STEPS TO BECOME A MEMBER

1. Complete Application. (Applications are available upon request. Contact any Board member for an application or go to the club website at www.lincolngemmineralclub.org.)
2. Attend a meeting.
3. Receive Board approval.
4. Pay dues.

Dues: $20 per adult (age 16 and up), $30 for two adults in household, and $3 for each child.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO OUR CLUB!

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The purpose of this corporation shall be to study, promote an interest in, and disseminate knowledge of lapidary and various Earth Sciences including but not necessarily limited to Geology, Paleontology and Mineralogy. It shall be a particular purpose of the corporation to provide education in these fields to its members and the general public, especially to youth and student groups.

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**Benefits of Membership**

1. Monthly meetings include a hobby-related program to stimulate the mind. This is a social event where members informally share hobby activities. A short business meeting precedes the activities.
2. Monthly Rock Party where members share their hobby-related skills with other members. This event is hosted at the various homes/businesses of individual members. A potluck meal begins the fun.
3. *Pick & Shovel* newsletter. This monthly publication is packed with informative articles, news of upcoming events, as well as activities for junior members.
4. *Who's Who*, the annual membership directory with contact information for all members.
5. Field trips. There are guided day trips or longer excursions to collect and learn about the hobby.
6. Free admission to the annual gem and mineral show with show participation.
7. Paid membership entitles automatic enrollment in the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) and the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies (MWF). Other memberships include the Nebraska Academy of Sciences and the American Lands Access Association (ALAA).

**Junior Activities**

Activities are for children 6 to 15 years of age who are accompanied by a responsible adult. Lessons are held immediately before the monthly club meetings. Hobby basics are taught using hands-on projects. Self-named “Mineral Monkeys” are members of the AFMS sponsored Future Rockhounds of America program, through which merit badges can be earned.

**Scholarships**

Each year, LGMC provides funding to Southeast Community College lapidary classes. In addition, specimens are donated to Lincoln Public Schools’ earth sciences classes.

**Gem & Mineral Shows**

Shows are held annually during the first full weekend of April.

**Other Activities**

LGMC participates in several youth events sponsored by Lincoln Parks and Recreation at Pioneer Park, usually held in one of the Nature Center buildings. The club also participates in the Zeotis-LPS-Norvartis Science Fair in March.

**Meeting Information**

Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month, September through May, except for January and December. The January meeting usually follows the Mid-Winter Swap which is held on the fourth Saturday of January. The December meeting is usually held the first Sunday of December, and includes a potluck supper and awards ceremony prior to the meeting.

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Meetings are held at the Bethany Park Shelter House located on Vine Street near the Cotner Blvd. intersection.

Check the website for exact meeting dates and times.

Come learn about gems, minerals, fossils, semi-precious stones, common stones, agates, silver/gold smithing, wire wrap, and more!

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