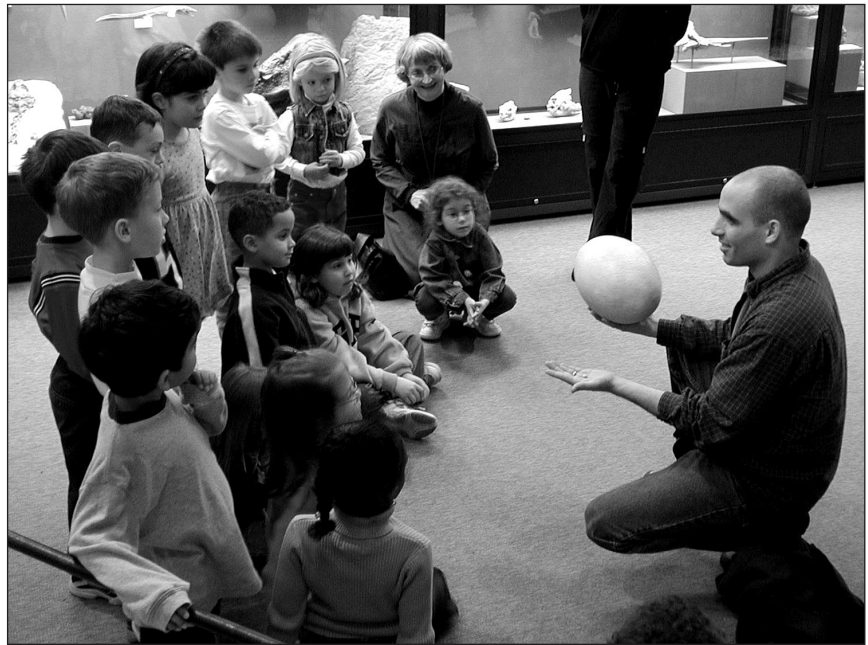


Introducing the
**Geology
Museum's**
Assistant Director

Richard Slaughter

*Rich Slaughter, left, shows an elephant bird egg to a group of young Geology Museum visitors.
Photo by Matt Kuchta.*



Throughout my life, museums have fanned my interest in natural history and provided me with many fond memories. One of my favorite childhood experiences was sleeping overnight at the Field Museum in Chicago, camped out among its grand displays. As an undergraduate at Augustana College, I met my wife Maureen for the very first time in the Fryxell Geology Museum. While at the University of Iowa, I financed my doctoral studies in Quaternary vertebrate paleontology by building exhibits for the Museum of Natural History. My path has now lead me to this department. As Assistant Director of the Geology Museum, I am thankful for the opportunity to provide others with memorable museum experiences and to make them more curious about earth science.

Welcome
Teresa Egan

**Academic Department
Manager**

The department welcomes Teresa Egan as our new Department Manager.

Teresa bears a broad variety of responsibilities in her new position, most designed to make the department a better place for the faculty and staff to teach and do research. Teresa kindly provided us with some biographical information.

"I am married with three children (9-12 years) and grew up and went to school in and around Chicago. My educational background includes a B.S. in Materials Science and Engineering from Northwestern University, an M.S. in Metallurgical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Chicago, and a Master of Management



Teresa Egan

in International Business and Marketing from Northwestern University.

My professional experience includes six years as an engineer/senior engineer/project manager in the electronics industry and cellular telephone industry, four years as fiscal manager/executive director of Easter Seals, and six years of various levels of volunteer work. My husband Joe and I took a detour from corporate America and put our efforts into non-profits shortly after the birth of our youngest child, who is severely disabled. We now find ourselves in the

not-so-cold and not-so-snowy but open and inviting city of Madison. We are happy to call Madison our home, the kids have adjusted nicely, and we love the university environment and influence."

We look forward to working with Teresa for many years to come!