

Alberta Palaeontological Society

In addition to the main presentation by Jason Pardo, Daegan Kovacs will provide a brief presentation.

Memories of Montana – Photos from Bozeman

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LOCATION: Mount Royal University, Room B108

TIME: October 20, 2017, 7:30 pm

ABSTRACT

The year was 2015, the month was July, and with my mom and brother we went to Bozeman in Montana. Why? Because I've wanted to go to Montana State University's Museum of the Rockies ever since I was a little kid. Montana's geology is similar to Alberta's, except Montana has more Early Cretaceous and Eocene rock. and in the far south some rocks that date back to the Late Jurassic. I went there for a Paleontology camp where I slept under the Tyrannosaurus display, went to a Jurassic dig site where they were excavating a Diplodocus and a Stegosaurus, and met none other than Jack Horner! Inside the Museum they had many interesting displays such as a display showing a Deinonychus attacking a Tenontosaurus, T rex and Triceratops growth series, and a diorama showing the burrowing dinosaur Oryctodromeus. We also visited the Spokane Bar Sapphire Mine near Helena, which is the capital of Montana, where we found both sapphires and fossils.

BIOGRAPHY

Daegan is a homeschool student who is going into grade 10 and aims to become a Palaeontologist. He has been a member of the APS for 4 years now and wants to continue to be a member far into the future. This presentation is part of his curricula for high school credit in Special Projects 20: Paleontology. He is an avid microfossil sorter, is also very interested in entomology, and has several pets including a bearded dragon.

DIVISION INFORMATION

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