## Witherspoon Bio:

Bill Witherspoon, also a past President of the Georgia Geological Society, has presented more than 100 geology walks, talks, and workshops throughout Georgia over the past five years. From 1997 until his retirement in 2014, he was an instructor at Fernbank Science Center, part of DeKalb County Schools, teaching K-12 students and teachers, and leading hundreds of outdoor geology excursions. In 2007, the National Association of Geoscience Teachers named him Georgia Outstanding Earth Science Teacher. He has worked as a research scientist for Shell Oil and as a software developer and taught at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. His PhD research at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville concerned the geological structure of the area surrounding Great Smoky Mountain National Park. Bill provides an event calendar, teacher activities, digital maps, signed books, and the Kids Rock!<sup>TM</sup> games for learning your local rocks at his web site *georgiarocks.us*.