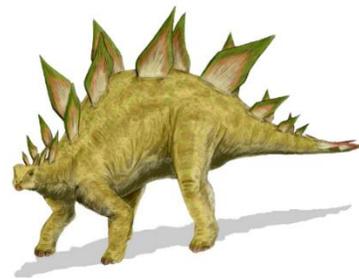


Flatirons Mineral Club Coming Attractions

February and March 2022

February Club Meeting - Tuesday, February 8

Kermit Shields, volunteer at Dinosaur Ridge, will be our speaker with a presentation about **Dinosaur Ridge and *Stegosaurus*, Our State Fossil**. Dinosaur Ridge is a local treasure right in our backyard. Kermit's talk will cover the history of discovery, the significance of the fossils, recent activity, and future plans. When discussing the Jurassic Morrison Formation, we now have a more detailed description of *Stegosaurus*, which was named based on the fossil bones found right here. After the meeting, you'll want to visit Dinosaur Ridge, just outside of Morrison.



This meeting will be online on Zoom. The Zoom link will be sent out next Monday.

March Club Meeting - Tuesday, March 8

At our March meeting, Wayne Itano will talk about the paleontology of the Minturn Formation around McCoy, Eagle County, Colorado. The Minturn Formation dates from the Middle Pennsylvanian, about 300 million years ago. The beds around McCoy contain the most diverse fossil assemblage from the Pennsylvanian of Colorado. Wayne has collected fossils from McCoy since he went on a field trip in 1984, led by the late Jordan Sawdo. He has published articles on fossil sharks and echinoderms from McCoy, including descriptions of two new species of crinoids.

Club meetings start at 7:00 pm at the Mountain View United Methodist Church, 355 Ponca Place in Boulder (right across the street from Frasier Meadows, our previous meeting place). Enter the building from the south side.

2022 Dues are Due!

To continue receiving club newsletters and email blasts, plus to join us on field trips this year, you must pay your 2022 dues. Dues are still only \$18 per household. You can pay in two ways:

- Pay Gerry Naugle, Treasurer and Membership Chair, at any FMC monthly meeting.
- Send a check made to "Flatirons Mineral Club" to P.O. Box 3331, Boulder, CO, 80307. Please do not send cash in the mail.

Please note that after February 20th, your 2022 dues must be paid to continue receiving club newsletters and email blasts!

Jr. Geologists Activities

Gemstones will be the program for our February meeting on Wednesday, February 16, starting at 6:30. We are meeting in-person at the Mountain View United Methodist Church, 355 Ponca Place in Boulder. Come in the west doors from the parking lot.

Monthly meetings will continue on the third Wednesdays of each month through the school year.

If your family would like to join the Jr. Geologists and you are not on our email list, please contact Dennis at gertenbach1@gmail.com to have your name added.

Wanted for the March Newsletter: Short article and pictures of field trips

Although there is snow on the ground right now, many of us are looking forward to get out in the field to collect when the weather turns warmer. To help you plan trips for this spring, summer, and fall, the next club newsletter will feature information about field trips that you and your family can enjoy.

If you have a location that you can recommend to other club members, put together a short summary of the site, plus a few pictures of what can be found there. Please send them to Dennis Gertenbach at gertenbach1@gmail.com.

Club Elections in March

At our March 8 meeting, we will hold elections for club officers, including President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. In addition, we will be electing members for our Board of Directors. All of these elected positions become members of our club Board, with the responsibility to plan and oversee club activities. If you would like to learn more about the duties of these positions or to run for one of these offices, please Brian Walko at earthextractions@gmail.com.

Silent Auction Is Back in 2022

Yes, our club's silent auction will be back this year on April 12. This year's Auction will be at Mountain View United Methodist Church, the same place as our club meetings. Setup starts at 6:15 pm and the auction begins at 7:00. This year's auction will feature material from several collections, including fabulous minerals, fossils, and lapidary material. More information will be available in next month's newsletter.

Member Name Tags

Would you like a Flatirons Mineral Club name tag to wear at club events and field trips? The club places orders for name tags several times a year for members.

If you would like a name tag, please log onto our website and choose the "Request a Name Tag" link in the Members Area. Add your name to the list as you want it to appear on your name tag, and it will be ordered for you. Your first name tag is free!



Example of a club name tag

Other Rockhounding Events and Activities in the Area

Here is one other activity of interest to rockhounds of all ages.

- **February 25-27, 2022, Denver Gem and Mineral Guild Show**, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Exhibit Building. See the flyer on the next page or <https://denvergem.org/february-show/> for more information.
- **March 25-27, Fort Collins Rockhounds Show**, featuring **Copper and New World Minerals**. The show is at The Ranch/Larimer County Fairgrounds (5280 Arena Circle, Loveland, CO 80538) in the Thomas M. McKee Building. Parking is free for this event. See <http://www.fortcollinsrockhounds.org/gemAndMineralShow.shtml> for more information.
- **Everything Dinosaur -- Learning with LaCount**
Dinosaur Ridge is presenting a 12-part series on Thursday mornings via Zoom from 10-11:30 a.m. on Everything Dinosaurs. You can join the program live, when you can ask questions, or watch the recordings at a time most convenient for you. You'll learn tons about the ancient world and Colorado's dinosaurs in particular. Here are the programs for February and March:

- Feb. 3 Theropods
- Feb. 10 Stegosaurus
- Feb. 17 Ankylosaurus
- Feb. 24 Iguanodonts
- Mar. 3 Hadrosaurs
- Mar. 10 Pachycephalosaurs
- Mar. 17 Ceratopsians
- Mar. 24 Archosaurs
- Mar. 31 Mammals

For details and to register click [HERE](#)

- **Jurassic World: The Exhibition - Coming soon to Denver!**

Get closer to dinosaurs than ever before at **Jurassic World: The Exhibition**. The Exhibition immerses audiences of all ages in scenes inspired by the beloved film. Now, the park that was only a promise comes to life. Discover the science of Jurassic World. Walk in the land of Jurassic giants. Come face to face with life-size dinosaurs. See the flyer below and <https://jurassicworldexhibition.com/> for more information.

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