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March 2017

St. Petersburg Shell Club, Inc.

Web site: [stpeteshellclub.org](http://stpeteshellclub.org)

Shell Club meetings are held on the first Friday of the month, except June, July and August, at the **Seminole Recreation Center, 9100 113th Street North, Seminole**. The doors open at 6:30p.m. and the meetings start at 7:00 p.m. The public is always invited.





## ***A MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF YOUR PRESIDENT***

Hello fellow collectors.

I want to start off by thanking all of you who contributed your time and effort to make our 70th Shell Show a success. It couldn't happen without you all, and I am extremely grateful.

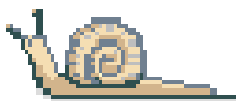
While attendance was lower than hoped for, we received numerous compliments about the quality of the displays presented by the exhibitors. The tireless efforts of the volunteers who worked the show at the admissions and raffle tables, and helped out in the kitchen, as well as those who donated the raffle items, to the judges and dealers, all contributed to a wonderful show. Thank you again.

The day after the show closed we received news from Kenny Lipe of Betty Lipe's passing. She was 80 years old. Betty and Bob Lipe were the backbone of our club for several decades. Betty took on the treasurer's duties when Florence Kuycinski passed away suddenly several years ago. We greatly miss her and all that she did for our club.

Two great events are coming up fast. This weekend (Thursday-Saturday) is the Sanibel Shell Fair on Sanibel Island. This is the 80th happening of this wonderful show. The following weekend (March 11th & 12th) is the Tampa Bay Fossil Club's annual Fossil Fest held at the Florida State Fairgrounds in Tampa. This is the largest fossil show in Florida, and is not to be missed.

I wish you all well, and hope to see you on March 3rd at our next meeting with guest speaker Joshua Slattery.

***John***



### **Club Officers and Committees**

President John Jacobs; Vice President Robert Gould; Recording Secretary Sandy Boddy & Cheryl Jacobs; Treasurer Betty Lipe; Newsletter Editor Cheryl Jacobs; Directors at Large: Peggy Dill, Marilyn Wall, Jane McKinney, Meredith Myers; COA Representative John Jacobs; Refreshments Open; Photographer John Jacobs; Field Trips Entire Board; Corresponding Secretary John Jacobs; E-mail contacts John Jacobs; Director of Education Open; Shell Show Cheryl Jacobs & Betty Lipe; Webmaster Bill Hoefer; Annual Picnic open; Raffle/Door Prizes Cheryl Jacobs & Peggy Dill; Facebook Cheryl Jacobs & Betty Lipe.

Tides are for Mullet Key Channel (Skyway). Other specific locations may be up to 2 hours later or earlier. Listings from saltwatertides.com .

### **Forecast Minus Tides**

#### Mar 2017

2 Thu 9:14PM -0.1  
3 Fri 10:26PM -0.1  
4 Sat 11:51PM -0.2  
6 Mon 1:19AM -0.3  
7 Tue 2:35AM -0.4  
8 Wed 3:36AM -0.4  
9 Thu 4:24AM -0.4  
10 Fri 5:03AM -0.4  
11 Sat 5:36AM -0.3  
12 Sun 7:04AM -0.1  
22 Wed 3:15AM -0.1  
23 Thu 4:08AM -0.1  
24 Fri 4:53AM -0.2  
25 Sat 5:30AM -0.2  
26 Sun 6:04AM -0.1  
29 Wed 8:15PM -0.2  
30 Thu 9:08PM -0.3  
31 Fri 10:07PM -0.3

#### April

1 Sat 11:17PM -0.3  
3 Mon 12:36AM -0.2  
4 Tue 1:58AM -0.2  
5 Wed 3:08AM -0.2  
6 Thu 4:05AM -0.1  
13 Thu 8:42PM -0.1  
14 Fri 9:23PM -0.1  
15 Sat 10:09PM -0.1  
26 Wed 7:22PM -0.3  
27 Thu 8:12PM -0.4  
28 Fri 9:05PM -0.5  
29 Sat 10:03PM -0.4  
30 Sun 11:08PM -0.3

#### May

2 Tue 12:16AM -0.2  
3 Wed 1:25AM -0.1  
10 Wed 7:20PM -0.1  
11 Thu 7:53PM -0.2  
12 Fri 8:28PM -0.2  
13 Sat 9:06PM -0.2  
14 Sun 9:46PM -0.2  
15 Mon 10:37PM -0.1



*Upcoming Club Meetings*

6:30pm Meet and Greet, 7pm Meeting

**Mar 3** Regular Meeting Joshua Slattery will be our speaker

**Mar 4** Meeting of Tampa Bay Fossil Club see page 6.

**Mar 6** Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists—John Jacobs “Do’s & Don’ts of Cleaning and Preserving Shells”

**Apr 2** Club Picnic see page 4

**Apr 4** Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

**Apr 7** Regular Meeting Robert Gould will be our speaker

**May 2** Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

**May 5** Regular Meeting TBA

**UPCOMING SHELL SHOWS &  
RELATED EVENTS**

Mar 2-4 **80th ANNUAL SANIBEL SHELL FAIR** Sanibel Community Center. Mary Burton—marybsanibel@hotmail.com

Mar 9-11 **MARCO ISLAND SHELL SHOW XXXV** United Church of Marco Island. Jae Kellogg—pjsailkw@gmail.com

Mar 11-12 **TAMPA BAY FOSSIL CLUB FOSSIL FEST** Florida State Fairgrounds, Tampa, FL

Jun. 10-11 **GULF COAST SHELL SHOW** Panama City Beach, Panama City Beach Senior Center, 423 Lyndell Lane. Jim Brunner - jili@knology.net

Jul 16-21 **AMERICAN MALACOLOGICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING** Newark, DE, University of Delaware, Newark E-mail— akittle@delmnh.org <http://www.delmnh.org/ams2017>

Aug 15-19 **CONCHOLOGISTS OF AMERICA CONVENTION** Key West, FL Double Tree by Hilton—Grand Key Resort 3990 S. Roosevelt Blvd. Greg Curry—beechnutkw@aol.com or Ed Shuller - eshuller@mindspring.com

Aug 26-27 **2nd ANNUAL WEST COAST SHELL SHOW** San Diego, CA Casa Del Prado Rm 101, 1650 El Prado, Balboa Park David Berschauer—shellcollection@hotmail.com

Courtesy of Donald Dan and others

**In Memorium:** A Loss to the Shell World. Cy Totten, husband of member Sharlene Totten, passed away on Dec 30, 2016. He was always quick with a smile and helpful hand. He will be missed by many friends.

Betty Lipe passed away on February 26, 2017. She was a member for over 50 years along with husband Bob, and served the club in various capacities throughout the years including president, treasurer, editor, recording secretary, and shell show chair. She was past president of the Conchologists of America, as well as, a Neptunea recipient in 2006. Her home was always open to visitors from the shell world, especially at shell show time. We will miss her tremendously, and will never forget her.

**THE SHELL COLLECTOR’S CODE OF ETHICS**

I realize that molluscs are part of our precious national wildlife resources, therefore:

I WILL make every effort to protect and preserve them not only for my own future enjoyment, but for the benefit of generations to come.

I WILL always leave every shelling spot as undisturbed as possible.

I WILL take only those specimens needed for my collection and for exchange at the time... Shells in a box cannot reproduce while I am waiting for a place to send them.

I WILL leave behind the damaged and the young specimens so that they may live and multiply.

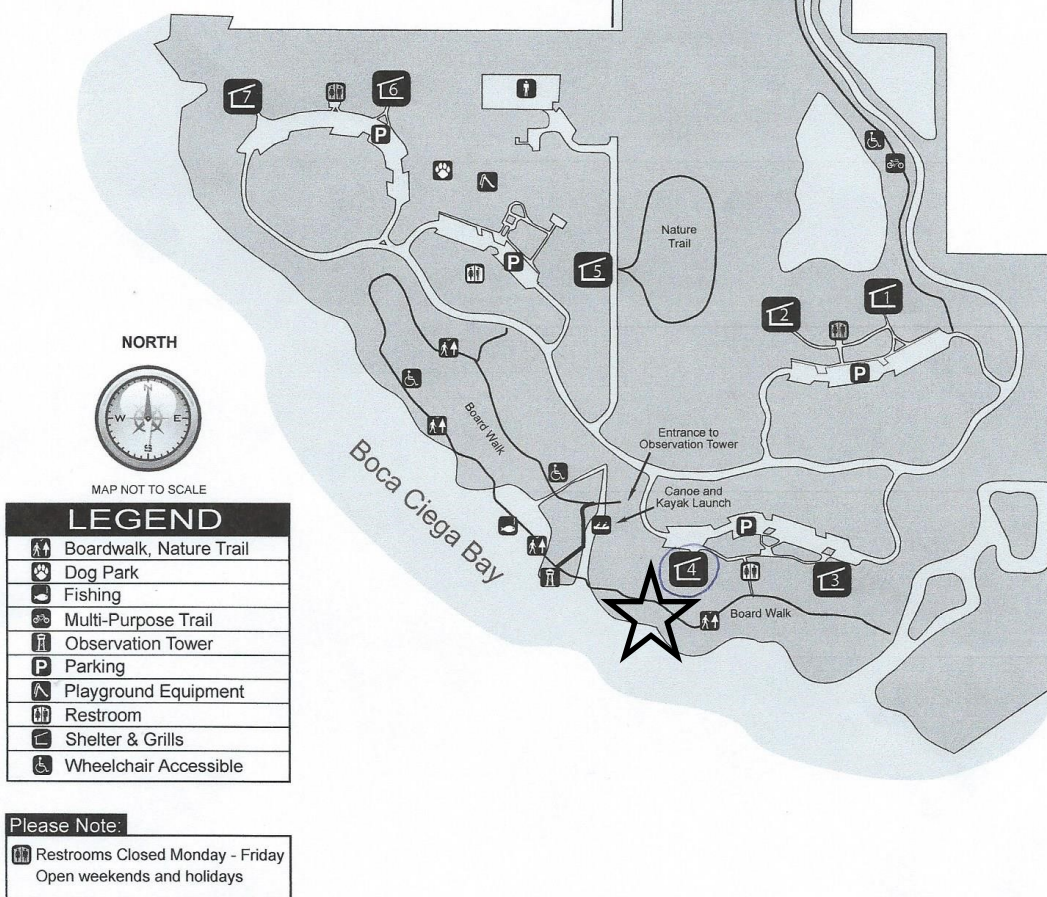
I WILL **NOT** collect live egg cases unless they are to be used for study, and then, only in small quantities.

I WILL **NEVER** “clean out a colony” of shells.

I WILL practice and promote these conservation rules in every way possible.



**BOCA CIEGA  
MILLENNIUM PARK**  
12410 74th Ave. N.  
(Old Oakhurst Rd.)  
Seminole, Florida 33772-4917



## picnic

Sign up at the meeting or call John Jacobs 813-309-2608 and leave a message.

Need to know how many people are coming and what you are bringing to eat. Bring your own drinks.



## Club Picnic is **EARLY** this year!! Sunday, April 2nd Boca Ciega Millennium Park Picnic Area #4 at 2 PM

Ok, we are trying a new location this year for our picnic. We would like to give our snow birds a chance to participate so, we have scheduled it early. April 2nd should be a nice day. We also are trying a new location....Boca Ciega Millennium Park, Picnic Area 4. This area has an observation tower, boardwalks, and footpaths, so you can explore the coastal habitat from mangroves to pine flatwoods.

Directions from their website: From US19 in Pinellas Park, follow Park Blvd (CR694) west into Seminole, crossing US19A. Turn left onto 125th St, then left onto 74th Ave N (Old Oakhurst Rd) and turn right at the park entrance. Continue along the park road to the parking area for Shelter 3+4. The boardwalk starts behind the restrooms.

We will have a sign-up sheet at the March meeting. The club will furnish the chicken and everyone will bring a dish to share and your own drinks.



# 70th Annual Shell Show

## Winners list

National Museum of Natural History: Martin Tremor Jr. & Conrad Forler  
"For the Love of Those Cockles"

Conchologists of America: Doug Thompson "Self-collected Florida Lion's Paws"

Dupont: Vicky Wall "You're Going Where?"

Florida Museum of Natural History Platinum Award: Ron & Mary Jo Bopp  
"Shells of the Caloosahatchee Formation in Florida"

Shell of the Show: Patty & Wayne Humbird "Homalocantha pele (red)"

Shell of the Show Self-Collected: Doug Thompson "Spondylus americanus (one inside another)"

Selma Lawson: Carolyn & Earl Petrikin "Colors of Worldwide Molluscs"

Dorothy Hanssler: Carolyn & Earl Petrikin "The Queen of All Conchs"

Best Scientific Less than 10 Feet: Pat & Bob Linn "80 Olive Shells of the World"

Alice Monroe Educational: Vicky Wall "A Shell Collector's Journey with "The Best Shell Book Ever Written""

Earl Clark Artistic: Pat Linn "Candleabra"

Judges Special Scientific: Pat & Bob Linn "The Bonnets of the World". Carolyn & Earl Petrikin "Colors of Worldwide Molluscs"

Judges Special Artistic: Caryl Renz "Penny Lane". Pat Linn "80 Shells Around the Wreath"

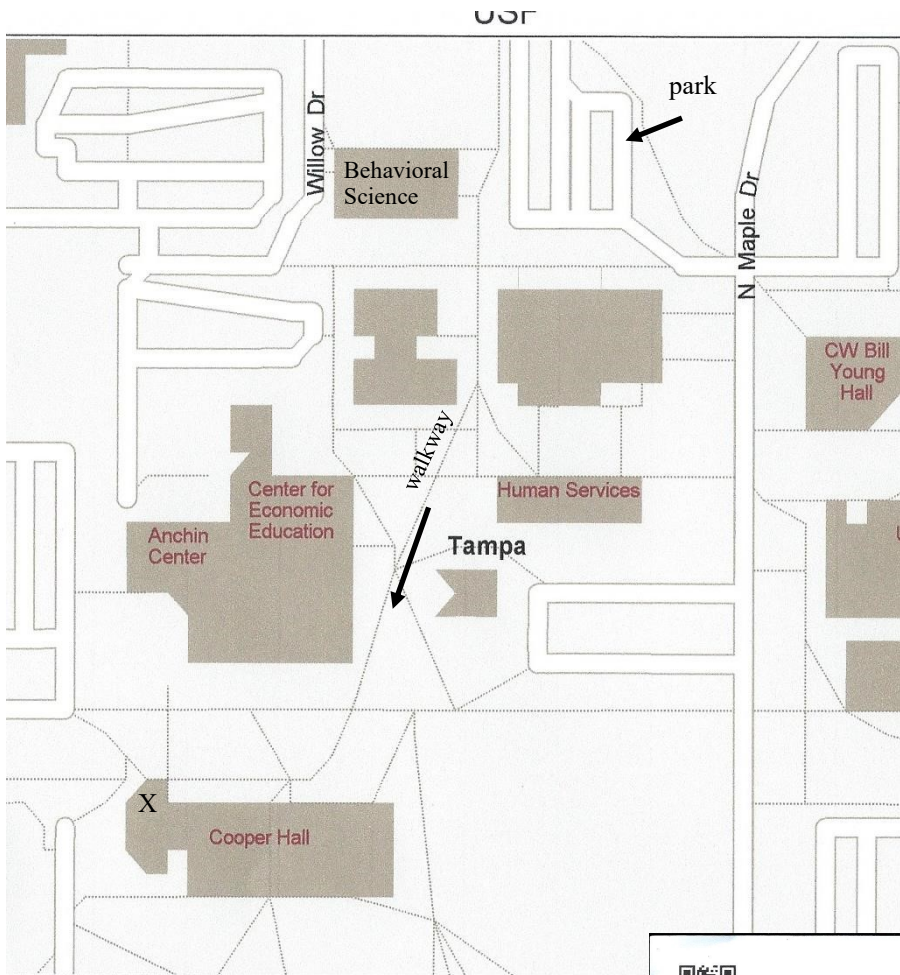
People that received 1st Place; Martin Tremor Jr. & Conrad Forler, Karlynn Morgan, Doug Thompson, Vicky



Judges::  
Lynn Gaulin  
Mary Ellen Akers  
Dave Green  
Allan Gettleman







## T-Rex Hunter and Star of Dinosaur13 Peter Larson

Saturday March 4 from 7:30 to 9:30pm The Tampa Bay Fossil Club will be hosting a free meeting with Peter Larson. Cooper Hall CPR103, 4202 E. Fowler Ave, Tampa.

Going east on Fowler Ave the second entrance on the left into USF (Leroy Collins Blvd) is the one to go in. You want to stay to the right and turn right onto Alumni Blvd (the first cross street). You will turn left onto N. Maple Dr (the second street where the stop light is). You will go over some speed humps and just before the road curves there is a drive way to a parking lot on the left. You can park here and will have to walk to Cooper Hall.. Try to come a little early. The meeting starts at 7:30pm with only a few announcements.



### HOW CAN I HELP

It is time to have elections this year. Have you thought about helping the club by being an Officer, Board Member or on the

Nominating Committee?

PLEASE....step forward and help your club.

Other committee positions are also available.

Contact John Jacobs if you wish to help  
johncheryl@earthlink.net  
or  
813-309-2608



### PALEO WORKSHOPS

Learn about Florida's prehistoric past in a FossilFest workshop! Experienced collectors will teach you how to find, identify, and preserve fossil treasures of your very own! All workshops are free to FossilFest attendees!

#### Saturday & Sunday

Discovering Florida's Fossil Treasures with TBFC's own Dr. Bob Sinibaldi PhD. Learn where and how to find fossils of your own right here in Florida!

Florida's Fossil Vertebrates & the Fossil Hunting Permit with Dr. Richard Hulbert PhD of the Florida Museum of Natural History. It's cheap and easy! Learn how to get your fossil permit and participate in the science of paleontology.

The Perfect Plaster Jacket & Other Preservation Techniques with Bill Faucher. Learn how to successfully get fossils from the field to your lab. Jacketing, glues, and preservation techniques are discussed for the beginner.

Be a part of the adventure!  
JOIN TBFC TODAY!

[www.tampabayfossilclub.com](http://www.tampabayfossilclub.com)

## FLORIDA'S LARGEST PREHISTORIC SHOW!

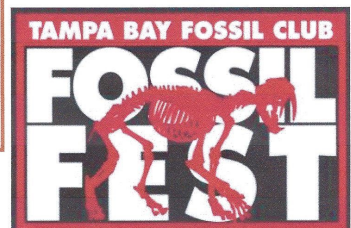
**FOSSILS & ARTIFACTS**  
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**FOSSIL EXHIBITS - WORKSHOPS**  
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Presents the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual  
March 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Sat: 9AM-5PM, Sun: 10AM-4PM

Adults \$8, Kids 12 and under FREE!

Florida State Fairgrounds  
Intersection of I-4 & Hwy 301 just east of Tampa.





## **Williams Farm Field trip in January.** by John Jacobs

We started off with a good day and then it turned to rain. We got wet but as you can see the area is easy to collect .

The spot is loaded with fossil shells and corals. If not for the spotty rain I probably would have come back with even more than I did.

We are planning another trip next year for April 7th, 2018, so mark your calendars.



## Shells – Crafts – Bags – Florida Books



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**Founded 1936**  
**Annual Dues: Individual \$15.00**  
**Family \$20 (1 copy of TIDELINES per household)**

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Return the application to the membership chairperson at the address below.

Please complete—Detach and Return

New Member: Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Family \_\_\_\_\_  
 Renewal: Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Family \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt# \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Shell Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

If you use another address part of the year, please list where & when here:

**Donation to the Awards and Ribbons Fund for the Shell Show**

Print as you want to be listed.

Return to: Membership Chairperson  
 P. O. Box 3472  
 Seminole, FL 33775-3472

Total Enclosed:

Membership \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Awards and Ribbons Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Show 'n Tell**  
 Bring that special shell to the meeting and talk for a few minutes about it. What was it that appealed to you about that specimen? Was it the color, the family, the location it came from?

Do you have a question on the identification of a shell?  
 Whatever the reason, Blow your horn, show it off.



# Happy Birthdays

**Mar**

8 - Betty Fearn  
 14 - Phyllis Diegel

**April**

9 - Mildred Sides  
 15 - Dick Fearn  
 19 - Trish Hartmann

**May**

1 - Jerry Puigdomenech, Jr.  
 16 - Tina Murders  
 20 - Roger Smith  
 23 - Mary Ellen Akers