# Michigan Geological Survey Report 18 from the K-12 Outreach Director, Peter Voice August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015

#### New Items:

- 1. July 24<sup>th</sup> Presented Report 17 to the Director of the Michigan Geological Survey.
- 2. July 27<sup>th</sup> Exchanged phone calls and emails with Laura Cross and Kathy Larsen (Kalamazoo Air Zoo) to schedule a meeting to discuss future activities.
- 3. July 27<sup>th</sup> exchanged emails with Allison VanDriessche about scheduling a CoreKids event at Western Middle School, Bay City.
- 4. July 27<sup>th</sup> arranged with Kathy Wright to have car rental for Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> speaking event for the Big Rapids Rocks and Mineral Club.
- 5. July 28<sup>th</sup> Met with Laura Cross and Kathy Larson (Kalamazoo Air Zoo) to discuss the following:
  - a. Continue to do 2-3 smaller events like we have been doing in the summer and during winter break
  - b. 2. have a booth at their larger events -- Society of Women Engineers Day, Girl Scouts Day
  - c. 3. Discuss possibility of an exhibit co-sponsored by Dept. and Air Zoo -- I would like to have Dr. Heggy's involvement with this discussion as well as Mohamed's input.
  - d. 4. They gave me pictures from all the previous events -- we should be able to use them, as the paperwork the parents fill out has them sign to opt out of having pictures taken -- I have already passed a set of the pictures onto Breanne for the newsletter/etc.
  - e. 5. I am going to draft a letter of support for them to review and sign -- they are happy to support any grant proposals that would require outreach (especially with technology).
- 6. July 28<sup>th</sup> I forwarded the pictures given to us by the Air Zoo to Breanne Lejeune for departmental use. I also sent select pictures to Tom Howe dealing with the Virtual Alternate Reality Sandbox.
- 7. July 29<sup>th</sup> exchanged emails with Mike Broersma (2011 WMU Grad BS in Geology) who teaches at Hudsonville Christian Middle School. He requisted information about the CoreKids program. I sent him follow up information and will work on trying to schedule an event for his school.
- 8. July 29<sup>th</sup>-Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> at AIPG summer field trip with Bill Harrison. Discussed CoreKids with AIPG MI section treasurer she seems to be willing to provide a grant of funds for CoreKids I will continue to follow up.
- 9. July 30<sup>th</sup> exchange emails with Allison VanDriessche (Western Middle School, Bay City) about scheduling fall events tentative date sent for first week of December.
- 10. August 3<sup>rd</sup> Scheduled Corekids event tour of MGRRE facility for the Well Drilling Unit of the Hydrogeology field camp. 28 participants.

- 11. August 6<sup>th</sup> Scheduled CoreKids event, Big Rapids Rock and Minerals Club. 20 participants.
- 12. August 13<sup>th</sup> exchanged emails and phone calls with Diane Krzyaniak (Marshall Upper Elementary School, Westland, MI) about the possibility of a corekids event in the fall for her 6<sup>th</sup> graders (450 students)
- 13. August 13<sup>th</sup> exchanged emails with Hannah Kelly (Gilden Woods Early Care and Preschool) about our scheduled event on August 17<sup>th</sup>.
- 14. August 14<sup>th</sup> sent email to Lisa Apfel to work on registering CoreKids for the Cranbrook Institute Annual Rouge River Water Festival.

## Current Totals (July 1, 2015 and on)

## **Projected Totals of Upcoming Events**

Total Projected + Actual	123
Total Projected:	
Branch Co. Library Program	50
WMU Hydrogeology Field Camp	28
Big Rapids Rock and Minerals Club	20
Kalamazoo Air Zoo	25

### Past outreach events July 1, 2015 and on

- i. July 9<sup>th</sup> Kalamazoo Air Zoo Campus visit
- ii. July 23<sup>rd</sup> Branch Co Library events
- iii. August 6<sup>th</sup> Presentation to the Big Rapids Rocks and Minerals Club

#### **Upcoming Events**

- iv. August 17<sup>th</sup> Gilden Woods Early Care and Preschool MGRRE Tour
- v. Week of Nov.  $2^{nd}$  tentatively scheduled Western Middle School visit Mi Geol. History Module
- vi. Week of Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> tentatively scheduled Marshall Upper Elementary School Mi Geol. History Module.