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NOTES & NEWS

NOVEMBER MEETING

"FRESH WATER MUSSELS" IS THE SUBJECT OF OUR NOVEMBER 15TH SPEAKER, MRS. HOLLIS Q. BOONE. MRS. BOONE WILL DISCUSS THE UNIQUE LIFE CYCLE OF THESE BIVALVES AND THEIR VALUE IN THE PAST AND PRESENT TIMES. SHE WILL HAVE HER COLLECTION OF IDENTIFIED SHELLS THERE, AND TELL OF COLLECTING THESE MOLLUSKS IN STREAMS OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS. CONNIE BOONE COMES WELL PREPARED, SO BE SURE TO ATTEND, AND BRING A FRIEND FOR THIS INTERESTING SESSION WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

BRAND NEW CHAIRMAN

MRS. NORMAN CHRISTIE HAS VOLUNTEERED AS OUR NEW CONSERVATION CHAIRMAN. SHE IS TO BE OUR LIAISON WITH THE AMERICAN MALACOLOGICAL UNION, SO IN MATTERS OF CONSERVATION CONTACT MRS. NORMAN CHRISTIE, 5238 WIGTON DRIVE, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77035.

DECEMBER FIELD TRIP

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 9:00 AM IS THE DATE OF OUR FIELD TRIP TO SAN LUIS PASS. MEMBERS AND GUESTS WILL GATHER AT THE GALVESTON END OF THE BRIDGE. SAN LUIS PASS HAS A GOOD BEACH, SO BRING A LUNCH, A FRIEND, AND A SHOVEL! WE'LL HAVE A FINE TIME SHELLING AND SOCIALIZING!

DECEMBER TIDES . . GALVESTON SHIP CHANNEL

THE FOLLOWING DATES IN DECEMBER HAVE LOW TIDES PREDICTED TO FALL BELOW MEAN LOW TIDE BY HEIGHT SHOWN IN FEET.

DATE	TIME	Ht. Ft.	DATE	TIME	Ht. Ft.
SA2	7:51A	-0.1	SU17	7:18A	-0.6
SU3	8:25A	-0.2	M18	8:07A	-0.8
M4	9:00A	-0.2	Tu19	8:56A	-0.9
Tu5	9:35A	-0.3	W20	9:48A	-1.0
W6	10:07A	-0.3	Th21	10:38A	-0.9
Th7	10:43A	-0.3	F22	11:27A	-0.8
F8	11:18A	-0.3	SA23	12:18P	-0.6
SA9	11:59A	-0.3	SU24	1:08P	-0.3
SU10	12:36A	-0.2			
			F29	5:53A	-0.2
F15	5:35A	-0.1	SA30	6:42A	-0.3
SA16	6:27A	-0.4	SU31	7:25A	-0.4

FOR LOW WATER TIDES AT GALVESTON JETTY, STEWART BEACH AND FREEPORT HARBOR, SUBTRACT ABOUT AN HOUR AND FIVE MINUTES. FOR SAN LUIS PASS SUBTRACT NINE MINUTES.



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OCTOBER MEETING

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:10 PM, WITH ABOUT 34 PRESENT, MINUTES WERE READ AND APPROVED.

PAUL HUDSON REPORTED INCOME OF \$107.00, OUTGO OF \$18.04. TOTAL CASH ON HAND WAS \$2465.98. NEW BALANCES WERE: GENERAL FUND \$1944.52, LIBRARY FUNDS WERE \$521.46, INCLUDING GEORGE MAJORS FUND \$114.00.

FIVE VISITORS WERE WELCOMED BY PRESIDENT LLOYD MEISTER.

MRS. HOLLIS Q. BOONE DESCRIBED THE PROCEEDINGS AT THE AMERICAN MALACOLOGICAL UNION MEETING AT GALVESTON. A CONSERVATION COMMITTEE WAS SELECTED, INCLUDING MRS. BOONE, WHO ASKED THAT WE ELECT A MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSERVATION.

MRS. BOONE REPORTED THE GREEN SNAIL IS ON THE ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST IN THE U.S.A. THE COMMITTEE ASKS THAT WE DISCOURAGE SALES OF THIS SHELL BY NOT PAYING BLACK MARKET PRICES FOR IT.

PRESIDENT MEISTER REPORTED ON THE FIELD TRIP OF OCTOBER 22. WINDS CAUSED HIGH WATER ON BEACHES. SHELLING WAS LESS THAN GREAT, BUT THE LARGE NUMBER OF MEMBERS HAD A GOOD TIME ANYHOW, EVEN THOUGH IT RAINED. LLOYD FOUND SHELTER FOR EATING AND SOCIALIZING AT GILCHRIST, WHERE WE WERE DRY AND COMFORTABLE.

CONNIE BOONE MADE A MOTION THAT THE SOCIETY GIVE \$200.00 TO THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SHELL DISPLAYS. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DOUG REYNOLDS AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

DR. HELMER ODE ASKED THAT THE TEXAS CONCHOLOGIST BE COPYRIGHTED, INCLUDING FUTURE PUBLICATIONS OF THE CONCHOLOGY SOCIETY. MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM OF LEGAL TECHNICALITIES. WE NEED A LAWYER IN THIS FIELD.

A CLIP BOARD WAS PASSED, SO EVERYONE PRESENT COULD REGISTER FOR DOOR PRIZES.

LLOYD MEISTER REMINDED MEMBERS THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 8:00 PM AT THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE. NO MEETING WILL BE HELD IN DECEMBER.

MRS. L. N. DEXTER ANNOUNCED THAT MRS. HOLLIS Q. BOONE WOULD SPEAK AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. HER SUBJECT IS TO BE "FRESH WATER MUSSELS."

MRS. DEXTER PRESENTED MR. PAUL MCGEE, OF THE OCEANOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT, HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. PAUL SPOKE ON MINI-ECOLOGY, HOW ENVIRONMENT AFFECTS THE LIFE FORM POPULATION OF A GIVEN LOCALITY. HIS TALK WAS LIVELY, INTERESTING, INFORMATIVE AND ENTERTAINING, AS HE SHARED HIS VAST KNOWLEDGE OF SEA AND SHORE LIFE, SHOWING EACH OF THE MANY SPECIMEN SHELLS HE BROUGHT. OUR THANKS TO MR. PAUL MCGEE.

DOOR PRIZES, SHELLS DONATED BY OUR SUBSCRIBER ANNE CRAIG, FROM SAN CARLOS BAY, MEXICO, WERE GIVEN TO THE HOLDERS OF THE LUCKY NUMBERS. LOVELY SHELLS THEY WERE, TOO! PAUL MCGEE DREW THE NUMBERS.



