

Field trip Report National Limestone Quarry by Joe Davis



On August 6th, 2022 five members went to Mount Pleasant Mills, PA to the National Limestone Quarry. The members were Harry and Tina, Paula and Joe and Bernie. Eric the quarry owner advised that they did a recent “shot” and there were reports of “amazing” calcite crystals. Excited by the reports, we decided to brave the four hour drive even though we had recently been to the quarry. The temperature was hot and humid. We were expecting to get rained on so the beautiful blue skies were welcomed. The rock club from Lancaster had been there the day before. They did a wonderful job of picking up the large calcite crystals from the quarry floor. We collected some calcite crystals ourselves.



After everyone was satisfied with our finds, we decided to go to the wavellite pit. There were small samples everywhere and I eventually found one that wanted to go home with me.

What goes good with a hot day in the beautiful sunshine? ICE CREAM We supported the local economy by going to the corner ice cream stand where Bernie treated us to some awesome ice cream. I had a peach milk shake that was so thick with chunks of peach that I had to eat it with a spoon. Thank you Bernie!

What is next? Maybe a trip to the Point of Rocks Creamery for a comparison test.