

TIDELINES

Celebrating our 80th year!

March 2016

St. Petersburg Shell Club, Inc.

Web site: 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.



The tree frog and his hat came from the January issue of the *Tidelines.*

Snail hats version I and II. See what you miss when you don't come to a Shell Show!

President John Jacobs donned a snail hat to call out the door prize tickets at out Shell Show this past weekend.







A MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF YOUR PRESIDENT

First of all, I want to thank everyone who volunteered their time to help out with our annual Shell Show. Without your assistance, we couldn't have accomplished this large undertaking. Thank you all so

very much! Photos of our judges and the major award winners (three from our own club), along with the list of our other winners, is inside.

There are still several wonderful events to come in Florida. This week showcases the Sanibel Shell Fair on Sanibel Island Thursday through Saturday. The Tampa Bay Fossil Club hosts its annual Fossil Fest at the Florida State Fairgrounds in Tampa March 12 and 13. This is the largest fossil event in Florida. The Marco Island Shell Show is also taking place the same weekend.

We are having a Board Meeting March 20th, 2PM at the Lipes' home. This will primarily be a follow-up to our shell show. If you have any comments or suggestions you can come to the meeting or send them to me. Email johncheryl@earthlink.net.

I wish all of you happy shelling, and an enjoyable time at the events yet to come.

May you always have shells in your pocket and sand between your toes.

John



Club Officers and Committees

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

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

3 Thu 1:57AM -0.1

4 Fri 2:58AM -0.3

5 Sat 3:49AM -0.4

6 Sun 4:32AM –0.4

7 Mon 5:11AM -0.4

8 Tue 5:47AM -0.3

9 Wed 6:20AM -0.2

11 Fri 8:04PM –0.1

12 Sat 9:05PM -0.2

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13 Sun 11:15PM -0.2

15 Tue 12:35AM –0.2 16 Wed 2:00AM –0.2

17 Thu 3:14AM -0.2

18 Fri 4:13AM –0.2

19 Sat 4:58AM -0.2

20 Sun 5:35AM -0.1

27 Sun 9:48PM -0.1

April

2 Sat 3:12AM -0.1

3 Sun 4:05AM -0.1

4 Mon 4:51AM -0.1

7 Thu 7:16PM –0.1

8 Fri 8:05PM -0.3

9 Sat 8:59PM -0.4

10 Sun 9:56PM -0.3

11 Mon 10:59PM -0.2

13 Wed 12:10AM -0.1

14 Thu 1:23AM -0.1

23 Sat 8:10PM -0.1

24 Sun 8:48PM -0.2

25 Mon 9:30PM -0.2

26 Tue 10:19PM -0.1

27 Wed 11:15PM -0.1

May

5 Thu 6:24PM -0.1

6 Fri 7:13PM -0.3

7 Sat 8:02PM -0.4

8 Sun 8:52PM -0.5

9 Mon 9:45PM -0.4

10 Tue 10:40PM -0.3

11 Wed 11:38PM -0.1



In Memorial

Clara Lucille Morrow Green, 71, a Fort Worth native, died on Saturday, January 16, 2016 after a difficult battle with cancer. Lucille & David shared a common love for sea shells and were members of the Houston Conchology Society, Sea Shell Searchers of Brazoria County, Astronaut Trail Shell Club in Melbourne, Florida, San Diego Shell Club and The Central Florida Shell Club of Orlando where she served as President, 1989 -1990. Lucille was the recipient of numerous major awards for scientific shell displays including The DuPont, given by the DuPont Museum of Natural Science of Wilmington, Delaware and Best Exhibit Award, given by The Conchologist of America (COA). Lucille also received numerous awards for shell crafts and shell-related needlework. She went on to serve on the Board of Directors for the Conchologists of America and was COA Convention Chairman in Houston in 2000. She also was honored



with the annual COA Neptune Award for outstanding service in 2013. She is survived by her husband, David Bentley Green; daughters, Clara Christine (Peter) Stark and Kristen Lynn Green; granddaughter, Clara Kathryn Stark; and a sister, Anne Elizabeth Curd.

Lucile was a judge at several of our Shows over the past years. She will be sorely missed by everyone in the Shelling community. Her smile and gracious personality would light up every room she walked into. A good friend to us all. Here with Gustav Paulay, Dave Green, and Anne Joffe judging our 2013 Show.

COA 2016

Hotel: Crowne Plaza at the Airport

Convention Rates \$148—Regular room

\$248—Suites

Rates valid 3 days before and after

Reservations

Toll Free 888-233-9527 https://goo.gl/nhuhJC

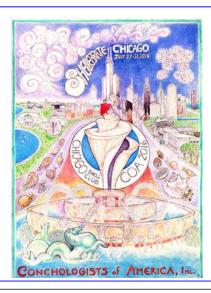
Reservation code:

Conchologists of America

Deadline July 6, 2016

Regular room rates apply after this date.

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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.

2016 St. Petersburg Shell Club Shell Show

The 2016 Shell Show is now history. Putting on the show is a lot of work, but very rewarding and fun. We had some fabulous exhibits with three of our own winning major awards. Our judges were wonderful, and it was a pleasure to have them here. Here are a few pictures from the show. Enjoy and think about how you can contribute to next year's event.



Our great judges: Phyllis Gray, Dr. Jose Leal, Dr. Robin Harris, Dr. Richard Batt





Conchologists of America Award winner Cheryl Jacobs "A Study of Tiger Cowries"



Florida Museum of Natural History Award winner Martin Tremor, Jr. "Introduction to the Elongated Cockle"



National Museum of Natural History Award winner Harry Berryman "Etymology of Cone Shells"



Other winners:

SHELL OF THE SHOW

Amoria grayi kawamurai- Jim Cordy

SHELL OF THE SHOW SELF COLLECTED Muricopsis zylmanse – Jim Cordy

SELMA "SAMMY" LAWSON AWARD

Colors of World Wide Molluscs – Carolyn

Petrikin

BEST SCIENTIFIC EXHIBIT LESS THAN 10 FEET I'm older than you – Alan Gettleman

ALICE MONROE EDUCATIONAL AWARD
Etymology of Cone Shells - Harry Berryman

EARL CLARK AWARD

Caryl Renz – Posey

JUDGES SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC

Ron Bopp – Alum Bluff Group Alan Gettleman – Spiney Species of the

Genus Hysteroconcha

JUDGES SPECIAL ARTISTIC

Caryl Renz – Pictures

Caryl Renz – Priscilla

ONE FAMILY MINOR:

1st – Martin Tremor Jr & Conrad Forler -

ONE SPECIES

1st – A study of Tiger Cowries – Cheryl Jacobs

SINGLE SPECIMEN SELF COLLECTED

1st Muricopsis zylmanse – Carolyn Petrikin

2nd Perna viridis – Carolyn Petrikin

SINGLE SPECIMEN WORLD WIDE

1st. Amoria grayi kawamurai– Jim Cordy 2nd. Spondylus multimuricathus LA. Reeve

1856

BIVALVES:

1st – Spiney species of the Genus Hysteroconcha

WORLD WIDE

1st. Colors of World Wide Molluscs –

Carolyn Petrikin

2^{nd.} John Jacobs – Giant Limpets

SELF COLLECTED

1st Jim Cordy - Guaymas - San Carlos Deja Vue

EDUCATIONAL

1st Etymology of Cone Shells - Harry

Berryman

2nd I'm older than you – Alan Gettleman

FOSSILS

1st Ron Bopp – Alum Bluff Group

LAND AND FRESHWATER

1st Alan Gettleman – Unique Land Snail

WALL HANGINGS:

1st: Bob Sturges – Wreath

2nd Caryl Renz – Pictures

SAILOR'S VALENTINE

2nd. Karen Manchester – Twelve Shades of White

24. TABLE ITEMS:

1st. Caryl Renz - Posey

25. NOVELTIES:

1st. Caryl Renz –Priscilla\

Upcoming Club Meetings

6:30pm Meet and Greet, 7pm Meeting

Mar 1 Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

Mar 4 Regular Meeting Joshua Slattery, PhD student at USF. Will speak on "Role of Ammonites in the Late Cretaceous Food Web".

Apr 5 Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

Apr 1 Regular Meeting TBA.

So mark your calendars.

<u>UPCOMING SHELL SHOWS &</u> RELATED EVENTS

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Mar 3-5 **79TH SANIBEL SHELL FESTIVAL** Sanibel Community Center, Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, FL

Mar 10-12 MARCO ISLAND SHELL CLUB SHOW XXXV United Church of Marco Island, 320 North Barfield, Marco Is., FL

Mar 12-13 **TAMPA BAY FOSSIL CLUB FOSSIL FEST** Florida State Fairgrounds, Tampa

Jun 18-19 **GULF COAST SHELL SHOW** Panama City Beach Senior Center, 423 Lyndell Lane, Panama City Beach, FL

Jul 27-31 CONCHOLOGISTS OF AMERICA ANNUAL CONVENTION Chicago IL, Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare Hotel, 5440 River Road, Rosemont, IL. Registration forms at http://conchologistsofamerica.org

Courtesy of Donald Dan and others

Field Trip to the Paleo Preserve.

Date Saturday Mach 26.

The Paleo Preserve is a small fossil museum featuring fossils and photos and newspaper articles from the famous Leisey Shell Pit discovery of 1983. We are located inside Camp Bayou Nature Preserve in Ruskin, Florida and are open to the public on Saturdays from 9 am -2 pm or by appointment.

Directions to the Museum

4140 24th Street SE

Ruskin, FL 33570

From Tampa take I-75 South to the Ruskin exit #240. Go west on SR 674 approximately 1/2 mile to 24th Street S.E. and follow it four miles south to Camp Bayou Nature Preserve. The museum is located on the grounds at Camp Bayou.

Field Trip to Paleo Preserve will be on March 26, 2016.

You will see some wonderful fossils from Florida's past.

Please meet at the Seminole Recreation Center by **830am.**We will be leaving by **9am**.
We can carpool from there and be back in the afternoon.

Seminole Recreation Center is located at 9100 113th St N, Seminole, FL

Sign up at a meeting or Contact John Jacobs at johncheryl@earthlink.net, phone 813-309-2608.

Hope to see you there.





Registration is Now Open!

May 22-24, 2016 the **Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum** on Sanibel Island, Florida, will be hosting a 2.5 day forum titled "**Mollusks in Peril**." We will bring together some of the country's foremost experts on current large-scale threats to molluscan populations to discuss, through presentations and panels, the challenges facing the second most diverse group of animals on earth.

As our planet is subjected to unprecedented rates of human-induced environmental change, populations of mollusks inhabiting a wide range of habitats are being exposed to exceptional amounts of ecological stress. These stressors include, but are not limited to, alterations caused by climate change and other large-scale environmental disturbances. **Mollusks in Peril** will provide a forum for discussion on the possible ecological drivers of extinction risk, the synergies that enhance ecological stress, and the taxonomy, ontogeny, and geography of change in and risk to marine, freshwater, and terrestrial mollusks.

We hope to see you there! http://mollusksinperil.org

FACEBOOK

Have you checked out our Facebook page. I have been posting pictures of the Holiday Party and the field trip. You can post pictures too if you have them. We would love to see some of the shells you found recently. I would like to know if you enjoy the pictures and want to see more. We have lots of people that check out our page from all over the world, so come join us.



MEMBER NEWS

Dolores Seagren renewed her membership at the Shell Show. It was nice to see her there.

Stan Myers broke is leg and will be recuperating for some time. Please send him a card.

Thank you to all the members who helped out a the Shell Show.

Would you like to have your picture in the Directory? If so please email or send us a picture. We can scan in and return your picture to you. You can also bring it to a meeting. Would love to have everyone pictured. We can then put a face to a name. Thanks.

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Happy Birthdays

<u>May</u>

- 11 Gena Cameron
- 16 Tina Baldwin
- 20 Roger Smith
- 23 Mary Ellen Akers

April

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

Mar

8 - Betty Fearn 14 - Phyllis Diegel



St. Petersburg Shell Club, Inc. 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 con | mplete—Detach and Return | |
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| New Member: IndividualRenewal: Individual | Family Family | |
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Show 'n Tell

Web site: stpeteshellclub.org

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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? Whatever the reason, Blow your horn, show it off.



Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

We would like to hear from you on what type of programs you want to see. Do you know of someone that can give a program? Please give us their name.

Who would like to help us with Publicity. We need to get our meetings into the local papers and get the Shell Show out there too.

How about helping us with the Holiday Party. We need someone to help us set up the room at Perkins. Do a sign up sheet so we know how many are coming and set up the deserts. Betty Lipe will help you.

Who would like to head up a committee for the Picnic, the Board will help you and it doesn't require much time on your part.

Do you have suggestions about our Shell Show, how can we get better attendance, how can we increase our membership...etc. Send us your best ideas.

E-mail John Jacobs johncheryl@earthlink. net or snail mail is just fine.