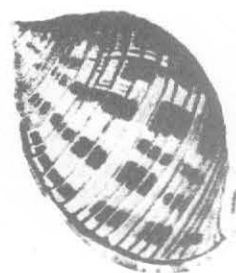




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Spring Meeting

Surf City, N. C.

March 25-26, 1988

Meeting place: Surf City Town Hall, 210 N. New River Drive, Surf City.
(Turn left at stop light after crossing the bridge)

Friday, March 25, 1988

- 7:00 p.m. Registration; refreshments; shell identification, sales, and trade
- 8:00 p.m. Shelling in Piedmont North Carolina by Carolyn Smith (slide presentation on freshwater shelling)
A Review of AMU, 1987 by Bob and Marjorie Tomlinson
Shell Show, 1987 slides by Carl Truckner

Saturday, March 26, 1988

- 7:00 p.m. Registration; refreshments; shell identification, sales, and trade
- 8:00 p.m. Business meeting--election of 1988 officers
Shelling in Egypt and Sinai: an Update by Alta VanLandingham
Find of the Day announcement
Door prizes

Lodging for Meeting

The Jolly Roger Motel, P.O. Box 3008, Topsail Beach, N. C. 28445,
328-4616, \$35 double (approximately 7 mi. from meeting place)
The Topsail Motel, P.O. Box 3064, Topsail Beach, N. C. 28445
328-3381, \$32 double
Sea Star Motel, P.O. Box 2508, Surf City, N. C. 28445,
328-5191, \$29 double (1987 rate)
East Coast Real Estate offers Surf Condominium units that
sleep up to 6 people for \$56 first night, \$48 second night;
furnish your own linens. (800) 622-6886

Please note: not all these motels had reopened for the 1988 season so some rates are last year's. They will be open soon.

President's Message: A special thanks goes to Diane Geary of Surf City for her help in arranging a meeting place and checking on lodging for our spring meeting. As you know, this will be an important meeting since we will be electing our 1988 officers having been snowed out at our Winter meeting. Come help us celebrate the arrival of spring with a trip to the beach! I look forward to seeing you at Surf City.

From the American Malacological Union

Bob and Marjorie Tomlinson, AMU representatives for our club, join AMU president Richard Petit in inviting N. C. Shell Club members to join AMU. "While the organization is admittedly more for the professionals and scientists in 'shelling', it offers much education and great fun for us BEACHCOMBERS. We joined in 1979 and have attended four of its better-part-of-a-week conventions, including the last in Key West, with the (Hugh) Porters and others you may know. The next will be in the beautiful city of Charleston, SC, from June 19-24. It will be no conflict with COA as that will be in Fort Myers July 11-15. With Charleston so close to any of us, attending AMU there would be a marvelous way to find out more about our group. Even if you didn't want to attend most of the sessions, you would not lack for activities in and around Charleston. Think about it!! All the best, Marj and Bob Tomlinson (919) 493-6527."

From Conchologists of America

Representative Alta VanLandingham reports that the annual COA Convention will be held in Fort Myers, Florida, July 11-15, 1988. COA is "an international non-profit society of amateur shell collectors devoted to increasing public interest in the fascinating hobby and science of conchology. Our members include novices, advanced collectors, dealers and some of the country's leading scientists." Our club awards the COA trophy at each of its annual shell shows. If you are interested in joining COA contact Alta or Bernard and Phyllis Pipher, membership chairpersons, 1116 "N" Street. Tekamah, Nebraska 88062.

From the Georgia Shell Club

The tenth annual Shell Show of the Georgia Shell Club will be held April 8-10, 1988. Deadline for entries is March 7. For more information contact Henry Close, 403 Ansley Villa Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30324

Congratulations

Club member Peg Fisher of Raleigh has retired after eleven years as manager of Capital Area Visitors Center. Peg was recently honored with a farewell party attended by 200 friends, including first lady Dorothy Martin.

Alta VanLandingham recently won a blue ribbon, judges special award, and trophy for Best Self-Collected exhibit at the Sarasota Shell Show.

Traveling Club Members

Vice President Dean Weber and wife Dorothy are off adventuring through Mexico. Renate Skinner is spending several months in Thailand. World traveler Alta VanLandingham writes of two recent trips. In November she was joined on a shelling expedition to southwest Florida by members Ann Buddenhagen, Shirley Collins, Sandy Melvin, Ann Yelvington, and Odessa Wassali who now lives in Goodland, Florida. In January Alta was off to Palau accompanied by son Kirby and members Ruth Dixon, Charlotte Johnson, and Ann Yelvington.

The club looks forward to seeing shells and hearing tales gathered during all these adventures.

Executive Committee Plans 1988 Meetings

March 25-26--Surf City, N. C.

May 13-14--Outer Banks

September 9-10--Beaufort/Cape Lookout

October 21-23--1988 Shell Show, Wilmington

Winter Banquet tentatively scheduled for Beaufort, date pending

1988 Shell Show

It is not too early to begin planning your exhibit for our next show in Wilmington. Co-Chairmen Dean Weber and Alta VanLandingham urge all club members to participate this year to make this the biggest, best show ever. Put October 21-23 on your calendar now!

Reminders

Don't forget to bring door prizes to donate to our drawing each evening. Lots of doorprizes make for fun for all. Also remember to bring and recently acquired books or shells that need identifying. We can all learn from each other.

1988 Dues Are Due

Please fill out the form below and return it along with your check payable to North Carolina Shell Club to our membership chairman, Alta VanLandingham, P.O. Box 542, Hampstead, N. C. 28443. Please note all dues are due at the beginning of each year and to stay on the mailing list you need to get them paid by thirty days after our first meeting. Please help out bookkeepers by being prompt. Thanks!!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Amount of 1988 dues: Individual \$5.00 _____ Family \$8.00 _____ Junior \$.50 _____
Initial or re'instatement fee \$2.00 _____

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