

Fredericksburg Rockhounds

Fredericksburg, Texas

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MAY 2022

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PREZ SAYS

MAY 2022

Looks like summer is almost here. I'm glad to be past all the freezes. I will have shirts if you didn't make the last meeting. The price is \$14. and if you have an IOU from last month I can do cash or check. If you got your shirt, wear it this month. There will be more information on placing an order. If we get a bigger turnout this month I'm hoping for a better snack break. Last month was a bit weak. I will bring drinks again. Can someone bring some ICE. That's about all for now. Hope to see all at the meeting.

- Frank Rowell



MAY PROGRAM

HELLO

ROCKHOUDS,

Next month's program will be "The History of Baltic Amber."

And don't forget to bring snacks to share and remember to bring your own drink as there will not be any available.

See you there,

-Karen Anderson

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.

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! ***

May 2022

28-29—FORT WORTH, TEXAS: Annual show; Fort Worth Gem and Mineral Club; Will Rogers Memorial Center, 3401 W Lancaster Ave; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; \$6 Adults, \$5 Military Seniors and Students, Children 12 and under free; Gems, minerals, fossils, beads and jewelry show and sale. Kids corner. Fun for the whole family; contact Glenda Bradley, 2581 SW Hulen St, Burleson, TX 76028, (817) 229-5467;
Email: fwgmc.info@gmail.com;
Website: <http://www.fortworthgemandmineralclub.org/>

May Birthstone & Flowers

The April birthstone is the **diamond**; the flowers are the **daisy** and the **sweet pea**.



Diamond



Daisy



Sweet Pea

May Birthstone & Flowers Cont.

The May birthstone is the **emerald**; the flowers are the **lily of the valley** and the **hawthorn plant**.

Today, the emerald is associated with wisdom, patience, and growth though traditionally it signified love, fertility, and rebirth.

Emeralds are deep, rich green and many people associate the color with the vibrant technicolor of The Emerald City in the 1939 classic The Wizard of Oz.

Lilies of the Valley stand for humility, sweetness, and a return to happiness.

Hawthorn Plants are all about supreme happiness and hope.

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

Happy Birthday!

- Jane Crone — May 5
- Pablo Gutierrez — May 9
- Susan Olson — May 12
- Stephanie Schaefer — May 27



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



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MEETING MINUTES

April 4, 2022

Frank Rowell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Andy Anderson led everyone in pledging allegiance to the United States of America. Then Frank told some jokes. Visitors to the meeting were Cil and Martha Foster.

Karen Anderson presented a video, "How to Cut Quality Bisbee Turquoise."

Donors and those present who won them are as follows.

- Door prize donors were Lee and Judy Adams with azurite won by Cil Foste, Mexican lace agate won by Lynn Post, and hematite won by Sam Rodgers
- Frida Carron with an oil on canvas painting enhanced with chrysocolla won by Brenda Smith; John Crone with aragonite crystals won by Karen Anderson and Himalayan salt lamp won by Lee Adams
- Steve Perez with a pre-asbestos slab won by Jim Gedeon, Botswana agate won by Kenneth Verstuyft, and tiger iron won by Judy Adams
- Lynn and Lola Post with agate slices won by Andy Anderson and Sara Verstuyft, Jasper won by Kevin Van Renterghem, moss agate won by Frank Rowell, royal rhyolite won by Yvonne Starr, rhodonite won by Marie Vann, bloodstone won by Lynn Harris, plume agate won by Martha Foster, and
- Frank Rowell with chert from Mason won by Frida Carron.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from several previous meetings with no changes. Treasurer Jim Gedeon reported no changes in his report from the last meeting.

Frank brought the Fredericksburg Rockhounds t-shirts, which look very good.

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 — <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.

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: Susan Olson - (830) 997-8516
- 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