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Summary of the Chatham County Geological Field Trip of March 26, 2022

By Rick Kolb, P.G., Carolinas Chapter Field Trip Chair

Our chapter held its first field trip since 2019 on a perfect spring day for a hike, with temperatures in the 60's and plenty of sunshine. The White Plains Nature Preserve is owned by the Triangle Land Conservancy and comprises 275 acres in Chatham County, just off of US 15/501 at the confluence of the Rocky and Deep rivers (https://www.triangleland.org/explore/nature-preserves/white-pines-nature-preserve). In 2019, the North Carolina Geological Survey mapped a previously unknown portion of Triassic sediments surrounded by Carolina Terrane rock units in the preserve. Our field trip stops are planned to be part of the Carolina Geological Society's annual field trip in 2023. The guidebook for the field trip is on the AEG Carolinas website (http://aegcarolinas.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/WhitePines_OldQuarry_AEG-Carolina 2022 trip.pdf).

Our group of 15 started the field trip at 9:00 AM in the parking area for the preserve with the requisite doughnuts and coffee. Phil Bradley of the NCGS walked us through the field trip with a set of maps and cross sections. He provided an overview of the geologic history of this part of the Piedmont, which was probably helpful to those who hadn't gone to school in North Carolina.



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After this orientation, we took a 2-mile hike through well-maintained trails of the preserve as Phil explained the challenges of mapping in the Piedmont with few outcrops. The main rock types in the preserve are metamorphosed dacitic lavas and tuffs of the Hyco Formation of the Carolina Terrance, and 2) Triassic sedimentary rocks of the Sanford sub-basin of the Deep River Triassic Basin. We stopped to look at these occasional outcrops with an explanation by Phil, often referring back to maps coworker Emily Michael toted with her.

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The field trip turning point came at the confluence of the Rocky and Deep rivers, as shown behind Phil. David Grimley of the Illinois State Geological Survey has been working remotely from the Triangle during Covid times and gave us an overview of his research on Quaternary deposits in Chatham County while we looked over the rivers.

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From that low-elevation point, we walked back up to the parking lot for a short drive to our lunch break at the Carolina Brewery & Grill in Pittsboro, similar to what we had done on a past chapter field trip in Chatham County.



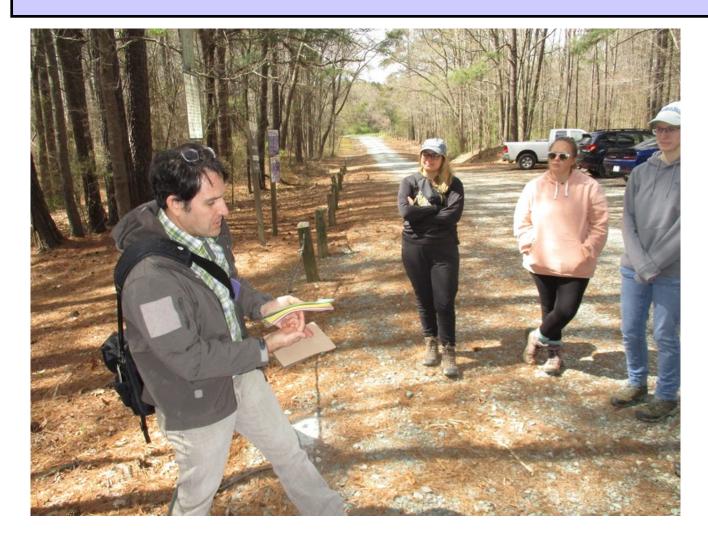
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Lunch was included in the fee for the field trip, and over lunch we further discussed the geology of the area. But equally important, we had time to spend catching up with fellow geologists that we'd not seen since pre-Covid times earlier in the Holocene epoch.

After lunch, Phil took us to an abandoned quarry on the western side of Jordan Lake, starting with an orientation and structural interpretation of the geology in the parking lot.

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We then took a short walk down to the lakefront to observe the outcrops of the andesitic to basaltic rocks of the Hyco Formation.

Summary of the Chatham County Geological Field Trip of March 26, 2022

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I think it was safe to say everyone had a good time on a perfect day for a field trip. Our next field trip with be in western North Carolina on Saturday, May 14, based in Hot Springs, North Carolina.





Hot Springs Field Trip Announcement



ASSOCIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL & ENGINEERING GEOLOGISTS Carolinas Chapter

Geological Field Trip to the Hot Springs Area Madison County, North Carolina Saturday, May 14, 2022 - 9:00 AM to ~5:00 PM

Field Trip Leader: Bart Cattanach North Carolina Geological Survey

<u>Details:</u> Four stops in the morning, lunch at The Grey Eagle Taqueria inside Big Pillow Brewing, and two or three stops in the afternoon along the French Broad River in Hot Springs (i.e., walk from the brewery), followed by refreshments at the brewery.

<u>Location:</u> Starts and ends in the parking lot at Big Pillow Brewing, 25 Andrews Avenue North in Hot Springs



<u>Field Trip Description:</u> The trip will begin in Mesoproterozoic granitic rocks and travel "upsection" into Neoproterozoic rift and Paleozoic drift-related meta-sedimentary rocks. We will observe excellent examples of ductile and brittle faulting and discuss the complex geology of the Hot Springs window. A highlight of the trip will be a geologic hike to the top of Max Patch Mountain with expansive views of the Blue Ridge and Valley and Ridge physiographic provinces. The field trip will organize and end in Hot Springs, which is known for its thermal

Hot Springs Field Trip Announcement

springs that are unique in the mountains of North Carolina.

Cost: \$50 for AEG members and teachers; \$60 for non-members, \$25 for student members of AEG. Fee includes two beer tickets for Big Pillow. Bring your own lunch or order it from the Taqueria - https://greveagletaqueria.com/. We'll have lunch on the patio.

Registration: Go to www.aegcarolinas.org/news. Reservation deadline: 5:00 PM, Thursday, May 12, 2022. Field trip is limited to 20 participants. Due to the lack of parking places at the outcrops along the road, we will car pool with up to five to a car for a total of 20 people. Bring your four-door car. You can leave your car not being used in the Big Pillow parking lot.

<u>Field Trip Waiver:</u> When you register for the field trip, please sign/date and return field trip waiver to Rick Kolb at <u>rick.kolb1@gmail</u> or bring it with you to the field trip.

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AEG Carolinas Chapter Updated 1Q 2022 Treasurer's Report

By Walt Plekan, P.G., Carolinas Chapter Treasurer

AEG Carolinas Section Treasurer's Report January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022



BALANCE As	Of January 1, 2022		
Checking	Account	\$	3,062.07
Savings A	Account	\$	20,618.50
			\$23,680.57
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	Jan moved to Mar Meeting		\$755.00
	Feb Meeting		\$600.00
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Misc Interest	Card Reader setup	\$1.00
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SUBTOTAL - INCOME	\$1,576.50
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EXPENSES		
Fees	Paypal fees	\$60.33
	Card reader fees	\$7.40

Meeting Expenses	
Janaury Meeting	\$986.13
February Meeting	\$600.00

Additional Expenses	
Mail Chimp -email service	\$66.99
Web Domain	\$190.68
National Meeting Sponsorship	\$500.00

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Carolina Board Meeting Minutes 2-8-2022 from 4pm to 5pm—Conference Call By Jonathan Gerst—Carolinas Chapter Secretary

1. Call to Order: 16:04

2. Roll Call: Rich, Paul, Walt, Jacob, Brad, Susan, Rick, Jenn

3. Carolinas Chapter Finances - Walt

a. Review of current chapter finances (will update on call:

Savings: \$20,618.67 Checking: \$2,850.40 PayPal: \$405.25 Total: \$23,500.00

Down from this time last year—2020 35k, 2021 24.3k, 2022 23.5k—~1k down

No sponsors for 2022 so far – Jacob suggested every board member to contact 2 potential sponsors by end of Month – Jacob- Colliers and geotech drillers and some guy at ECS may want to cochair with Eric

Titanium – limit to 2 was original, giant ad and keeps prestigious

Rick - ~7-8k a year in sponsors goal

- 4. Leadership Positions Need to start finding next generation of leaders
- Maybe set out definitions/roles/responsibilities for different board positions
- Check with CSC
- 5. Chapter Meetings
- a. January Charlotte Rescheduled to March 17th, Jonathan organizer- all good, may need beer sponsor (was talking to Waypoint Analytical), try to get a 2nd Access list of prepays? Walt gets PayPal emails, need to figure out how to get more folks access to PayPal info likely January Charlotte – finalize date/#, Gerst reserving, Rick Wooten speaking

- 75 people, January 20th targeted
- a. February Charleston Richard Anthony organizer,
 for Jacob figure out credit payment system info on drive
 Walt figuring out Venmo as additional payment system. Rick will bring receipts/pdh records.
- b. April Raleigh needs to be early April, 14th may be best (stupid finals), Maddie German President presentation, Rick W. will do presentations during day at UNC-CH and NCSU, interest at ECU/UNC-W on Friday and Wake tech Brad Worley will help Rick.
- c. Greenville? Summer meeting R.W. interested in speaking at USC Upstate and maybe Furman, could do Greenville meeting that night? Need new speaker for environmental, probably get idea from Scott Brame, groundwater symposium in May can be inspiration JG interested in making this happen, has venues and costs already sourced. How late in summer? reach out Scott Brame, Susan knows how to spell it, can get students there, Jacob to help lead charge on this. Try to get more environmental topic, Scott guy has major lists of environmental professionals to get larger audience

Paul – Bridget Doyle from USC-Upstate longstanding member and could generate lots of attendance, Paul knows well, cochair for AVL National Meeting

- 6. Carolinas Scholarship Paul
 - a. Need to send email blast to distribution: Cutoff was 1st, waiting from Foundation for application number and list, Rick says to expect slew of applicants

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- GeoNews Adam Phillips, GeoNews is going again, should be another in March
 Jacob to reach out to Adam to check in on this, and Jacob needs to write a message from the chair
- 8. Visiting Professionals Brad email blast has gone out, responses coming in prior to Christmas and after NYE, ECU date towards Feb 24th, backpedaled on in-person (done via video conferencing), and setting new schedule, Nick was requested by prof Adriana, going to visit new schools, Vtech April 12th Madeleine Schreiber contact, same backpedaling a bit, still needs people, March 29th probably going to USC, Brad interested in talking on this one. Gretchen at Wake Tech interested but may wait, Chappel Hill April 5th but up in air, NCSU still waiting to figure out date, April 22 App State
 - Brad is looking for enviro geo to attend any of these, especially alumni, if anyone knows these types of folks let Brad know – apparently JG is one of these type of folks, for App State and Vtech.

Jacob – check with Kevin and MMA for mining at Vtech

Skip Watts – Radford, maybe bring these?

- Social Activities/Media Adam, does want to do more brewpub specials, likely Triad to start
- 10. Email/Communications using the one we paid for and godaddy distribution system, requirement to request access to Brad Isles JG has previously sent guidance document for how-to

- 11. CE opportunities Jacob send out to chapter AEG Geohazard online symposium, cheap 12 hrs, Jacob resend out, maybe to whole folks, cause cheap as hell Phil Bradly field trip in March or April, one from last year that was attempted Hydrosymposium doing hikes, March 31st ASCE GeoCongress March 20-23rd, Charlotte Highway Geology Symposium sometimes May in AVL
- 12. National meeting –Sponsor email sent by JH to Heather on 2-8, attendees (likely Rick, Paul, Jonathan, maybe Jacob)



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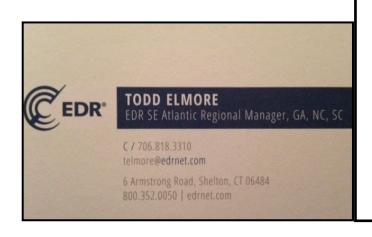
Principal David Hanley has worked in the environmental consulting industry in the Carolinas for more than a decade. He founded Hanley Environmental with a vision of providing exceptional, personalized service and intelligent solutions. The firm's mission is to provide unmatched value to both its clients and employees.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2022

Geological Events in the Carolinas

Courtesy of AEG Carolinas Chapter—www.aegcarolinas.org. Last updated April 1, 2022. Send updates/corrections to Rick Kolb, rick.kolb1@gmail.com

Meeting Date, Time, and Location are Subject to Change—Please Verify Prior to the Meeting

Date: Thursday, May 5, 2022 (chapter meets the

first Thursday of each month)

Event: Engineers Without Borders chapter meeting,

Research Triangle Park Professional Chapter

<u>Time</u>: 12:00 noon <u>Location</u>: Zoom meeting

Details/Registration: register via: meetup.com/EWB-

USA-RTP-Chapter/events/cbwwcsydccbjb/

Date: Saturday, May 14, 2022

Event: Geology field trip in the Hot Springs area of

western North Carolina

<u>Location</u>: Starts and ends Big Pillow Brewing in Hot

Springs

<u>Cost</u>: \$50 for AEG members and teachers, \$60 for

non-members, \$25 for students

<u>Details</u>: The trip will begin in Mesoproterozoic granitic rocks and travel "up-section" into Neoproterozoic rift and Paleozoic drift-related meta-sedimentary rocks. We will observe excellent examples of ductile and brittle faulting and discuss the complex geology of the Hot Springs window. A highlight of the trip will be a geologic hike to the top of Max Patch Mountain with expansive views of the Blue Ridge and Valley and Ridge physiographic provinces. The field trip will organize and end in Hot Springs, which is known for its thermal springs that are unique in the mountains of North Carolina.

CE credits: 6 hours

Registration: Go to www.aegcarolinas.org

Date: May 23-25, 2022

<u>Event</u>: 71st Annual Highway Geology Symposium <u>Location</u>: Renaissance Hotel; Asheville, North Caroli-

na

<u>Contact</u>: www.highwaygeologysymposium.org

Date: June 26-29, 2022

Event: 56th U.S. Rock Mechanics/Geomechanics

Symposium

Location: Santa Fe Community Convention Center;

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Details: https://www.armarocks.org/santa-fe-2022-

symposium/

Date: September 12-17, 2022

Event: AEG 's 65th Annual Meeting – "Geology in the

Wild"

Location: Planet Hollywood Las Vegas Resort & Casino;

Las Vegas, Nevada

Contact: www.aegannualmeeting.org

Date: September 19-24, 2023

Event: AEG 66th Annual Meeting – "Hazards in Hind-

sight...Lessons for the Future"

Location: Marriott Portland Downtown Waterfront;

Portland, Oregon

Contact: https://www.aegannualmeeting.org/future-

aeg-meetings

Date: Friday, October 7, 2022 Event: ASBOG FG and PG Exams

Location: McKimmon Center; Raleigh, NC

Contact: www.ncblg.org

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The Carolinas Chapter of AEG supports many of its activities with financial assistance provided by our sponsors. Our activities include quarterly meetings, periodic field trips and seminars, a quarterly newsletter, and email announcements about our meetings and geoscience related activities. In addition, we donate large quantities of educational resources to science teachers.

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Our sponsors provide the financial support that allows us to have reasonably priced dinner meetings, host seminars, provide discounted dinner meeting costs for students and teachers, underwrite the cost of newsletters and our web site, provide geosciencementors for students and young professionals, and support science education tools to our teachers and in our schools. All costs listed below are per year and end in December. New sponsorships received after October will continue to December of the following year.

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