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Dig Edition

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It makes one smile to turn over a bit of sandstone and uncover a beautiful dark brown bone, or better yet, a T. rex tooth. While distinguishing the bones from the rocks they are hidden in can be difficult, each discovery is a joyful moment when your hard work is rewarded, and you hold in your hands a piece of history- a piece of something that was once a living, breathing animal. Although we cannot

see these mighty beasts alive, studying their bones lends valuable insights into how they might have lived.

This summer was filled with many guests and volunteers who embarked on an adventure with us to join in the work of unearthing fossils from the ground. To open the dig season, we had site prep week with Jeremy, Aaron, Jonah, Daniel, Joel, Kevin, and David, who were a huge help in preparing for the summer; we were even able to get an excavator to the site to move larger amounts of sediment. Throughout June, which held a great deal of rain and mud, we also had the help of Jenna and Jeremy. Tommy and Martha Lohman arrived in July, and it was a pleasure to lead digs with them for the rest of the summer. We will certainly miss working with them in the future.



In August, we had two weeks dedicated to working on Ruth, our Edmontosaurus skeleton, which was excavated in 2023. With the help of a family that has worked with us on Ruth for several years, we were able to make headway on preparing this dinosaur for exhibit. The summer ended with a total of over 200 diggers, including two groups from the Institute for Creation Research (ICR), two groups from the Institute for Biblical Authority, and a class with Montana Bible College. ICR brought along Dr. Tim Clarey, and it was great to talk with him and learn helpful information about geology.



As we walk the hills of the badlands with each group, we are stepping among evidence for a global flood, which shows up not just in the rock layers, but also in the bones that we excavate. Not only are they broken catastrophically, but they are a reminder of death, of judgment. But the ark radiates hope. Though the flood was judgment against sin, God provided a way of salvation. Going through the door of the ark was the only way to escape the flood that covered the earth. Though we face death in this world, Jesus is our door to eternal life. He paid for our sins. He defeated death. He rose from the grave. Will you accept His gift of salvation?

2026 Museum Hours

10 am-5 pm

Friday & Saturday April & May

Mon-Sat Memorial thru Labor Day

Friday & Saturday Sept & October

Friday & Saturday November 27 & 28

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Turtle Shell



Vertebra

We had many incredible discoveries this summer including:

- Four T. rex teeth (top row)
- An Edmontosaurus scapula, ribs, vertebrae, and foot bone
- A 2 ½ foot long Triceratops rib
- A couple gator jaws with teeth
- A gator femur
- A garfish jaw
- And several large turtle shell pieces



Gator Jaw with Teeth



Foot Bone

Join us next summer to experience the wonder of a dinosaur dig!

Please visit our website (creationtruth.org/digs) for more information.



Edmontosaurus Scapula



Triceratops Rib



Rib Piece

2026 Fall Hours (10 am-5 pm):

Fridays and Saturdays through October 31st
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