

The Beauii



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Sarasota Shell Club

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Summer, 2020 Edition

From the Prez

Hi Everyone!



I am hoping that you are all staying safe and well this summer. Our past season was cut short because of the ongoing pandemic. That doesn't mean we don't have plans for our upcoming season starting in September, it just means we

will have to do things differently for a while. The board has had to make some difficult decisions with regards to our operations this year. I would like to present some of those to you now.

Because our shell show is one of the first of the high season (early February) and it looks like we will be in this pandemic for a while yet, the board has decided to cancel the 2021 Shell Show. We do not do this lightly. Our show venue is small and the majority of our attendees are older which means a more dangerous situation with regard to safety. Also, there may not be as many snowbirds returning this next season due to the pandemic and we don't want to do all the work it takes to put on a show only to have a small turn out. We are all stressed and worried about our own families and safety. With this in mind, we decided it would be best to take a year off and let everyone focus on staying safe and getting through this. We can use some of this time to be working on a bigger and better show for 2022.

I know our meetings usually begin in September. Right now, actually meeting together is not a possibility. We will be communicating with the membership through email, the *Beauii*, our website and

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Field Trips, 2020 - 2021

Information on field trips
will be forthcoming.

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This Summer's Shell—*Malea ringens*

Malea ringens (Swainson, 1822) is from the Tonnidae family. It is popularly known as the “Grinning Tun” because of its somewhat comical appearance of the aperture of the shell.



Malea ringens courtesy of WoRMS photo gallery.

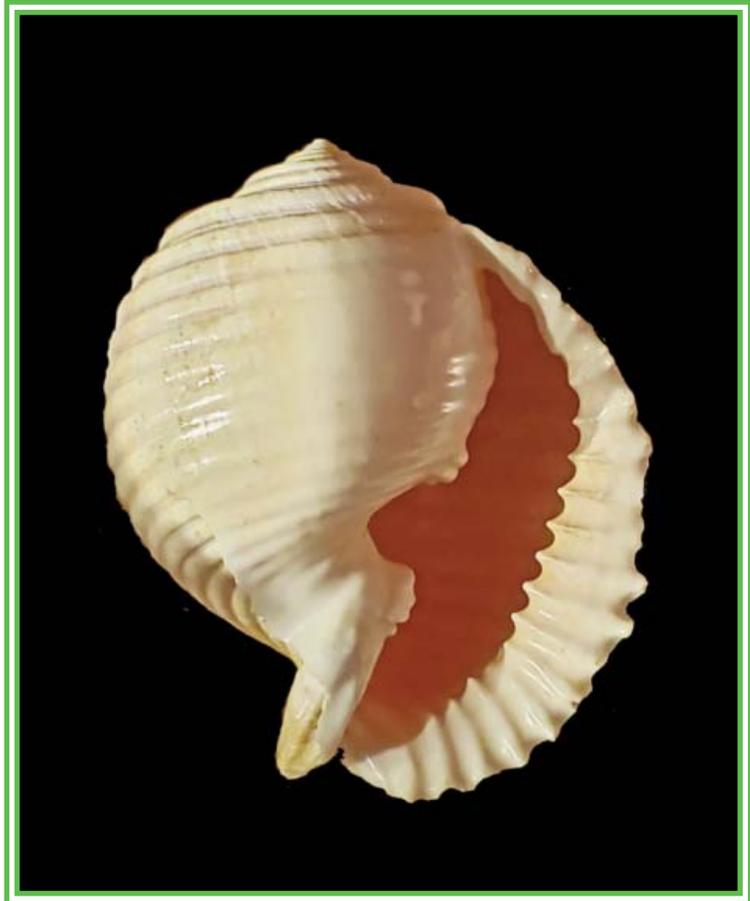
The shell is a medium to large shell, globose in appearance with 15 to 20 rounded ribs. The aperture has two protuberances on the lower, inner columella which promotes the “grin” appearance. The color of the shell is white to yellow to light brown with a brown to reddish interior.

The shell can be commonly found from Mexico to Peru.

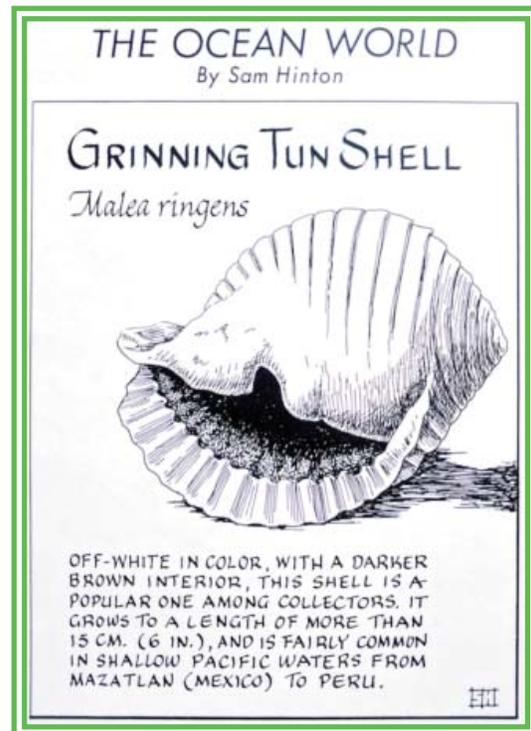


Malea densecostata (Rutsch, 1934).

A rare fossil find is the similar *Malea densecostata* (Rutsch, 1934). This is an extinct species which was found in the Pliocene/Pleistocene area in Glades County, FL.



The Grinning Tun, *Malea ringens* (Swainson, 1822) is a favorite shell in the Editor's collection.



The Grinning Tun as depicted in “The Ocean World” by Sam Hinton (marine biologist).

In memory of . . . Pete Steelman



Peter (“Pete”) Steelman passed away on May 31, 2020 at the age of 80. Pete and his wife, Sue, have lived in North Port, Florida; originally they were from Mystic, CT. Pete’s occupation was that of a veterinarian.

Pete has been a member of the Sarasota Shell Club since 2013 and is well known to members for his life-like models of the animals contained within the shells that we are all fond of. These displays have always been a hit at our yearly “Shoe Box” exhibits. He has also entered shell shows in the past.

Besides the models Pete was also keenly interested in cowries, cones and carrier shells. He was interested in the club itself and served on the Board of Directors.

Pete—we will miss you.

Ron Bopp

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Phalium alligator Petuch, 1991—a Caloosahatchee formation fossil found by the Editor at the Bergeron/Star Quarry in 2010.

Historian’s Report
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50 Years Ago
No report

25 Years Ago
No report

New Slide Presentation:
“Building a Shell Show Exhibit”

A great presentation has been assembled by John Timmerman (North Carolina Shell Club) for those that wish to put together an exhibit for a future show. The web’s URL is below

<https://www.ncshellclub.com/Shell%20Exhibit%20JT1.htm>

A Morning at Fort DeSoto

Duane Kauffmann

On the Sarasota Shell Club Web site is a drop down labelled “Science.” Under that heading are 4 categories, one of which is “Personal Reports.” Club members are encouraged to send to Duane K or Bruce P reports of their collecting adventures. Below is an example.

February 20, 2020 9:00 a. m.; **Fort DeSoto Beaches**; Weather warm, upper 60s. Low tide. Low wind.



On a warm day, I headed north to take part in the St. Petersburg Shell Show. Since it was sort of on the way, I decided to leave early and stop to shell at Fort Desoto. I drove directly to the northern most parking area and went to join a half dozen shellers on the beach. Since the tide was low, there was a very large expanse of beach to cover. After two hours I had collected a substantial number of medium and large shells and several pints of grunge. I left and drove back to the more central parking area for another hour of beach walking, Finally I drove back past the entrance road all the way to the southeastern tip and spent another hour in that location. In the report which follows these locations are labelled north, central, and east, respectively.

At the north location I spent about half my time along the water line and the adjacent wide beach made dry by the low tide. The other portion of time I spent near the high tide area, in particular a low area which fills with water at very high tide and where the wind created a nice wide area of shell material. A few shells of moderate size such as *Prunum apicinum* and *Cerithium atratum* could be seen, but only close inspection showed that there were micro shells within the mix. Thus the collection of pints of grunge. The substantial effort in the north was well rewarded. The final tally was 98 gastropods and 53 bivalves (with a few small species not yet identified).

Among the highlights from this large total of species were nine species of *Caecum*, five species of *Turbonilla*, and five species of *Epitonium*. Also found were *Solariorbis infracarinatus*, *Solariorbis blakei*, *Cochliolepis parasitica*, and *Microeulima hemphilli*. New for me was a medium size bivalve tentatively identified as *Macoma brevifrons*.

The central location has an area where the waves pile shells due to some rocks in the water. The walkable beach area was narrow and a bit crowded with sunbathers. The most shell friendly area was that provided by the wave forcing rocks. I was most successful here via grunge from the shell piles. Among the most notable tiny gastropods were seven species of *Caecum*, *Circulus texanus*, *Tomura xenostomoides*, and *Skenea sp.* Total species from the central area were 53 gastropods and 32 bivalves.



Pteromeris perplana

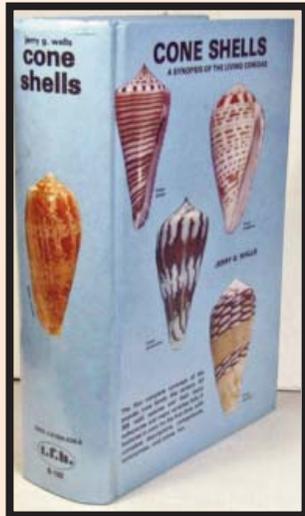
The east area has a long expanse of beach to walk. There were few gastropods but medium and small bivalves were plentiful. Overall however this area was the least productive of species diversity. Among the most notable bivalves in this area were the large populations of *Crassinella lunulata* and *Tucetona pectinata* and the presence of nice specimens of *Pteromeris perplana*. Among the gastropods were two shells tentatively identified as *Littoridinops monroensis*, a very good specimen which is in genus *Turbonilla*, and a tiny 2 mm *Henrya*. Total species from the area I call east were 27 gastropods and 24 bivalves.



Macoma brevifrons

Library Notes

Our Sarasota Shell Club library is located at the Bee Ridge Presbyterian Church in Sarasota. A list of our books is on the website www.sarasotashellclub.com. For more info on some of our books, go to www.mdshellbooks.com.



You may want a book to help with your scientific or artistic exhibit at our SSC Shell Show or just educate yourself about shells and marine life, as well as helping you identify shells you find.

Call me at 941-993-5161 or email me (Linda) at luvseashells@gmail.com to arrange an appointment for browsing our library or just talk about our exciting library books. There is a whole world of seashells and marine life out there!

Linda Greiner
& Duane Kauffmann

Editor's Thoughts . . .

As I watched my dog chasing her tail I thought
"Dogs are easily amused"
then I realized I was watching my dog
chasing her tail.



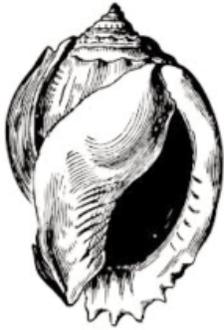
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**The Sarasota Shell Club has a NEW Facebook Page,
which is named Sarasota Florida Shell Club.**

- We need you to go to Facebook and "like" the page. Please go to Facebook and hit this link: <https://www.facebook.com/sarasotafloridashellclub>. Once you are on the page please "like" the page and then click on "follow." Would you please go do this today?
- When you "follow" our club's page you'll be able to see notices about upcoming meetings and events. The more "likes" we have, the more the page will get seen on Facebook. If you know people who would like to know about shelling you can tag them and invite them to also like the page.
- We can post pictures and shell information on this page to share with each other, too.
- Remember, please go to Facebook and "like" and "follow" today. Thank you!

Sue Painter

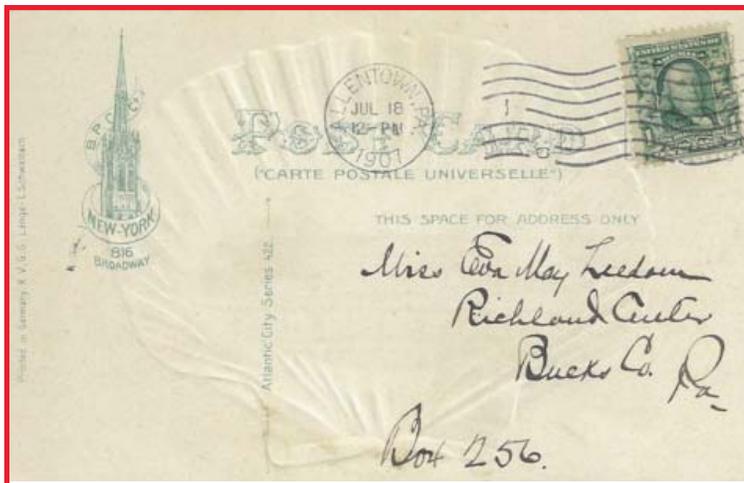
A Postcard from the Past . . .



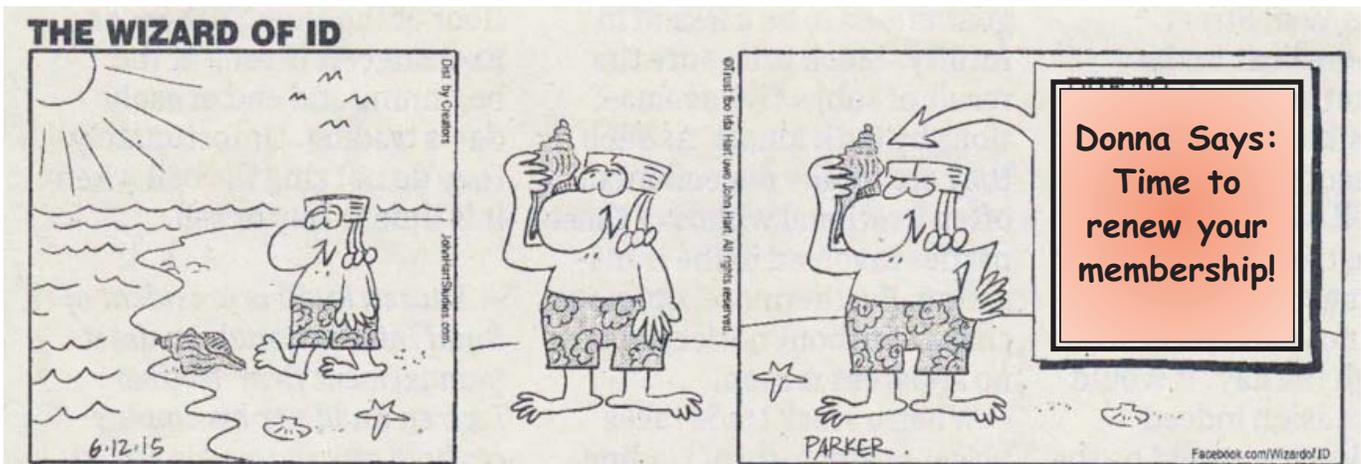
Mailed in 1907 this German-produced postcard featured the Chelsea Hotel in Atlantic City nestled inside this embossed scallop shell. Wikipedia information regarding the hotel is as follows:

The original Chelsea was different hotel in a different location near the Atlantic City shore. The original hotel was opened in 1899 and had 250 rooms. It hosted distinguished guests including William Howard Taft, Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt. In 1927, twelve stories were added to the hotel. In 1942, during World War II, the hotel was used as housing for army personnel.

The hotel would eventually be renamed to Sheraton-Deauville. In 1975, a fire broke out at the Sheraton-Deauville which caused \$250,000 in damages and forced the evacuation of 300 guests.



The Summer's Cartoon . . .



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3 New College students named Fulbright scholars



Jacob Wentz.



Grace Hamilton.



Ben LaFond.

Two New College thesis students have been awarded Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Awards this year, and one has been selected as an alternate.

In January, Jacob Wentz will be traveling to Belgium, Grace Hamilton will go to Taiwan, and Ben LaFond was selected as an alternate for a program in the United Kingdom.

"We're so excited about these Fulbright scholars joining our long list of Fulbrighters," said Dwayne Peterson, director of New College's Center for Career Engagement and Opportunity. "It's just another example of the incredible opportunities that await students at New College."

Duane Smith, Ph.D., assistant director of prestigious fellowships and scholarships for the CEO, said there were also five semifinalists: Sydney Clingo, Mairead Howley, Robyn McCartan, Emma Todd and Kaeli Williams.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, the Fulbright U.S. Student Program inspires scholars to undertake international graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and primary and secondary school teaching

worldwide. The program awards about 2,000 grants annually in all fields of study, and operates in more than 140 countries.

Hamilton is pursuing an East Asian studies/Chinese area of concentration and her thesis is entitled "Female Community Power in the Development of the Chinese Boys' Love Genre." She will be teaching elementary and middle school students in Taiwan, and further pursuing her study of Mandarin.

"I've studied Mandarin for the past four years at New College, and now I get to travel to Taiwan and use my skills to share my culture and learn more about theirs," said Hamilton, whose adviser is Jing Zhang, Ph.D., associate professor of Chinese language and culture. "Fulbright's goal of mutual understanding is very important to me as an individual."

Wentz has an international studies/economics area of concentration, and his adviser is Amy Reid, Ph.D., professor of French language and literature. Wentz's thesis is "Urbanization and the Spread of HIV in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Case Study of Lagos, Nigeria, and Johannesburg, South Africa." The Fulbright position in

Belgium will help Wentz develop his skills in facilitating international connection through language.

"I dream of developing a career in international development, foreign service or global journalism," Wentz said. "As the nerve center for the European Union, NATO and transatlantic diplomacy, Belgium will offer me the opportunity to be immersed in a diverse international community central to my goals."

LaFond is studying biology/neuroscience with adviser/biology professor Sandra Gilchrist, Ph.D. He wrote his thesis on the effects of temperature on the feeding behavior and parasitic load in *Pomacea insularum* and *Pomacea paludosa*, and sought a Fulbright to study wild animal biology at the Royal Veterinary College in the United Kingdom. He hoped to explore how climate change is affecting the spread of chytrid (a fungal pathogen), which is causing a massive biodiversity crisis in amphibian species globally.

"While I was not selected for the grant, I am grateful for how much I have learned about myself and my motivations behind wanting to help animals," LaFond said.

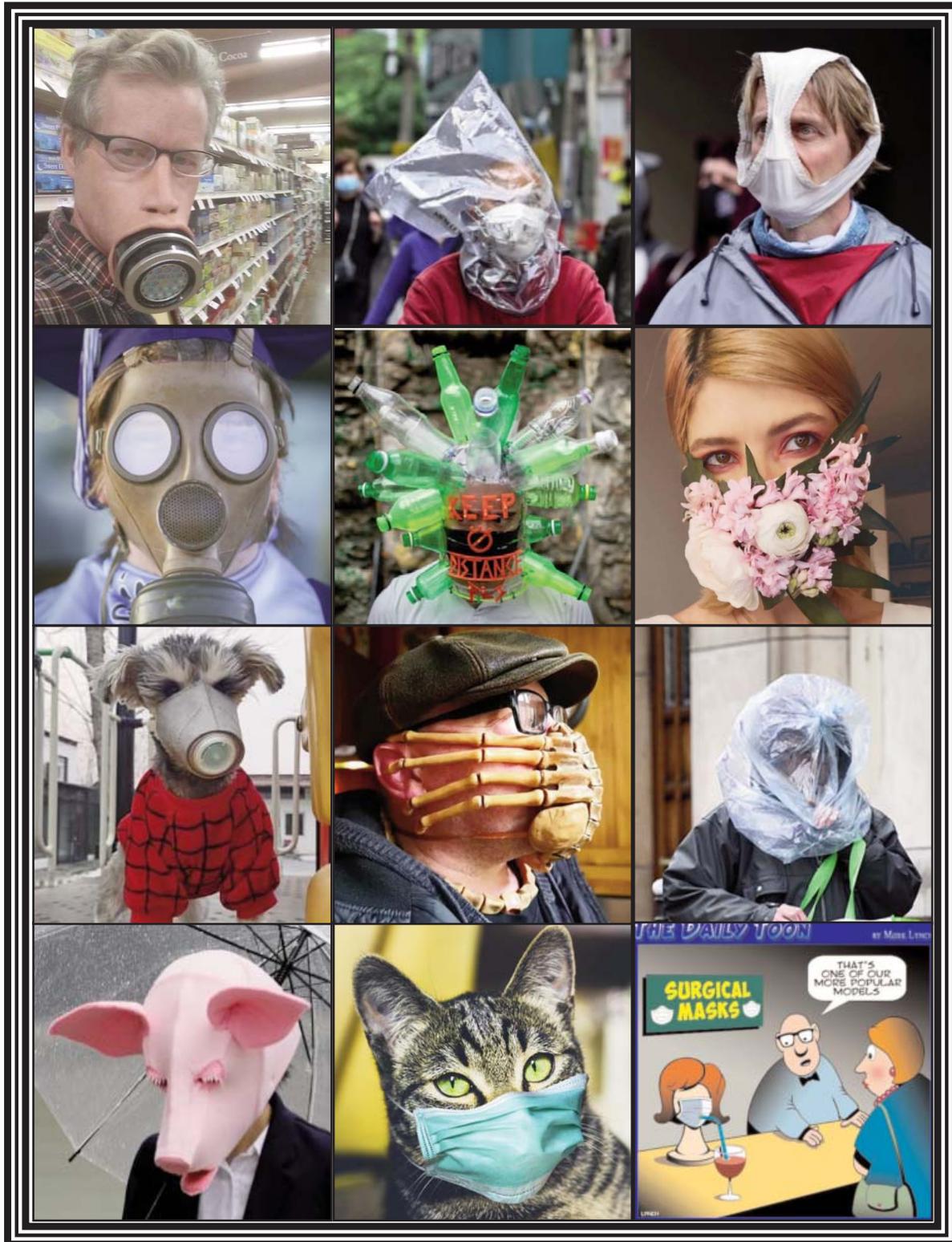
Submitted by Ann Comer - Woods

A recent insertion in the Sarasota *Herald-Tribune* featured three New Collage students who received Fulbright scholarships Proctored by Dr. Sandra Gilchrist, Ben LaFond wrote a thesis on the common apple snails, *Pomacea insularum* and *Pomacea paludosa*. Besides being of interest for the shell collector, Dr. Gilchrist and her students have been the recipient of scholarships given by the Sarasota Shell Club.



Apple snails collected by the Editor in the Celery Fields, Sarasota in 2010.

The Editor's Suggestions for a COVID Face Mask for You & Your Family





A Snail's Tail- (Tale)

A snail I am, up in a tree,
Climbing slowly for all to see;
I have slime to make me travel fast
'Cause I sure don't want to come in last.

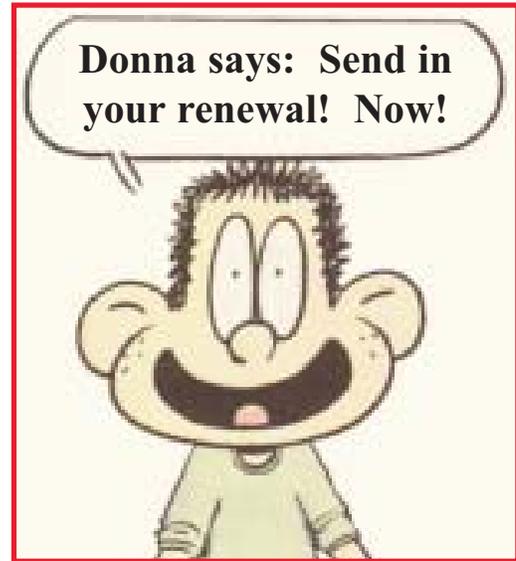
My shell is shiny and bright,
Especially when lit by the sunlight;
Collector's want me really, really bad,
I guess that should make me feel glad.

Someday I will be entered in a shell show
Right here in Florida where there is no snow;
The judges will look me all over,
They'll know I don't live in the clover.

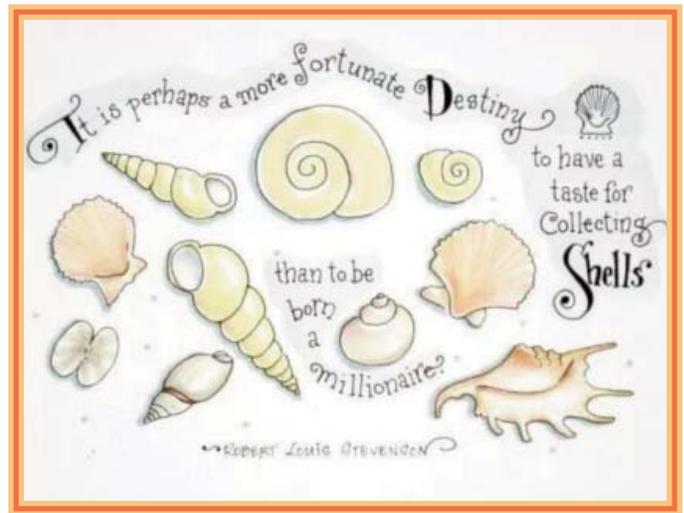
I hope I help win a big prize,
I'll be a gem in my owner's eyes;
Will it be a desirable "Mote,"
Something all will take note?

Whatever the prize that I help get,
It will come with a lot of sweat;
So, this is the fate of this little ole' snail,
A snail that really has no tail.

anonymous



A Recent Facebook Screen Shot



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Facebook page until we are able to resume use of the meeting room at the Waldemere Firehall. Please make sure Donna Krusenoski has your correct email address. Often, when she sends me the list for the new year and I send out an email using that list, three or four will bounce back as undeliverable/no address. She checks it for me and tells me that is what is written on the annual membership form as the correct email but it doesn't actually work when we use it. If you aren't getting emails, then email Donna so that her computer captures your email address for her.

THERE WILL BE FIELD TRIPS!!! I am trying to plan quite a few local field trips where you can drive yourself and we can spread out on the beach. At this time however, there probably will not be any trips on the Carefree Learner. I will let you know if that changes. We will not have any overnight/long distance trips at this time.

The board has also decided to form two committees this year to help us revitalize our club. First is the By-Laws committee who will review all of the By-Laws this year to see what needs to be updated. I

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Shell Collecting in a Pandemic

Dave Green

President, Houston Conchology Society

Even in a pandemic, shell collecting continues to keep our interest in conchology and malacology strong and active. Needless to say, COVID-19 has certainly made drastic changes in our daily lives and activities, not to mention places we go and people we visit and talk shells with. Even with the pandemic ragging out of control in many states, we can still talk shells, and collecting shells with our friends and fellow collectors through emails, phone calls, and on social media. It is not as easy as sitting across from someone and discussing a particular species, or talking about a particular collecting trip, but that is what we are forced to do in these difficult times. The pandemic here in Texas is hitting us very hard, as it is in other states such as Florida, Arizona, California, and all across the United States. Hopefully, we are practicing what we have been advised to do: wash our hands regularly and often, practice social distancing and wear a mask. If you are not doing these things, please change immediately. I have even had a couple of my dear friends recommend that once the pandemic is over, I should continue to wear my face mask. They told me I look much better! I took no offense.

So, what do you do during these down times to keep your interest in shells and collecting going? Do you work on your collections on a daily basis, or just whenever the urge hits you? Although I am retired from the Petroleum industry, the pandemic has presented me with the opportunity to do things with my shell collection that I always wanted to do but never had time to complete due to my professional career. Needless to say, I would certainly rather do these projects with out the pandemic looking over my shoulder, but it is a reflection of the times and just reality at this point. One of the bright spots regarding the pandemic, it has forced most of us to stay home and find projects to occupy our time and keep us running in a positive mode.



Organization of families and species.



A drawer full of *Strombus* species.

I would like to share with you some of the activities and projects regarding my shell collection that have consumed my time and efforts while making my collection more presentable to guests visiting my home (whenever that happens again), identifying shells that I meant to identify months and years ago, clean and refurbish many of my shells, put shells into plastic boxes and other display containers, and lastly, time to make decision on which shells I want to keep in my collection as I start a process of downsizing my collection.

Since I turn 75 years of age next month, I know it is time to face reality and make decisions on which shells or families are the most important to me going forward. This can, and often is, a very hard task to do effectively. If you are like me, I often catch myself going backward in this process and pulling out specimens that I had determined to sell or donate and going back to put them back in the collection. This is a normal feeling but it can be much like a case of cancer, especially if you have been collecting shells most of your life and you hate to give it up. So, don't think you are alone in this issue. I, too, suffer from this controversy and indecision at times. If you have these issues, here is my suggestion on how to overcome this problem: Think through what your goals are before you begin your downsizing and stay committed to those goals throughout the downsizing exercise.



Many shells await categorization.

The Pandemic has also forced me to spend time just going through each shell cabinet and looking at all the shells I have collected or purchased over all these years. WOW . . . I have been surprised so many times. I had forgotten I even had one of those shells, much less where it was located. It has forced me, although it wasn't hard, to refresh my memory and examine my entire collection for the first time in many years. Needless to say, I have had a wonderful time just examining and looking at parts of my collection that are often ignored and forgotten.

I purchase shells on Ebay from several dealers at different times. During the pandemic, I find myself on line

on Ebay and WoRMS, or just looking at material on shells, or collecting locations which occupy a large percentage of my time.

I also find that the pandemic has presented me the opportunity to spend more time reading and looking at all the shell books in my library. I have over 600 shell books total, going back to my early days of collecting and getting started in shell collecting, plus a huge library of more recent published shell books on shell families and collecting locations. It always seemed I never had time to read my books in detail. Certainly, my professional career and my family occupied the majority of my time and I just could never find time to concentrate on my library. I know I have spent a fortune on books over the years, and now I am finding time for each and every one. I have set up a daily schedule where I set aside 1-2 hours a day to just read and review the books in my library. I have been amazed at the knowledge I have picked up in this routine, not to mention looking at beautiful shells, many of which I will never own due to cost. It is exciting to sit down, relax, and review one of your books. Maybe a good glass of wine, some soft listening music while you read makes for an enjoyable time. It also refreshes your knowledge base regarding conchology and malacology. Overall, it just makes you feel better; maybe it is the glass of good wine!



Urchins and mussels neatly stored.

Over the past few years, I have purchased several large collections of shells from long time friends that made the decision to get out of shelling all together, or had medical issues which were life threatening and they needed to resolve the issue of what to do with their collections. My garage is a warehouse of boxes filled with

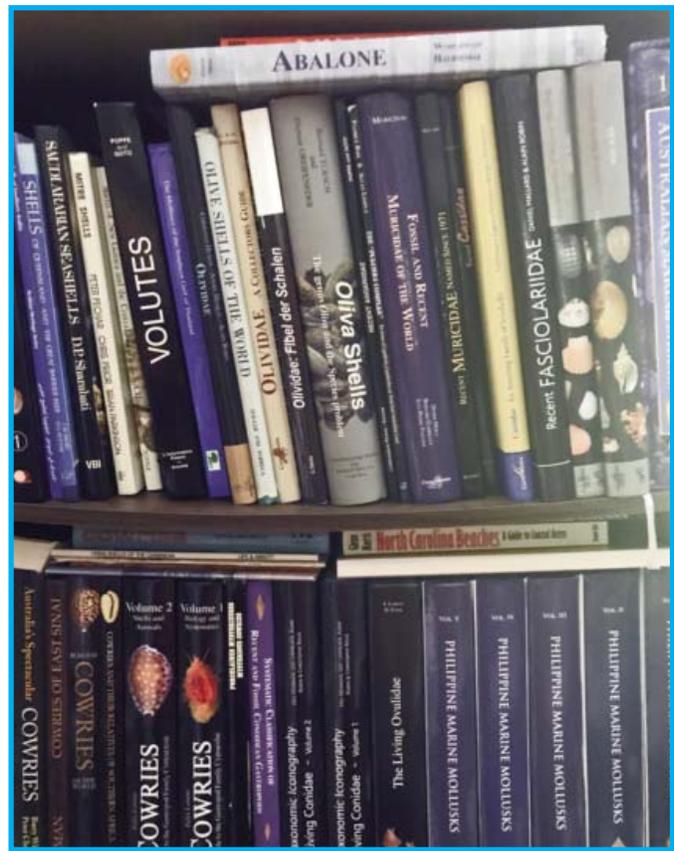
shells of all kinds from these collections. As a result of the pandemic and retirement, I have a considerable amount of time to review the contents of many of these boxes and also organize my garage by labeling many of these boxes. It has made life so much easier going into the garage to look for a particular family of shells. This is just one example of a project that has been accomplished due to the pandemic, and also retirement. I just needed to get motivated and I needed time to get all the work completed.



Part of my library of over 600 shell-related books.

The pandemic has been a disaster for our country and the entire world. It continues to spread worldwide, especially in the United States. I watch the newscast on television daily to keep up with the number of cases and the death rate to just remind myself how serious this pandemic really is to each of us, and the need to be safe and free of the virus. If you are like me, my only trips outside my home are to the grocery store and to keep doctor appointments. I have not been out to a restaurant in many, many weeks and there is none on the horizon. We have ordered take out on a few occasions but we primarily prepare our meals in our own kitchen and just stay home.

My shell collection, my shell books, and many different projects on my collection have made life more bearable during these past months of captivity. It has made me appreciate the shells I have in my collection, given me



More of my library—note that my Abalone reference is at the top and ready to consult (for my recent shell show submissions).

time to work on my collection, to read and advance my knowledge of shells and provide me with projects to occupy my time and take my mind off the reality of the world around me. There will come a day when we can all go back to our shell shows, shell club meetings, special events and other activities to spend time with our long-time friends and fellow collectors. In the meantime, we just need to be safe and practice our distancing and wear our masks. I hope this article will motivate you to spend time with your collection and plan for the future, plus look forward to good times again. There is so much you can do with a shell collection. Several individuals I communicate with have multiple exhibits already completed for display in shell shows next year, or whenever we resume our normal shelling lifestyle. Take this down time as an opportunity to invest time in your interest in your collections or to renew your interest in shell collecting. There will come a time when we can walk on beaches early in the morning to see what the tide has deposited on the beach for us, or time to go to some beautiful and favorite location to snorkel or scuba dive and look for shells. All of this will pass with time, so capture the moment and use it wisely. But, most important, be safe and practice the guidelines our public officials are recommending. We do not need to lose more of our friends and fellow shell collectors to this pandemic.

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Calendar

COA Convention (2021)	June 16-20, 2021
COA Convention (2022)	June, 2022

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of September through April at 7:00 pm at Waldemere Fire Station, 2070 Waldemere St. in Sarasota. Park in the small lot on the right or in the nursing home lot across the street.

Dues are \$21.00 for new single members and \$33.00 for family members (at the same address). **Renewals** are \$15.00 for single and \$20.00 for family.

If you want *The Beauii* printed and mailed it is an extra \$15.00 to your dues.

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will be sending out a copy of the By-Laws to each member so that you have the most current copy. Please take the opportunity to read through these and send any suggestions you may have to Carol Mae who is the chairperson for this committee.

The second committee is the INCOME Committee chaired by Bruce Paulsen. Since there will be no show, we need to determine ways to generate income this year in order to meet our donation requirements for next year. We are already taking steps to incorporate two new ideas. If you will look through this issue of the *Beauii*, you will see that Ron Bopp (editor extra-ordinaire) is now accepting advertisement/classifieds. Please be sure to read the guidelines included. Also, thanks to Bruce, our website will shortly be sporting a new "Marketplace" where

the club can sell shells and shell-related items. Cool huh?! If you have other ideas for generating some income, please don't hesitate to send them to Bruce.

Finally, we had three members volunteer to step into the open director position after the passing of our Pete Steelman. I would like to congratulate Donna Cassin on being appointed. I hope she can keep us all from getting into too much trouble!

Wow! This is probably the longest message I've written for the *Beauii* but I felt it was important and wanted to make sure everyone is aware of what is going on. Stay tuned, stay safe and keep shelling!

Respectfully,
Sally Peppitoni
President

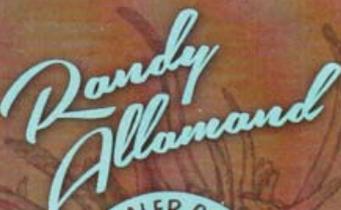
Classified Ads

Classified advertising rates (per issue): \$10.00 per ad (non-Sarasota Shell Club member, \$20 per ad). Ads will be no more than 35 words per ad, the first few words in **bold print** (see example below). Ads shall be limited to shell or shell-related material.

All classified ad material plus payment (a check made out to Sarasota Shell Club) should be mailed two weeks before the upcoming issue (to be sure it is included in that issue) to the Editor at 2608 67th St. W, Bradenton, FL 34209. Examples:

Wanted: Fossil Shells from the APAC pit (now Benderson Park). Contact Ron Bopp at rbopp1@tampabay.rr.com or at 918-527-0589.

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Business cards may be used as advertising at a rate of \$25.00 per club year (up to nine issues). If you wish your business card to appear in each issue of *The Beauii*, please send it, along with a check (for \$25.00), made out to the Sarasota Shell Club, to the Editor, 2608 67th St. W, Bradenton, FL 34209.

To clarify, the \$25.00 pays for your card to appear in each issue of the 2020-2021 *The Beauii*.

Examples are seen to the left and at the bottom of this page.

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Sarasota Shell Club Renewal/New Application Membership

Note: Dues include newsletters (*The Beautii*) via email, September through April. If no email address is available, add \$15 to your yearly dues if you want to receive the newsletters by mail.

Initial Dues: include cost of membership name tag:

\$21.50 single and \$33 family (living at the same address)

If no email address, add \$15 to your yearly dues

Renewal Dues: \$15 single and \$20 family (living at the same address).

If no email address add \$15 to your yearly dues.

To join, send checks only (no cash) made out to SSC to
Donna Krusenoski, Membership Chairman

3250 Ringwood Mdw
Sarasota, FL 34235

Please print legibly to help us correctly spell your name:

Date: _____

Name(s): _____

Local Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Cell: _____

Email address(s): _____

Other address & phone: _____

Emergency contact & phone: _____

Birth day & month: _____

We offer field trips to our membership and would like you to attend. Times and places will be announced at meetings or in our newsletter.

Are you interested in field trips? _____

Do you know of any good field trip location(s)? _____

If so, they are: _____

Our Insurance Requires This: Liability Release

I agree that I am individually responsible for my safety and my personal property. I will not hold the Sarasota Shell Club, its officers, field trip leader(s), or property owner liable for any damage or injury to me or my property that should occur.

Signature required for each member joining:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

The SSC publishes a roster with names, address and emails for our member use only. Please check one:

_____ it is **OK** to publish my information in the roster

_____ it is **Not OK** to publish my information in the roster

You will be sent monthly newsletters starting in September through April informing you of the date and time of the next meeting held the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Waldemere Fire Station off US 41 (behind Wendy's near Sarasota Memorial Hospital). Name badges can be picked up approximately 4 weeks after they are ordered.

To be filled in by the Membership Committee

Renewal _____ New Member _____

Amount paid & date _____ / _____