August 14, 2004 Field Trip to Mt. Rushmore and Mammoth Site

The AIPG Summer 2004 field trip went to Mt. Rushmore National Memorial and the Mammoth Site of Hot Springs on Saturday, August 14, 2004. The day’s itinerary roughly included:

- 7:45 a.m. - Arrive at SDSM&T (Mineral Industries Building, room 222)
- 8:00 a.m. - Paul Nelson's (RESPEC) presentation on Mt. Rushmore rock monitoring system
- 9:00 a.m. – Depart SDSM&T (in personal vehicles) for Mt. Rushmore
- 9:45-11:45 a.m. - Unguided Tour of Mt. Rushmore
- 12:00 p.m. - Lunch and Prize Drawing (meet at cars at Rushmore Parking Lot: Sack lunch)
- 12:30 p.m. - Depart for Mammoth Site in Hot Springs
- 1:30-4:30 p.m. - Guided Tour of Mammoth Site
- 5:00 p.m. - Field Trip ends, depart for home.

Paul Nelson from RESPEC kindly agreed to give a very interesting presentation on the system to monitor rock movement/stability at Mt. Rushmore. The day began with Paul’s talk and then attendees caravanned to Mt. Rushmore for a morning visit and then on to the Mammoth Site in Hot Springs for an afternoon guided tour.

The door prize drawing was for a Fairburn Agate.