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NEWS

At the beginning of last month, MIGE moved to its new location at 1723 Simms Street, Suite 202, in Aurora, Illinois (see picture in upper right). Also some of the board members have been working in the office in order to keep MIGE moving forward. They are Steven Baumann (Founder/CEO), Aileen Carroll (Board of Directors/Chief Editor), and Alisha Johns (Chief Membership Officer). Everyone is welcome to stop by and take a look, just call first.

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EVENTS

Presently MIGE is holding a raffle to organize a field trip to Matthiessen State Park, Illinois in the Spring of 2010. The field trip will focus on the unique geology of the park and how understanding its unique geologic structure can better help us plan for the future of water and mineral extraction. Plus it is a great place to look at fossils. Tickets are \$2 a piece with cash and prizes. The drawing will be held on December 5th, 2009 at MIGE's headquarters. Anyone over 18 can enter the drawing.

We are also working on a workshop that focuses on earthquakes in the Midwest. We are partnering with Waubensee Community College (WCC) in Sugar Grove, Illinois. The workshop will be led by staff at WCC. Admission for the general public will be \$7.00 per person. When a date is set up it will be announced on MIGE's website.

On Saturday, October 17th 2009 9AM to 5PM, we will be taking part in the Renewable Energy Fair hosted by WCC. It is being held at the Sugar Grove Campus in Erickson Hall. Admission is free and we hope to see you there!

For more information call: **(630) 379-4835** or email steveb@migeweb.org

UPCOMING PUBLICATIONS

MIGE is currently working on several projects. The focus is mostly the understudied and misunderstood Upper Ordovician in Illinois and the resources that it contains. MIGE will also be working on correlating the geology of Illinois in the subsurface. A pressing need to understand the subsurface is key due to over use and contamination of mainly groundwater resources. The stratigraphy of Illinois' bedrock has not been updated since 1975.

A new publication has just come out that shows how drastically lithologies can change within glacial units. It focuses on a small excavation conducted in Worth, Illinois. It is called "*Drasic Lithologic Variation within Glacial Deposits*". It will be featured in our Winter 2009 publications catalog.

A detailed geologic map and map report will come out before year's end dealing with the geology of Matthiessen State Park. The map will be done in GIS and will be available in print or as a PDF file.

INTERNSHIPS

MIGE does have an internship program under development which will be in place no later than

November 2009. If you are a future paleontologist, biologist, geologist, or engineer and would like to get a head start please contact Steve as listed under events.

Internships may count towards college credits and work experience. We promise that your internship will be a relevant learning experience. We want to solidify your interest in sci-

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In order to qualify as an intern you must be 18 years or older, enrolled at a college or university (part or fulltime) and be a resident of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ontario, or Wisconsin.

The internship program is under review and will be finalized by the Board of Directors at the next Board Meeting which is scheduled for Monday the 16th of November, 2009.

WEBSITE

MIGE has a website at www.migeweb.org and is planning to expand it greatly in the next several months.

If you visit our website and have comments or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Normal MIGE hours are 9:30AM to 6PM, seven days a week.

PHOTOGRAPH of the QUARTER

Taken by: Steven Baumann on 9-9-2008

Location: Matthiessen State Park off the Main Entrance Road looking southwest



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