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Fredericksburg Rockhounds

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From the Top of the Rock Pile



new and better way to interest people in attending our show.

Lee Adams — President

We are already in March and again I take pen in hand to report on where I believe the Fredericksburg Rockhounds Club is and where I would like to see it go.

First: We are one of the healthiest groups I know of. We are expanding membership and getting younger folks involved in the club.

Second: Our <u>huge</u> success in this year's show has shown us a

Third: We have an opportunity to bring in new leadership and ideas.

Fourth: We have <u>not</u> increased our dues or membership fees and because of the new interest in the club, I see no reason to change. By keeping fees low, we increase numbers and that is great asset for us.

Jim Gedeon has sent me his resignation as show chairman. I am very grateful for his service the past five years and I'm sure our entire membership feels the same. Jim is now the club's treasurer and is helping to train his replacement. I propose a committed be formed to search for a new show chairman. We can begin at the March meeting. Committees have worked in the past and it spreads the work load out to several folks.

As a result of the South West Federation Convention at our show—I have received more than one invitation to other club events. One being the Gulf Coast Gem and Mineral Society show. They asked me to set up a fluorescent display at their show because they do not have one. My great hope is that I can contact some local people down there about setting up some future field trips.

See ya at the March meeting. Hopefully with good news from the coast.

-Lee

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## Shelly Verstuyft

- A Biography -

Shelly was born in Woodland, California in 1973. She grew up around the Sacramento area and also lived for a brief time in Visalia near San Diego.

She attended San Juan High School in Citrus Heights, California where she studied and was placed on independent studied art. Shelly also took honors English and history. Her dad was a mechanic, so she studied auto mechanics to learn more it.

In 1990. Shelly's family moved to Fredericksburg during her junior year of high school. She was the only girl in the mechanics class there. The last girl that had taken the mechanics class, was the mechanics teacher's daughter, 23 years before. During Shelly's senior year, she was again placed in independent art after she brought examples of her work to show her new teacher. With the freedom she gained in the independent art area, she was able to pursue art that was of interest to her. Shelly entered a statewide art contest held by the National Art Honor Society and placed took 1<sup>St</sup> Place and also won the Judges Choice Award.

Art has always been Shelly's passion. For over 20 years, she used the art skills in her Model Horse Showing hobby. Shelly has customized and airbrushed hundreds of model horses and her models are in Model Horse shower's collections all over the world. She competed in the North American Nationals Show in 2007 and earned seven Top Ten placings. Shelly has currently taken a break from her hobby but is still working on a reining horse model for herself. Shelly has worked in retail and child care.

Shelly met Kenneth while she was working with his sister. Before they even met, boys that were in mechanics class with Shelly were telling Kenneth about the new GIRL who was in their class. Kenneth knew of Shelly before they ever met. So, when they did finally meet, he learned it was Shelly the boys in mechanics class were talking about.

Kenneth and Shelly were married in 1993 and just celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May. Kenneth was born in San Antonio, Texas. His father farmed on the South side of San Antonio and moved the family to Fredericksburg in the late 1970s. Kenneth graduated in 1983. For most of his life, Kenneth worked in the auto body industry. He branched out into well surveying in 2011 and moved the family to New Mexico for a brief period. The family moved back to Fredericksburg where Kenneth drove a cement truck until he had a heart attack and retired. Kenneth's hobbies are hunting and fishing, NASCAR, model car building and he loves going to car shows.

Shelly and Kenneth's daughter, Sara was born in 1999. Shelly describes Sara as "unlike most little girls, she was always playing in the mud and digging up rocks." Shelly said, "I can't tell you how many rocks I've found in her pockets or our washing machine over the years." Shelly and Kenneth decided to join the Fredericksburg Rockhounds when Sara was around 9 or 10 because Sara would bring rock in and ask them what they were...the conversation would go like this:

Sara- "Mom, what's this?"

Mom- "A rock".

Sara- "What kind?"

Mom- "A grey one."

That reply did not go over well with a kid that checked every book out of the library she could find regarding rocks, dinosaurs and fossils. Shelly says that Sara knew more about rocks than they did. So, in order to help her find her people, they joined the Fredericksburg Rockhounds. Shelly says, "It has been a great outlet for Sara."

Sara is currently holding the position of Fredericksburg Rockhounds Club Historian and Shelly held the Secretary position for 4 years.

Shelly says "the best part of rockhounding is seeing all the different types or rocks/mineral/fossils that nature productions." amazes me that such things even exist, or that people find them. In the past, I never paid much attention to rocks or Privacy - Terms

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that it was possible for someone to find opals or fossils, it's awesome! Someday, I hope to find something neat myself. In the meantime, I just collect small things that I find here and there. Sara's collection of rocks and fossils are in the thousands I'm sure...buckets in the garage, specimen drawers full in the house, she has never stopped. I'm very happy that her hobby is a good educational one, and not just a fleeting thing. She has learned so much and we have met wonderful people in this hobby."

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#### The Wall That Heals

YOU AND YOUR MEMBERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

Opening Ceremonies: Thursday, Feb 28 at 10:00 A.M.

Location: The Assembly Area at the back of the cemetery

Speaker: John D Baines, Co-Founder and Chairman of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in San Antonio.

Two years ago, when Alamo Chapter NSDAR began contemplating the possibility of getting The Wall That Heals to San Antonio we patiently followed the instructions and completed the orientation required to give our city the best possible chance in the lottery of applications. With our application accepted we are ready to give all those Veterans and families in the San Antonio area and beyond the opportunity to view the Replica of The Wall That Heals.

We appreciate and thank all you fine people, your organizations, our Veterans groups and numerous other volunteers for your support with this event. Without your support we would not be able to handle this endeavor on our own. Like they say it takes a village.

The Wall That Heals will arrive on Tuesday, Feb. 26. The trailer/truck will pull into the Retama Park parking area and wait for the San Antonio Police Escort and the Texas Patriot Guard to join them. At 4:00 P.M. the convoy will proceed from Retama Park South on I35 and right on Rittman Road. From Rittman Road they turn left onto Harry Wurzbach and proceed to Winan's Road at the light, turning left and preceding into Ft. Sam National Cemetery. They should arrive at the cemetery by 5:00 p.m.

We can honor our Fallen Veterans and this proud convoy by having our members, their friends and anyone else to stand at attention lining the sides of Harry Wurzbach Road holding the American Flag, showing our patriotism as they enter the Ft. Sam Cemetery. Many of the cities they visit do this. I will count on you to get the word out to your organizations. ( Tuesday Feb 26 from 4:00-5:00 P.M.)

On Wednesday, Feb. 27, the recruits of the 312th MI BN United States Army, will assemble the Wall. It takes between 6-8 hours to assembly and then will open. The Wall will be open 24 hrs. each day until Sunday, March 3, at 3:00 P.M. At closing no formal ceremony will take place; a Bugler or Bagpiper will bid farewell. The recruits will dismantle the Wall and carefully place it back in the truck for the next city to receive.

If anyone has any questions, please email me and again thank you for being apart of this wonder event.

## **WANTED!** New Show Chairman

To all of my Rockhound friends:

This was my sixth year as your Gem and Mineral Show Chairman. I have enjoyed the time spent getting to know our members and vendors better. I have appreciated all the help I have received in the discharge of the duties of this position.

As some of you may remember, in 2013 when I was Club President, Jeff and Brenda Smith and John Crone stepped down as show chairman-a position that they had held for a number of years. I could find no one who was willing to take the job, so I said that I would do it for one year. That was six years ago.

During this time, I have "unretired" and now have an almost full-time job restoring furniture. I can no longer spend the amount of time required to do this job properly. Therefore, I am officially stepping down as show chairman.

I have always attempted to be fair, conscientious, and open-minded. I have done my best in making our show more interesting and economically successful.

It is now time for someone with new ideas and new energy to accept this position. Over the next month or two, I will make a time line of what needs to be done, when it needs to be done, and who to contact. I will be glad to visit anyone interested.

As for now—nothing needs to be done until August 1<sup>St</sup>, when contracts go out to vendors.

Finally, I appreciate the club for letting me be your chairman and for all those connected with the show who were a pleasure to work with.

All best,



Jim Gedeon

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- In Memory of -

## WENDELL SMITH

NOTE: This is a condensed version written by Wendell and Gayle Smith for their biography for the Fredericksburg Rock Hound Club:

"Wendell Smith was born in Grand Junction, Colorado, of Cherokee and Scotch decent. While in high school, Wendell started learning the machinist trade and continued in that path after graduating. The day after graduating he began his career in Denver in an apprenticeship program working for a large pump manufacturing company. That training consisted of math, safety, and lots of machine time. After serving the apprenticeship, Wendell was let go to gain experience elsewhere. After a few months, he responded to an ad in the newspaper looking for a machinist to work for the University of California, Los Alamos National Labs in Los Alamos, New Mexico. He was hired and married Gayle and they moved to Los Alamos in August of 1957. As a hobby during his years there, he improved his love and appreciation for the Native American culture that lead to his learning lapidary and silversmithing. Wendell and Gayle enjoyed rock hounding while in New Mexico and joined the Fredericksburg Rockhounds in 2010/2011. Wendell and Gayle have enhanced the club's display cases at the yearly show with their work in silver and various stone settings. Even with failing health, Wendell has been the "go to person" for many when they need help identifying and pricing turquoise. Wendell can often identify where the turquoise was mined."

Wendell passed away on January 19, 2019.



Submitted by Karen Anderson and Shelly Verstuyft

Photo courtesy of Sara Verstuyft

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## Fredericksburg Rockhounds Self-Guided Roadside Geology

All roadside geology sites are proposed by Fredericksburg Rockhounds members.

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If you know of a site in your area send the information to <u>leeapemang3@yahoo.com</u> (mailto:leeapemang3@yahoo.com) along with the exact location of the roadside geology, your name and contact number and a picture or description of the rock/mineral/fossil at that location.

All rock hunters do so at their own risk—The Fredericksburg Rockhounds are not responsible for any injury to your person or property.

Remember this is roadside geology NOT private property geology—DO NOT TRESPASS ONTO PRIVATE PROPERTY.

On February 15, 2019 Lee and I went looking for fossils near Bandera, TX. We started at the Highway 16 stop light in Pipe Creek, TX. and traveled West toward Bandera, TX. At the 2.8 mile mark we turned right (at a machine shop) onto Bear Creek Road. We drove 1.6 miles to a road cut on the left at a sharp curve in the road. We parked on the right side, carefully crossed the road to the road cut. Lee scanned the hillside for about 10 minutes on the downhill side of the road cut and found 12 (6 the size of a thumbnail) fossils. Fossilized clams, and other shells.

We then drove back to highway 16, turned right (West), again toward Bandera for approximately 1.5 miles, across Privilege Creek, at the top of the hill is a Roadside RV Repair back from the road. We turned onto the drive to RV Repair and partway in stopped and pulled off the drive. The very large road cut to the right, before you enter the RV Repair gate, has many types of fossils. In 10 minutes, we found 5 fossils of different sea shells and crinoids.

To top the day off Lee and I then went to lunch at a new restaurant in Bandera on 11<sup>th</sup> Street.

Really, a great morning!

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## **Club Membership Forms**

Membership application forms for the Fredericksburg Rockhounds are now available to download and print from our website. Please navigate to the new Resources Page located at this address:

http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/resources/ (http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/resources/)

Once there, simply click the link for the 2018 Membership Form to download or print a PDF copy.

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Fredericksburg Rockhounds Meeting Minutes

- February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 -

Lee Adams opened the 7:00 PM meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Our thoughts are with our members that have health problems. We hope they recover soon.

## **Visitors and New Members:**

Virginia Adian reported that 10 new people joined the club at the annual show. There were two guests at the meeting, Carolyn Edwards and Leonard Brown.

## Program:

Don Reinke, a member of the Fredericksburg Rockhounds and former NASA employee, gave a great presentation about meteorites. Don also donated piece of NMA11273 Meteorite (moon rock) to our door prizes. Thanks Don.

## **Historian Sara Verstuyft:**

Sara brings the history book to every meeting, we hope you will stop by and look through it.

#### **Old Business:**

Jim Gedeon provided a report about the club's annual show. He said it was the largest attendance ever.

#### **South Central Federation of Mineral Societies:**

The Fredericksburg Rockhounds hosted the SCFMS annual convention and meeting for 2019 at our annual gem, mineral, and fossil show 19-20 January.

The committee for planning for events for the convention were club president Lee Adams, club secretary Judy Adams, show chairman Jim Gedeon, and club members Jesse Martinez, who serves as vice-president for SCFMS District 3, Alicia Martinez, Tina Roth, and Virginia Adian.

This is the kind of committee with which every volunteer takes pleasure in working. It was a committee with every member doing his/her job and going beyond to make sure that all preparations were made before each event. Thanks to Jennifer Lockhart who also helped decorate and set up tables and chairs for each event. All the events were at facility Tatsch House near the pavilion. A special thanks to Jim Gedeon who made all the arrangements for reserving this lovely building and arrived VERY early both mornings to open it.

Events began Saturday morning at a Breakfast with the Editors and Webmasters. Twenty-six people attended this awards breakfast, which also had a presentation by SCFMS webmaster Don Shurtz on what make a good website. Thanks to John Crone for helping set up screen and projector for this presentation and again for the evening presentation. Thanks to Tina Roth for helping setup urns for coffee and hot water for tea. These were also available for the meeting, dinner, and Rollin' Rock club.

The annual SCFMS meeting convened at 1:00 pm. There are 36 clubs in SCFMS. Members from least 16 clubs sent advanced registration and were present. The exact number which answered the roll call was not available.

The Awards Dinner Saturday evening was catered by Buzzie's Bar B Q. Center pieces, which served as door prizes, were baskets of hill country rock slabs and fossils donated by Lee and Judy Adams and Jesse and Alicia Martinez. There were 46 people present. Thanks to Judy Adams, Jackie Chude, Diane Magee, and Trish Wilson for providing cakes for dessert. S guests were Dr. Melanie Barnes, AFMS Scholarship Honoree and the two Texas Tech students she has chosen to recei

scholarships to be awarded before the fall semester begins. Dr. Barnes and the students Katie Gates and Ethan Backus presented an enlightening program

about the research they all do at Texas Tech University. Katie and Ethan will each receive \$4000 to use in their graduate studies and research.

Awards were also presented to those who entered their display cases for competition. Thanks to members who were willing to have their cases judged. Three blue ribbons were won by displays by Shelly Verstuyft, Sara Verstuyft, and Frank Rowell and Patty Felts. Tom and Judy Carswell won a white 3rd place and Ken DeVos received a ribbon for participation.

The Rollin' Rock Club met at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Thanks to Jane Crone for ordering and delivering donuts. Members also enjoyed some pumpkin bread furnished by Virginia Adian.

The highlight of the annual official Rollin' Rock Club meeting held at each SCFMS convention is the drawing for the Traveling Treasure Chest. Bids are made at unofficial meetings at federation gem shows to have a name submitted for the drawing. All donations for the bids go to the AFMS Scholarship Fund. A new chest is presented to be filled until the next SCFMS meeting in 2020. Our own Sam Rodgers made and carved a beautiful new box for the treasures. Our club donated the first item of a man's turquoise and silver ring, size 10, which

had been donated to our club from some estate.

Not only did we have a great show, we were great hosts!

Submitted by Virginia Adian

## **New Business:**

No new business.

## **Miscellaneous:**

The Membership Committee needs a volunteer. Please see Brenda Smith or Virginia Adian to sign up. Please make sure your Membership dues are paid.

The club offers discount lessons in wire wrapping and cutting/polishing rocks. A sign-up sheet to take or teach lessons will be passed around at the meeting.

Fredericksburg Rockhounds now has a Facebook page. Our editor is Sue Burkhart. Sue asked that you find the page and "LIKE" it.

Thanks to everyone that brought food. We had quite a feast.

We had a special Valentine's Day thanks you to Susan Olson, Carolyn Roup, Tina Roth and Andy Anderson for all their work as the Hospitality Committee. We also thanked all the members who helped clean up after dinner and take out the garbage.

Please put your name on personal dishes and silverware.

## **Door Prizes:**

(This information is taken from the slips of paper you fill out on the door prize table)

Doner	Door Prize
Lee Adams	A deck of cards with rocks/minerals on each card
Gail Bowie/Sue Burkhart	Petrified Wood
John Crone	Lighted Stand
Ken DeVos	Various tumbled stoned from Doug DeVos collection
Kerrville Hills Winery	Wine tasting at Kerrville Hills Winery/w/2 wine glasses
Kerrville Hills Winery	Wine tasting at Kerrville Hills Winery/w/2 wine glasses
Lynn & Lola Post	Rock and Gem Magazine
Lynn & Lola Post	Petrified wood
Lynn & Lola Post	Rock and Gem Magazine
Don Reinke	Small piece of NWA11273 Meteorite (moon rock)
Frank Rowell	Petrified Palm
Frank Rowell	Meteorite Canyon Diablo

## A motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Adams, Secretary

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## **Future Meeting Programs**

March 4: Patty Felts — Will provide a Tucson, Arizona slide show featuring her own photography.

**April 1: Linn & Beth Brady** — Many Texans have been to Big Bend National Park (BBNP), but most have NOT been to Big Band Ranch State Park (BBRSP) just next door and it is a treasure. This program will be an introduction to the park, hopefully to whet the appetite for the members of the club for a great adventure. BBRSP is located just West of BBNP. It is 2/3 the size of the NP, has 238 miles of multiuse trails, an airstrip, 70 miles of unmaintained dirt roads for off-road vehicles, camping at primitive, solitary drive-in and hike-in sites and lodging in a bunkhouse, waterfalls and access to the Rio Grande River. The scenery and geology are enough to blow the mind away for rockhounds and for folks who just like to get away from in all.

**May 6: Jim Gedeon** — Will provide the presentation: "Precambrian Geology of the Hill Country," or Fredericksburg before traffic.

**June 3: No Program** — It's Picnic Time!! At Ladybird Johnson Park at 5:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share. We will eat at 6:00. You are encouraged to bring rocks, fossils, etc. to sell, trade or just show and tell.

**July 1: Sara Verstuyft** — A presentation about "Unusual Dinosaurs."

**August 5: Lynn Post** — Lynn will provide some of the history of silversmithing, tools used, different types of silver work and where to get some of the materials. He will show the process of making something that will then be available on the door prize table.

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## This Month's Events

- March 2019

- **2-3 BIG SPRING**, **TEXAS**: Annual show; Big Spring Prospectors Club; Howard County Fair Barn, Howard County Fair Grounds, Big Spring Texas; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-5; free; displays, dealers, and working demonstrations; contact Lola Lamb, 2200 Cecilia, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432) 528; Email: <a href="mailto:lolabellelamb@yahoo.com">lolabellelamb@yahoo.com</a> (mailto:lolabellelamb@yahoo.com)
- **2-3 ROBSTOWN**, **TEXAS**: Annual show; Gulf Coast Gem & Mineral Society; Richard M Borchard Fairgrounds, 1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; \$6, free admission for children under 12; 57th annual show, featuring vendors offering rocks, minerals, gems, fossils, jewelry, lapidary material and equipment, displays and demonstrations, exhibits, raffles, auctions, and activities for children; contact Russell Wheeler, PO Box 60781, Corpus Christi, TX 78466, (361) 944-7877; Email: <a href="mailto:president@gcgms.org">president@gcgms.org</a> (mailto:president@gcgms.org); Website: <a href="www.gcgms.org">www.gcgms.org</a> (http://www.gcgms.org)
- 9-10 SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS: Annual show; Southwest Gem and Mineral Society; San Antonio Event Center, 8111 Meadow Leaf Dr. (N/E Corner of Marback and Loop 410); Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; adults \$5, senior/military \$3, students with ID \$2, and children under 12 \$1; 58th Annual Fiesta of Gems Gem and Mineral Show, with dealers offering crystals, minerals, fossils, exhibits, jewelry, and demonstrations, with an opportunity to make your own cab with proceeds to support earth science scholarships; contact Robert Bowie, 1324 Kings Pt. Dr., Canyon Lake, TX 78133, (830) 387-1766; Email: <a href="mailto:krbotx@gytc.com">krbotx@gytc.com</a> (mailto:krbotx@gytc.com); Website: <a href="mailto:swgms.org">swgms.org</a> (http://swgms.org)
- For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit <u>www.rockngem.com</u> (http://www.rockngem.com/ShowDatesFiles/ShowDatesDisplayAll.php?ShowState=ALL)

## **March Birthstone & Flowers**

The March birthstone is the **aquamarine**; the flower is the **daffodil**, also known as the **jonquil**.





Aquamarine

Daffodil

The March birthstone, aquamarine, was thought to cure heart, liver, and stomach diseases—all one had to do was drink the water in which the gem had been soaking. Early sailors believed that aquamarine talismans, etched with the likeness of the sea god Neptune, protected them against ocean dangers.

The March birth month flower is the daffodil, one of the first flowers of spring brings us new beginnings and, as the poet Keats said, daffodils bring "joy for ever". With their bright yellow petals, daffodils seem the perfect way to say that the sun is always shining whenever your loved one is around.

- Majoros, Martie. "March Birthstone: Color and Meaning." Almanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. October 17, 2018.
- o "March Birth Flower." Alamanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. October 17, 2018.

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## **Happy Birthday!**



• **Shay DeVos** — March 2

- Bruce Morris March 3
- Ron Hall March 4
- Chris Cooley March 5
- Brenda Perez March 6
- Carolyn Edwards March 7
- Don Shurtz March 8
- Shelly Verstuyft March 12
- Gail Bowie March 13
- Susan Stephens March 13
- Jackie Chude, HLM March 16
- Ray Webb March 17
- **Diane Thompson** March 21
- Kevin VanRenterghem March 22
- Paula Mulford March 30
- Please note: If we missed your birthday or have listed it incorrectly, please let us know so we can correct it! <a href="mailto:fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com">fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com</a> (mailto:fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com)

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## **Newsletter Hard Copies & Mail-Outs**

The club will no longer mail out hard copies of the newsletter to members. Those who have provided the club with an email address will continue to receive notifications via email when the newsletter is published for viewing online.

Every online newsletter will now feature a link to a PDF version of itself in the section titled "<u>Print or Save This</u> <u>Newsletter (#printthisnewsletter)</u>" where you can save or print your own copy.

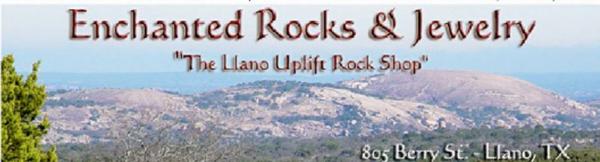
If you need a hard copy of the newsletter each month and cannot access the online newsletters — <a href="http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/">http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/</a>) — to print your own, then please let the president, Lee Adams, know. He will provide printed copies for those who need them at each monthly meeting.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us.

- Josh Hazer, fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com (mailto:fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com)

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Frank Rowell & Pat Felts frank@EnchantedRocksAndJewelry.com



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## **Club Info**

## • Purpose of the Fredericksburg Rockhounds:

To share knowledge and appreciation of gems, minerals, fossils, and other natural wonders, and the art of jewelry making. We do this through educational monthly meetings, field trips, an annual gem, mineral, & fossil show, and donations to schools. We're affiliated with the American Federation of Mineral Societies, and the South Central Federation of Mineral Societies.





## • Membership and Meetings:

We meet at 7:00 P.M. on the first Monday of each month at the Golden Hub Senior Center, 1009 N Lincoln, Fredericksburg, Texas (except in June, when we have our annual picnic). See map, below.

- Annual dues are \$3 for juniors (under 19 years), \$8 for individuals, and \$15 for families; due in January.
- Newsletter correspondence and newsletter advertising: fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com
- All other correspondence: Fredericksburg Rockhounds, 412 S. Adams St, Fredericksburg TX 78624
- Visit our website at <u>fredericksburgrockhounds.org</u> (<u>http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org</u>) for more club info, fiel news, club photos, resources, and previous newsletters.

## **Club Officers and Committee Chairs**

## **Club Officers for 2018:**

- **President:** Lee Adams (830) 796-8890
- **1st Vice President:** Tom Carswell (830) 792-2160
- 2nd Vice President: Patti Felts (325) 248-6040
- **Past President:** Andy Anderson (830) 370-2177
- **Treasurer:** John Roup (830) 896-4955
- Secretary: Judy Adams (830) 796-8890

## **Committee Chairs:**

- **Programs:** Patti Felts (325) 247-6040
- **Field Trips:** Patti Felts (325) 247-6040
  - and Sam Rodgers (210) 240-7721
- **Hospitality:** Susan Olson (830) 997-8516
- **Membership:** Brenda Smith (830) 895-9630
- **Historian:** Sara Verstuyft (830) 998-7350
- **Media Equipment:** John Crone (830) 990-9823
- Annual Show: Jim Gedeon (830) 456-5419
- Newsletter: Josh Hazer

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**Monthly Meeting Map** 

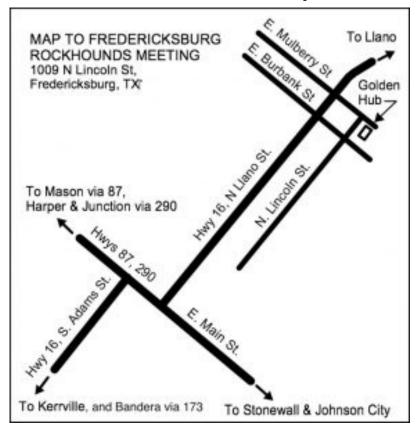


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## **Newsletter Articles and Club Info**

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