Calvert Cliffs Field Trip

Date: Saturday November 13th, 2010
Location: Meet at Student Parking Lot “ME” at corner of Dawes and East Campus Drive
Time: Meet at 8:45 am

What to bring: Notebook
Lunch
Pen/pencil
A change of shoes/socks
(for walking on beach and perhaps in water)
Appropriate clothes/raingear/sweater
Plastic/cloth bag for collecting fossils
Sunscreen/hat (if warm/sunny)
$8 (admission to museum is $4, admission to beach is $4)

Agenda: We will be caravanning down to the Calvert Marine Museum located in Solomon’s Island, MD and will spend the morning looking at the fossils and exhibits on display. We should arrive at the museum by 10 am – 10:30 am. We will eat lunch at the museum (there are no lunch facilities at the museum. There are some local fast food vendors, but you will need to provide your own transportation to get to them) and then caravan back north to Matoaka Cottages on the western shore of the Chesapeake where we will walk the beach and look at the exposed cliffs. You may be able to pick up some fossils on the beach, however, DO NOT PICK AT ANY FOSSILS STILL LODGED IN THE CLIFF FACE. We will try to end the field trip no later than 4:30 or 5:00 pm and will return back to the NOVA Alexandria Campus by approximately 6 pm.

Directions to Calvert Marine Museum
Head down Seminary road to I-395 South (Richmond)
Get on I-395 South (Richmond)
Take to I-495 East (the beltway)
Stay on I-495 east to exit 11 (MD Route 4 south)
Get onto MD route 4 south...go for about 40 miles to Solomon’s Island
Take right exit off of Route 4 just before the Gov Johnson Memorial Bridge
Take first left and go under bridge and go to stop sign. The Museum will be directly in front of you.
Directions to Matoaka Cottages Beach (from DC)
From I-495 east, get off exit 11 (MD Route 4 south)
Go to town of St Leonard
Turn left onto Calvert Beach Road
Turn left onto dirt road (follow signs for Matoaka Beach Cabins)
Park at end of dirt road

Directions to Matoaka Cottages Beach (from Calvert Marine Museum)
From the museum parking lot, get back onto MD Route 4 north
Go approximately 10 miles on MD Route 4 to town of St. Leonard
Turn right onto Calvert Beach Road
Turn left onto dirt road (follow signs for Matoaka Beach Cabins)
Park at end of dirt road