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National Fossil Day to be Held During Earth Science Week 2013

Alexandria, VA - The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) and the National Park Service (NPS) invite you to participate in the fourth annual National Fossil Day on October 16, 2013, during Earth Science Week (October 13-19).

National Fossil Day brings together paleontologists, educators, and students from across the country to participate in fossil-related events and activities outdoors, in classrooms, and online. AGI and the NPS have developed resources and activities to highlight the scientific and educational value of paleontology, as well as the importance of preserving fossils for future generations. You can find fossil-themed activities in the Earth Science Week 2013 Toolkit, available at *http://www.earthsciweek.org/materials/index.html*

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Reaching over 50 million people annually, Earth Science Week has been led by AGI in cooperation with its sponsors and the geoscience community since 1998. To learn more, please visit *http://www.earthsciweek.org/*. Earth Science Week will be celebrated October 13-18, 2013. To learn more, please visit *http://www.earthsciweek.org/*. To order your Toolkits, please visit *http://www.earthsciweek.org/materials/index.html*. You may also call AGI Publications to place your order at 703-379-2480.

The American Geosciences Institute is a nonprofit federation of geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 250,000 geologists, geophysicists and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and interaction with the environment.