



Parks and Recreation Report

February 2, 2008

TO: Phillip L. Nelson, City Manager

FROM: John M. Lamerato, Assistant City Manager/Finance and Administration
Carol K. Anderson, Parks and Recreation Director

SUBJECT: Lloyd A. Stage Nature Center Donation

Background:

- The nature center received a donation of \$4300.00 worth of geology specimens in December of 2007.
- Items were donated by Michael and Barbara Sincak from Treasures of the Earth, in Hollsopple, Pennsylvania.
- The items donated consist of:
 - Authentic mastodon and mammoth bones
 - Replica mastodon bones, including a four foot femur bone
 - Mineral specimens such as halite, quartz, amethyst and pyrite
 - A meteorite display
 - A 200 pound petrified tree log
 - And many more items
- The donated items will be used for educational purposes and will be incorporated into nature center programming and exhibit displays.
- The replica and authentic mastodon bones will become part of a permanent interactive discovery exhibit in the nature center display area.
- The nature center is very excited about this donation as it is a very impressive addition to our collections.

Financial Considerations:

None

Legal Considerations:

None

Policy Considerations:

None

Options:

None