

THE BADGER DIGGIN'S

The Badger Lapidary and Geological Society, Inc.

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Devoted to the Earth Sciences

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

If a member changes their email address – please email their new address to me at dkaylamb@yahoo.com .

If you have any questions about the club or club events, please contact an officer.

Rock On
Debbie Lamb

MARCH

Saturday, March 8th at 11:00 for our March meeting. The meeting activity will be Show Prep -- preparing the fish pond bags, picking up tables and anything else that we need to do to get ready for our Annual Show. Bring your donations for the kid's game along and bring a dish to share as we'll do a pot luck. Please see the email that Laurie sent out w/Herb's address and additional show information!! If you do not receive our email, please let Laurie know.

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**Badger Rock Club for our 54th
Annual Rock, Gem & Mineral
Show**

**Craig Center in Janesville, WI on
Saturday, March 15 from 9 - 5 and
Sunday, March 16 from 9 - 4.**

2025 Club Schedule

March

8th – Meeting – SHOW issues – Herb's House

15th & 16th - SHOW

April

5th – Monroe Quarry

12th Meeting – Chainmaille Keychain

25th – 26th – Shullsburg Trip

May

10th – Meeting – Rock Game

31st - Janesville

June

8th – Picnic – location TBD

28th – Nebraska Field Trip

July

25th – 31st- Thunder Bay Trip TBD

August

13th -17th Milwaukee Rock, Mineral, and Fossil Show

27th – Potosi MO Field Trip

September

13th – Meeting - Show & Tell

27th – Iowa Field Trip

October

11th – Meeting

25th – Lapidary Days

November

8th – Meeting & Guest Speaker

December

13th – Christmas Party – Location TBD

Meetings will be held at

Festival Foods

**2233 Humes Rd
Janesville, WI**

Email will be sent to all members with Field Trip details prior to trip.

If meetings or field trips must be changed – all members will receive an email with updated information prior to the event.

2025 Membership

Just a reminder that 2025 membership dues are due!

\$15 for Single and \$20 for Family.

**Dues can be sent to
Treasurer – Dan Troke**

or paid at meetings. To participate in Field Trips – dues are required to be paid.

If you have paid your 2024 ~ Thank You



Hats \$5, T-Shirts \$18

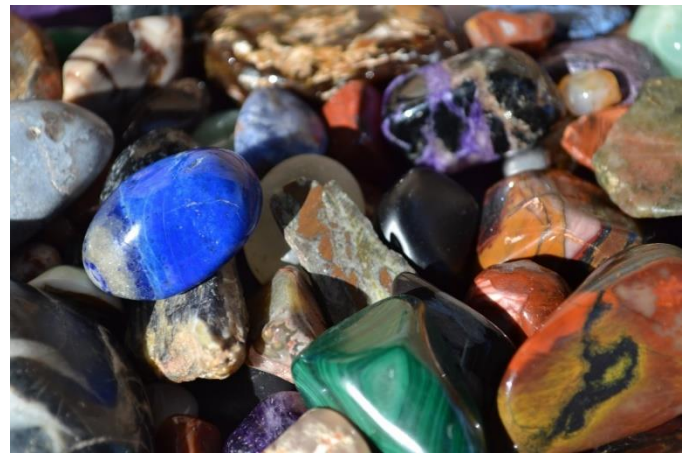
T-Shirts

Hey Badgers, we are planning to have T-shirts available to order again this year. Wondering how many people are interested?? The price would probably be in the \$18 to \$22 range again. Also looking at adding a hoodie as an option. Let Laurie know if you are interested in ordering!!
Thanks!



Calendars \$15

Make sure to check out the Badger Rock Club Facebook Page!!



When placing a picture on Facebook members are giving BLGS permission to add pictures to the monthly newsletter.

Club Meeting –

02/08/2025 Rock Club (BLGS) Business Meeting

Notes

Call to order (1. Darsha)

19 folks attended the meeting

Minutes accepted from last Biz meeting (1. Kim 2. Cheri)

Treasurer Report (Dan): Balance will be around \$3310 = \$2600 + \$1560 vendor fees to deposit. Club

owes Herb about (\$150) for cook-out meat and lumber for trailer repair & van rental for upcoming Feb

trip to Chicago Field Museum. Also need to pay (\$700) for Federation membership

Announcements /Reminders: Show sign-up sheets are going around. If you work at the show, you can

sell stuff at the group booth. (will pay a 10% fee to club) Be sure to SIGN-UP to help us out!!

Old Business:

1. T-Shirts: Laurie T.: still working on & hoping to have an on-line store option

2. Still have 2025 calendars for sale \$15 (Laurie)

3. Name tags should be here by the show (Laurie)

4. Nebraska trip: close to Custer, SD. Things you might find are petrified wood, Agates, Jaspers

(Ray)

5. February 22 trip to Chicago field museum still has seats available in the big van (for a small fee

to help cover rental cost), pick-up is at the Janesville Harbor Fright (Herb)

New Business:

1. Nebraska trip for April has been moved to August 27: one of the main places (Copper Valley

Mine) we wanted to visit doesn't open till May. If you have questions, please contact Herb.

****However there are a few club members still going on the April date (Cheri & Brian) ****

2. Shullsberg trip is moved to April 4/26/25 (Jerry). Looking for Galena, Marcasite & Calcite

3. March 8 meeting will be at Herb's house in Whitewater, where we will be prepping for next

month's big show: bagging for fishpond, etc.

4. Janesville quarry trip moved to 5/31/25.

5. Monroe quarry trip moved to 4/5/25.

6. November meeting will have Dan teaching soapstone carving. He is selling some for \$5/lb.

7. Jerry is looking to do an aquatic trip to Mason (IL) before the weeds fill in, contact him for info

Show Business: (Laurie T)

1. Need fabric for tables (old ones disintegrated)

2. Still need donations of small items for fishpond bags and larger items for spinner game (label it if

possible)

3. Need brackets replaced on some of the ground signs (Ray)

4. The 5 speakers are set, subjects are: Volcanic eruptions, Optics in Minerals, Geodes, Top 10

Iconic Minerals & Sodalite Hunter flashlights

5. Set-up will begin at 4pm Friday, 3/14/25 ~ more helping hands the merrier!

Door Prize winners: 1. Chuck Stiles (amethyst) 2. Tim (Dugong fossil) 3. Cheri (Brookite)

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Meeting adjourned (1. Dave 2. Penny)

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*If you have any questions, please contact a
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