

The hosting Golden Spike club in Ogden has arranged for several Field Trips during the Federation Show dates to be led by our sister clubs in the Northern Utah area. Details of when & where to meet the leaders, and to sign up, will be available at the show entrance and posted on the Federation website as they become available.

- Friday, April 10: An all-day trip to Topaz Mountain near Delta Utah. The “Mineral Collectors of Utah” will guide folks for Topaz, Red Beryl, Garnet, & Bixbyite,
- Saturday, April 11: The Timpanogos club from Provo, Utah will lead a short trip to “Chicken Scratch” near Eureka, UT for yellow jasper.
- Saturday, April 11: The Beehive Club of Ogden is also going to Topaz Mountain, for Joy Agate, Topaz, Apache Tears (Obsidian) and maybe Trilobites.
- Sunday, April 12: The Cache club of Logan, Utah is going near Wendover, NV for very colorful Agate.
- Sunday, April 12: At 1:00 pm, Casey Allen, Director of the Eccles Dinosaur Park in Ogden, will guide a special tour of the Museum, Gem & Mineral collection, Paleontological Preparation Laboratory, and the Park grounds assemblage of life size Dino reproductions.

We also have lined up a series of outstanding speakers for talks during the show:

- Friday, April 10: At 1:00 pm, the ALAA meeting will be hearing from Casey Snider, Congressman’ Bishop’s expert on his Public Lands Initiative and other natural resource and public lands issues. Mr Bishop, our Representative for Northern Utah, is chairman of the powerful “Natural Resources Committee”. Casey is based in the Congressman’s DC office, but will be in Ogden that day.
- Saturday, April 11: At 10:30 am, Gary Warren, President of the Cache club will describe his adventures in updating and editing the latest version of the classic “Rock Hounding in Utah” guidebook.
- Saturday, April 11: At 1:00 pm and again at 3:00, Dr. Paul Bybee, Professor of Geology and Paleontology at Utah Valley University, will bring us up to date on the latest Dinosaur research.
- Saturday, April 11: During the evening Awards Banquet, Bob Jones, Contributing Editor of Rock And Gem Magazine will be describing his adventures in Mexico inside the deep cave containing Selenite crystals the size of telephone poles.

Dick Parks, Patty Amos, and the Mt. Hood club are again handling the Silent Auction. Please bring lots of good Northwest material, it will go like hot-cakes down here. We will have a good supply of fabulous Utah stuff to reciprocate! If sufficient high-value items of material and finished jewelry are donated, we will have a “Voice Called” auction at 2:00 Sunday afternoon. As always, nice items for Door Prizes will also be welcome.

Time is running out for registering for Committee lunches /breakfasts, the Banquet, Competitive and Non-Competitive exhibits. Forms are in past newsletters and the Website.

More details will follow in future Ogden-Grams. Questions? Contact Evan Day at 801-391-2912 or email to eday@sisna.com.