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FOSSIL FAIR

Want to learn more about fossils? The NCFC is sponsoring a big Fossil Fair in Wilmington on Sunday, December 9th, from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm, at Hoggard High School Auditorium on Shipyard Blvd. (see attached map).

Smithsonian paleontologists Dr. Clayton Ray and Bob Purdy, along with some professors from UNC-W, will be available to answer your questions and to look at fossils, so be sure to bring your interesting finds. These guys really want to see what we've been picking up at Texasgulf or anywhere in North Carolina.

Some NCFC members will be bringing part of their collections for display at the Fair. Jim Knowles has plant fossils from Alabama, and Doug Nunnally has a shell display and a collection of Castle Hayne fossils. John Everette has a great collection of fossils that he's been collecting at TG for the last 6 or 7 yrs. George Potter's bringing the fossils he's collected along Onslow Beach, and Thelma Bennett has a collection of fossils she's picked up along the Neuse River near New Bern. Tom Burns is bringing his collection, and Frank and Becky Hyne are bringing part of their collection from Florida and N.C.

We'll be having a drawing for a giant shark's tooth, too, so come early and enter.

The NCFC made a \$50.00 contribution to the N.C. State Museum's Natural History Society, entitling us to an affiliate membership. The Natural History Society provides support for Museum programs which are inadequately covered by their legislature-approved budget.

ANNUAL REPORT

At our annual meeting at Texasgulf on October 20th, NCFC Treasurer Carolynne Hertenstein reported that we currently have over \$900.00 in our treasury. After expenses for the pig picking we still have almost \$700. John Everette pointed out that since we are a non-profit, tax-exempt corporation, we should not have funds accumulating. A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Directors, at their next board meeting (probably in January), should decide how excess funds should be distributed. Any NCFC members may submit proposals as to how the funds might be used. Any project, to be approved for support, must be paleontology-oriented.

The other major business conducted was the election of a new NCFC president and four directors. Re-elected to two-year terms on the Board were Trish Kohler and Doug Nunnally. Vince Schneider and Bill Anderson were elected to fill the other two positions. NCFC President Frank Hyne did not seek re-election, but accepted our expression of appreciation for his year of service. Judy Schneider was elected President of the NCFC for 1985.

Judy Schneider has been active in the N.C. Fossil Club for five years or so, and is affiliated with the N.C. State Museum of Natural History and the Smithsonian Institution. She can be reached through the NCFC's mailing address, or at the State Museum's mailing address, or at her home address:

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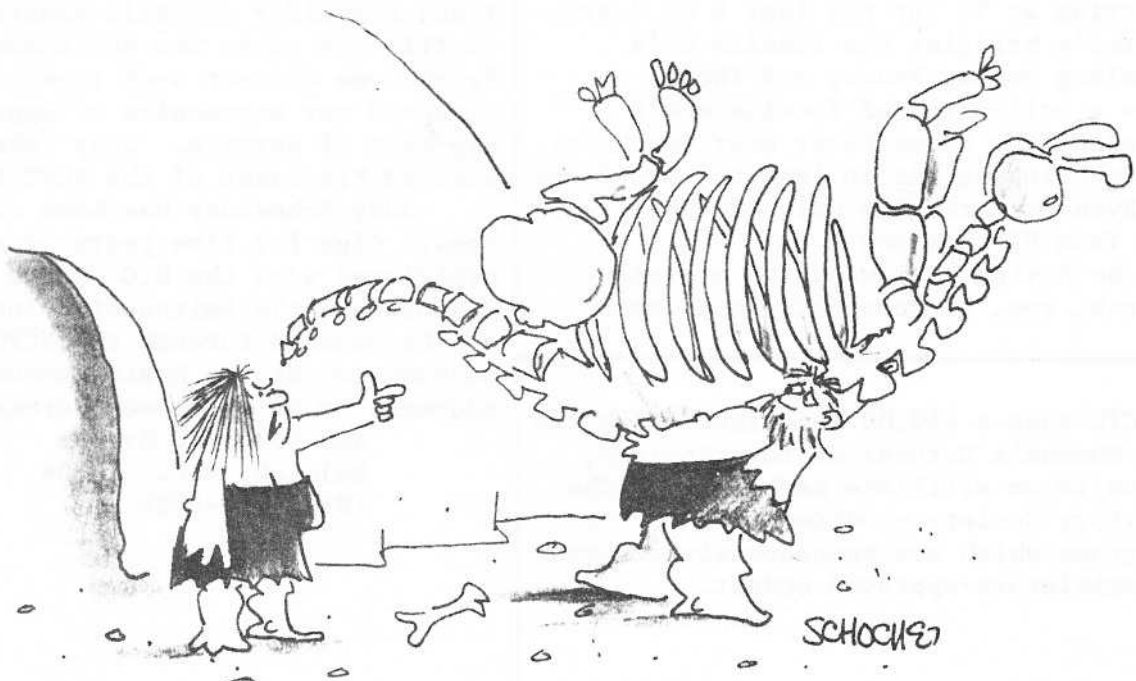
The following NCFC members made donations of fossil material to the Smithsonian Institution in 1983:

- Baugh, James - half of a mastodon tooth (352822)
Cox, Philip - a fossil auk humerus (352559)
Everette, John - distal end of a left femur of a pelican (355506)
Harmatuk, Peter - a collection of 2,347 fossil fish, reptile, bird, and mammal remains (351429, 352567)
Hayes, Fred - two fossil seal bones (354108)
Hyne, Mr. and Mrs. Frank - a collection of seven shark's teeth (352568)
Lovesy, Richard - three fossil whale and turtle bones (354111)
O'Neal, William - a piece of fossil walrus tusk and a toe bone (354171)
Potter, Mr. and Mrs. George - five fossil mammal bones (354109)
Schneider, Vincent and Judy - a collection of 612 fossil fish, turtle, bird, whale, seal, mammal and reptile remains (351430, 352561, 352824)
Scott, Randy - a collection of 18 fossil crab, fish, turtle, bird, whale, seal, and marine mammal remains (352560, 355503)

Watters, John, Jr. - a fossil seal jaw with two postcanine teeth (352566)

This list was taken from Smithsonian Year 1983, which cites donations recorded during their 1983 fiscal year. These and other NCFC members have donated much more than this, but this publication has only recently come out.

The NCFC is co-hosting the official opening of a Texasgulf fossil exhibit at the N.C. State Museum of Natural History at 3:00 on November 18th. We are providing the refreshments, and all members and guests are invited to attend.



"It's garbage and it will always be garbage. Now get rid of it!"