

DOZENS OF FOSSIL DISPLAYS



Including but not limited to...

- The Femur of a Apatosaurus (5 1/2 feet tall) *Pictured
- Scapula of a Supersaurus (8 feet long x 3 feet wide)
- Spinosaurus Skull (Nearly 6 feet long x 3 feet tall) *Pictured
- Vertebra of an Ultrasaurus
- And The Pterodactyls Rulers of the sky



INTERACTIVE DISPLAYS

Build free standing 6 foot 3-D puzzles of prehistoric beasts.

NEW PUZZLES FOR 2017



PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

IMPRESS YOUR FRIENDS!

Get your photo taken standing in the jaws of a massive T-Rex skull, and next to an impressive 18 foot replica of a Great White Shark, the closest living relative of the prehistoric Megalodon and Mako sharks.



JOIN US ON A TIMELINE WALK THROUGH OUR FIRST BILLION YEARS!

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

To make arrangements for your school class trip, youth groups, clubs, senior citizen visits etc.

Contact us by email

mbook@harrisoncountywv.com

Thank You!

This exhibit would not be possible without the help and expertise provided by E. Ray and Mary Ellen Garton of Prehistoric Planet.

THIS SPECIAL EVENT IS OFFERED IN COOPERATION WITH THE HARRISON COUNTY COMMISSION "YOUR VITAL SERVICES LEVY AT WORK"

JANUARY 30 TO APRIL 2

PUBLIC EXHIBIT HOURS

(UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED)

MONDAY	CLOSED		
TUESDAY	CLOSED		
WEDNESDAY	CLOSED		
THURSDAY	4:00PM	TO	8:00PM
FRIDAY	4:00PM	TO	8:00PM
SATURDAY	NOON	TO	6:00PM
SUNDAY	NOON	TO	6:00PM

GROUP VISITS BY APPOINTMENT



FRIDAYS

NO VACANCY • NO VACANCY

SLEEPING DINOSAURS

AGES 6-13

BY RESERVATION ONLY

FULLY BOOKED



SATURDAYS

2/11 through 4/1

"KIDS QUARRY"

2:00pm • 3:00pm • 4:00pm

Little ones dig for authentic "Ice Age" bones, enter drawings to win real bones and make their own dinosaur tracks.

SUNDAYS 2/5 through 3/26



MEET A PALEONTOLOGIST

Ray Garton & Zack Heck

will be on site to answer questions.

Bring your own fossils to have them examined!

WALKING WITH DINOSAURS



RETURNS 2017

to

HARRISON COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMPLEX

WHY TRAVEL to Pittsburgh?

The MUST-SEE Museum Quality Exhibit of Authentic Fossils and Cast Skeletons RETURNS to North Central West Virginia.

HARRISON COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION
presents

DINOSAURS IN THE PARK A Walk Through Time

Visitors will be dwarfed by **STEGODON**. 13 foot high at the shoulder, 26 feet long (not including the 10 ft long tusks.)

This ancestor to the elephant and mammoth dates back to 10 million years, but may have persisted as recently as 15,000 years ago.



Our juvenile **TARBOSAURUS** skeleton is 26 feet long and 9 feet tall.

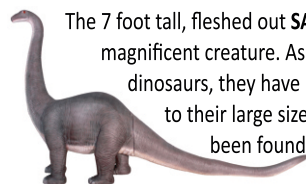
This Asian cousin to T-Rex is a BiPedal Predator weighing up to 6 tons and lived in the late Cretaceous Period 71 million years ago.

The famous skull of the largest, most complete, **T-Rex** fossil in the world, known simply as "**SUE**". We don't know if "Sue" was a male or female so she bears the name of the fossil hunter who discovered the skeleton - Sue Hendrichson.



Our **TRICERATOPS** skull is an impressive 6.5 feet in length. Triceratops was a frilled dinosaur from the late cretaceous period. When you view this skull, consider that only the inner core of the horns are preserved as fossils. In life they would have been sheathed in a hard shiny horn.

Take note of this while marveling at the fleshed out Triceratops, a truly extraordinary beast. Believe it or not, this creature was a plant eater.



The 7 foot tall, fleshed out **SAUROPOD** will give visitors a look at this magnificent creature. As one of the most recognizable groups of dinosaurs, they have become a fixture in popular culture due to their large sizes. Fossilized remains of Sauropods have been found on every continent, but complete fossil finds are rare.

65 feet!
Tip to tail



The **MOSASAUR** ruled the seas during the Late Cretaceous era and was the predatory equivalent of the T-Rex. Our 65 ft replica of this marine reptile is sure to impress.

The **VELOCIRAPTOR** is one of the smallest Raptors (Jurassic Park movies actually featured the larger Utahraptor). However he was no less fierce being one of the most sensational predators known to science.



PREHISTORIC WEST VIRGINIA

Our exhibit wouldn't be complete without bringing attention to the pre-historic period and the discovery of fossils in our own home state.



In 2008, the state legislature passed a resolution declaring the **GIANT GROUND SLOTH** *Megalonyx jeffersonii* the official state fossil of West Virginia. This Ice Age mammal that was discovered in a Monroe County mine in 1797, is distantly related to the present day Ground Sloth and is the largest known species of Megalonyx. Our full size skeleton is over 8 feet tall.

This fierce predator is the **SMILODON**, the largest of the Sabre Tooth Cats. Probably one of the most famous prehistoric mammals. The Smilodon was a bit smaller than the modern day lion, but heavier. Its front legs were especially powerful. With a body adapted for springing onto prey, it was not a very fast runner.



No dinosaur fossils have been found in the State because the sedimentary rocks in West Virginia are too old. We do have fossils of large prehistoric amphibians and reptiles that preceded the dinosaurs such as the **DIMETRODON**. This sail-backed, reptile like synapsid went extinct 40 million years before the first dinosaurs appeared.

LOCAL MAP



From I-79

Take exit #119 onto Rt. 50 West towards Clarksburg, travel 2.0 miles. Take exit ramp to Joyce Street turn left at stop light onto WV Rt. 20, continue on Rt. 20 and bear right onto Rt. 98 toward VA Medical Center. At intersection of Rt 19 turn left. After passing Rosebud shopping center, drive 8/10 of a mile. Harrison County Parks and Recreation Complex will be on your left.

From US Rt 50

Look for signs for jct 98 to US Rte 19 towards VA Medical Center. At light near mile marker 750 turn onto 98 East. In .04 miles take your first left to continue following 98 East. Follow for 2.4 miles to intersection of Rt. 19 (Milford St.) Turn right at light and follow Rt. 19 South for 1.2 miles. Harrison County Parks and Recreation Complex will be on your left.

For a map of these directions visit <http://www.hcparks.org/contact.aspx>
We can also be found by using google maps. <https://www.google.com/maps/>

Please note GPS will not lead you to Harrison County Parks & Recreation Complex.
If you must use GPS, enter "Sunny Croft Golf Course" we are directly across the road.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
<http://www.hcparks.org>
OR CALL 304-423-7800

OFFICE HOURS MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30AM - 4:30PM