MGMC Meeting

September 24, 2019

Visitors:

Kevin Gass, son of presenter, along with his son and wife.

Lab update:

- Additional supervisors needed.
- new intro lap class began Wednesday, September 18 and runs through October 23
- New intermediate lapidary class will begin Wednesday, November 6

Field Trip

Oct 6. Noon - 3p.

Show & Tell

Rebecca N - found rock with crystal, needs help identifying Scot M - agates
Georgia - finding from Salida, CO

Club Show: November 23 & 24

volunteers needed:

- Ticket Sales
- Club Sales
- Gold & Sapphire Panning
- Security
- Exhibits
- Set-up/Tear down
- Demonstrations (Nick)

Show committee meeting 2nd Tuesday of October

Elections are coming up in November Election board: Allen Hill (chair)

Competition: Fuzzy Rocks 1st Place: Malachite (Scot M.)

2nd Place: Cyanotrichite (Rebecca N.)

Speaker: Chris Gass

Fossils of the Milwaukee Formation

Disconformity in land formation

Many types of fossils/fossilization:apatitic skeletal materials fossilized organic remains fossilized by carbonication and permineralization Bivalve shells fossilized by replacement

Internal molds vs permineralized shells geodization: calcite geodes asphaltum deposition
Color patterns in skeletal materials
Life and death assemblages

Life in Devonian Milwaukee
Organism interactions (incrusters)

Protists: Radiolarians, Foraminifers

Corals did not form reefs
Rugose Corals related to sea anemone
Tabulate corals
Tentaculites
Bryozoans
Hderelloids

Brachiopods: 48 species

- Linguliform
- cranioform

Hyoliths

Mollusks:

- gastropods
- rostroconches

Bivalves

Cephalopods

Arthropods

Trilobites

Phyllocarids

Echinoderms

Crinozoans: crinoids

Blastoids

Edrioasteroids

FISH

Arthrodires

Ptytodonts

Rhenaniformes

Find more details in his book

Fossils of the Milwaukee Formation: A Diverse Middle Devonian Biota from Wisconsin, USA. Co-written with Joanne Kluessendorf, Donald G. Milulic and Carlton E. Brett.