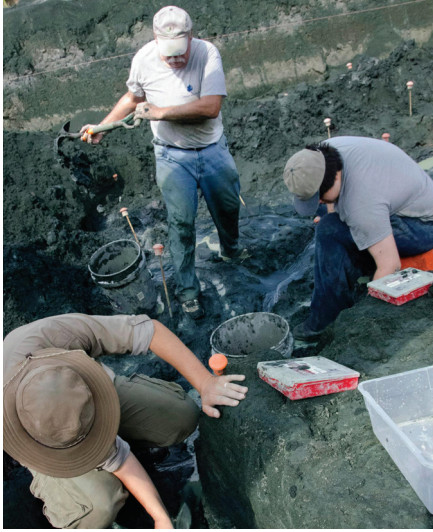


Gift honors legacy of fossil enthusiast

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John Wolf was passionate about fossil excavation. Now, a gift to support field research at the Ric & Jean Edelman Fossil Park will honor his legacy of discovery.

Dr. Kenneth Lacovara, park director and founding dean of Rowan's School of Earth & Environment, has created a community of passionate fossil finders over the course of his extensive research career, including John and his wife, Joan.

John was an enthusiastic amateur fossil hunter who belonged to many fossil clubs in the tri-state area as well as Maryland and New York. He spent many hours with his wife and friends exploring various fossil locales. He was also a volunteer at the Academy of Natural Sciences in

Philadelphia and was scheduled to volunteer in the preparatory lab at Drexel University before his untimely passing.

Dr. Paul Ullman, postdoctoral researcher and professor in Rowan's geology department, remembers John as knowledgeable and excellent at fossil excavation. "He was a lot of fun to work with." He was never afraid to tackle the most difficult areas and was responsible for a number of our best finds."

In honor of John's love for fossils and his commitment to research and education, Joan donated \$10,000 to establish a fund designated to undergraduate fieldwork and research in paleontology and geology at the Ric & Jean Edelman Fossil Park. The Wolfs shared a desire for students to be inspired to study the earth and what once lived here.