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March 2020

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.

## Shell Show 2020 Seashells Galore



Jennifer Kotimaki's entry in the Artistic side of our show was a hit with many of our visitors. Her Single Specimen (*Vokesimurex rubidus*) won the Dorothy Hanssler Award. We are so glad she decided to display with us this year





## A MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF YOUR PRESIDENT

Hi all,  
Happy March!

I've been to four shell shows so far this year, with more to come, and I hope many of you have also taken some time to visit some of these shows. They are a wonderful experience where you can learn about exhibiting from seeing other shellers' displays and talking with the exhibitors. Most shows have several dealers giving the show goer opportunities to add to their collections. So check some of these shows out; you'll have a great time.

Not strictly a shell show, but a wonderful event, is the Conchologists of America annual convention, which is being held this year in Melbourne, Florida. Excellent presentations, the Welcome Party, silent auctions, and a banquet are all included with your registration fee. There is also an oral auction and the dealers bourse, both open to the public. Registration forms and complete information are available via the COA website: [conchologistsofamerica.org](http://conchologistsofamerica.org)

When you're out collecting, whether its marine, land, freshwater, or fossils, please be safe. Protect yourself from the sun, and always wear the proper clothing for the type of collecting you are participating in. Follow all rules set forth by the property owners. Life can throw a lot of curveballs at us, so do everything you can to remain safe.

Happy shelling everyone.

**John**

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

### Club Officers and Committees

President John Jacobs; Vice President Robert Gould; Recording Secretary open; Treasurer Tamara Hein; Newsletter Editor Cheryl Jacobs; Directors at Large: Carolyn Petrikin, Peggy Dill, Jane McKinney, Otis Taylor; COA Representative John Jacobs; Refreshments open; Photographer John Jacobs; Field Trips Entire Board; Corresponding Secretary Pat Linn, Shell Show Cheryl Jacobs; Annual Picnic the Board; Raffle/Door Prizes Cheryl Jacobs & Peggy Dill; Facebook Cheryl Jacobs; Webmaster Cheryl Jacobs.

## Forecast Minus Tides

### Mar

- 3 Tue 12:58AM -0.2
- 4 Wed 2:15Am -0.3
- 5 Thu 3:18AM -0.5
- 6 Fri 4:11AM -0.6
- 7 Sat 4:56AM -0.6
- 8 Sun 6:36AM -0.6
- 9 Mon 7:12AM -0.5
- 10 Tue 7:44AM -0.2
- 12 Thu 9:25PM -0.2
- 13 Fri 10:29PM -0.2
- 14 Sat 11:42PM -0.2
- 16 Mon 1:06AM -0.2
- 17 Tue 2:31AM -0.3
- 18 Wed 3:43AM -0.3
- 19 Thu 4:37AM -0.3
- 20 Fri 5:20AM -0.3
- 21 Sat 5:54AM -0.2

### Apr

- 1 Wed 1:23AM -0.2
- 2 Thu 2:40AM -0.2
- 3 Fri 3:43AM -0.3
- 4 Sat 4:35AM -0.3
- 5 Sun 5:19AM -0.3
- 8 Wed 7:33PM -0.2
- 9 Thu 8:24PM -0.3
- 10 Fri 9:17PM -0.4
- 11 Sat 10:16PM -0.4
- 12 Sun 11:22PM -0.3
- 14 Tue 12:37AM -0.2
- 24 Fri 8:16PM -0.2
- 25 Sat 8:56PM -0.3
- 26 Sun 9:43PM -0.3
- 27 Mon 10:38PM -0.2
- 28 Tue 11:43PM -0.2
- 30 Thu 12:54AM -0.2

### May

- 1 Fri 2:02AM -0.2
- 2 Sat 3:00AM -0.1
- 6 Wed 6:42PM -0.2
- 7 Thu 7:30PM -0.4
- 8 Fri 8:19PM -0.5
- 9 Sat 9:10PM -0.5
- 10 Sun 10:04PM -0.4
- 11 Mon 11:01PM -0.3
- 13 Wed 12:02AM -0.1
- 21 Thu 6:56PM -0.1
- 22 Fri 7:31PM -0.2
- 23 Sat 8:09PM -0.3
- 24 Sun 8:50PM -0.4
- 25 Mon 9:38PM -0.4
- 26 Tue 10:30PM -0.3
- 27 Wed 11:27PM -0.3
- 29 Fri 12:24AM -0.2

*Upcoming Club Meetings*

6:30pm Meet and Greet, 7pm Meeting

**Mar 3** Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

**Mar 6** Regular Meeting Dr. Gregory Herbert USF Professor will be speaking.

**Mar 7** Tampa Bay Fossil Club Meeting

**Apr 7** Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

**Apr 3** Regular Meeting  
Silent Auction Night Bring cash or checkbook and bid your shell off.

**Apr 4** Tampa Bay Fossil Club Meeting

**May 1** Regular Meeting TBA

**May 2** Tampa Bay Fossil Club Meeting

**May 5** Meeting of Suncoast Conchologists

**May 16** Suncoast Conchologists Picnic at Philippi Park shelter #1

**May 23** Club Picnic Philippi Park Shelter #1



UPCOMING SHELL SHOWS & RELATED EVENTS

Jan 18-19 **ASTRONAUT TRAIL SHELL SHOW** Eau Gallie Civic Center, Melbourne, FL

Feb 7-9 **SARASOTA SHELL SHOW**, Robarts Arena in Potter Building, 3000 Ringling Blvd. Sarasota FL

Feb 15 **FLORIDA UNITED MALACOLOGISTS MEETING**

Feb 15 **FOSSIL FESTIVAL** The Shell Factory, Ft. Myers, FL

Feb 21-22 **73rd ST PETERSBURG SHELL SHOW** Seminole Recreation Center, Seminole, FL

Mar 5-7 **SANIBEL SHELL FAIR** Sanibel, FL

Mar 14-15 **FOSSIL FEST** Tampa Bay Fossil Club, Florida State Fairgrounds, Tampa, FL

Mar 19-21 **40th MARCO ISLAND SHELL SHOW** Disseler Hall at the United Church of Marco, 320 N. Barfield Drive, Marco Island, FL

May 29-31 **23rd ANNUAL GULF COAST SHELL SHOW**, Panama City Beach Senior Center, 423 Lyndell Lane, Panama City Beach, FL

Jun 15-21 **Conchologists of America Annual Convention** Melbourne, FL see [conchologistsofamerica.org](http://conchologistsofamerica.org)



# CLUB PICNIC MAY 23, 2020!

WHEN: May 23 arrive around 11 so we can eat around Noon

WHERE: Philippi Park, Shelter #1 (2525 Philippi Parkway, Safety Harbor)

WHAT TO BRING: Club will furnish the fried chicken. You need to bring your own drinks along with a side dish to share. There will be plates, napkins, and utensils. Type of food: salads (lettuce, fruit, vegie), vegie plate, chips, desserts, cookies, brownies, cut up fruit, hot dishes (casseroles, beans), if you can keep it warm. So, put on your thinking caps and come up with something to bring.

We can play Crown if it is not too windy. Shell version of Bingo.

There will be a sign up sheet at the meeting. You can also call Cheryl at 813-309-0295.

### 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.

# Shell Show Season. Seashells Galore!

This year our theme was Seashells Galore. Here are some pictures from our show.



Carolyn and Earl Petrikin won the National Museum of Natural History Award and the Alice Monroe Educational Award for their display "You're Whelkome!"



Steve Geiger won several ribbons including a 1st Place for his photograph of a Melongena. We were glad he displayed in both Scientific and Artistic areas of the show.



Pat and Bob Linn won the Florida Museum of Natural History Platinum Award for their display "Abalones from Around the World"



Carolyn and Earl's Single Specimen of *Neptunea laticostata* got a Judges Special Ribbon



Sharlene Totten's Earrings and necklace got a 2nd Place ribbon

Judges: Duane Kauffmann, Judy Wedge, and John Jacobs

## MEMBER NEWS

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## Happy Birthdays

### Mar

8 – Betty Fearn

### Apr

9 - Mildred Sides  
15 - Dick Fearn  
22 – Gwen Howard

### May

1 – Jerry Puigdomenech, Jr.  
9 – Airy Callahan  
16 - Tina Murders  
20 – Roger Smith  
23 - Mary Ellen Akers  
24 – Jackie Zajac



Would you like to help the club by sending out Birthday cards and more.  
Contact Cheryl Jacobs.

**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 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**

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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	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

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



**HAVE I RENEWED ?**



Our club membership runs from January to December. If you are not sure if you have renewed call or email us.

Contact Cheryl & John Jacobs  
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