

# ***THE BADGER DIGGIN'S***

***The Badger Lapidary and Geological Society, Inc.***

***Janesville, Wisconsin***

***Devoted to the Earth Sciences***

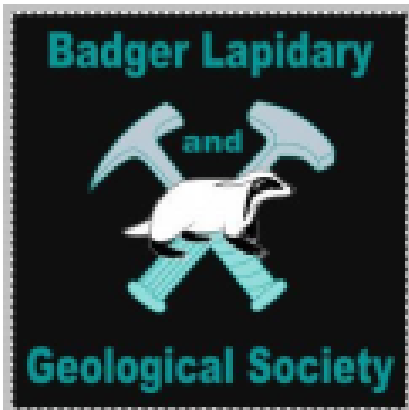
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**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!**

## **Happy Valentine's Day**

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

Rock On  
Debbie Lamb



## **February Events**

**February 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Meeting & Wire Wrapping**

**Festival Foods**

**Janesville, WI**

**10:30am**

We will meet in the common room at Festival Foods in Janesville, WI.

The meeting activity is wire-wrapping. We'll have tools & wire available, but if you have small pliers of your own, please bring them. Also, bring a stone that you would like to wrap.

Dan Trocke will lead this class and teach you the basics.

# 2024 Club Schedule

## February

10<sup>th</sup> – Meeting & Wire Wrapping

24<sup>th</sup>- Cave of the Mounds – email will be sent to all members with trip details.

## March

9<sup>th</sup> – Meeting & Show Prep

16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> – Show

## April

13<sup>th</sup> – Meeting & Show Workshops recap

27<sup>th</sup>- Wausau Moonstone Trip

## May

11<sup>th</sup> – Meeting & Guest Speaker

25<sup>th</sup> – Janesville Quarry

## June

8<sup>th</sup> – Picnic – location TBD

22<sup>nd</sup> – Iowa Quarry

## July

13<sup>th</sup> – Monroe Quarry

27<sup>th</sup> – Quarry Trip – Location TBD

## August

10<sup>th</sup> - UP Michigan Trip & Houghton Rock Show

24<sup>th</sup> – Eau Claire Jasper Hunting Trip

## September

14<sup>th</sup> – Meeting - Show & Tell

28<sup>th</sup> – New York – New Jersey

## October

12<sup>th</sup> – Lapidary Days

26<sup>th</sup> – Keokuk Iowa GeodesTrip

## November

9<sup>th</sup> – Meeting & Guest Speaker

## December

14<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party – Location TBD

**Meetings will be held at**

**Festival Foods  
2233 Humes Rd  
Janesville, WI  
at 10:30 am.**

**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.**

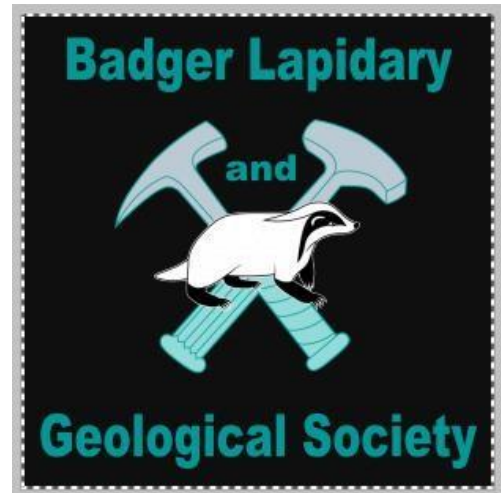
## **2024 Membership**

Just a reminder that 2024 membership dues are due!

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

Dues can be sent to  
Treasurer - Penny Petranek  
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**



**Calendars \$20**

## **Badger Lapidary and Geological Society Meeting Agenda January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

The meeting was called to order and introductions were made by our club President, Dan Trocke.

Our meeting program today is to review the 2024 Meeting and Fieldtrip schedule and was held virtually.

Meeting minutes from December 2023 were accepted by Debbie Lamb and seconded by Cheri Zahn.

Penny Petranek, club treasurer, reported we have show related expenses coming up and have plenty of money in the bank to cover these expenses. Please submit your 2024 membership dues to Penny.

First door prize is a kyanite marcasite micah won by Brian Zahn.

Old Business: Review 2024 schedule. There are field trip changes.

January 27 - Milwaukee Public Museum and Cedarburg

February 10 - Wire wrapping

February 24- Cave of the Mounds

March 9 - Show prep. Accepting donations for fish pond bags

March 16- 17: Show

April 13 - Meeting show recap and overview of workshops

April 27 - Wausau Moonstone field trip

May 11 - Meeting and Guest Speaker

May 25 - Janesville Quarry

June 08 - Picnic

June 22 - Iowa Quarry

July 13 - Monroe, WI Quarry

July 27 - Wisconsin Fossil Quarry

August 10 - UP Michigan and Houghton Rock Show

August 24 - Eau Claire Jasper Hunting Trip

September 14 - Meeting Show and Tell

September 21-22 - New York/New Jersey

October 12 - Lapidary Day

October 26 - Keokuk Iowa Geode Trip

November 08 - Meeting and Guest Speaker

December 14 - Christmas Party location TBD

The second door prize is a Galena specimen won by Gwyn Padden-Lechten

New Business: Show Business: Vendor contracts and fees are being received. An email will be sent to club members with sign ups for show shifts, club table and displays. A digital copy of the show flyer will be shared via email for you to share.

The third door prize is a shrimp fossil nodule from Mazon Creek won by Tracy.

The meeting was adjourned by motion of Brian Zahn and seconded by Laura Petranek-Arneson.

Gwyn

**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 monthly newsletter.

**SHOW NEWS**

We still have a lot of open spots for the show, let me know if you are interested in helping out.

Laurie

**2023 Officers Roster**

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