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President's Message

Greetings, Badger Lapidary and Geological Society members,

Well, Summer is about over. At least, it feels as if it were over. Cool weather is upon us. I suppose many of you have had a busy summer filled with rock and mineral collecting. My summer was interrupted with a tornado on June 17 destroyed the milk house outside Juda where I had many minerals stored. So I have been doing a different kind of collecting... I am looking forward to our sharing what has filled our summer.

Marv Hanner President

The September Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 13th at 10:00 at the Monroe Public Library. The activity for this meeting is our Annual Show & Tell. Bring your treasures from the summer or any thing that you would like to share!

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BLGS 2013 Calendar of Events

September 13 Meeting: Annual Show & Tell

September 27th Field Trip: Local Quarry (Tbd)

October 11th Meeting: Micro Day

October 25th Field Trip: Lapidary Day at the Trockes

November 8th Meeting: Fakes & Manmade Minerals

December 13th Meeting: Annual Christmas Party

Specimen Photography at September Meeting

By Jordan Marché

This month is our annual show-and-tell meeting. In order for me to get some new and interesting photos for next year's mineral calendar, I'd like you to bring in your most photogenic specimens of minerals (perhaps including thumbnails) and fossils. If I would be allowed to borrow them, for photography on the copy stand that I have at home, then that would be fine. I'll return the specimens at the October meeting.

This time frame is important, because we need to have the calendar printed during October, so that it may be distributed at the Freeport show later that month, and at the Madison show in November. Waiting until October to do the photography just doesn't allow enough time. Thank you for your cooperation.

September Mineral Events

14 September: ROCKFORD rock and mineral swap meet hosted by The Rock River Valley Gem & Mineral Society from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 14 at Odd Fellows Hall, 6219 Forest Hills Road, Rockford. Free Admission.

6-14 September 2014: *Denver Coliseum Gem Show - Denver, Colorado*

2014 Denver Coliseum Gem Show
Minerals, fossils, dinosaurs, meteorites, gems, jewelry, gold, silver, turquoise and more
Denver Coliseum (4600 Humboldt Street)

20-21 September 2014: *Poughkeepsie, New York*

45th annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil Show & Sale
Organized by: Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Gold's Gym & Family Sports Complex (258 Titusville Road)
Theme: *Prospecting for Mineral Treasure in New York*

27 September 2014: *Kalamazoo, Michigan*

Third Annual Tailgate Sale and Swap - rocks, minerals, jewelry, lapidary equipment
Organized by: Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society
St. Michael Lutheran Church (7211 Oakland Drive, Portage, Michigan)

27-28 September 2014: *Franklin, New Jersey*

58th Annual Franklin-Sterling Hill Mineral, Gem, and Jewelry Show
Organized by: Franklin-Ogdensburg Mineralogical Society and the Franklin Mineral Museum Franklin Borough School (50 Washington Avenue, Franklin)
Indoor / outdoor

September Events in Wisconsin

12 - 14 Wisconsin Dells - Wisconsin Dells Wo-Zha-Wa Festival. A festive celebration of autumn, Wo-Zha-Wa Days is filled with free family activities, including an arts and crafts fair, antique flea market, Maxwell Street Days, live entertainment and a 75-unit parade. Enjoy great food from service clubs and downtown restaurants, visit attractions and the street carnival. Downtown Wisconsin Dells.

13 Kenosha - 7th Annual Great Lakes Civil War Forum, 1864. History buff? Head to Kenosha, WI for a day of Civil War presenters, focusing on year 1864. This year's presenters: Dr. James Cornelius, Mr. Steve Acker, Mr. Greg Biggs, Mr. John Lundstrom. Registration required. Civil War Museum, 5400 1st Ave.. Event starts at 8:30AM and ends at 4:00PM. For more information call (262) 653-4141.

13 Phillips - Autumn Photography Workshop. Learn how to capture autumn at its finest on your digital camera with Seth Carlson, artist, writer, and photographer for the Price County Review. Seth will show you how to frame an interesting shot and use your camera settings. Registration is required. Wisconsin Concrete Park; N8236 South Hwy. 13. Event starts at 1:00PM and ends at 4:00PM. For more information call (715) 339-7282.

13 - 14 River Falls - River Falls Bacon Bash. Celebrate all things bacon with this two day event featuring bacon-inspired food, activities, and live music. Heritage Park 232 W. Maple Street. For more information call (715) 425-2533.

14 River Falls - Car Cruz-In. All cars and motorcycles are welcome to take an afternoon and "cruze the loop" in downtown River Falls. There will be great food, music, and plenty to see! Downtown. For more information call (715) 425-2533.

19 - 21 Monroe - Green County Cheese Days. Celebrating cheesemaking, dairy farming, and Swiss traditions of Green County. Cheese Tent, Family Farm Adventure, Cow Milking Contest, Old Time Cheesemaking, Arts & Crafts, Children's Parade, vendors, three entertainment stages, dairy farm and barn quilt tours, Wisconsin's only parade led by a herd of Brown Swiss cows. 1016 - 16th Ave.. For more information call (800) 307-7208.

20 Cassville - Great River Road Festival. Stonefield, one of the Great River Road's interpretive center, will celebrate the history of the roadway with a variety of

river-related activities on this day. 12195 County Hwy VV. For more information call (608) 725-5210.

20 - 21 Cedarburg - Wine & Harvest Festival. This year marks the 42nd Annual Wine & Harvest Festival in Cedarburg, WI. Enjoy a farmer's market, scarecrow contest, pumpkin carving, grape stomping and grape spitting contests, live music, hayrides and more! Downtown, Washington Ave.. Event starts at 10:00AM. For more information call (262) 377-9620.

20 Green Bay - Rails and Ales Brewfest. Guests are invited to stroll among the National Railroad Museum's full-size trains while sampling dozens of local and regional craft beers, wines and hors d'oeuvres. You'll receive a sampling glass which is yours to keep! The evening will also feature entertainment, raffles and other prizes. National Railroad Museum 2285 S. Broadway. For more information call (920) 437-7623.

20 - 21 Soldiers Grove - Driftless Area Art Fair. Celebrating the visual, performing and culinary arts of the Driftless Area. Event will feature painting, photography, woodworking, ceramics, fiber, sculpture and jewelry. There will also be live music and local foods. Beauford T. Anderson Park. For more information call (608)624-3600.

20 Stevens Point - 45th Annual Art in the Park. An Arts & Craft Show with over 100 vendors, food tent and many children's activities. Admission and most activities are free. Entertainment will be provided by TRISIS...three sisters, one voice vocal trio. Pfiffner Pioneer Park, Downtown. For more information call (715) 344-8901.

26 - 28 Warrens - Warrens Cranberry Festival. Head to Warrens, WI September 26th-28th to take part in the World's Largest Cranberry Festival! The festival features over 1,000 booths , cranberry tours, cranberry recipe contests and a parade Sunday at noon! Downtown, 402 Pine Street. Event starts at 7:00AM and ends at 5:00PM. For more information call (608) 378-4200.

28 Madison - Race Against the Odds: Monkey March. Race Against the Odds: Monkey March is a 5k walk/run and kids fun run. Feel free to dress up in your best monkey attire! Along with the excitement, we will be remembering and supporting all those affected by pediatric cancer, and coming together to prevent future loss. Keva Sports Center 8312 Forsythia St. For more information call (847) 612-0149.



I hope everyone had a fantastic summer filled with new adventures and great times spent with great friends! With any luck, we'll have a beautiful fall and a mild winter so that the adventures can continue!! See you all soon.

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