

# "Identify it Day"

Sunday October 26, 2014 (1-4PM)

Beneski Museum of Natural History – Amherst College  
Bring your Fossil in...



**QUESTION...**Have you ever wondered about a fossil you've found?

**WHAT TO DO...**Bring your treasure with you to **Identify It Day 10/26**. The event is set to run from 1-4PM. Scientists and experts associated with Amherst College are on hand to look at and identify natural objects (fossils, bones, rocks, etc.)

**WHO SHOULD COME...**People of all ages are invited to bring natural objects — such as fossils, rocks, minerals and bones to "Identify it Day" at the Beneski Museum.

**WHO WILL BE THERE...**Experts in paleontology and geology will help visitors understand what each object is, how it was formed and about how old it is. The stories that emerge are often surprising.

**WHAT TO EXPECT...**The museum will have on hand examples of common local fossils, rocks and animal bones for visitors to examine and compare with their finds.

Peter Crowley, geology professor notes,

*"The history of the Earth is long and interesting, so there is a good story behind everything that you find. If you tell us the story about how and where you found it, we can complete the story and tell you what it is and how it formed. It is fun and exciting because you never know what people are going to bring in"*

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The event is Free and open to the public.

Questions should be directed to Fred Venne  
Education Office 542-5054.

*Directions and Parking – Take Rt 9 heading east from Hadley. As you pass the center of Amherst on Rt 9 you will see a purple and white train overpass just after it you will find on the right, Hills Parking Lot. The museum is a 5 minute walk from the parking area.*

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<http://www.amherst.edu/museums/naturalhistory>

*"This is not a school sponsored event"*