### Fredericksburg Rockhounds

Fredericksburg, Texas

## FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS



# Newsletter



## **JUNE 2024**

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# PREZ SAYS

## **JUNE 2024**

Greetings Rockhounds! Hopefully you enjoyed the lovely spring temperatures because I'm pretty sure we won't see highs below 80's for at least the next five months. Oh well, it was wonderful actually have springtime in central Texas.

Are y'all ready to break bread together at the annual picnic on 3 June from 6-9pm? This will be my first and I'm very excited! For those that don't know, the picnic will be at the pavilion just past the building we hold our annual gem and mineral show at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park. Just look for a bunch of kooky looking folks wearing the same shirt.

If you have any questions regarding what to bring please contact VP Steve Perez. He'll be in charge of bringing the meat, much like Arby's haha. He can also let you know if we need more sides, drinks, etc. So come one, come all and we'll see you there!

Prez - Joe Edstrom



### June Birthstone & Flower

The June birthstone is the **pearl**; the flowers are the **rose** and the **honeysuckle**.







Pearl Rose

Honeysuckle

Pearls can be found in a variety of soft hues and palettes. They are formed inside of an oyster's shell, usually via a grain of sand that enters the shell. The clam cannot eject this irritant and so it encases it in a hard substance that eventually forms the pearl.

Both of June's flowers are tied strongly with love.

Roses of different colors have multiple meanings. For instance, white roses can stand for innocence or purity. Red roses are synonymous with love. Conversely, yellow roses mean a loss of love.

The number of roses also have meaning. A bouquet is given for gratitude; a single rose amplifies the meaning behind the color.

Honeysuckle is a strong symbol for the bonds of everlasting love.

- Majoros, Martie. "June Birthstone: Color and Meaning." Almanac.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. May19, 2018.
- "June Birth Flowers." Alamanc.com. Yankee Publishing, Inc. n.d. May 19, 2018.



# **Happy Birthday!**

- Sara Verstuyft June 8
- Karen Anderson June 11
- Linn Brady June 24
- Don Magee June 28
- Daniel Moreno June 23
- Sam Rodgers June 12
- Pepper Rodgers June 20
- Frank Rowell June 29



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 - June

For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit <a href="https://www.rockngem.com">www.rockngem.com</a>

15-16—GRAPEVINE, TEXAS: Annual show; AGMC - Arlington Gem and Mineral Club; Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 S Main St; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; General Admission \$10 Kids 12 and under Free (Pay Saturday come back Sunday for Free); Rolling Rock Club Meeting Sunday morning at 9; contact Terri Brewen, (817) 939-1100; Email: <a href="mailto:tbrewen@sbcglobal.net">tbrewen@sbcglobal.net</a>; Website: <a href="https://www.agmc57.org/">www.agmc57.org/</a>



# **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.



May 6, 2024

The meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Joe Edstrom. There were no new guests present.

The program was a video presentation by Greg Zimmerman about the Cave of Swords in Mexico.

The meeting had a break for refreshments followed by door prize drawings. The winners were drawn as follows.

Door prize winners:

Rocks donated by:

- Joe Edstrom (honey calcite from comal co.) won by Karen Anderson, Kenneth Verstuyft, and Jen Burkhart; Quartz cluster from twin creek mine in Arkansas won by Julius and from the Weaver mine Arkansas by Kenneth Devos.
- Frank Rowell and won by Frida Carron (TX calcite).
- Blane Neffendora won by S. Laud unknown rock.
- Sue Burkhart won by Sara Verstuyft (peridot and basalt, San Carlos Apache res, hwy 70 1960s.
- Nora Egger won by Renee Luna (fluorite).
- Julius won by Jackie Chute rock unknown.
- Greg Zimmerman won by Yvonne Star (needle peak rock)

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- Steve Perez won by Eli Wunderlich (stabilized quartz); won by Patti Felts (dendritic stone).
- Ken DeVos won by Hadley (quartz pseudo morph Marquez meteor crater Leon Co. TX.
- Lee and Judy Adams won by Matt Stotz (gen card); won by Sue Burkhart (petrified wood round); Hadley (amethyst slab).

#### Old Business:

There were no changes to the minutes of the April meeting.

#### **New Business**

An announcement was made about a past member, Tom Carswell who passed away recently. He is survived by his wife Judy. Members were asked to please sign a card which was passed around. A motion was made by Lee Adams that a donation be made to the local library of \$ 50.00 in memory of Tom Carswell. Motion passed.

Lee Adams reminded the members that he still had some rocks at his place that were from a donation to the club. Members were encouraged to contact Lee Adams to see the rocks and if some were of interest, make a donation to the club and contact Treasure Jackie Chute to receive the money for the rocks to deposit into the club account.

#### **NEXT MEETING: June 3**

The June meeting is the annual picnic held at the pavilion in Lady bird Johnson Park near the airport. Arrive starting at 5 pm with serving at 6 pm. The club will provide meat (beef and sausage); utensils, ice and water. Club members should bring the side dishes. Volunteers signed up for desserts, salad, and beans. Contact Steve for additional information.

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### Field Trips:

Future field trips are being planned to local sites before the weather gets too hot. Suggestions from Patti Felts that Lake Waco test pit might be a possibility in the October time frame.

Sam suggested a trip to the House Ranch could be a possibility. Part of the House Ranch was recently sold but there is still areas that could be hunted.

Other activities that were discussed were participation in local parades as a club to promote the Fredericksburg Rockhounds. We could hand out rock candy.

Upcoming events: June 8.

A trip to Lake hills near Pipe Creek area to view rocks and equipment for sale. Meet at the Pipe Creek Post office at 10 am and caravan from there.

### **Treasures Report:**

Jackie Chute reported \$12,718.45 in checking and \$8,654.10 in CD.

### **Show News:**

Rolling Oaks Mall in San Antonio on Saturday and Sunday. San Antonio Gem and Mineral Society.

Old Business: None

A motion to adjourn by Lee Adams and seconded by Patti Felts. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Minutes by Ed Gage, 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: 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:
   <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: fredericksburgrockhounds.org/constitution