



March means spring is right around the corner, and the Aquarium is gearing up for warm weather activities.

Along with daily films, programs and videos, the Aquarium will offer a "Gardening With Nature" workshop on March 16 from 9 a.m. to noon. The N.C. Cooperative Extension Service teams up with the Aquarium to bring you this "down to earth" instructional session, and presentations cover a variety of local gardening and landscaping topics. The workshop is free to registered participants with regular paid admission to the Aquarium. For workshop details call Bob Patton at 247-4003 ext. 126, or Lisa Wimpfheimer at the extension office at 222-6352. For registration, call the Aquarium at 247-4003.

On March 30, youngsters can help Allie the alligator find her eggs by joining in an egg hunt on Easter weekend. Youngsters will learn about alligators, see a live alligator up close and make a craft souvenir. The program is designed for ages 4-6 at a cost of \$4 per child. Advance registration is required. Because of the program's popularity early registration is advised. To register, call the Aquarium at 247-4003.

Other Aquarium news includes a new lionfish exhibit, scheduled to open in May. These beautiful and fascinating fish have recently been discovered living among shipwrecks offshore. Inhabiting waters 80-120 feet deep, these graceful and willowy denizens of the sea would seldom be seen by anyone but divers. However, the Aquarium's exhibit will provide a look at these unusual and venomous fish to more than 250,000 visitors a year.

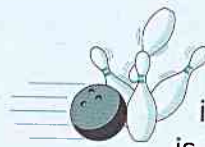
If you are a runner, start training for the Aquarium's second annual Earth Day Fun Run on April 20. Both 5K and 10K runs will be part of the Aquarium's annual Earth Day Celebration.

Aquarium admission will be free on Earth Day, April 20, and inside special environmental videos, activities and programs will provide interesting and entertaining activities for all ages.

Remember, the Aquarium feeds its fish daily at 3 p.m.

For a complete list of spring activities, stop by the Aquarium and pick up a calendar, or call 247-4003 to request a calendar by mail. The Aquarium's calendar of events is also on its website, www.ncaquariums.com

ANCIENT MARINERS



After 16 weeks of bowling, GRAY FOXES are in 1st place; HOT SHOTS in 2nd place; and the 3rd place team is Y2K-2.

Scratch Series: 533--Jack Doyle, 490--Ramon Navarro, 439--Lynn Scott 458--Madelyn Middlestead, 445--Ruth Whitney, 440--Marie Scott

Scratch Game: 200--Vic Filan, 182--Ted Lindblad, 168--Bill Hotham 160--Paulie Brown, 159--Jan Maxwell, 158--Dot Risso

Handicap Series: 662--Beal Marks, 629--Tom Martynowski, 623--Charles Schrader 684--Vaughan Brunjes, 644--Marilyn Smetana, 620--Kathy Murray

Handicap Game: 238--Jay Nagle, 222--Dick Perkins, 216--Mike Murray, 233--Dorothy Schrader, 229--Mary Wiker, 215--Lil Zaminer

5-10 split--Paulie Brown, Marie Scott, Ramon Navarro, Doe Martynowski, 4-10 Dorothy Schrader, 8-10 Marty Hare, 3-7 Ruth Whitney, 6-7 Larry Salchow 6-7-10 Dot Manion, Tom Martynowski, Lou Tresino, 4-7-10 Madelyn Middlestead 6-7-8 Dick Wiker and finally Pat Filan 3-4-6-7-10.

The Awards Banquet has been set for April 9 at the Royal Pavillion, please sign up and make your menu choice.

Submitted by: Vaughan Brunjes

JOKE OF THE DAY-

A husband and wife were at a party chatting with some friends when the subject of marriage counseling came up.

"Oh, we'll never need that. My husband and I have a great relationship," the wife explained. "He was a communications major in college and I majored in Theatre arts.

He communicates real well and I just act like I'm listening."