

# BENESKI MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AMHERST COLLEGE



## “Identify it Day”

# You're invited!

Sunday October 28 (1-4PM) ~Visits are Always FREE

*Bring your Fossil in...*

Is there a mysterious fossil that you found while backpacking, or a picture of the bizarre bird in your backyard? Bring in your fossils, seashells, rocks, meteorites, feathers, leaves, or photographs of mammals, birds, reptiles, fish, flowers, and insects to the Museum. Scientists will attempt to identify your discoveries while showing you some specimens from the Beneski's greater collections. Stop by, with or without mystery objects, to see (and touch) the scientific specimens out on display. Items identified in previous years have included a whale vertebra, dinosaur footprint, a mammoth tusk, the hip of a very large pig, an amazing man-made slag crystal, an ancient arrowhead from the Connecticut River Valley and some wonderful seashells.

***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"*

### OUR LOCATION....

11 Barrett Hill Drive  
Amherst, MA 01002

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

Question: Fred Venne (413)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 before it you will find on the left, Dickinon Street and O'Connell Parking Lot open to the public on weekends. The museum is a 5 minute walk from the parking area.*