

AGMS 2016 FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

Month	Date	Where	What What Tools	Cost Distance
January	30-Jan-16	Sand Creek Dairy and Farm	Petrified Wood	.25 per pound
		Cameron TX	Pick - Small Shovel	89
February	26-Feb-16	Whiskey Bridge Fossils	Fossils	FREE
		Bryan TX	Flat Screwdriver	93
<i>Optional after collecting</i>		Brazos Valley of Natural History		<i>\$5/\$4</i>
		Bryan TX	Museum	93
March	7 thru 13	2016 RockHound RoundUp	Show Field Trips for Agate & Minerals	Varies
		Deming, NM	Bring it all	682
April	23-Apr-16	Houston Fine Mineral Show	Show	FREE
		Houston TX	(low tide 12:15pm)	163 miles
May	28-May-16	Tessman Ranch	Petrified Wood	5
		Falls City TX	Pick - Small Shovel	104 miles
June	25-Jun-16	Brady Crinoids	Crinoids	FREE
		Brady TX	Flat Screwdriver	130 miles
July	23-Jul-16	Shoal Creek	Fossils	FREE
		Austin TX	Flat Screwdriver	3 miles
August	27-Aug-16	McFaddin Beach	Fossils & Artifacts	FREE
		Winnie TX (low tide 8:51am)	n/a	250 miles
September	24-Sep-16	Canyon Lake Gorge		10
		Canyon Lake TX	Geology Tour	62 miles
October	29-Oct-16	Serpentine Mine	Serpentine, Artifacts & Fossils	FREE
		Willow City TX	Nothing	87 miles
November	19-Nov-16	Blanco Fossils & 281 Fossils	Fossils	FREE
		Spring Branch TX	Flat Screwdriver	70 miles
December	3rd or 10th	River Walk in San Antonio	Riverwalk Lights & The	FREE
		San Antonio TX	Saga in Main Plaza	87 miles

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION

DATES & LOCATIONS

While we will do our best not to change dates or locations.....all is subject to change

WEATHER DELAY

The following Saturday where possible.

March & April do not have alternate dates or trips planned

NOTE Trips will be in Texas or neighboring states. **IT IS** assumed **YOU WILL BRING** the following:

Appropriate clothing	Gloves	Rock Pick
Appropriate foot wear	Snacks & Lunch	
Baggies & Wrapping Material	Sun screen	
Bucket(s) or other container(s)	Water	

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The AFMS (American Federation of Mineral Societies) has a Code of Ethics that deals with field trips. It covers common sense items such as gates, litter, holes and the Golden Rule.

As a member of AGMS you are the face of our club. Please be respectful at all times.

Land owners DO NOT have to give us access.

Your best foot forward approach will allow us to step foot on hunting locations again and again.

In addition to the AFMS Code of Ethics we ask that for club field trips that you:

Arrive promptly at designated meeting spot

Running late? Call Field Trip Leader

When in caravan, follow at a safe distance.

When in caravan, if the vehicle **behind** you stops, **you stop**

After arriving at location, there will be a quick meeting before you are free to hound

Before you head home, inform Field Trip Leader that you are leaving

AFMS Code of Ethics

I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected the pleasure and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use Good Outdoor Manners and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.