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Dear Dr. Stenzel

A former associate of yours, Mr. Elvin M. HURLBUT Jr. visited in our home here in Corpus Christi and during the course of the visit we mentioned we were Seashell collectors and a previous speaker at our shell club had been a Geologist from Wisconsin and so Mr Hurlbut gave us your name and address.

As new elected Vice-president of the Coastal Bend Shell Club it is my duty, among other things, to obtain speakers for our club meetings and we are in hopes you might fillthe bill for us at one of our regular monthly meetings. Our club meets the last Tuesday of each month and so far we have no definite plans for any of the oncoming months, with the exception of December at which time we have the annual party.

Since I am sending out several feelers to several potential guest speakers we would appreciate an expression from you if you would consider it. Since you have not previously addressed this club then you can choose any topic you wish but please keep in mind that our primary interest is in Marine Mollusca. A tentative suggestion of title would be of help in notifying our members.

Also, since we are sending out several requests at the same time it would be appreciated if you could have an alternate date in mind in case the first has been filled by the time you reply.

It is customary with our club here to pick up the tab on your nights lodging and meals. . . and all arrangements will be made in advance.

Do let us hear from you as soon as you can say yes.

Thank you.

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