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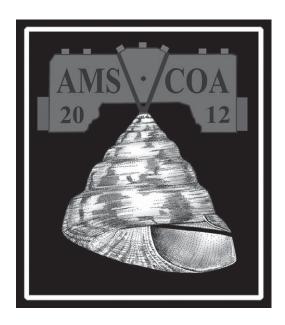
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## Celebrating 200 Years of Molluscan Studies in America

AMS Meeting 2012 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania/Cherry Hill, New Jersey 16–21 June 2012

The 2012 annual meeting of the American Malacological Society will celebrate 200 years of molluscan studies in the Americas. The meeting coincides with the bicentennial festivities at the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, the birthplace of malacology and conchology in the United States. The venue is the Crowne Plaza Hotel Philadelphia-Cherry Hill. The Conchologists of America will meet at the same venue, June 19 to 24. Some joint sessions and a joint banquet with COA are planned, with Dr. Baldomero "Toto" Olivera as the banquet speaker.

The AMS meeting will include a keynote symposium on molluscan diversity, organized by Dr. Philippe Bouchet and Ira Richling, and sessions on history of malacology in America, land and freshwater mollusks, and cephalopods. The COA meeting will include talks by former winners of COA Grants to Malacology, organized by Dr. Ellen Strong and Dr. José Leal. If you are interested in organizing a workshop or theme session at the meeting, please contact Gary Rosenberg, rosenberg@ansp.org.

Tentative schedule for the meeting:

June 16: Welcome Party in the evening

June 17-20: Scientific sessions

June 18: AMS auction and reprint sale

June 19: Reception at Academy of Natural Sciences

June 20: Banquet at hotel

June 21: Talks by winners of COA grants to Malacology

June 22–24: Continue with the Conchologists of America

Visit www.malacological.org/meetings for registration and abstract forms.