

THE FIRST CHAPTER



BIGHORN BASIN
PALEONTOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

THE 2017 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BBPI

BBPI
3959 WELSH RD. STE. 208
WILLOW GROVE, PA 19090
(406) 998-1390

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

March 1, 2018

Dear Friend,

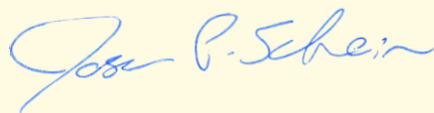
You are one of the first supporters of the Bighorn Basin Paleontological Institute, and for that we are eternally grateful. We hope that you will read and enjoy our annual report, "The First Chapter," and get a sense of exactly what it is you helped to create in 2017. We can't possibly include everything of course, so instead we just highlighted a few programs, events, and opportunities that meant the most to us throughout the year.

While the annual report is, by definition, a time to reflect, we never stop working towards the future. The new year is already shaping up to be incredible: we're developing new and exciting programs with renowned, difference-making organizations, creating a larger national footprint, and preparing for our first opportunity to present research results to peers and colleagues from around the world.

All of this past and near-future success is thanks in large part to you, our generous donors and loyal members. It is critical that we continue to build a strong financial foundation at this early time in our young organization's development. Together, in just our first year, we have already educated and inspired thousands of people across the country and around the world. With your continued support, we will reach countless more.

Thank you, again, for joining us on this incredible adventure.

Sincerely,



Jason P. Schein, Executive Director

RESEARCH

Thank you to all of our donors and members for helping to make all of this exciting research possible!

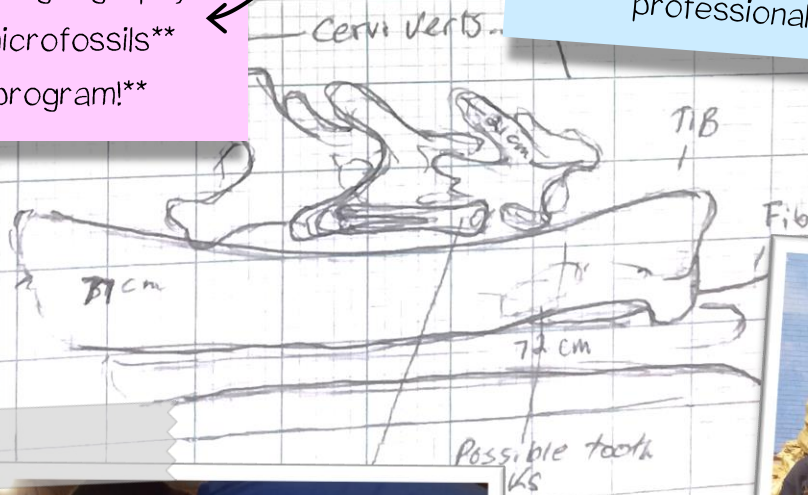
The BBPIs research efforts are off to a great start! Not surprising since we collected literally HUNDREDS of fossil bones and rock specimens during the 2017 Field Expedition. The BBPI benefits by having staff and research associates with a wide variety of research experience and expertise, and our specimens are already leading us down numerous fascinating and exciting avenues of research.

NEW RESEARCH TOPICS

- Sauropod toe pathology**
- Mother's Day Site:
 - Pathologies
 - New Material**
 - Skin Impressions
- Suuwassea??
- Synchrotron specimens?
- Suu2 area paleogeography**
- Cretaceous microfossils**
- B&G Club Ed program!**

OUTSIDE COLLABORATORS

- Dr. ATD – Temple Univ.
 - Dr. ATD & Students
- Dr. JA – The Children's Museum of Indianapolis
- ** - Presenting research at professional mtgs in 2018!



EDUCATION

Collaborating with so many wonderful organizations allowed us to reach people of all ages and backgrounds, and from across the country. One of our first initiatives was to create the *Dinosaur Treasures In Our Backyards* program for the **Boys & Girls Club** of Carbon County, Montana. Over three days, the kids learned about paleontology and earth science, and the huge role their home region has played in the history of paleontology, all from BBPI scientists and educators.



Thanks to support from four separate foundations, this program has been fully funded for three years!

Our educational and outreach partners helped us reach **4,567** people at 30 events in 2017!

4,567!!

2017 EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF CARBON COUNTY



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE



The Academy of Natural Sciences
of DREXEL UNIVERSITY



All of this is thanks to you - our wonderful donors and members! Thank you!

OUTREACH

Like education, outreach is incorporated into everything we do. We partnered with several wonderful organizations in 2017 to reach thousands of people across the country. No experience, though, was more meaningful or rewarding than hosting our Honorary Field Expedition Leaders. Andrew and Max came to us with their families, thanks to our partnership with the **Make-A-Wish Foundation**. Both boys were excellent crew chiefs ~ Andrew even found dinosaur skin impressions!

Andrew!



Max!



Best news of all? Since they joined us, both boys have been given clean bills of health!!! We're expecting their help in the field again soon!

Your generous donations and memberships help us make awesome opportunities like this happen! Thank you!

2017 OUTREACH PARTNERS



BBPI 2017 Financial Report

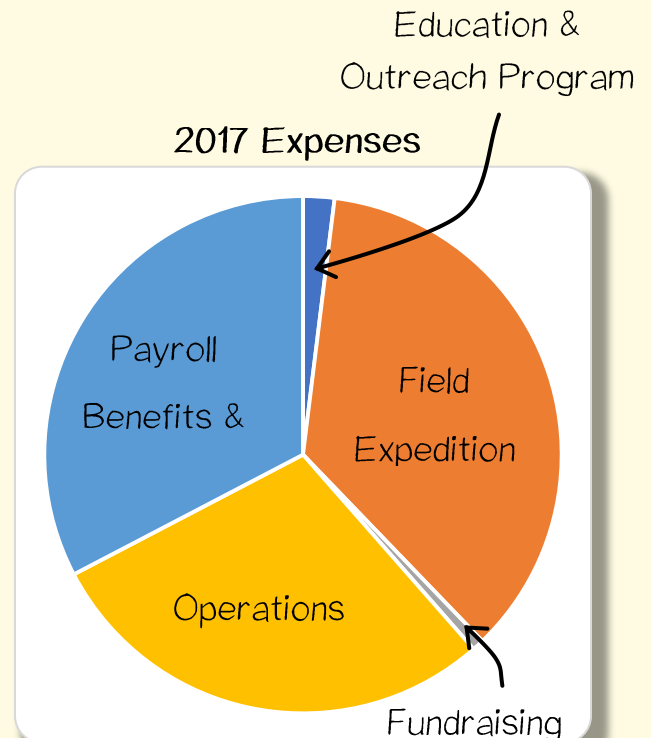
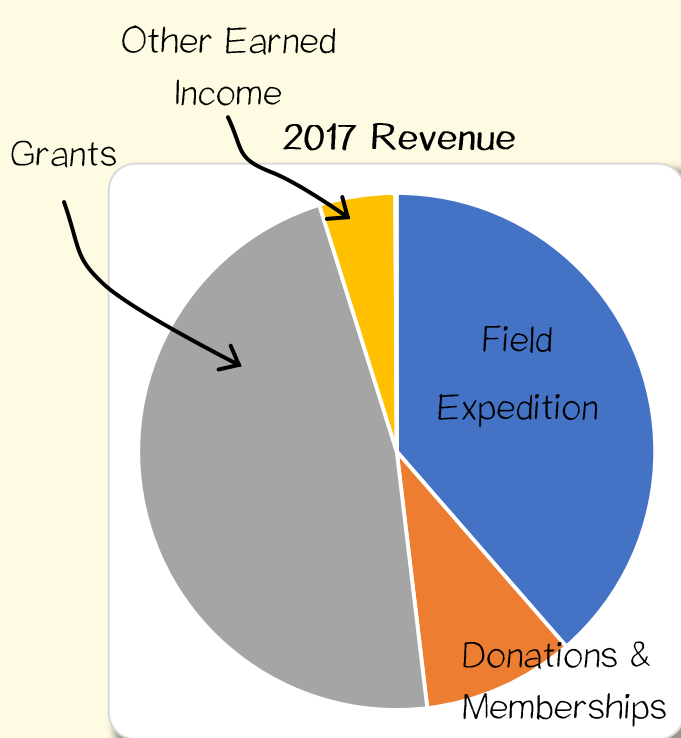
Revenue

Grants	\$60,667.51
Donations & Memberships	\$14,930.73
Earned Income	\$73,920.23
• Field Expedition	\$7,468.84
• Other	\$141.63
Interest	\$141.63
Total Revenue	\$157,128.94

Expenses

Education & Outreach Programs	\$1,650.46
Field Expedition	\$30,205.34
Fundraising Expenses	\$617.45
Operations	\$24,276.77
Payroll Benefits & Taxes	\$27,522.22
Total Expenses	\$84,272.24
	\$72,856.70

Net Assets



LOOKING AHEAD

Planning for 2018 was well underway many months ago, and this has already paid off. We will reach many more people this year thanks to new and expanded collaborations with a diverse group of new research, education, and outreach partners.

2018 EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE



The Academy of Natural Sciences
of DREXEL UNIVERSITY



2018 OUTREACH PARTNERS



PennState



PENNSYLVANIA SPACE GRANT CONSORTIUM



The Academy of Natural Sciences
of DREXEL UNIVERSITY



MEMBERS AND DONORS

With the most sincere appreciation, we thank the following partners who share in our vision of inspiring and supporting paleontological research and earth science.

MEMBERS

The following individuals became Members of the BBPI in 2017.

Prescott Atkinson

Lydia Kats

Brooke Rowzee

Patricia Berge

John Kerekes

Richard Seidel

Evan Boucher

Dr. & Mrs. Malinowski,

Bill Shankle

Peter Daly

Leslie Martinich

Lance Schnattterly

Chris & Chelsea French

Dana Nordstrom

Rianne Wessells

Ed & Jeanette Glenn

Timshel Purdum

Dennis Winters

Eric Holmstrom

Mary Jo Rodolfo

Kevin Sievers

David Hwang

John Rooney

FOLLOW OUR ADVENTURES!

Facebook

Twitter @BBPaleo

Instagram



DONORS

The following individuals and organizations provided generous gifts to the BBPI in 2017.

David Adrian
 Shirley Albright
 Prescott Atkinson
 Evan Boucher
 George Buzan
 AR Ciccariello
 Allen Clemens
 Diana Daly
 Michele Duke
 Aubrey Fowler
 Chris & Chelsea French
 Madison Gane
 Bonnie Garcia-Gloeckner
 Geoff Habiger
 Eric Holmstrom

Evan Johnson-Ransom
 Lydia Kats
 Marve & Sue Kauffman
 Bob Kress
 Kate Krnsak
 Richard Large
 Ronald Lewis
 Dr. & Mrs. Malinowski
 Jim McGlone &
 Deana Crumbling
 Robert Munger
 Deana Nordstrom
 Laura Rooney
 Brooke Rowzee
 Jason Schein

Maxine Schein
 Susan Schein
 Lance Schnatterly
 Richard Seidel
 Bill Shankle
 Kevin Sievers
 Maryann Sievers
 Jinny Sisson
 Richard Spector
 Sean Sullivan
 Jennifer Tornetta
 Susan Vancola
 Rianne Wessells
 Sanjin Zvonic

David B. Jones Foundation

Paleontological Society

Jerry Metcalf Foundation

Toomey Foundation

IN-KIND DONORS

Brooke Rowzee
 Bill Shankle
 Rick Schmidt
 Red Lodge True Value
 Susan Schein Automotive Group
 Tractor Supply Co. (Billings, MT)



BBPI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD OFFICERS

Bill Shankle, President
Director of VOIP Application Development
IDT

Phillip L. Manning, Vice President
Professor of Paleontology, College of Charleston
Professor of Natural History, Univ. of Manchester

Guy Gsell, Secretary
President and Chief Executive Officer
Field Station: Dinosaurs

Steve Gibbs, Treasurer
Certified Public Accountant

BOARD MEMBERS

Timshel Purdum
Assistant Vice President, Public Experience
Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University

BBPI STAFF

Jason P. Schein
Executive Director



Field Expedition Staff

Jason P. Schein
Director of Field Operations

Brittany Malinowski
Educator, Assistant Crew Chief

Jason C. Poole
Crew Chief, Director of Fossil Preparation

Laura Rooney
Educator, Assistant Crew Chief

Rick Schmidt
Director of Educational Programming

Ashley Adams
Field Assistant

Who We Are

ABOUT US

The **Bighorn Basin Paleontological Institute** is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to paleontology and earth science research, education, and outreach. We harness the universal appeal of dinosaurs to engage people of all interest levels and backgrounds to conduct and promote the natural sciences. The greatest strengths of the institution lie in our seamless integration of collaborative scientific research, educational programming, and world-class, immersive citizen science experiences.

The **BBPI** seeks to be a world-class center of paleontological research and education, and an important resource for paleontologists, natural scientists, and citizen scientists seeking to more fully understand and interpret the natural world.

Our Mission

The **Bighorn Basin Paleontological Institute** seeks to collaboratively study, actively preserve, and dynamically interpret the paleontological treasures of the Bighorn Basin and the surrounding region, as well as to promote paleontology and the natural sciences to life-long learners, wherever they may be.

Our Ethos

We believe that science is an adventure - an adventure in exploration and discovery. There is no more fundamentally human or important endeavor than to explore.

We believe that science has the power to inspire the global community, and that all children - fueled by endless imagination and insatiable curiosity - are inherently natural scientists.

We believe that science is exquisitely capable of asking and answering questions about the natural world, revealing the universe's fundamental truths. As such, we believe that science and reason are the best tools for addressing and solving the world's most pressing problems.

We believe that scientific discovery builds on the findings of other scientists. We believe that scientists have no greater responsibility than to communicate their work, sharing their discoveries to inspire others in the pursuit of knowledge.

We believe in the power of science.



BIGHORN BASIN
PALEONTOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

**EVERY EFFORTS HAS BEEN MADE TO LIST CURRENT AND ACCURATE
INFORMATION. IF YOU SEE AN OMISSION OR ERROR, OR HAVE
ANY OTHER COMMENTS, PLEASE LET US KNOW.**

INFO@BBPALEO.ORG

(406) 998-1390

BBPALEO.ORG