

# **2013-2014 Program**

#### September 8

Lynn Funkhouser's home, 1:00 – 4:00 PM.

Chicago, IL.

Host: Lynn Funkhouser, Chicago Shell Club Life Member.

Potluck and Auction.

Lynn graciously invites us to her home again. Duane Thenhaus will join us from Iowa bringing a wealth of shells for a silent and oral auction. Adding to the fun will be a potluck meal. Bring your checkbooks and a dish to share.

#### October 6

North Park Village Nature Center, 1:00-4:00 PM

5801 N. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, IL.

Leader: Jochen Gerber.

At this year's field trip we will explore snails and clams in the natural areas surrounding the new home for the Chicago Shell Club meetings.

# November 10

North Park Village Nature Center, 1:00-3:30 PM

5801 N. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, IL.

Speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Davis-Berg, Columbia College, Chicago, IL.

Presentation: Changes in molluscan fauna due to succession at the Fitch Natural History Reservation in Kansas, 1940 until present.

Beth is a biology professor at Columbia College, Chicago. Her studies include snail ecology, behavior and biomechanics and land and freshwater snail conservation and biodiversity.

#### December 8

Sawa's Old Warsaw Restaurant, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

9200 W Cermak Rd. (@17th Ave.), Broadview, IL.

St. Nick and Neptune Party, Banquet and Auction.

Don't miss one of the country's best silent and voice auctions of shells! Make reservations for the banquet and auctions or come just for the shells and the camaraderie.

#### January 12

North Park Village Nature Center, 1.00-3.30 PM

5801 N. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, IL.

Speaker: To be announced.

### February 9 The Field Museum, 2.00-4.30 PM

1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL.

Presenter: Jochen Gerber

The Field Museum's Division of Invertebrates has undergone a major makeover over the past couple of years. Tour the old (but improved) and new collection spaces and labs and get an update on what's happening from Field Museum Collections Manager and Chicago Shell Club President Jochen Gerber.

#### March 9

## North Park Village Nature Center, 1.00-3.30 PM

5801 N. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, IL.

Speaker: Shell Club Members.

## Mini Presentations by Shell Club Members

Presentations are 10–15 minutes each. Anything goes: favorite shell(s), memorable shell collecting adventures, shells with a story, etc. Presentations can be slide shows and/or demonstrations of actual shells and other objects. A prize will be raffled off ONLY among participating presenters, so start thinking about what your presentation will be.

# April 13

#### To be announced

Speaker: to be announced.

#### May 4

# Kremer family home, 1:00 - 4.00 PM

Crystal Lake, IL.

Hosts: Lee and Jan Kremer, Chicago Shell Club Life members.

#### Annual Meeting, Shell Auction and Potluck Meal

Duane Thenhaus will bring shells for our Spring Auction. Bring a dish for the potluck and your checkbooks. We will also have our biannual election of officers and discuss other Shell Club business.

# **More Information**

For more information on the Chicago Shell Club, special meeting times and how to get to meeting locations, contact:

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