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Officers for 2018:

President – Nina Hustus

Vice President – Bill Eads

Secretary – Lauren Brown

Treasurer – John Autry

New Board Member – Lyn Simms

Additional Board members – Andrea Saddler and Tom Stringfellow

Open Shop Dates 11:00-5:00

Please confirm via club Facebook page comments

Date

Tom will be in the Club's Shop, Saturday, Dec. 16 from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Come get those Christmas projects finished !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sat Dec 16 Steward – Laura McWilliams

Thursday Jan 4 – Lyn Simms

Shows and Events

Time to renew your membership

DEC 18-19—MESQUITE , TEXAS: Annual show; Dallas Gem and Mineral Society, Dallas Texas; 1800 Rodeo Drive; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$8, Seniors \$8, Children \$3; There will be fluorescent displays, kid's mine and wheel of fortune, lapidary equipment and jewelry supplies, wire wrapping, stone polishing, knapping demonstrations, and you'll get to open your own

geodes. ; contact Diana Case, 7522 CAMPBELL #113-196, DALLAS, TX 75248, (469)-688-4057; e-mail: case53d@yahoo.com; Web site: <http://www.dallasgemandmineral.org/>

JAN 20-21—FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS: Annual show; Fredericksburg Rockhounds , Pioneer Pavillion ; Lady Bird Johnson Park , Hwy 16 South; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; Minerals, fossils, meteorites, geodes, stone carvings, jewelry. Vendors from the southwest geologists to identify your mystery rocks, silent auction. ; contact Jim Gedeon, 1156 Old Willow Rd., Fredericksburg, TX 78624, (830)-456-5419; e-mail: gideonjim@gmail.com

FEB 17-17—LLANO, TEXAS: Annual show; Friends of the Llano Red Top Jail, Llano County Community Center; County Rd 152; Sat. 8-5; Free Admission; This fun, educational and free event is for Prospectors, Rock Collectors, Treasure Hunters, and Metal Detecting enthusiasts to get together, share ideas and experiences. There will be a limited number of commercial vendors, and a swap meet outside for noncommercial individuals selling items related to the theme of the show. A silent auction will be held to benefit the historic Llano Red Top Jail renovation.; contact Frank Rowell, 805 Berry St, Llano, TX 78643, (325)-248-1067; e-mail: frank@enchantedrocksandjewelry.com; Web site: prospectingtexas.com

FEB 24-25—JACKSON , MISSISSIPPI: Annual show; Mississippi Gem and Mineral Society , Mississippi Trade Mart on State Fairgrounds ; 1200 Mississippi Street; Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Adults \$6, Students \$3, Children free 5 and under; Dealers of gems, fossils, minerals, jewelry, lapidary tools, beads, and more Demonstrations of lapidary art including flint knapping, cabochon cutting, and jewelry making Exhibits and educational opportunities by colleges and state organizations ; contact Leslie Lane, MS, (601)-344-8171; e-mail: rock2lanes@gmail.com; Web site: <http://missgem.org>

MAR 10-11—SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS: Annual show; Southwest Gem and Mineral Society, San Antonio Event Center; 8111 Meadow Leaf Dr. , Near corner of Marbach and I-410; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; Adults \$5, Seniors/Military \$3, Students \$2 w/ID, Children under 12 \$1; 57TH Fiesta of Gems. Rocks, minerals, fossils, jewelry, gemstones, silent auction, hourly and grand prizes, games, exhibits, make your own cabachon, parking \$3; contact Robert Bowie, TX 78133, (830)-387-1766; e-mail: krbotx@gvtc.com; Web site: www.swgemandmineral.org

MAR/APRIL 30-1—ALPINE, TEXAS: Show and sale; Chihuahuan Desert Gem & Mineral Club, Alpine Civiv Center; 801 W. Holland Ave., (W. Hwy 90); Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-5; Free Admission; Inside and outside vendors. Exhibits (non-competitive).; contact Judith Brueske, PO Box 195, Alpine, TX 79831, (432)-244-9503; e-mail: ocoent895@gmail.com

Upcoming Classes

Beading – Jan 20-21

Wire Wrap – Mar 31

Stone Setting – Mar 14-15

Send in photos of your craftwork or comments via email: larockclub@gmail.com

Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/ArkLaTexGemMineralSociety/>

Website - <http://larockclub.com/>