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# THE ROCKFINDER



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The purpose of the Michiana Gem & Mineral Society is to promote the study and enjoyment of the earth sciences and the lapidary arts, and to share lapidary knowledge and techniques. General meetings are usually held the fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. at,

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church  
805 S. 29th St.,  
South Bend, IN.  
Please see the map to the right.

Doors usually open at 1:30 for meet & greet time.

Regular meeting exceptions include May (third Sunday), July (Club Picnic), August (Club Show) and the November/December meeting and Christmas party.

Board meetings are held before the monthly meetings. The annual club show is in late August.



**DUES**

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## Kathy's Column - President Kathy Miller

The Board & I would like to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See everyone in January

### ROCK ON

Kathy

## Up & Coming

**Next Meeting: January 26, 2014**

Visitors are always welcome.

Doors open at 1:30 and the Meeting starts at 2:00.

**Place:**

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church  
805 S 29<sup>th</sup> Street  
(29<sup>th</sup> & Wall)  
South Bend, IN.  
This is in River Park.

**Program:**

To be determined

**Dues are due!**  
**Mail them to Marty.**

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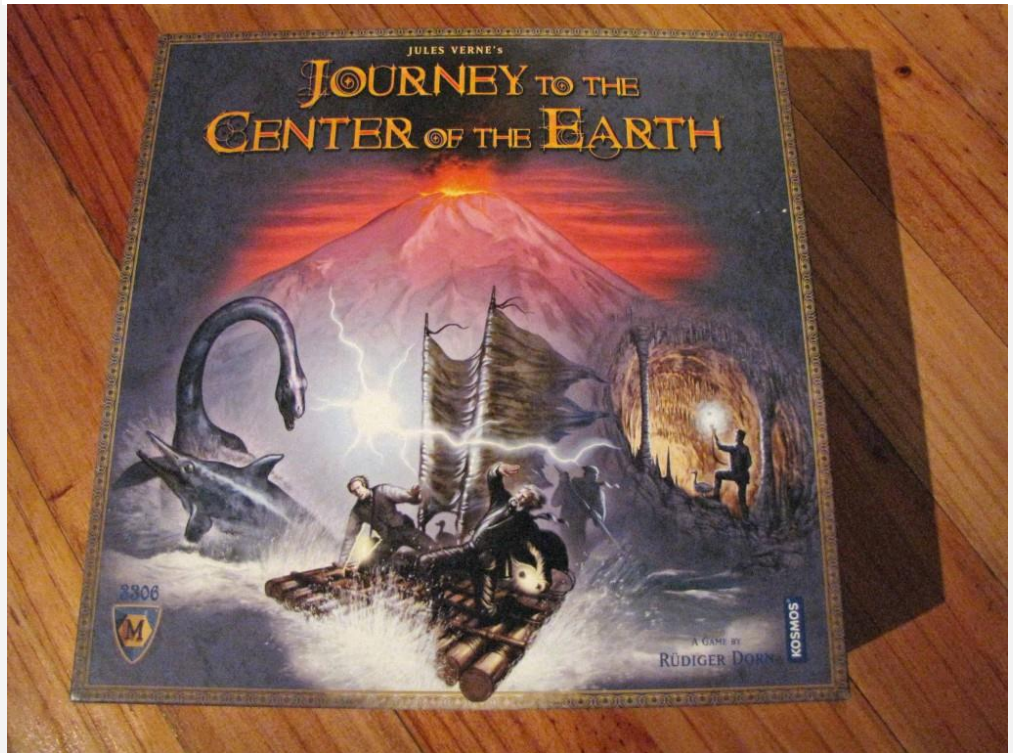
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# What to Buy a Geologist for Christmas: 2012 Edition

Posted by [Evelyn Mervine](#) November 20, 2012, Collected from the AGU Blogosphere sponsored by the American Geophysical Union, December 9, 2013

## Gift #1: Journey to the Center of the Earth, the Board Game



Journey to the Center of the Earth, the board game! Picture taken by me.

My husband and I recently purchased this game, and I highly recommend it. You can read more about the game [here](#), and you can buy it on Amazon.com [here](#).

Cost: \$20

To see the entire list please click on the link below:

[Christmas Gifts for a Geologist](#)

Have a Merry Christmas