



KETTLE KRIER

President: Tony Ilecki Vice President: Levi Sherman
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Recap of September Meeting

The September meeting sported 23 members and one guest gathered for the September Pot Luck/ meeting. After engaging in the fine delicacies provided by the members present the meeting was called to order and the minutes and treasurer's report read and accepted.

Tech committee asked all members to update their emails as some have been sent back as undeliverable.

Show committee gave a positive update on the upcoming show and mentioned that a volunteer sign-up sheet would be available at the October meeting.

Tim Perrin reported that the Washington County 4-H has a strong interest in our club participating in a 4-H geology based program. This would include things like speakers and possible showing of geological projects at our show in March. The discussion ended in a motion to begin discussions of the partnership with the Washington County 4-H.

Mike Andrysyk noted that he would be addressing over 1000 kids in October and was concerned about the amount of pass out rocks available. As a result, the purchase of 200 lbs of polished rocks for use in our various education programs was authorized.

On a related note, Milt Wilson donated 10 lbs of polished rocks to the club, and a letter was received from Marion Weinke wishing to donate some rock specimens to the club if someone could pick them up in Granton, WI. (editor's note: Tony Ilecki will pick them up in October.)

Announcements were made about the Jefferson County Rock Show, another Silha quarry trip, and the Glacial Ghosts Group's tour at Whitnall Park.

October's goodie detail is Larry Christopherson and Peter Graetz.

The next meeting will be on October 19, 2016, 6:30PM at the Pewaukee Library. See you all there!!!!

October Field Trip

Due to a massive brain fart, the October field trip was not mentioned at the September meeting. Apologies to Janet Schmitt, who worked on getting this together. I hope this will be enough notice for any members wishing to take this one in

Grant park - Sunday, October 9th - Noon meet up.

People need to bring: a bucket, pail, sack, whatever they want to haul out some rocks in.....I also use plastic ziplock bags.

Be prepared to probably get your feet wet, so boots or old shoes work. a person can stay out of the water (it is just not so much fun that way).

** The shortest way down to the beach is a set of stairs (approx. 45) At least it is stairs vs. the many steep dirt/root paths all over this park.

College Ave. same exit as airport, but go south to College Ex. > drive way east to Lake Dr., then right about 1/2 mi. to Park (4 way stop) Left into the park, curves, keep going to Picnic Area 5 - 5A - 6, across from Soccer 4. Turn left.

Drive on the road all the way in to the parking lot and obviously the Lake is on the eastern end.

Park and head in the main walk way (on the left) 'til you get to the stairs.

If people want to wait in the parking lot, congregate, and then head down together, that is fine. Or, anyone can head in and down on their own.

Once you are on the beach.....you start looking. (down) I also encourage enjoying the lake view.

** bathrooms **on the beach** consist of green foliage (many of us down there are quite good + discreet at this) Otherwise, it means the 45 step climb, a walk, and a drive over to a portajohn by the soccer field)

OCTOBER FIELD TRIP

EVENTS

Oct. 8, 2016: Gillette, WI: Back by popular demand, The Earthen Museum in Gillette, WI is having another "Mineral, Fossil and Lapidary Sale". Saturday, Oct. 8, 2016. Having been to the last one, I can assure anyone going of a great time>

Oct 15-16: Chicago Heights IL:

South Suburban Earth Science Club

Prairie State College, 202 South Halsted St., Chicago Heights, IL

Time: 10:00 to 5:00

Contact Daniel Bolm, (708) 822-0361; danielbolm0968@gmail.com

Nov. 5-6: Sturtevant WI:

Racine Geological Society Pre-Christmas Show

Fountain Hall, 8505 Durand Ave. Sturtevant WI

Sat. 10 to 5, Sun 10 to 4

THE LAST WORD

October is the month that the leaves begin to fall and precious rock picking time is used up by raking them into a pile. Meanwhile the grass hasn't given up growing and must be cut. It is important, however, to set aside time for hunting down the scariest rocks you can find to be included in your Halloween display.

I am still looking for content and ideas for what to put into the Krier. HELP!!

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Editor