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FREDERICKSBURG ROCKHOUNDS



— March 2021 —

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Prez Says

I hope everyone survived the big storm. We have had broken pipes under the house making every day seem a little longer. It looks like with the Vaccine reaching more people we may be able to meet at the Hub later this spring. Patti and I got the shot a couple of weeks ago. Should get the second on March 4th. If you haven't registered you should do so, HEB is ; shots at the pharmacy.

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I am looking at having a club meeting the first Monday in April. We can meet at Lee Adams house in Bandera. Lee will be there all day and we are looking at 2:30 in the afternoon for the meeting. If you haven't been to his place give him a call for directions at (830) 796 8890 or email him at leeapeman93@yahoo.com (<mailto:leeapeman93@yahoo.com>). I hope to see you there.

I'm also going to have a field trip for Sunday March 21st to the Llano River. Lots of rocks to look at. Quartz, Feldspar, Flint, Epidote and an a few fossils can be found. We will meet at the Rock shop on Berry St. in Llano at 10am. From there we will go to the river. Hope to see you there.

—Frank Rowell
President

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A Note From the Editor

Apologies for the late publication of this newsletter. I'm sure the recent ice storm has affected most of us in one way or another and I was knocked out of electricity, heat, and water for 12 days. I know some of our members still have no power or water. I wish everyone a safe and speedy return to normal, or at least what passes for such these days. What a year this has already been!

—Josh Hazer

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Wishing Everyone Well

As you all are no doubt aware, we are under a global pandemic brought upon by a coronavirus named COVID-19. We want everyone to stay safe during this crisis and since it is ever-changing (even by the hour!) here some places you can go online to keep up to date regarding COVID-19.

This first link is for the World Health Organization's advice for the public:

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>
(<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>)

Next up is a link for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html> (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html>)

The last two links are specifically relevant for us Texans and they go directly to Department of State Health Service c
[Texas.gov](https://texas.gov/) (<https://texas.gov/>) website:

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<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/> (<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/>)

<https://dshs.texas.gov/news/updates.shtm#coronavirus> (<https://dshs.texas.gov/news/updates.shtm#coronavirus>)

May we all gather soon and hunt rocks. Be safe everybody!

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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

There are no minutes for this month's meeting as it was cancelled due the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

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This Month's Events

**** With health guidelines issued concerning the COVID-19 virus, most shows and events are being cancelled and rescheduled. Before making your plans, please use the information provided in each listing to contact the presenters to verify the status of the event. As always, BE SAFE! ****

March 2020

There are no events for this month that we are aware of.

- o For more shows at later dates, or outside Texas, visit www.rockngem.com (<http://www.rockngem.com/ShowDatesFiles/ShowDatesDisplayAll.php?ShowState=ALL>)

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March Birthstone & Flowers

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

			
<i>Aquamarine</i>	<i>Daffodil</i>		

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.

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

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Happy Birthday!



- **Shay DeVos** — March 2
- **Chris Cooley** — March 5
- **Brenda Perez** — March 6
- **Carolyn Edwards** — March 7

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- **Dawn Egger** – March 9
- **Shelly Verstuyft** – March 12
- **Gail Bowie** – March 13
- **Susan Stephens** – March 13
- **Jackie Chude, HLM** – March 16
- **Ray Webb** – March 17
- **Mitchell Ahrens** – March 19
- **Diane Thompson** – March 21
- **Kevin VanRenterghem** – March 22
- **Kallie** – March 25
- **George Lewis** – March 29
- **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!
fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com (<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.

To print your own copy of this edition of the newsletter, go to the section titled “[Print This Newsletter \(#printthisnewsletter\)](#)” and follow the simple directions.

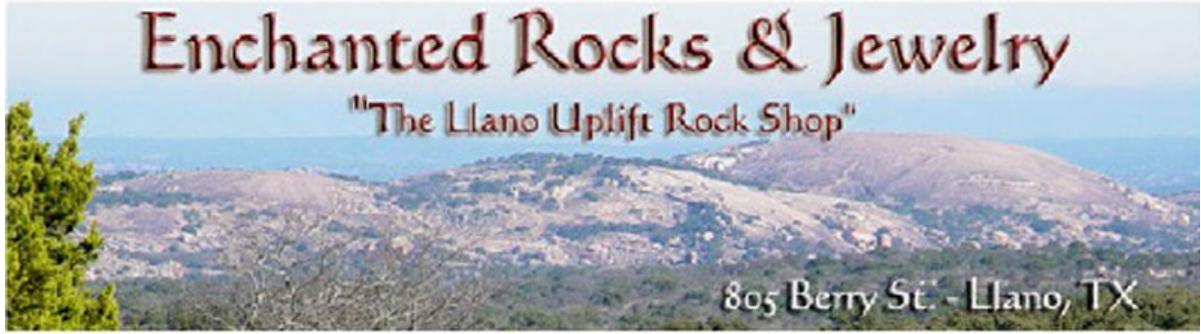
If you need a hard copy of the newsletter each month and cannot access the online newsletters — <http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/> (<http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/newsletter/>) — to print your own, then please let an officer of the club know and arrangements can be made to assist you.

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

– Josh Hazer, fbgrockhoundsnews@gmail.com (<mailto: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 (<http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org>) for more club info, field news, club photos, resources, and previous newsletters.

Club Officers and Committee Chairs

Club Officers for 2020:

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

Committee Chairs:

- **Programs:** Joe DeHoyos
- **Field Trips:** Patti Felts – (325) 247-6040
and Sam Rodgers – (210) 240-7721
- **Hospitality:** Susan Olson – (830) 997-8516
- **Membership:** Virginia Adian – (830) 755-6105
- **Historian:** Sara Verstuyft – (830) 998-7350
- **Media Equipment:** John Crone – (830) 990-9823
- **Annual Show:** Vacant
- **Newsletter:** Josh Hazer

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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: fbrockhoundsnews@gmail.com (<mailto:fbrockhoundsnews@gmail.com>)

You may also use the form on our Contact Page to submit your articles:

<http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/contact-us> (<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 Virginia Adian at v.adian@gvtc.com (<mailto:v.adian@gvtc.com>) or 830-755-6105

The **Club CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS** are posted on our website: fredericksburgrockhounds.org/constitution (<http://fredericksburgrockhounds.org/constitution/>)

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