

Design Science Association

July 2021 Newsletter

Morning meeting
9:00am on the
third Saturday,
July 17th, 2021

*For thus says the Lord, who created the heavens (He is the God who formed the earth and made it, He established it and did not create it a waste place, but formed it to be inhabited),
"I am the Lord, and there is none else."
Isaiah 45:18*

Before God Created Humans He First Had to Create an Entire Universe

Join DSA on Saturday July 17 9:00 AM
at Greater Portland Bible Church
with **Dr. Jerry Bergman***

The whole Universe had to be designed around human requirements. Research now shows we live in a very special place just as the ancients taught. Did you know Jupiter and the other planets are necessary for life on the earth? So is the moon, the tilt of the earth relative to its orbit around the sun, and lightning as well as the design, location, size and position of the earth in the solar system. Also, our position in the galaxy and the design of our galaxy as well as the design of the local group, our galaxy's home. The Universe clearly was made for us!



*Dr. Jerry Bergman is a multi-award winning teacher and author. He has taught biology, biochemistry, anatomy and genetics, psychology and other courses for over 40 years at the University of Toledo Medical College, Bowling Green State University, and other colleges. His 9 degrees include a Doctorate from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. The 1,026 college credit hours he has earned is the equivalent to almost 20 master's degrees. Bergman fits in the website The 10 Most Educated People on the Planet ahead of several others, and in the science area is number one. He thus appears to be one of the most formally educated persons in the world.

His over 1,600 publications are in both scholarly and popular science journals. Dr. Bergman's work has been translated into 13 languages including French, German, Italian, Spanish, Danish, Polish, Czech, Chinese, Arabic and Swedish. His books, and books that include chapters that he authored, are in over 1,600 college libraries in 34 countries. So far over 80,000 copies of the 50 books and monographs that he has authored or co-authored are in print.

Bergman has spoken over 2,000 times to college, university and church groups in America, Canada, Europe, the south Sea Islands, and Africa. His past experience includes speaker and researcher for The Institute for Creation Research.

Along with our meeting being in person it will also be live-streamed to our DSA YouTube channel.

Connect to watch from either:

- 1) www.designsciencenw.org/livestream
- 2) a link on the DSA Homepage at www.designsciencenw.org



Technical difficulties delayed the live-streaming of our meeting last month but the full recording of **Michael Oard's** talk on **Rapid Cave Formation** is now on the DSA YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2SEENRNZvCI&t>



DSA and Creation Encounter members have started a special research project to collect rock and wood samples from locations in the Columbia River Gorge and have them tested for radiometric dating. The project is titled “**Geochronology and Radiometric Geology Evaluation** project” or **Gorge Project** for short. This is a very exciting project with

potentially far-reaching implications and we will be hearing more of it! The first video describing the collection of materials is on YouTube at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z_BLEcVcc8U

See info on the next page if you wish to contribute towards the cost of this research.



Stan A. shared with us at the June meeting about a **Russian scientist/geologist** who supports the Biblical view on creation. **Dr. Alex** is traveling to the NW USA this summer to explore Mt. St. Helens and Missoula Flood geology. The video footage, photos, Rick Thompson's book translated into Russian as well as other information that Dr. Alex takes home will help local creation research there in Russia. If you wish to contribute towards the cost of Dr. Alex's travel then see information on the next page. Thank you to those who contributed \$380 in June, which amount DSA is matching.



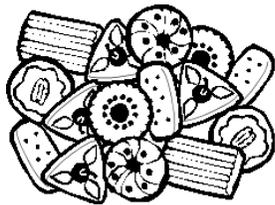
The **Oregon State Fair "creation booth"** has had full moral support of DSA but no financial support towards the rent of the booth or the cost of materials. Literally hundreds of dollars worth of great material is given away each summer. Books, DVD's and other material all glorify God, show that evolution did NOT happen and most importantly share the gospel message.

If you would like to contribute anything towards the cost of this booth, you may do so through DSA and your donation will be tax-deductible. See information on the next page. A video is at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dopztjdQogM>

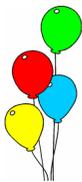
To support any of the exciting projects above, you may mail a check payable to "DSA" and enclose a note indicating which project you wish to support to:
PMB 218
465 NE 181st Ave.
Portland, OR 97230

Or online at www.designsciencenw.org/support/ you may pay with a credit card. You may then leave a message indicating which project by clicking on the pencil icon in this option:  **Add special instructions to the seller**

The DSA **Annual Meeting of the Membership** will be held on Saturday **July 17 at 11:30AM** at Greater Portland Bible Church following our regular monthly meeting. This meeting is called for by the By-laws and is open to all voting members that are in good standing. One item of business is the election of a new Board Secretary. We are very thankful to **Lian Jewell** for filling that role!

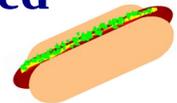


Please feel free to bring some of your favorite cookies or snacks to the meeting for sharing. Thank you.



State Fair Creation Booth Volunteers Needed

Extensive scientific knowledge is NOT needed to help at the Aug. 27 - Sept. 6 State Fair in Salem. To sign up, call (not text) Ray Thompson at 503-704-2880.



Coming Up . . . DSA has no August meeting

But at our September 18 meeting

Joel Thomas will speak on

Marine Biology

The Way it Really is: Little-known Facts about Radiometric Dating

Excerpted from article by **Tas Walker** of Creation Ministries International.

<https://creation.com/the-way-it-really-is-little-known-facts-about-radiometric-dating>

Long-age geologists will not accept a radiometric date unless it matches their pre-existing expectations.

Many people think that radiometric dating has proved the Earth is millions of years old. That's understandable, given the image that surrounds the method. Even the way dates are reported (e.g. 200.4 ± 3.2 million years) gives the impression that the method is precise and reliable.

However, although we can measure many things about a rock, we cannot directly measure its age. For example, we can measure its mass, its volume, its colour, the minerals in it, their size and the way they are arranged. We can crush the rock and measure its chemical composition and the radioactive elements it contains. But we do not have an instrument that directly measures age.

Before we can calculate the age of a rock from its measured chemical composition, we must assume what radioactive elements were in the rock when it formed. And then, depending on the assumptions we make, we can obtain any date we like.

It may be surprising to learn that evolutionary geologists themselves will not accept a radiometric date unless they think it is correct—i.e. it matches what they already believe on other grounds. It is one thing to calculate a date. It is another thing to understand what it means.

So, how do geologists know how to interpret their radiometric dates and what the 'correct' date should be?

The answer is found along with the full article at

<https://creation.com/the-way-it-really-is-little-known-facts-about-radiometric-dating>

*Homeschool Outdoor School!

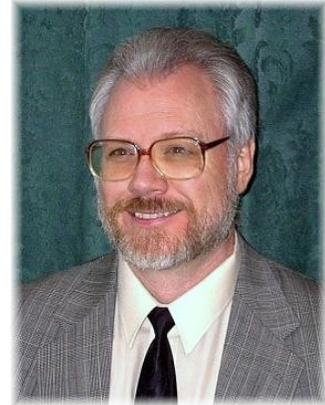


**Our 31st Year - August 16-20, 2021
(Overnight Monday - Friday)
Cispus Learning Center - Randle, WA (For ages 9-16)
Kids Need Camp!!!**

Outdoor learning sessions vary from year to year. But past classes have included fire building, outdoor cooking, compass course, survival and first aid. Also, we have activities such as fishing, archery, canoeing, volleyball. **Accommodations** are in cabins. **Meals** are prepared for us. (Please let us know your dietary needs.)

Day classes and recreation events vary each year and are partially dependent on parents who share their teaching or coaching gifts with the group. We couldn't do this without the participation of a few parents who help us make this happen. We move camp from year to year to study different ecosystems and geologic areas of our great northwest. We strive to do different things each year because many kids come back. More details will follow about day classes offered this year.

Evening sessions are presented to build faith in the Bible's teaching of the creation account and flood through compelling science presentations. This year our special speaker is **Dr. Thomas Kindell** who is the founder and president of **Reasons for Faith Ministries, Inc.** and for over 35 years has engaged in a traveling teaching ministry lecturing on Biblical apologetics and the scientific case for creation.



We cap off each day with homegrown entertainment around the campfire and a time of worship and devotions. Kids have fun spending the week with new friends, and so do adults.

Make memories with your kids! PARENTS are strongly encouraged (but are not required) to attend as cabin counselors or teachers. We are always in need of Dads as counselors.

We know finances are tight for most, so we keep the costs as low as possible because we know you and your children will love this camp. It is so good for their social interaction with other homeschoolers!

\$225 for Students, \$20 early bird discount if registered with \$50 deposit by May 31st or \$10 discount if registered by June 30th, \$165 for Counselors. Deadline for registration July 31st.

Website: www.homeschooloutdoorschool.com **to apply**

e-mail: dbnett10@gmail.com **with any questions**

Like us on Facebook "HomeSchool Science Camp"

*Must have home-schooled the 20/2021 school year to apply for this year's camp.

An Association for Good Science

Meeting the Third Saturday of Each Month
at Greater Portland Bible Church: 2374 SW Vermont St., Portland, OR 97219
Discount creation book & DVD sales table at every meeting

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