show contact to verify the show status

OCTOBER

October 3-5, Gem and Mineral Society of Louisiana, John A Alario Event Center, https://www.gmsofla.org/
October 17-19, Austin G&MS show and SCFMF Convention (October 18). The show is held at the Palmer Event Center in
downtown Austin. The Convention Breakfast and General Meeting will take place at their clubhouse, located at 6719 Burnet
Lane. The awards banquet will be held at Nature's Treasures, located at 11055 N. IH-35 Frontage Rd. Both are north of
downtown Austin.

NOVEMBER

November 1-2, Paleontological Society of Austin, Old Settler's Heritage Association, https://www.austinpaleo.org/fest.html

November 1-2, Midland Gem and Mineral Society, Bush Convention Center, https://www.midlandgemandmineral.org/

November 7-9, Houston Gem and Mineral Society, Humble Convention Center, https://hgms.org/

November 15-16, Fort Worth G&M Club, May 24 - 25, Will Rogers Memorial Center,

https://www.fortworthgemandmineralclub.org/show.html

November 22-23, Dallas Gem and Mineral Society, Mesquite Convention Center, https://www.dallasgemandmineral.org/

DECEMBER

December 6-7, DeRidder Gem and Mineral Society, West LA Forestry Fair Grounds,

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064473110778

Ref: Local Shows, https://www.scfms.net/local_shows.htm

CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2025

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AUGUST MEETING

Our meetings are on the 1st Monday of each month. We meet at the Knights of Columbus, Council 6402 Hall, located at 3722 Cavalier Drive, Garland, TX 75042. We start our meetings at 7:00 PM and will be through by 9:00 PM. Our next meeting will be on August 4, 2025. The meeting activity has not been finalized. It could be a video or some other activity.

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See the Chips and Chatter online for color!

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PLEASANT OAKS GEM and MINERAL CLUB of DALLAS



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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VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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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 Monday of each month at 7:00 pm, Knights of Columbus Hall, 3722 Cavalier Dr., Garland, 7

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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