## Fredericksburg Rockhounds

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# FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS



# **AUGUST 2022**

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## PREZ SAYS

#### SEPTEMBER 2022

I have started sending out dealer contracts for floor spaces and will be working on the outdoor spaces and stage booths next. We will have an executive meeting before the start of the regular meeting to discuss layout changes for this year's show. Last year we had several booth changes due to covid. Lets hope we don't have that problem again. Below you will find information you can use to send to any event listing you find on the internet or local paper. We are looking for free listings. I hope to see a good group at the Sept. meeting. Till then stay well and pray for more rain.

- Frank Rowell

## **NEWS FROM THE VICE PREZ**

I have two gentlemen that want to sell their rocks.

- 1. Chuck from Lakeshore at 830-328-310. Call to make arrangements.
- 2. David Davis at 830-367-4082. Listen to the prompt and say you're a Rockhound wanting to visit.

- Steve Perez

## SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

# HELLO ROCKHOUNDS,



John Crone will be providing the program in September. He is excited to be presenting a program about Jade. He said it is very informative, and I for one will be interested in hearing about that gemstone. I hope you will also. If you have any Jade and wish to bring it for show and tell, we would be excited to see what you have!!

Hope to see you there,

Karen Anderson

# **Happy Birthday!**

- Jim Chude September 2
- Cheryl Wildfong September 2
- Jim Gedeon September 10
- Frida Carron September 11
- Karen Fair— September 17
- Blane Neffendorf September 18

- Steve Perez September 22
- Susan Postlethwait September 22
- Lee Adams September 27
- Erica Falbaum September 30

There is a rumor that Lee Adams is turning 80 in September!!!

# This Month's Events

\*\*\* Due to the COVID-19 virus, please use the information provided in each listing to contact the presenters to verify the status of the event. As always, BE SAFE! \*\*\*

## September 2022

**24-25—LUBBOCK, TEXAS:** Annual show; The Lubbock Gem and Mineral Society; Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Mac Davis Lane; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$4, Seniors \$3, Kids (6-12) \$2, under 6 free; Dealers selling minerals, jewelry, fossils, beads, crystals, rocks, specimens, rough, slabs, cabochons and geode cracking. Demonstrations, fluorescent tent, kid's corner, silent auction, hourly door prizes, and grand prizes; contact Walter Beneze, PO Box 6371, Lubbock, TX 79494, (806) 797-5832; Email: <a href="www.lubbockgemandmineral.org">walt@lubbockgemandmineral.org</a>; Website: <a href="http://www.lubbockgemandmineral.org">http://www.lubbockgemandmineral.org</a>

 For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit <u>www.rockngem.com</u>

# **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/

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

# September Birthstone & Flowers

The September birthstone is the sapphire; the flowers are the aster and the morning glory.







Peridot

Gladiolus

**Poppy** 

Sapphires are a form of corundum and generally come in many shades of blue that run the gamut from light to dark. Sapphire was once believed to ward off evil and protect against poison.

Asters bloom in the late summer and early autumn and need little care to flourish. They are symbolic of powerful love.

A symbol of affection, morning glories live up to their name: they open their blooms in the early part of their day and then close them later in the afternoon.

- Majoros, Martie. "September Birthstone: Color and Meaning." Almanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. August 19, 2018.
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# FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS MEETING MINUTES

August 1, 2022

Frank Roswell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Andy Anderson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Then Frank told a joke. Lee Adams shared a joke too. Marcos Mar of Fredericksburg was recognized as a visitor.

Karen Anderson introduced the program, a video from Russel Zuhl Company – the most famous petrified wood dealer in the world. The video featured Ralph Thompson showing amazingly large pieces petrified wood that were finely finished and polished. Some were round, some were rectangular, and others had irregular shapes. A sequoia trunk 65 inches in diameter was shown early in the program. A longitudinal rectangle 95 inches by 60 inches and a round cut 78 inches in diameter suitable for table tops were featured. Mr. Thompson pointed out the rich reds and blues of Arizona petrified wood. His love and enthusiasm for his work in finishing these pieces made this program especially inspiring. These pieces of petrified wood are found in museums as well as private homes.

New Mexico State University museum has a collection of petrified wood pieces donated by the Zuhl family.

Petrified wood dominated the door prizes:

 Lee and Judy Adams donated petrified agatized wood won by Sam Rodgers; petrified palm wood from Texas won by Jennifer Burkhart; and petrified wood from Washington state won by Brenda Smith.

# FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS MEETING MINUTES CONT.

August 1, 2022

- John Crone donated Arkansas crystal won by Lynn Post and a silver bracelet won by Dawn Egger.
- Ken DeVos donated chalcedony millerite from Halls Gap, Cineoln County, Kentucky, won by Jackie Chude.
- Lynn and Lola Post donated petrified palm wood won by Sue Bukhart;
  Arizona petrified wood won by Andy Anderson; and more pieces of petrified wood won by Kenneth Verstuyft, Karen Anderson, Mike Egger, and Carole Gage.
- Frank Roswell donated Arizona petrified wood won by Ken DeVos.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the July, 2022, meeting minutes. The motion was approved by a vote of the members.

Minutes by Brenda Smith, Secretary

# 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.

If you need a hard copy of the newsletter each month and cannot access the online newsletters

— <u>http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/</u> —

to print your own, then please let an officer of the club know and arrangements can be made to assist you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us at **fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com**.



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### 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> for more club info, field trip news, club photos, resources, and previous newsletters.

# **Club Officers and Committee Chairs**

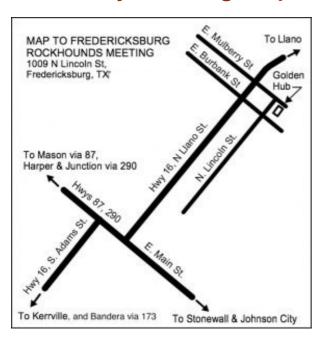
### **Club Officers:**

- President: Frank Rowell
- 1st Vice President: Steve Perez (817) 404-9789
- 2nd Vice President: Karen Anderson
- Past President: Lee Adams (830) 796-8890
- Treasurer: Jim Gedeon (830) 456-5419
- Secretary: Brenda Smith (830) 895-9630

#### **Committee Chairs:**

- Programs: Karen Anderson
- Field Trips: Patti Felts (325) 247-6040
- and Sam Rodgers (210) 240-7721
- Hospitality: Vacant
- Membership: Steve Perez (817) 404-9789
- Historian: Sara Verstuyft (830) 998-7350
- Media Equipment: John Crone (830) 990-9823
- · Annual Show: Vacant
- Newsletter: Daryan Jones (443) 926-1063

## **Monthly Meeting Map**



# Newsletter Articles and Club Info

- Articles for each month's newsletter must be received by the 15th of the month.
- Send them to your newsletter editor via email: fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com
- You may also use the form on our Contact Page to submit your articles: <a href="http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/contact-us">http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/contact-us</a>
- A copy of the Club MEMBERSHIP LIST is available TO MEMBERS ONLY, via email (or paper mail if necessary). Contact Steve Perez at stevesapito60@gmail.com or 817-404-9789
- The Club CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS are posted on our website:
   <u>fredericksburgrockhounds.org/constitution</u>