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DELAWARE VALLEY EARTH SCIENCE SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



April 2017

Next Meeting: April 12th

7:00 pm Junior Rockhounds class and adult social hour

8:00 pm Program: Jonathan Feigin on Chesapeake Bay vs. The

Potomac River: Permian and Miocene Fossils of Maryland

Meeting location: Education Bldg. behind Centenary United Methodist Church, 149 South White Horse Pike, Berlin NJ 08009



April 29th - Franklin SuperDiggg™ at Franklin Mineral Museum, Franklin, NJ. 9 am to 11 pm. Restroom facilities, electricity (in darkroom), off-road parking area, darkroom for admiring your fluorescent minerals. No age restriction this year. Pre-registration is strongly suggested. On-line registrations fee - \$25-\$50; per pound fee - \$1.50-\$3.00 (depending on collection area, and time slot). For more information - http://superdig.com/

We need lots of volunteers to make this event a success!



Stay tuned.

Mark Leipert, Field Trip Chair

Field Trips:

Franklin Mineral Museum Super Diggg™ - April 29th - collect from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm. Volunteers still needed.

Seven Stars, PA - May 6th joining the DVPS to collect Trilobites, Brachiopods and Bryozoans.

St. Claire, PA - June 17th collecting the world famous fossil ferns.

There may be other opportunities to help out with the Jean & Ric Edelman Fossil Park at Rowan University. They are planning many activities this summer.

Minicourse

From China to China – The History of Paleontology

5 weeks, starting 6/15/17 at The Center For Civic Leadership and Responsibility, Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ

TIME: 6:30-9:00 p.m. DAY: Thursdays



This course will teach about dinosaurs, not from a biological perspective, but from a historical perspective. Who were the men and women who discovered these great beasts? What did their contributions do for science? We will be addressing the history of paleontology starting all the way back to the ancient Chinese and Greeks and work our way to the present day.

All members of the community are welcome to attend. Minors may attend, if accompanied by a registered parent or guardian.

www.camdencc.edu/civiccenter

News:

'Australia's Jurassic Park' the world's most diverse

Twenty-one different types of dinosaur tracks have been identified on a 25-km stretch of the coastline of Western Australia.

https://www.uq.edu.au/news/article/2017/03/australia s-jurassic-park-worlds-most-diverse

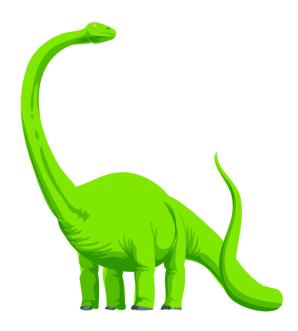


DINOSAUR TRACKS IN THE WALMADANY AREA.

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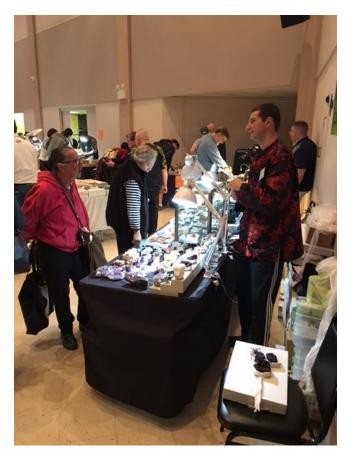
Quote of the Month:

The dinosaur's eloquent lesson is that if some bigness is good, an overabundance of bigness is not necessarily better. *Eric Johnston, Today's Realtor, Jan.* 1998



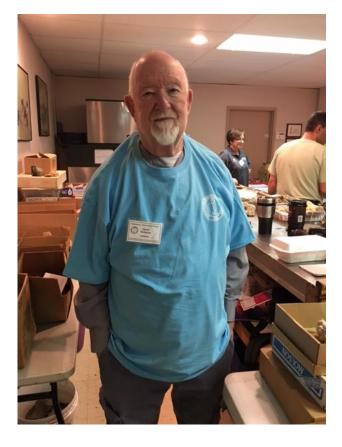
Photos - by Jim Brennan

Philadelphia Mineral Treasures and Fossil Fair, March 25-26, 2017t



Jonathan Feigin

Merrill Dickinson, former President of the EFMLS and one of the founders of DVESS





Sherry Sisson and Reinhold Koeth

Bob Bartoz of the DVPS - on the left



Shows and Events

Exhibit of prehistoric artifacts from the Madeira I and II digs near Oldershaw Av. in Moorestown, four years ago, by Jack Cresson are on display at the Smith-Cadbury Mansion, 12 High St., Moorestown. The display runs through June 2017 and is free. See www.moorestownhistory.org

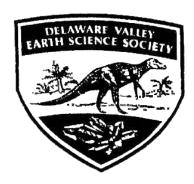
Dinosaurs to take over the Franklin Institute with 'Jurassic World: The Exhibition' NBCUniversal and Imagine Exhibitions will bring the exhibit to Philadelphia at the Franklin Institute's Nicholas and Athena Karabots Pavilion and Mandell Center through April 2017. Jurassic World: The Exhibition is a conceptual endeavor, with attendees being given the impression that they are VIP guests on Jurassic World's Isla Nublar during the events of the 2015 film. https://www.fi.edu/exhibit/jurassic-world

April

April 29: Franklin SuperDiggg™ - Franklin Mineral Museum, Franklin, NJ. 9 am to 11 pm. DVESS, in cooperation with the Franklin Mineral Museum, invites you to share an internationally famous collecting experience. This field trip has attracted dedicated collectors from across the globe. Be one of them this year! It WILL be an historic and memorable event. On-line registration will open at midnight, Saturday, March 4th. http://superdig.com/



April 29-30: Franklin, NJ - 45th Annual NJ Earth Science Association Gem & Mineral Show with Outdoor Swap. Franklin School, 50 Washington Ave. Franklin, NJ 07416 http://www.njesa.org/spring-mineral-show.html Contact: Sterling Hill Mining Museum (973) 209-7212



Membership Information

Regular memberships are entitled to participate in all DVESS activities.

Sponsoring memberships are entitled to the same plus a specially chosen mineral specimen. Dues are renewable each year in January.

Regular Membership:

\$20.00 for the 1st family member + \$5.00 for each family member \$10.00 for the 1st Senior (65+) member + \$5.00 for each family member

Sponsoring Membership: (each additional family member - \$5.00)

"Silver" \$50.00 for 1^{st} family member – receive a Geode Specimen

"Gold" \$75.00 for 1st family member – receive Mineral Specimen

"Platinum" \$100.00 for 1st family member – receive Premium Specimen

Delaware Valley Earth Science Society Information

The Delaware Valley Earth Science Society, Inc. (DVESS), a non-profit organization, was founded in 1956 and incorporated in the state of New Jersey in 1957. The Society:

- promotes interest in, knowledge of, and the development of skills in the "earth sciences." These interests include mineralogy, paleontology, lapidary arts, archeology, and local preservation.
- supports the conservation of natural resources, advocates the availability of collecting sites, and maintains close contact with those in the academic field.
- is a member club of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical and Lapidary Societies (http://www.AmFed.org/EFMLS)

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