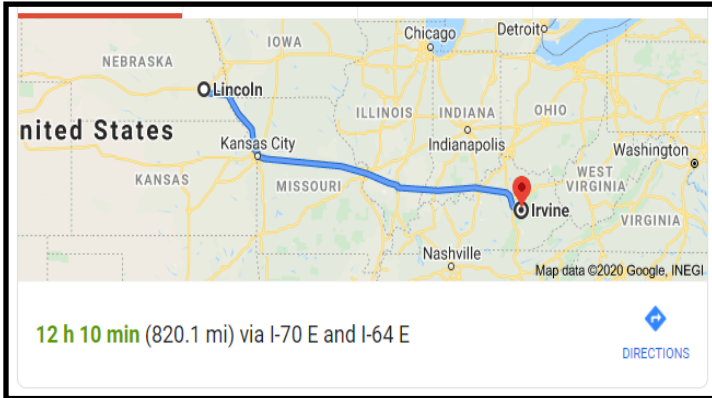


KENTUCKY FIELD TRIP

By Sharon Marburger

The trip to Irvine, Kentucky to hunt for agates is tentatively scheduled for the third full week in April, 2020. There will be more information in the March and April issues of the Pick & Shovel



Depending on your travel stamina, plan to leave Lincoln on the 19th or 20th. The gem show will be April 24, 25, and 26. At the time of this publication, agate hunts in association with the gem show are scheduled for April 21, 22, and 23. Our local contact plans to try to arrange some private field trips for us. If you are interested in attending, please let Field Trip Chair Jim Marburger know; we need to provide an accurate count of the number of people attending the private field trips.

The show coincides with the Mountain Mushroom Festival, which is also in Irvine. This event attracts approximately 20,000 visitors. You may check their website at <http://mountainmushroomfestival.org>. Please note that the website has not yet been updated to the 2020 event, but there is a notice that updates are coming soon.

I suggest if you plan to attend, make your accommodations reservations soon. Jim and I have booked the Holiday Inn Express in Richmond, Kentucky, which is approximately 20 miles from Irvine. Jim's contact states that there are limited hotels in the area, and with the additional visitors to the Mushroom Festival, it will be difficult to find rooms. Our contact also states that there are plenty of camping areas, should you choose to go that route.



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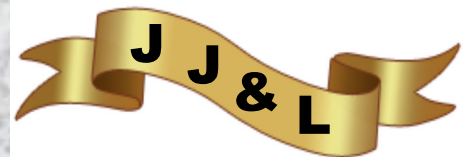
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