



Palmdale Gem & Mineral Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 900279, Palmdale, CA 93590

Information, Benefits, Requirements & Application

Palmdale Gem & Mineral Club is a not-for-profit, educational organization that meets on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Palmdale Cultural Center, 38350 Sierra Hwy., Palmdale, California.

Board of Directors meet the second Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM at a location published in the *Hill and Gully Pay Dirt*, the monthly newsletter of PGMC. (Any Member in good Standing may attend)

Object: To collect and study minerals at home and in the field; to provide the opportunity for the exhibition and exchange of specimens; to disseminate a general knowledge of the science of mineralogy and allied subjects; and to encourage sociability among its members. We also promote and contribute by donation to the American Federation Scholarship Foundation to further the education of a post graduate student majoring in the earth sciences.

Benefits: Upon acceptance of membership application and payment of full dues, you are provided voting privileges, the right to attend meetings, parties, educational sessions, field trips, a copy of the monthly newsletter (one per family), a copy of the By-Laws, a copy of the Annual Report, the right to participate in any Federation sponsored show, membership in both American and California Federations of Mineralogical Societies, and an opportunity for social companionship with others of similar interests. Use of club owned Lapidary Equipment, after proper safety and operational instructions.

Requirements:

1. **Prospective members must attend two (2) consecutive general meetings after the application has been submitted, then processed.**
2. **No member shall use the name of the Club to advance their personal interest,**
3. **Any member may be suspended for disorderly conduct, or dismissal for any act detrimental to the Club,**
4. **All privileges begin with the month dues are paid,**
5. **It is recommended that each member shall:**
 - a. **Be present on at least one (1) field trip during the year,**
 - b. **Display at least five (5) pieces of their own workmanship, or display at least five (5) specimens of different materials collected on field trips.**

The **Palmdale Gem and Mineral Club (PGMC)** is an active working club. We seek members who are willing to join with us in the **work and fun!** We hope the new member will take their membership seriously and become an active, participating member of our Club.

Annul Dues: Annual Dues are based on the cost of the annual CFMS membership fees and monthly newsletter cost: \$ 15.00 per person or \$ 25.00 per couple residing in the same household. A charge of \$ 10.00 per member for a name badge is added to the initial dues. Additional family members (living in same household) may be added for \$ 10.00 per member (18 years of age and older). Members of the family 6-15 years of age are included in the membership and are considered Pebble Pups. Dependents living in the same household over the age of 15 and less than 18 are Junior Member; Dues are \$ 8.00 per year. Membership dues are payable beginning at the October general meeting and are delinquent as of January 1st. If dues are not paid **BEFORE** this date, your name will be dropped from the membership roll and your bulletin will be discontinued.

Retain this page for your Records. Complete and return the next page to Membership Chairman

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please Print Legibly

Name _____ Birthday _____ Anniversary _____

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Children (under 18) Name(s) & Birthday(s) _____

Address _____ Phone _____ Cell _____

City, State, Zip _____ E-mail _____

Occupation _____ If retired, from what did you retire _____

Do you have lapidary equipment? _____ Experience with minerals? _____

Do you have other hobbies? _____

Do you belong to any other Gem & Mineral Club? Please list _____

I will attend at least one field trip per year. I am willing to display minerals or finished lapidary art at least once a year. I am willing to serve on a committee, and I am willing to help club members who require advice or help in subjects or work with which I am familiar in the gem or lapidary field.

I, further certify that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signed _____ Date _____

Signed _____ Date _____

First Reading at General meeting on _____ Second Reading at Board Meeting _____

Application accepted on _____ Dues/Badge Paid On _____

Dues Amount Single \$25.00 Couple \$45.00 Additional Single \$20.00 Juniors \$18.00 each x _____ = \$ _____

Total Dues Received \$ _____ Check Number _____

Badge Ordered _____ Qty. _____ Member Notified _____

Membership Chair Signature _____ Date _____

President Signature _____ Date _____