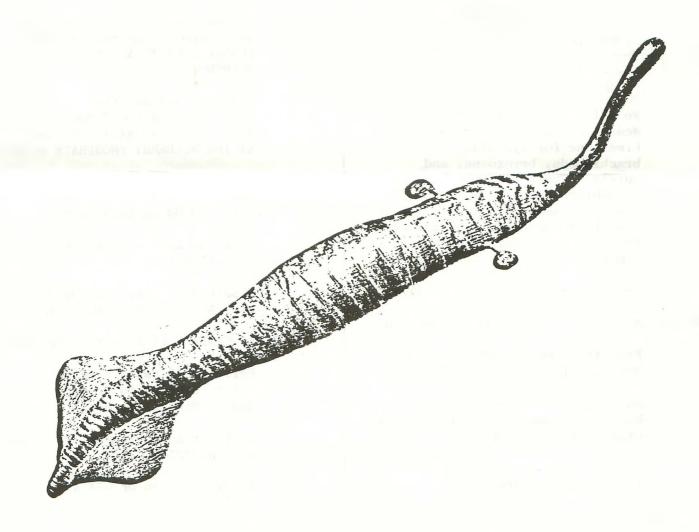


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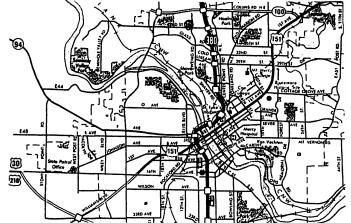


TULLYMONSTRUM gregarium

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

# 27 MAY MAPS FIELD TRIP TO PALO, IA

MEET AT 10:00 IN CEDAR RAPIDS AT KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL PARKING LOT (4343 WENIG RD., N.E.) AT THE CORNER OF 42ND ST. N.E. AND WENIG ROAD, NEAR THE STOP LIGHT.



We will be hunting in the Rapid Member of the Cedar Valley Limestone for cystoids, brachiopods, bryozoans, and corals. There also may be a few trilobites and crinoid cups. The quarry is about a 1/4 mile level hike from the road. You may want to bring a hand pick and a sack lunch.

Host: Marv Houg 319-395-0577

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MEET AT 10:00 AT THE KING LEAR MOTEL NORTH OF TOWN ON HWY. 63.

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MAPS meeting 2:30 Saturday.

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6 NOV ANNUAL MEETING OF GSA AT ST. LOUIS, MO.

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Paleontological Society sponsored Short Course on Dinosaurs on Sun., Nov. 5. No registration fee for the course; book fee usually about \$12.50.

## ABOUT THE COVER

This month's cover illustration from "Bulletin Field Museum of Natural History" is of a model of the Tully Monster and was sent by Jim and Sylvia Konecny, Prescott, AZ. They write: "For many years this lifesized plaster model of Tullimonstrum gregarium adorned Eugene S. Richardson,

Jr.'s desk at the Field Museum in Chicago. It was constructed by Dr. Tibor Perenyi and is approximately 12" long."

See story about the naming of the Tully Monster on pp. 3-4.

## EXPO XI -- MAMMALS

EXPO XI was another huge show with people in attendance from at least 27 states, Germany, Italy, and Canada. We had more tables rented this year than ever before, lots of terrific exhibits, and of course lots of cameraderie.

Pete Larson, from the Black Hills Institute, South Dakota, spoke after the show Friday night about his experiences recovering fossil whales in Peru. He has an article on the topic in the EXPO Digest.

afternoon featured a premier Saturday showing of a fossil film aimed at school children and produced by MAPS member Ron Meyer. Boulder. Colorado. Saturday evening, plaques were presented to Karl Stuckerjuergen, immediate past president. and Tom & Peggy Walsh, recipients of this year's Don Good award. Immediately following the awards presentations was an evening of fun at the live auction, with Denny Kingery and Jim Konecny presiding as alternating auctioneers. We were entertained with some high (and low) stakes bidding wars both among adults and among children.

Again this year Tony Verdi convinced the Post Office to offer a commemorative postal cancel at the show. We mailed the EXPO Digests from the show so those of you who were unable to attend received the special cancel on your envelopes. Gary Lane had a table at the show with publications from the Paleontological Society, and anyone who was interested was able to enroll in the Society.

We saw lots of old friends and made many new ones. EXPO is not only a time to buy, sell, and/or trade fossils; it's also a time to share good times with a lot of interesting people. Hope you can make it next year!

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## THE NAMING OF THE TULLY MONSTER

by Jim & Sylvia Konecny 3036 Geronimo Road, Prescott, AZ



We have heard many queries concerning the naming of the Tully monster. Having been present at the time the Tully monster received its name we feel qualified to comment on this subject.

There are no doubt some readers unfamiliar with this strange beastie: therefore. we short description. It has an 8. proboscis elephant-like that terminates with a toothed claw. The eyes are somewhat There are diamond shaped. no other Some specimens show apparent appendages. segmentation; however, it is unclear whether these are actual segments or merely folds. wrinkles or See accompanying illustrations.\*

the original description, 1 plus a subsequent paper, 2 it was placed in Phylum: Class: indeterminate. indeterminate However, since then one author has placed it in Phylum: Mollusca--Class: Gastropoda, determining that it is a shell-less planktic gastropod.3 We personally have not heard on of anyone else agreeing with that assessment. There are numerous other unpublished speculations. However, the Tully monster still remains an enigma. Its range is very restricted, having been found onlv ironstone concretions of the Francis Creek Shale Member of Carbondale Formation, and it appears in only three locations--Pit 11 near Essex, Chowder Flats at Morris, and Sunspot Mine near Astoria. All are in Illinois. The most notable is Pit 11.

In the late 1950's and early 1960's members of the Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois (ESCONI) as well as other amateur collectors made frequent trips to the Field Museum of Natural History (Chicago) to have George Langford, Curator of Fossil Plants, help in identifying specimens that were found in the Mazon Creek Area. Among these

collectors was a gentleman named Francis However, instead of the usual plant material, he was bringing in various forms of animal life from a secret location in the strip mine hills. Among the shrips, WOFES. etc., was a strange-looking creature. This unusual animal aroused the curiousity of Dr. Eugene S. Richardson. Jr., Curator of Invertebrate Fossils, whose office adjoined George Langford's. Francis Tully was requested to bring more specimens study, to which he obliged. Dr. Richardson showed the specimens to many of his colleagues, none of whom was able to identify this unique animal.

On one of our visits to the Field Museum to retrieve a loaned specimen from Dr. Richardson, he inquired if we had seen any of these strange creatures. Since we had not, he offered to show us some specimens that were laid out on a table in George Langford's office. While we were viewing the specimens, Dr. Rainer Zangerl, Geology Department Head, walked into the office in Richardson. search of Dr. Seeing us viewing the specimens he exclaimed, "Are those some more of Tully's monsters?" The name stuck and Richardson utilized it to the fullest. After all, the thought of monsters evokes much attention. In naming this creature, Dr. Richardson wanted to retain the name Tully monster; therefore, he Latinized it, calling it Tullimonstrum gregarium -- gregarium meaning common. This Richardson's wav of chiding his colleagues that this rare, unusual fossil is plentiful in his own back yard.4

Subsequently it was determined that Mr. Tully's location was a private club adjacent to Peabody Coal Company's Pit 11. Since the spoil heaps of these two locations were contiguous and Pit 11 was open to collectors, the monster search began.

(Right) This middle Pennsylvanian underwater scene of Pit 11 shows Tully monsters along with shrimps, fish, and jellyfish. It was drawn by Eugene S. Richardson, Jr.



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# FOSSIL HUNTING IN THE JUDITH RIVER FORMATION ALONG THE UPPER MISSOURI RIVER by G.L. "Buckie" Damone, R.R. 1, Box 1702, Lewistown, MT 59457

I stared at the ground intently. I was on my hands and knees looking as closely as I could for any bit of fossil material. The cold December wind cut through my heavy winter Army jacket. Dust swirled up into my eyes, making it hard for me to focus I just had to find one more good fossil before nightfall. Then, suddenly, it was in front of me, a small yellowish When I blinked to make sure that it was really there, the dust in my eyes felt like shards of glass. I moved my freezing hand toward the tooth and painfully picked up with aching fingers. I closely examined the tooth and saw it was a premaxillary tooth of an Albertosaurus. I as I dropped it into my small smiled collection box.

usually collect fossils in do not December, but there was no snow cover then, and I had fossil fever, which is common for I had not discovered the area until late August and returned to it just about weekend until that last December day. When I speak of "the area," I mean a ranch of several square miles, north of Winifred, Montana. The main formation on the ranch is the Judith River Formation, which was a late Cretaceous (72 million years old) estuary environment. Dinosaur other fossils are abundant in the There is also on the ranch formation. Shale, (80 million years old), Clagget which was an ancient ocean bed. I have found some small sharks' teeth in this Judith River Formation The formation. interests me the most though.

There are many types of fossils from the River Formation. Judith The dinosaur interesting ne are the to fossils. The most abundant are teeth. The bones from the formation are very poorly are often broken beyond preserved and recognition. Almost every specimen was by water before being fossilized, The teeth, though, are enough to also. keep me happy. Most of the teeth are from duck-billed and horned dinosaurs. The two types are both usually fragmentary and hard to tell apart. I have found some nice, fairly complete teeth, though. My friend and collecting partner, Peter Pratt, found best hadrosaur teeth of the short season.

The next most abundant type of dinsaur teeth are from armored dinosaurs. Peter and I apply the generic name of Ankylosaur to these teeth, even though they are probably not that species. They are small and black, which makes them hard to find.

Another kind of tooth is from carnivorous dinosaur, most probably Albertosaurus. Three of the teeth I found exceed 1 1/2 inches. My largest measures about 2 3/4 inches. This is fairly rare the formation. Peter had a good discovery, also, when he found a tooth that we assume to be from one of the bone-headed dinosaurs. Stegaceras. I also found a tooth that was different than any others we found. I believe it is a Hypsilophodontid tooth.

Peter and I have also found various fragments of identifiable bones. We both have found pieces of hadrosaur jaws. I found hadrosaur vertebrae and neural spines from these vertebrae. Peter found a birdminic dinosaur's claw and the two finger bones behind it.

There are many non-dinosaur fossils in the Judith River Formation, also. Crocodile fossils are common. I have found teeth, bone fragments and scutes (bony armor) from these animals. The teeth do not usually exceed 1/2 inch because the animals were, on the average, probably eight feet long. Vertebrae from large extinct lizards named very common in the Champsosaurus are I also found several other formation. fragmentary this bones from type of animal. Gar fish scales are very abundant the formation. Fragments of turtle shell are often as numerous as the gar scales. It is hard to find a complete shell, but some have been found. Sharks' teeth are also in the formation, but I have only found two in it to date. There are also Pleisiosaur bones, which I have not yet found in the formation.

The area mentioned above is along the Missouri River and is mostly badlands. These badlands are very steep and tall, sometimes reaching 600 feet in height. The ruggedness of the area makes fossil collecting difficult physically, but the (CONTINUED ON P. 8)

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Major interest Pleistocene mammal material and any other interesting vertebrate fossils. Has for trade many types of sharks' teeth. Member of Myrtle Beach Fossil Club, SC. Heard about MAPS from Vance Macullum.

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Former member.

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Student. Will trade. Major interest all arthropods, all vertebrates, esp. fishes, reptiles, amphibians. Has for trade Phareodus specimen, Carcharodon Megalodon teth, a few trilobites, Wants to expand collection and knowledge of the long distant past.

Student (Geology). Will trade. Major interest Paleozoic fishes & amphibians. Has for trade fish, trilobites, crinoids. Member of the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology. Is interested in shows and meeting new people.

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JUDITH RIVER (cont. from p. 5) large eroded areas let very much material The places that Peter and I be exposed. found produce the most fossils are what we A terrace is just a narrow call terraces. flattened area along a steep slope. The fossils from above the terrace wash down and get caught on the terrace. Terraces are not usually easy to get to. A fossil collector needs to either be brave or know little about mountain climbing to climb down to the right level that a terrace is In the really steep areas it is usually impossible to climb up to a likely so the collector almost spot. always has to descend from above to the terrace. The Judith River Formation is made mostly of loose freshwater shale that provides little traction. For this reason one must be sure of his footing. Common sense, though, is the best policy. Many times I have not used common sense and almost slid and fell many hundred feet. The Judith River Formation is not all as steep as I have described above. There are many miles of gentle hills that are eroded, but they do not expose as many fossils as the steep badlands do.

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