
FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS



Newsletter



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January Birthstone & Flowers

The January birthstone is the garnet; the flowers are the carnation and snowdrop.



Garnet



Carnation



Snowdrop

The garnet, is thought to keep the wearer safe during travel. Garnets form in layers of rock deep underground where they withstand extreme temperature variations. Geologists study garnets to understand the effects of temperature and pressure on surrounding rocks. Although the garnet is commonly associated with a range of red hues, it also sometimes forms in other colors, including greens, yellows, and even blues.

The carnation comes in several different colors, which convey different meanings, much like roses. A pink carnation means affection, while a red carnation means 'I love you.'

The snowdrop used to be considered bad luck because it always seemed to grow in graveyards, but nowadays, this delicate flower signifies hope and beauty.

- Majoros, Martie. "January Birthstone: Color and Meaning." Almanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. December 16, 2018.
- "January Birth Flower." Alamanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. December 16, 2018.

Happy Birthday!

- Sue Burkhart — January 5
- Adrian Welliver — January 12
- Joe Edstrom — January 13
- Michael Egger — January 13
- Yvonne Starr — January 13
- Callie Weaver — January 15
- Tom Moyes — January 16
- Patricia Wilson — January 30



Please note: If we missed your birthday or have listed it incorrectly, please let us know so we can correct it! fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com.

This Month's Events - January

For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit

www.rockngem.com

January 2024

55th Annual Hill Country Gem & Mineral Show

January 20th & 21st 2024 - Fredericksburg, Texas

Lady Bird Johnson Park (Pioneer Pavilion) Hwy.16 South

Sat. 9am-6pm, Sun. 10am-4pm

Free Admission, Free door prizes, Hourly silent auction,

Outstanding raffle prizes, We have dealers from throughout the southwest and demonstrations of gem faceting, rock cutting and polishing and club geologists will identify your "mystery rocks"

Contact: Frank Rowell

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This Month's Events - January

26-28—TYLER, TEXAS: Annual show; East Texas Gem & Mineral Society; Tyler Rose Garden Center, 420 Rose Park Drive; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$7, Students \$3, Children 6 and under free; Dealers, Rock Food Table, Florescent Mineral Display, Kids Games, Silent Auction on Saturday and Sunday, Displays and demos; contact Jerry Suddeth, (903) 787-2088; Email: suddethjerry13@gmail.com; Website: www.ETGMS.org

- For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit www.rockngem.com



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.

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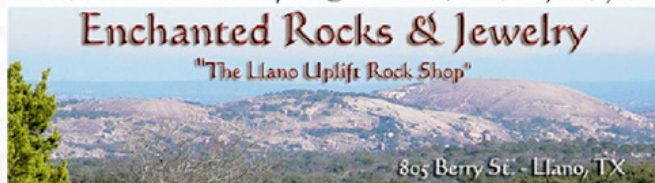
The club will no longer mail out hard copies of the newsletter to members. Those who have provided the club with an email address will continue to receive notifications via email when the newsletter is published for viewing online.

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

— <http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/> —
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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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 fredericksburgrockhounds.org for more club info, field trip news, club photos, resources, and previous newsletters.
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Club Officers and Committee Chairs

Club Officers:

- President: Joe Edstrom
- 1st Vice President: Steve Perez - (817) 404-9789
- 2nd Vice President: Greg Zimmerman
- Past President: Frank Rowell - 325-247-1947
- Treasurer: Jackie Chude - (830) 850-9141
- Secretary: Ed Gage

Committee Chairs:

- Programs: Greg Zimmerman
- 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: <http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/contact-us>
- 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: fredericksburgrockhounds.org/constitution