

THE BADGER DIGGIN'S

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October

Events

October 12th

Meeting & Lapidary Day at Trocke Farm

4771 CTH II

Highland, WI

**Information in Newsletter and email sent
by Lauire to all members**

October 19th

Trailer Repair Day 11am

Farm near Whitewater WI

**Information in Newsletter and email
sent by Lauire to all members**

**26th – Keokuk Iowa Geodes Trip – field
trip details email will be sent to all
members**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

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

Rock On
Debbie Lamb



2024 Club Schedule

November

9th – 10:30 am Meeting - Dan will speak on Fakes

Festival Foods 2233 Humes Rd
Janesville, WI

December

14th – Christmas Party – Location to be announced

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 in January.

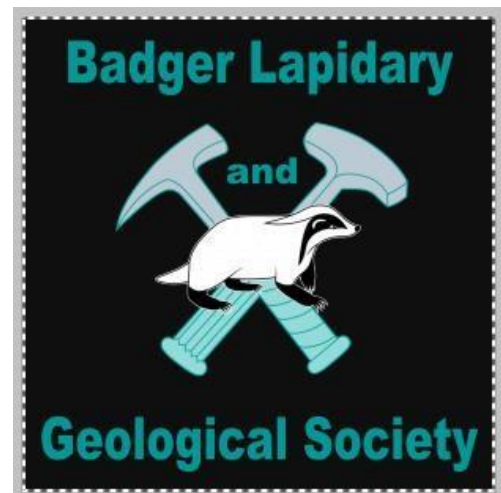
It is not too early to pay for 2025 dues!

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

2025 Dues can be sent to
Treasurer - Penny Petranek
or paid at meetings. To participate in Field Trips – dues are required to be paid.



Hats \$5, T-Shirts \$18



Meeting Minutes

September Meeting

Minutes 9/14/24

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 on Saturday, September 14 th . New guests were welcomed and then they moved into the Annual Show & Tell. Members shared their treasures & finds.

Moving to Announcements, Dan discussed the September New York/New Jersey trip – there will not be a field trip leader, but we shared multiple sites for members to explore.

Lapidary Day has been changed to October 12 at the Trocke's farm.

Calendars, hats & t-shirts are available.

There was not a treasure's report.

The first door prize was won by Marge. She won a beautiful piece of Goldstone.

For Old Business, a date of October 19 th was set to work on the trailer. We will seal the

roof and rebuild the shelves. Members interested in helping should meet at Herb

Bunger's place at 11:00 am on Saturday. This will be a potluck, bring your own drinks and a dish to share.

The second door prize was a tooth that was won by Lori.

Moving on to New Business. Dan said that we will need new officers for next year and asked for volunteers either to serve on a nominating committee or to serve as an officer.

Dan volunteered to serve as treasurer and Herb offered to be the Officer at Large. We will still need someone to serve as President, Vice President and Secretary.

Then there was a discussion about a t-shirt order this year. A couple of the colors suggested were olive green, safety orange/yellow and a tall option.

We will be working on the 2025 calendar. If you have anything you would like photographed or if you have pictures you would like considered, please contact LaurieTrocke.

After New Business, Dan lead a brainstorming discussion for the 2025 Show.

The show will be held on March 15 & 16 at the Craig Center in Janesville, WI.

Some show themes that were suggested were: 1) You've Lost your Marbles (Spheres, botryoidal minerals, eye agates, basically all the round things); 2) All Things Chalcedony; 3) Destinations – display from different places the club has visited; 4) Agates & Imposters or Awesome Agates.

Some ideas that were suggested for the kids' games included 1) metal detecting in woodchips; 2) Decorating boxes/hats again this year; 3) Face painting; 4) Egg carton 'collection'.

After show business, the third door prize was awarded to Mark. He won a nice Baculite fossil. There was a fourth door prize at this meeting. A large quartz, won by Herb.

Herb made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lori. The motion

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.



Lapidary Day – October 12th

Hey Badgers,

You are invited to join us on Saturday, October 12th, starting at noon for Lapidary Day!! Bring your rocks to cut/polish, a dish to share, whatever you would like to drink, a lawn chair if you have one and come hang out on the farm with us!!

If you have any rocks/minerals that you would like photographed for possible inclusion in the calendar, bring them along and I'll try and get some good pix!!

We do ask that you don't bring your dog along, even though we are in the country. Our old girl has gotten a little grumpy. She doesn't really like strange dogs.....she barely tolerates the ones she lives with!!

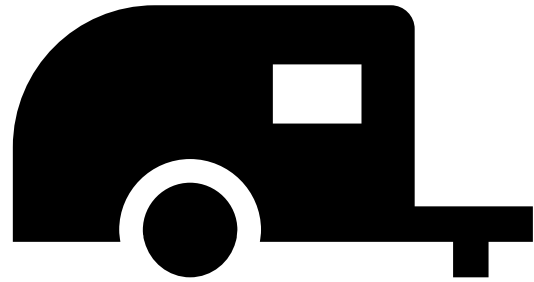
If you have a club machine, let me know and we'll try and make arrangements to get it to the farm in time for Saturday's event.

See the attachment below for directions and more details!!

Please RSVP and let me know how many will be attending.

Thanks & hope to see you on Saturday,

Laurie



Trailer Work Day October 19th 11am (farm near Whitewater)

Everyone is invited out to Herb Bunger's farm for a trailer work day. We will hopefully get the trailer sealed and cleaned out with some new shelving to organize it better. Herb will supply some brats and dogs etc and if others would like to bring stuff we could have a potluck. We also have a menagerie of animals 🐕🐰🐓🐮 and a ridge behind the house for some rockhounding. S'mores might even be had at the fire pit 😊 If you are interested in volunteering, please Laurie and she will send you Herb's address.

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