

Working Tentative Calendar for 2011 (1st revision 2/11)

If any member has an interest in digging any site not listed, check with other members and most would be willing to set up a dig for you and others. Just ask.

February

2/26/11 Field Trip to Capital District Show - NYS Museum - Albany. [Saturday](Weather permitting)

<http://www.nysm.nysed.gov/programs/>

7AM: Breakfast at Magee Restaurant at Rt. 414 & Rt. 318

7:45AM: Carpool leaves Restaurant parking area for Thruway Exit 41. *After Bkfst Two car loads arrived together and enjoyed a great day of minerals and flowers. On departure one car was left to get a jump start, thanks to a foreign visitor they were able to get off before AAA could get to them.*

March

3/20 [Sunday] Lords Corners Area, NY (Weather permitting)

Specimens: Lords Corners - large horn coral Meet 8AM: Breakfast at Magee Restaurant at Rt. 414 & Rt. 318, 8:45AM: Carpool leaves Restaurant parking area. *Again after a hardy Bkfst, two cars left and joined up with two more at the site. Plenty of coral collected and went on to the Fayetteville site for selenite, again excellent collecting. Weather was cool in morning but a wonderful afternoon.*

3/26-27 Che-Hanna Rock & Mineral Club Show Sayre, PA

<http://www.chehannarocks.com/show.html>

April

4/1- 3 [Friday-Saturday, Sunday] Trip into PA for minerals and fossils. Motel around Harrisburg. (Visit National Limestone Quarry, Mt. Pleasant Mills and a number of other sites. Motel around Harrisburg, PA.) *2 vans for 5 members (no way 1 van would have been ok with all the material collected for the 3 days) Stayed at Phillips Motel in Shamokin Dam, PA (www.phillipsmotel.com)*

4/14 Ward's Natural Science Open House Noon – 6 PM 5100 W. Henrietta Rd.

4/15-17 38th Rochester Mineralogical Symposium *A few members attended and enjoyed all especially the open house at Ward's*

<http://www.rasny.org/MinSymposium/MineralSymp.htm>

May 1 -2 (Saturday-Sunday) Sterling Hill Super Dig Ogdensburg, New Jersey

(<http://www.uvworld.org/>)

2010 Registration fee: \$20 per person. Collecting fee: \$1.50 per pound (day & night per-pound)

Tentative plans: Lesniak car leaving 5:00 AM arriving a site approx. 10:00 AM. Staying overnight in Rockaway, NJ. Return with possible stop in PA for fossils.

11 members participated this year. Excellent collecting especially at night after knowing the grounds. Lesniak's car stopped in St. Clair for fern fossils, Chapman & Weiler vehicles went to Schoharie, NY

May

5/14 Penfield Quarry Dig (EFTA FT) *no report yet*

5/14 [Saturday] Boys Scout Program "Rocks, Minerals, & Fossils" Sampson State Park *Chapmans, Millis, & Lesniak presented the programs for Belt-loops, Geology Pins, & Geologist Pins and awarded the pins & Belt-loops at the conclusion. All cubs and their parents enjoyed their collections and samples and all were awed by the Geyser Demo.*

5/21-22?? [Saturday & Sunday] Middleville, NY ...Herkimer Diamond Mines & KOA Kampgrounds "Herkimer Diamonds" (Quartz Crystals). Facilities on site. *No report yet.*

Contact: Bill Chapman at batnpill@empacc.net / phone 607-868-4649

5/28 [Saturday] **Fossil collecting in Alden** Postponed 'til 6/26 due to high water level.

June

6/11 (Saturday) **Newarkfest (Fundraiser booth) Set-up 6/10 beginning at 5:00 pm before meeting.**

6/18 **Tichner Fossil Dig** Equipment Needed: hammer, chisel, collecting bucket, PPE [Personal Protective Equipment] –glasses, hard hat, safety vest, **Boots**. Meet at FLCC South parking lot Rte. 364 & County Road 18, 8:00 AM (near south entrance) Contact: Bill Chapman at batnpill@empacc.net / phone 607-868-4649 for further info. & sign up

6/26 **Fossil collecting in Alden** Sunday, June 26th. Park behind John & Mary's Restaurant or at the north end of Dollar General's parking lot. We'll be going down to the creek at 9 AM looking for pyritized nodules & ammonites. Expect mud, water and a 1/2 mile walk. It's always a good time so call Bill Chapman at 607-868-4649 or respond by e-mail [batnpill@empacc.net] to reserve your spot today!

July

7/1 [Friday] **Honeoye area - "Turtle" rock collecting**

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7/9-10 Gem & Mineral Society of **Syracuse Show** (<http://www.gmss.us>) **EFMLS/AFMS Convention** Americraft Center of Progress Building (New York State Fairgrounds, Route 690) **We will have a booth, will need help to man it and member may sell a few items each through the club.**

45th Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Bead Show "Gems Along the Erie Canal"
Saturday July 9, 2011 10 AM - 6 PM Sunday July 10, 2011 10 AM - 4 PM
<http://www.gmss.us/gemshow.htm> \$1 off Coupon available on line

7/20-25 **Bancroft, Ontario, Canada** Field Trip organized by Dave Millis with Bill and Pat Chapman to Bancroft, Ontario, Canada.

Marmorata Quarry. Amazonite, peristerite, rose quartz, black tourmaline, smoky quartz, green apatite crystals, and we'll visit a barrel pit at Bear Lake. Battery operated drills with concrete bits are allowed, but nothing such as power equipment like backhoe or gas saws. People will need gloves, hard hat, steel toe shoes, and bright safety vest. Members will be camping at the "Bancroft Campground" RR #2, Bancroft, Ontario, Canada. Facilities an outdoor pool, a lounge, a store, laundry, a rec hall and more. Enjoy boating and fishing on Bird's Lake.

The telephone number is 613-332-3673- please call for reservations, and if you mention Dave's name you'll even get a discount! **For information, call fellow WCGMC member Dave Millis at home: 570-553-2302 asap.**

Howe's Caverns, in Howe's Cave, NY (open for suggestions)

August

8/12-14 **Roxbury, CT???** (for almandine garnets in mica schist) & **East Coast Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show, West Springfield, MA** <http://www.mzexpos.com/eastcoast.htm>

8/19-21 St. Lawrence County Mineral's Club's 45th Annual Show in Madrid, NY. &?? Gore Mt garnet collecting

September

9/10 **Cole Hill-Sangerfield & Brookfield, NY** Specimens: fossils – brachiopods, trilobites, etc.

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October

10/1-2 {Saturday & Sunday) **Newark Show**

(10/8&9 ??) Walworth Quarry Dig