

# GRITTY GREETINGS



## Waco Gem and Mineral Club

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## 2024 Upcoming events

Texas Mineral and Fossil Show, Lone Star Convention Center, Conroe, April 26-28.

**Waco Gem and Mineral Show, Lee Lockwood Library, Waco, May 4, 5, with setup on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

Rock, Gem and Jewelry Show, Wonderland of the Americas, San Antonio, May 11, 12.

Texas Mineral and Fossil Show, Plano Event Center, May 17-19, Plano, Texas.

Ft. Worth Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Bead and Jewelry Show, Will Rogers Memorial Center, May 25-27.

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## WGMC Minutes for April 13, 2024

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Harry Senn, Secretary

Roy called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.

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### Minutes

John Hillman moved and Kenny Aydt second to approve Minutes as posted in Gritty Greetings.

Motion passed

## Treasurers Report

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John Hillman gave the Treasurers Report

## Committee Reports

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### A. Program Committee:

May is the Show

June is Safety Meeting

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July is Ice Cream Social

August is open. Any volunteers?

**B. Field Trip Committee:**

Today's field trip will postponed to maybe May or June

**C. Show Committee:**

We will work on Show stuff today after this meeting.

Ask Stephanie about items to put into (vendor) bags.

## Old Business

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Jan had bypass surgery and is at home doing well.

Dues due January 1 each year unless you became a new member after Oct. 1 of previous year.

## New Business

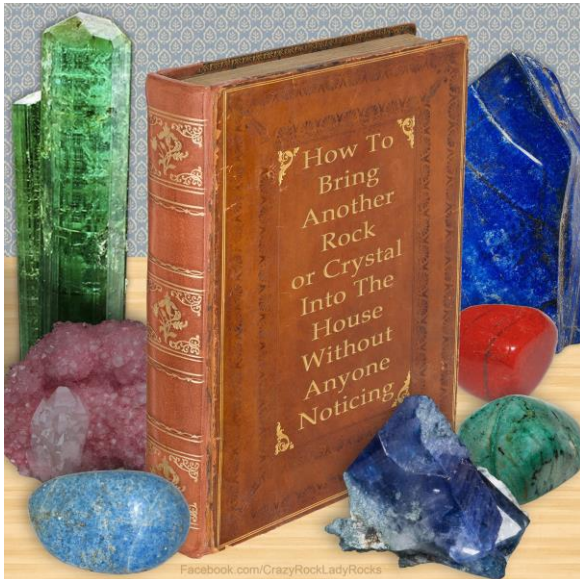
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Silent Auction won't be close to Admissions Table. Suggest buying second tablet and getting second Square for Silent Auction. To that end, motion was made by John Hillman with second by Kathy Aydt. Motion passed.

## Adjourn

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The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 am.



**From The Crazy Rock Lady on FaceBook!**

## May Birthstone Emerald



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As the birthstone for May, the emerald, a symbol of rebirth, is believed to grant the owner foresight, good fortune, and youth. Emerald, derived from the word “*smaragdus*,” means, quite literally, “green” in Greek.

- See more at: <http://www.americangemsociety.org/>

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### Notes

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Condolences to the Clifford Kelley family. They lost a family member in a motorcycle accident last week.

Member Jan Dodd had her heart surgery in March and continues to recover at home. Please keep her and her husband Rance in your prayers.

The Kelleys will also be moving from their home in Aquilla, and will be having a yard sale, including rocks, a 10” rock saw, and some other rock equipment. As soon as we know the date, we will post it here.

The editor requests news items from any member to be included in the Gritty Greetings.

Deadline for submissions is the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month. Contributions to the newsletter are encouraged.

**Name Tags:**

It is great that we feed the pig at our meetings because we don’t have or have lost or forgotten our nametags to drop a dollar in the pig. The money from the pig goes toward our Scholarship program, and we really do appreciate every dollar or more. However, if you need a name tag you can purchase them at the businesses below!

Waco Gem & Mineral Club nametags are available at **Print Mart**, 202 Deb (behind AutoNation Chevrolet). Cost with a pin back is \$8.00 (with tax \$8.66), and with a magnet back is \$11.00 (\$11.91). or at Award Specialties at 431 Lake Air Dr.

**Club Dues:**

Annual Waco Gem and Mineral Club dues are \$12.00 for an individual membership or \$20.00 for a family membership. Please check with John if you aren’t sure whether you’ve paid your Dues!

**Shop Fees:**

Lapidary Workshop fee is \$2.00 per hour. Slab Saw fee is an additional \$2.00 per hour. Class fees are always dependent upon class and instructor.

The Waco Gem and Mineral Club is a member of the South-Central Federation of Mineral Societies and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month (except July and September) at 10:00 a.m. at the Waco Gem and Mineral Club Clubhouse, 187 South McLennan Drive in Elm Mott, Texas. The lapidary workshop is in the clubhouse.

Our website is [www.wacogemandmineral.org](http://www.wacogemandmineral.org)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WacoGemAndMineralClub>

**Club Purpose**

- to bring about a close association of those persons interested in earth science and lapidary arts
- to increase and disseminate knowledge about rocks, minerals, fossils, Indian artifacts and other geological materials
- to encourage lapidary art and the collection and exhibition of rocks, minerals, fossils and artifacts
- to conduct field trips, meetings, lectures, displays and an annual show for the edification of the public
- to cooperate with educational and scientific institutions and other groups in increasing knowledge and popular interest.

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