

THE BADGER DIGGIN'S

The Badger Lapidary and Geological Society, Inc.

Janesville, Wisconsin

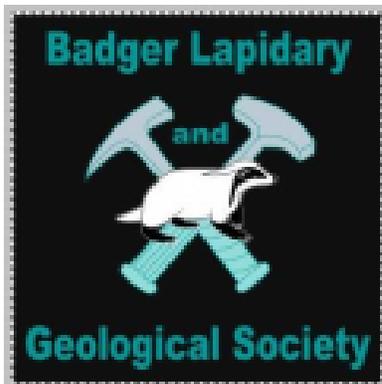
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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

If you have any questions about the club or club events, please contact an officer.

Rock On
Debbie Lamb – Newsletter Editor



November

8th – Club Meeting

Janesville WI

Festival Foods

Community Room

10:30 am

After the meeting Dan will be offering a Soapstone Carving class.

See the Information about the Meeting in the email from Laurie. If you did not get an email, please send a message to an officer.

2025 Club Schedule

December

13th – Christmas Party – Delevan – email sent to members

Badger Cups \$3

2025 Membership

Just a reminder that 2025 membership dues are due!

\$15 for Single and \$20 for Family.

Dues can be sent to
Treasurer - Dan Troke

or paid at meetings. To participate in
Field Trips - dues are required to be paid.

If you have paid your 2025 ~ Thank You



Hats \$5, T-Shirts \$18



Calendars \$10

Make sure to check out the Badger Rock Club Facebook Page!! Members post great pics of their rock finds!! When placing a picture on Facebook members are giving BLGS permission to add pictures to the monthly newsletter.



October 11, 205 Badger Rock Club Business by Dawn Dennis

Meeting Notes

10 folks attended the meeting; Call to order (1. Laurie 2. Laura)

Minutes accepted from last Biz meeting (1. Shannon 2. Penny)

Announcements:

*Debbie Lamb will be transferring the newsletter duties to Laura P. in January 2026. THANK YOU, Debbie, for your years of handling the newsletter!!

*Name Tags: 1st order has been placed and will be arriving soon. Tags should be available for pick-up at Lapidary Day. If you haven't ordered yet, then talk to Laurie or Shannon as they will be placing a second order soon. Tags cost \$10. (Laurie)

Treasury Report: the same as last month (Dan)

Show Business: no report

Old Business:

*Holiday Party is on 12/13/25 in Delavan, WI. Will be a potluck where you should bring your specialty

dish and wow us all. Herb will provide the: meat, tableware and beverages.

*Shirt order: no news. Folks would love to have the new shirts to wear for the show in March 2026. An idea was to have a 2nd order that would go in AFTER the show and folks could place orders at the show so more members could get new shirts.

* Iowa Quarry (agates) Update: new owners have not returned Dan's calls, but he will keep trying. (Dan)

New Business:

* PO Box for the club? Discussion about club getting a PO Box: questions came up about who would check it?

Cost would be \$88/year. Why is membership form not on website? Dan said that it's b/c we are NOT a .com and the form asks for money.

Current procedure is that an interested person needs to email Dan/Laurie, and they will send a membership form to them. Dan pointed out that current method gives them contact w/ an actual person and provides the ability to answer any questions.

*Update to January meeting schedule: We will now drop the January "field trip". The meeting on the

2nd Saturday will be the planning meeting for the year (12 to 15 months out) for field trips & programs and there will also be a Board Orientation for new board members. The meeting on the 4th Saturday will be the general meeting with some sort of program. Motion (1. Laura P 2. Dan) and unanimous vote to do so.

*Lapidary Day: 10/25/25 at Dan & Laurie farm. Folks can show up any time after 11am and please bring a dish to pass. The Club is going to have a Wish List sign for folks to list what tools/ items they would like the club to purchase. Penny is going to take photos of current inventory and Darsha is going to make a spreadsheet, with them, to help members know what is available for use.

Door Prize winners: 1. Dawn (Mohawkite) 2. Laura P (Chrysocolla) 3. Dave (Apophyllite)

Meeting adjourned (1. Dan 2. Shannon)

Racine Geological Society of Wisconsin

Annual Holiday Show/Sale!

Sat. Nov. 1, 2025 10A.M.-5P.M

Sun. Nov. 2, 2025 10A.M.-4P.M

Location: Fountain Hall 8505 Durand Ave. (Hwy. 11)

Sturtevant, WI (Next to Farm & Fleet)

FREE ADMISSION Donations Appreciated
Minerals Crystals Gems Jewelry Fossils Rocks

Unique Holiday Gift Ideas!

See us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/racinegeologicalsociety>

Or Call: 262-989-9193

Our Monthly Meetings Are at: St. Michael's Episcopal Church: 4701 Erie St., Racine, WI.

Most months on the 2nd Thursday of the month: Meeting start time may vary

Visitors are welcome to our meetings before deciding to join our club.



2025 Officers Roster

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*If you have any questions, please contact a
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please notify the treasurer.*