

Field Trips 2021

Cloquet, Minnesota

Materials: Lake Superior Agates

Trip Leader: Olga Flores

Trip Dates: Saturday, June 26, 2021

Location: Get Pickin' LLC

20 spots available

Special Notes: This is a very fun educational adult & kid friendly event.

Keokuk, Iowa Tentative

Materials: Geodes

Trip Leader: Open

Trip Dates: June 11-13th 2021 *(These dates are changeable to meet leaders needs)*

20 spot available

Thunder Bay, Canada

Materials: Amethyst

Trip Leader - Lane Tiedeman

Trip Dates: July 16-18 2021

Location: Nearest town for lodging is Thunder Bay, Canada

**Currently, Canada is planning to open it's boarder to the US for leisure travel on April 21st 2021*

20 spots available

Montana

Materials: Agates, Petrified Wood & Fossils

Trip Leader - Tim Goerdt, Phil Barrett & Ben Chorn

Trip Dates: August/September 2021 **Details to come*

Mt. Ida, Arkansas

Materials: Quartz Crystals

Trip Leaders - Brian & LeeAnn Nelson

Trip dates: September 17-19th 2021

Location: Nearest town for lodging is Mt. Ida, Arkansas

20 spots available

Field Trips 2021 *continued*

Minneapolis, Minnehaha Falls Park

Activity: Bike Tour

Trip Leader: Dr. Randy Strobel

Trip Date: Saturday, September 18, 2021

Locations: Lock & Dam #1, Hidden Falls, Shadow Falls, Bridal Veil Falls, St. Anthony Falls and other interesting locations along the way!

25 spots available

Upper Peninsula of Michigan

Materials: Native Copper, Greenstone, Datolite, Agate & possible fluorescent minerals

Trip leader: Open

Assistant trip leader: Steve Olson (*will coach the leader*)

Trip Dates: October 1-3, 2021

Location: Nearest town for lodging is Calumet, Michigan

20 spots available

Field Trips 2021 Sign Up Directions:

1. Print out all forms:

- Field Trip Sign-Up Form
- AFMS Code of Ethics Form
- Release of images Form
- Acknowledgement and Assumption of risk form & release of liability agreement

2. Fill in all the information requested.

3. Scan all forms into a pdf file.

4. Label the pdf - Example:(John Smith Field Trip forms 2021)

5. Send to: tourdirector@minnesotamineralclub.org

- Availability is on a first come basis.
- You will be notified if you have a reserved spot for that trip or not.
- If you are unable to get a spot, your name will be added to a wait list. People on the wait list will be notified when spots become available should parties cancel.
- If you are signed up and have to cancel, please notify us asap. We will fill the available spots from the waiting list.
- If wait list numbers show high trip demand, an additional trip will be attempted. An additional trip will take place only if a trip leader volunteers their time. If an additional trip is added, wait listed individuals will be contacted and have 1st priority in signing up.
- If you know of someone who needs help with the computer part of this task, please reach out to help. If you are one of those people that needs help, please reach out to us for help.

Thank You,

Brian & LeeAnn Nelson

2021 MMC Field Trip Sign-Up Form

Name of Adults: _____

Name of Minors: _____

Are you a trip leader? _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone number: _____

Phone number for use during the field trip: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number: _____

Trip Name & Date(s): _____

Fill in and Sign The Forms Below:

1. Field Trip Sign-Up Form (*this form*)
2. AFMS Code of Ethics Form *
3. Release of images Form *
4. Acknowledgement and Assumption of risk form & release of liability agreement *

*= A separate form is required for each person

Signature: _____

To participate in Minnesota Mineral Club field trips, you MUST read, understand, agree to, sign this document and deliver it to the Field Trip leader or MMC Tour Director on or before the start date of the field trip.

Field Trip Name: _____ Date: _____

AFMS Code of Ethics

- I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without the owner's permission.
- I will keep informed on all laws, regulations of rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.
- I will to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.
- I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.
- I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind - fences, signs, buildings.
- I will leave all gates as found.
- I will build fires in designated or safe places only and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.
- I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.
- I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.
- I will not contaminate wells, creeks or other water supply.
- I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.
- I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.
- I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and Will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.
- I will cooperate with field trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.
- I will report to my club or Federation officers, Bureau of Land management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.
- I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.
- I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use "Good Outdoor Manners" and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public "image" of rockhounds everywhere.

AFMS Land Use Policy

1. Adherence to the AFMS Code of Ethics assures compliance with most statutes and regulations governing collecting on public lands and encourages respect for private property rights and the environment. Clubs are urged to read the AFMS Code of Ethics in at least one meeting every year, to publish the Code frequently in the club newsletter, and to compel compliance on club field trips.
2. Individuals and clubs are urged to write their elected representatives and land use management agency supervisors regarding issues of rule making, legislation and enforcement affecting field collecting of minerals and fossils.
3. Individuals and clubs are urged to join and support activities of the American Lands Access Association (ALAA), a sister organization with responsibility for advancing the interests of earth science amateurs with legislatures and land use management agencies.
4. The AFMS will receive a report from ALAA at its annual meeting.
5. The AFMS endorses the principle of multiple use of public lands as a guarantee of continuing recreational opportunities.
6. Wilderness and monument designations are inconsistent with the principle of multiple use. In view of the vast amount of public land already designated as wilderness and monuments, future such designations should be minimal, taking into account the increased demand for recreational opportunities, including rockhounding, created by a growing population.
7. In furtherance of the principle of multiple use, the AFMS believes that laws, regulations and rules established by relevant governmental authorities should be designed to allow freest possible access to all public lands, coupled with minimal restrictions on the recreational collection of minerals, fossils, gemstone materials and other naturally occurring materials.
8. A right to collect minerals and fossils on public lands should be protected by statute.
9. The AFMS urges its members to work with any or all government authorities to achieve a good working relationship in order to improve the "Public Image" of recreational collectors.

I, (print name) _____, hereby agree to abide by the AFMS Code of Conduct and Land Use Policy.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Release for Use of Images

I hereby give my consent to the Minnesota Mineral Club, a tax-exempt, non-profit educational club organized under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(7), to photograph, film, videotape and then use, reproduce, and publish said images of me and/or my child/children for non-commercial uses in the club's newsletters, website and other social media platforms (such as Facebook).

(Please print name)

(Please print child's name)

I agree that photographs/negatives, film, digital images or videotapes thereof shall constitute the sole property of the Minnesota Mineral Club, with full right of disposition in any manner whatsoever.

I hereby release the Minnesota Mineral Club and its legal representatives and assigns from any and all claims whatsoever in connection with the use, reproduction, publication of the images thereof.

Signature

Date

Signature for minor child

Title/Organization

Address

Phone

MINNESOTA MINERAL CLUB

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY ("AGREEMENT")

This Agreement must be completed and signed, in advance, by each person participating in a Minnesota Mineral Club ("MMC") field trip ("Field Trip"). Parents or legal guardians of children under 18 should fill out the form for each child and sign for them.

In consideration of being permitted to go on this Field Trip for the purpose of collecting rocks, minerals and fossils, I, _____ (Print Name) ("Participant"), agree to the following and make the following representations:

____ Initial I agree to follow the instructions and precautions as stated by the Field Trip leaders. I assume responsibility for attending all safety briefings. If I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation in this Field Trip, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the Field Trip leader immediately. I agree to closely supervise any children for whom I am parent or legal guardian while on a Field Trip.

____ Initial I agree to follow the AFMS Code of Ethics.

____ Initial **Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risk.** I understand the risks associated with rock collecting activities, inherent and otherwise, which include, but are in no way limited to, risks associated with falling off ledges, the collapse of quarry walls, falling or flying rocks from another participant's breaking of rock, negligent use of equipment, and injuries from trips or falls. I understand the risk of injury from the activities and acknowledge that MMC is in no way making any representation as to any participant's physical ability to participate in collecting activity. I further understand the risks associated with general outdoor activity, and the hazards that may be presented by natural causes or act of other persons or animals, whether negligent or intentional.

____ Initial I hereby acknowledge, confirm and agree that, at all times while on a Field Trip, I am there at my own risk and will exercise the highest degree of care and caution for my own personal safety and the safety of others.

____ Initial I understand that only MMC paid members are allowed participation on Field Trips.

____ Initial **Release of Liability.** MMC shall not be liable for any damages arising from personal injuries sustained by me on a Field Trip. I agree that, solely as between me and MMC, I assume and bear all risks of injuries or damages to my person or personal property sustained while on a Field Trip caused by any source whatsoever, whether by natural occurrence, my own acts or the acts of others. I hereby fully and forever release MMC, its officers, agents, and trip leaders, successors and assigns as well as any other person or entity acting in any capacity on MMC's behalf, from all claims, demands, damages, rights of action, or causes of action or liability for any such personal injury or property damage that I

