

# **2014-2015 Program**

## September 14

North Park Village Nature Center, 1.00-3.30 PM

5801 N. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, IL.

Speaker: Richard Goldberg, Worldwide Specimen Shells, Columbia, MD

Presentation: Land snails of Indonesia.

Richard is a well-known specimen shell dealer with more than a passing passion for land snails. He regularly travels to Jamaica and Indonesia among many other exotic destinations to collect.

#### October 5

Field trip. Location to be announced.

Leader: Lee Kremer.

#### November 9

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Speaker: Dr Chuck Lydeard, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL

Presentation: to be announced.

Chuck is the Chair of the Biology Department and has worked on the taxonomy and genetics of freshwater mollusks particularly of the southeastern USA.

## Speaker: Paul Callomon, Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

Presentation: to be announced.

Paul is the collection manager of the mollusc collection, which is the oldest in the country. He is interested in the family Fasciolariidae and Japanese mollusks.

#### December 7

Sawa's Old Warsaw Restaurant, 1.00-5.00 PM

9200 W Cermak Rd. (@17<sup>th</sup> 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 11

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Speaker: José Coltro, Femorale, São Paulo, Brasil

Presentation: to be announced.

José is a well-known and respected shell dealer who along with his brother Marcus owns Femorale, which is based in São Paulo, Brasil. José travels the world collecting mollusks.

#### February 8

The Field Museum, 2.00-4.30 PM

1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL.

Presenter: Dr Jochen Gerber, Field Museum, Chicago,

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.

#### March 8

North Park Village Nature Center, 1.00-3.30 PM

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Speaker: Rebecca Gray Smith, Chicago Shell Club

Presentation: to be announced.

Rebecca is a member of the club, an accomplished artist and a volunteer at the Field Museum. She has been working on organizing an old but interesting and valuable shell collection from Oberlin College.

#### April 12

North Park Village Nature Center, 1.00-3.30 PM

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Speaker: Alan Gettleman, Merritt Island, FL

Presentation: to be announced.

Alan is a member of the Astronaut Trail Shell Club, and has travelled extensively collecting shells. He is also a past President of COA.

#### May 3

Kremer family home, 1:00-4.00 PM

Crystal Lake, IL.

Hosts: Lee and Jan Kremer, Chicago Shell Club Life Members and First Couple.

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 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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