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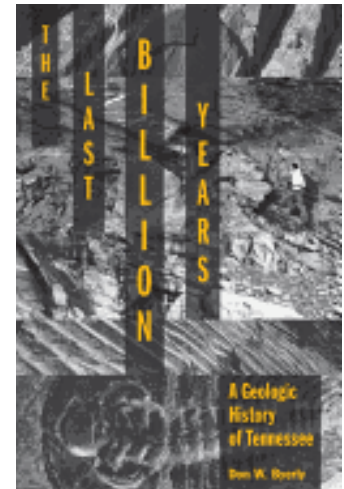
The Last Billion Years: A Geologic History of Tennessee
A Brown Bag Lecture by Don W. Byerly, Ph.D., PG

PROGRAM: *The Last Billion Years: A Geologic History of Tennessee*,
a Brown Bag Lecture by Don Byerly, Ph.D., PG

DATE: Noon, Wednesday, November 12, 2014

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center
601 South Gay Street
Knoxville, TN 37902

ADMISSION: FREE | Attendees are encouraged to bring a “brown bag”
lunch



(Knoxville, TN) What were the geological forces that shaped East Tennessee? In a Brown Bag Lecture on Wednesday, November 12, Don Byerly will introduce us to Tennessee’s “deep history,” the billion years over which our land has slowly evolved to form the mountains and valleys we enjoy today. He compares the study of Earth history to that of human history in that one must learn the language to study the history, pointing out that just as petroglyphs and scrolls interpret human events, rocks tell the story of the earth’s formation.

Dr. Byerly is professor emeritus of geology at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, a founding member of Tennessee Earth Science Teachers, and the recipient of several awards. Dr. Byerly will be signing copies of his new book *The Last Billion Years: A Geologic History of Tennessee* following the lecture.

The program is sponsored by 21st Mortgage and is free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at noon at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Guests are invited to bring a “Brown Bag” lunch and enjoy the lecture. Soft drinks will be available. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

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