

# The Beauii



A newsletter published by the  
Sarasota Shell Club

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We meet on the 2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm  
(September to April)

**Room 206, Albritton Center  
Bee Ridge Presbyterian Church  
4826 McIntosh Rd  
Sarasota, FL**

September, 2022 Edition

## Ramblings from the presidential suite . . .

A very warm welcome to the 2022-2023 Sarasota SHELL Club. As I indicated in my longer statement in the summer Beauii, every effort will be made to make shells and the people who enjoy them the focus of SSC. Even small reminders, which for me will include capitalizing SHELL in the club name, will help me keep focused on that goal.



September has arrived and with it our first monthly meeting. Vice President Carol Mae has arranged for an interesting program and you will get the first information about some of the field trips that are being planned for the coming months. Our meeting location remains the same church address, but please note that our meeting room has been changed. Please bear with us as we adjust to new logistics and work to clean out the bugs in our technology.

And it is not too early to get February 10 and 11 implanted firmly in your memory as we anticipate our annual shell show. Plan now to volunteer. And I encourage all club members to think seriously about preparing an exhibit. A special plea to those who might consider a scientific exhibit, since some of our long time exhibitors are no longer able to participate. Consider it an honor and a privilege to share with the public some of the shells in your collection. There is lots of exhibit expertise in the Club and these members are eager to help you plan an exhibit.

Duane Kauffmann  
President



## Important . . . Same Location New Building

Yes, we are still meeting at Bee Ridge Church at 4826 McIntosh Road, Sarasota.

However, our meetings will be in the Albritton Center, Room 206. This is the administration building for the church, and there is ample parking. Our first meeting will be Thursday, September 8th. at 7:00 P. M. **See page 7 for a map and more.**

The benefits are many with the membership of Sarasota Shell Club. We have informational meetings along with camaraderie, field trips, scientist members that can aid with identification of your shells, the Artisans that will help train you in the art of shell crafts with inexpensive materials, and an extensive library for you to use.

### ARTISANS

**Sign up at our meeting to join the Artisans  
for a special "Make and Take" event.**

The details will be provided at our meeting. There will also be a sign-up sheet for those interested in joining them on a regular basis.

The Artisans, as the name implies is the artistic community associated with Sarasota Shell Club. You are welcome to come and join them. Dates in September are the 8th, 15th., 22nd., and 29th. All meetings are Thursday's at 10:00 A. M. The location is at Bee Ridge Church in the small building bordering Proctor Street. Creative items made by the Artisans are for sale at Coastal Flow, 7216 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota.

## Officers & Board Members

President	Duane Kauffmann
Vice-President	Carol Mae
Treasurer	Alan Banko
Recording Secretary	<b>open*</b>

Board Members: Sally Peppitoni (3); Karen Huether (2); Donna Krusenoski (2); Rich Cirrantano (2); Ron Bopp (1); Nancy Cadieux (1);

## Committee Chairmen

Artisans	<b>tba</b>
<i>The Beauii</i>	Ron Bopp
Historian	<b>open*</b>
Field Trips	Gary Martinez
Librarian	<b>open*</b>
Membership	Lisa Kinney
Shell Show	Sally Peppitoni
Sunshine	Frankie Grover
Webmaster	Bruce Paulsen

**\*See page 5**

- \* **Meetings** are held on the second Thursday of September through April at 7:00 pm.
- \* **Dues** are \$30.00 for new single members and \$40.00 for family members (at the same address).
- \* **Renewals** are \$25.00 for single and \$30.00 for family.

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

**Contact the Editor** - email Ron Bopp at [rbopp1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:rbopp1@tampabay.rr.com) or call at 918-527-0589 if you have something to include in *The Beauii*.

**A 2022-2023**  
**Membership application is**  
**attached to this Newsletter**

### Artisans

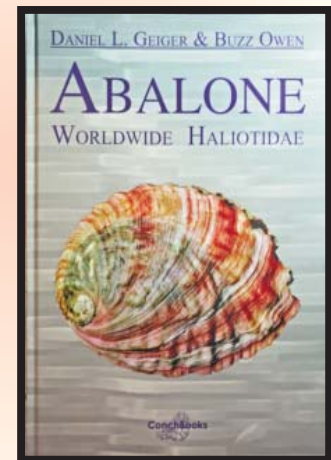
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### Library Notes

Our Sarasota Shell Club library is located at the Bee Ridge Presbyterian Church in Sarasota. A list of our books is on our website [www.sarasotashellclub.com](http://www.sarasotashellclub.com). For more info on some of our books, go to [www.mdmshellbooks.com](http://www.mdmshellbooks.com)

Books in the Sarasota Shell Club Library can be accessed by contacting Duane Kauffmann at 574-238-4554 or [duanerk@goshen.edu](mailto:duanerk@goshen.edu). In addition persons needing information about shells and shelling can be assisted in contacting club members with relevant expertise.

There is a whole world of seashells and marine life out there!



Duane Kauffmann (Senior Librarian)

### 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.

**Mark Your Calendars — — — Save The Dates**

We look forward to seeing you at all our events. “Eyeball” this space in each issue for additions, more information or changes.

- Sept.8;           7:00 P.M. General meeting \*, Guest speaker: Paula Dwyer-*Giant African Land Snail*
- Oct. 13;           4:00 P.M. “Make and Take” with the Artisans, located in small building  
7:00 P.M General meeting, Guest speaker *Sarasota Bay Watch*
- Oct.27            Field Trip: Caspersen Beach
- Nov. 10           7:00 P.M. General meeting, guest speaker: Steven H. Koski, Sarasota Archaeologist
- Nov. 10           Field Trip: Boca Grand
- Dec. 8             Holiday Party at Bird Key Yacht Club
- Dec. 13           Field Trip: Honeymoon Island
- Jan. 12            7:00 P.M. General meeting, Guest speaker: Dr. Sandra Gilchrist from New College
- Jan. 24            Field Trip: Keewaydin Island
- Feb. 10 &11       Sarasota Shell Show
- Feb. 10            Awards Dinner at Bangkok Restaurant
- Feb. 16            *Sea shells & Mardi Gras* with Chef Jim at Publix Aprons
- Feb. 21            Field Trip: Kice Island
- March 9           7:00 P.M. General meeting, Guest speaker: TBA
- March             Sarasota County Fair (Dates TBA)
- March             Field Trip: TBA. . . Bahamas, Puerto Rico, Eleuthera possibly
- April 13           7:00 P.M. General meeting, Guest speaker: TBA       /

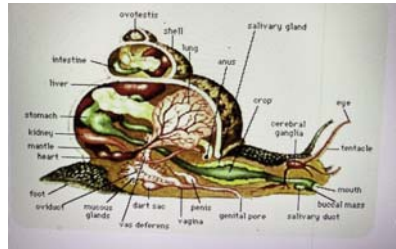
**\*Sea Shell Treasures**

Our Sarasota Shell Club field trip leaders have worked many long hours to organize phenomenal field trips for our club. **Bring your favorite “shell find” to share at this meeting. If possible, recall the trip and identification of the shell. If the trip was long ago, no problem, bring it! If you have difficulty with identification, no problem. The competent scientist in our club can help you!**

## A Reminder . . . *The Gals are Coming!*

### Giant African Land Snail

Our guest speaker for our first meeting is Paula R. Dwyer, who is an information specialist for the plant industry, a division of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The plant industry is currently running the Eradication program in Pasco County of the giant African land snail. She will speak on how did this invasive species arrive in Florida, their habitat, and why they need to be eradicated. There will be time for questions after her presentation. I, personally would like to have one of those snails in my shell collection. Maybe, we can inquire about that!



### About our Speaker . . .

Paula Dwyer is the Public Information Officer (PIO) for Southern Florida for the Division of Plant Industry (DPI), Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS). Paula's PIO duties take her across Florida, giving presentations and informing the public about DPI's mission to protect Florida's native and commercially grown plants and the state's beekeeping industry from harmful pests and diseases. She also works on emergency programs to eradicate invasive pests, such as the Great African Land Snail (GALS), which is currently going on in Pasco County.

Originally from Southern California, Paula has lived in a number of locations, including Indiana, New York and Scotland. Her background includes diverse jobs in journalism, education, training and customer service. Paula is married to Tim, with two sons, Peter and Philip, and shares a home with a large red dog named Gus.

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### Memory Lane ———SSC “Fossil Dig” Field Trip on 1 January 2016



### **From The Membership Chair**

Hello fellow shell club members! My name is **Lisa Kinney** and I have accepted the position of **Membership Chair**, replacing Donna Krusenoski. I have a passion for seashells and I am also part of the artisan group. I am so excited to see all of you again at our next meeting. I will have a table set up and can take memberships the night of the meeting or by mail in. Be sure to mention the shell club to all of your friends and family as well as to shell collectors you meet at the beach. I would like to see us increase our memberships and help the club grow. I would welcome any suggestions you may have on how we can attract more new members. See you soon!

Contact Information: Lisa Kinney  
941-587-9753  
purplesurfseashells@gmail.com

## ***URGENT MESSAGE***

### **Sarasota Shell Club Member(s) Needed!**

**Our shell club needs members to fill the following, important positions. Please consider volunteering for one of these:**

**Secretary**  
**Historian**  
**Librarian**

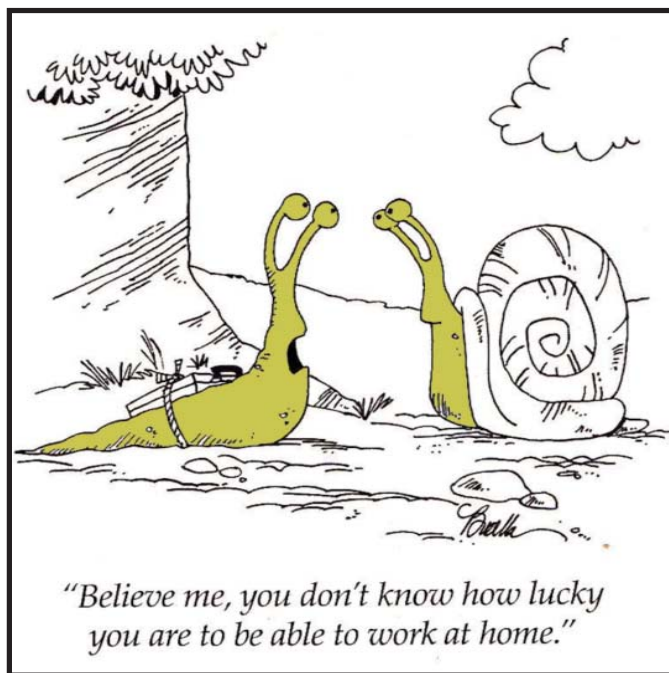
Contact President Duane Kauffmann at  
duanerk@goshen.edu for more information.

## A Vintage Postcard . . . .

Here is a series of four turn-of-the-century postcards printed in Germany.



The September's Cartoon . . .



And one from a 1905 *Puck* magazine . . .



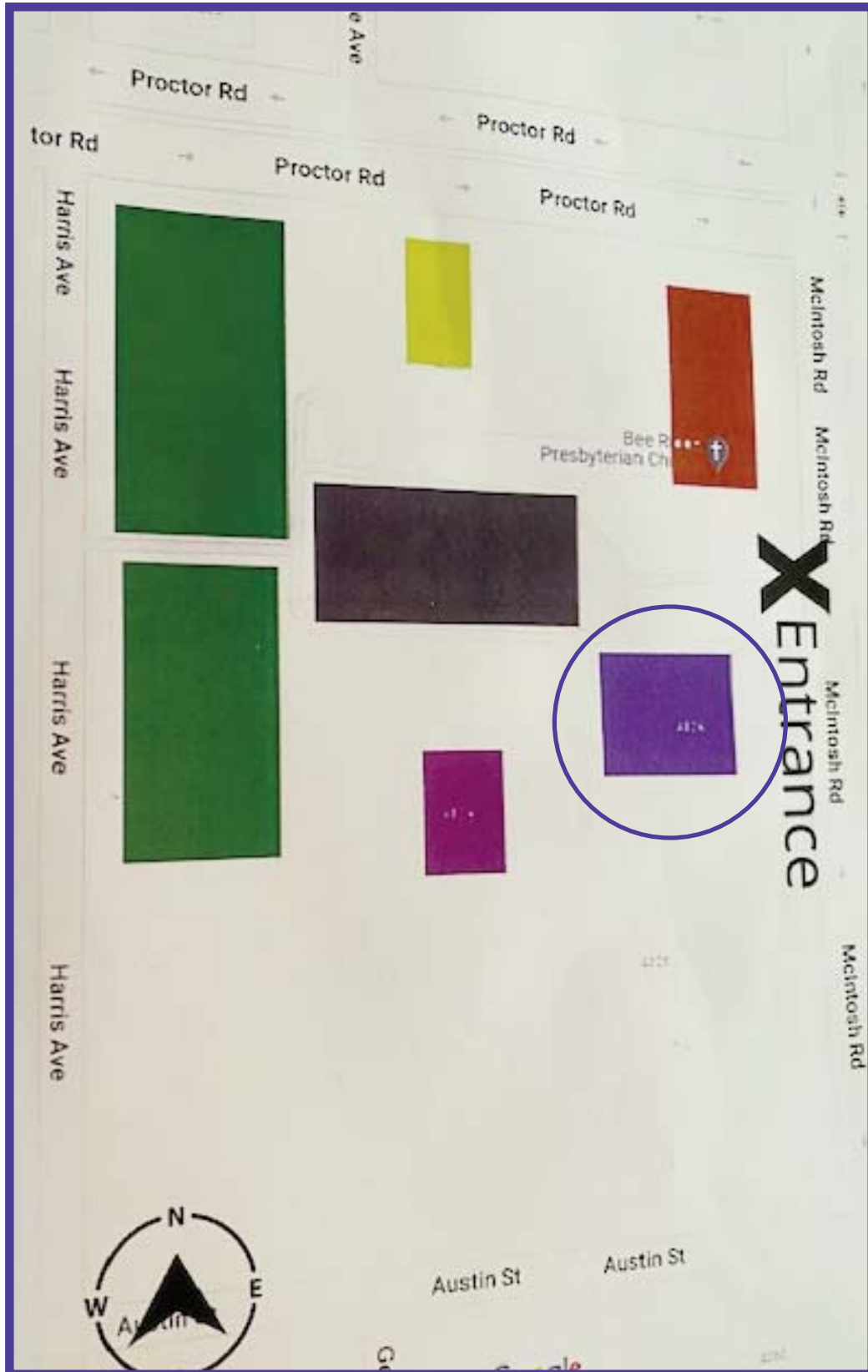
## Past Presidents of the Sarasota Shell Club

Jack Oberle: 1963-1965,  
1968-1968, 1972-1974  
Louise Danforth: 1965-1967  
Franck Rinck: 1967-1968  
Thomas Robertson: 1969-1970  
Evelyn Bradley: 1970-1972  
Charles Hertweck: 1974-1979  
Peggy Williams: 1980-1982,  
1988-1989, 1992-1994,  
2001-2002, 2005-2007

Vi Hertweck: 1982-1984  
Richard Forbush: 1984-1985  
June Bailey: 1985-1987,  
1995-1997, 2002-2003  
Bob Hansen: 1987-1988  
Beverly Chouinard: 1989-1991  
Bonnie Christophel: 1990-1992  
Pat Amsel: 1994-1995  
Debra Ingrao: 1997-1998  
Cathy Aschliman: 1998-1999

Cathy Hollar: 1999-2001  
2003-2004  
Bob Horton: 2004-2005  
Joanne Chmielewski: 2007-2010  
Ron Bopp: 2010-2012  
Dennis Sargent: 2012-2014  
Sally Peppitoni: 2014-2022  
Duane Kauffmann: 2022-2023

### A Visual of our New Meeting Site



There actual are two entrances, one off McIntosh Rd., the other off of Proctor Rd. onto Harris Avenue. The blue square (circled) is the Albritton Center where we will be meeting. The smaller green rectangle is where the Artisans meet and create.

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Franck Rinck: 1967-1968	June Bailey: 1985-1987, 1995-1997, 2002-2003	Joanne Chmielewski: 2007-2010
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Peggy Williams: 1980-1982, 1988-1989, 1992-1994, 2001-2002, 2005-2007	Pat Amsel: 1994-1995	Duane Kauffmann: 2022-2023
	Debra Ingrao: 1997-1998	
	Cathy Aschliman: 1998-1999	

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## SSC Club Meeting Minutes Bee Ridge Presbyterian Church, Sarasota April 14, 2022

### I. Call to order:

Sally called this meeting to order at 7:01 PM asking if there were any guests present. We had three guests and two new members present as well as 19 members.

### II. Program:

Ron Bopp presented his video "Guaymas Shelling." It was an excellent show, and many are interested in putting together a trip to Guaymas when conditions are better.

### III. Secretary's Report:

The March meeting minutes were published in the Beauii. A motion to "accept the March minutes as printed" was made by Ron Bopp and seconded by Margo Heck. This motion was approved.

### IV. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Karen Huether was absent, so President Sally read the financial report as of April 5 and attached to these minutes. A comparison of the 2018-2022 shows, sans 2021, was presented and it was noted that we didn't do as well as the 2020 year, but we still did much better than the 2019 year. Minutes were filed for audit by the incoming treasurer Allan Banko and Davie Timmermann.

### V. Committee Reports:

A. *Shell Show*: Chairperson Donna C: No show report but thanks for the help with the Sarasota County Fair from which she deposited \$1300 made from sales. This amount was not included in tonight's Treasurer's report.

B. *Programs*: No report until after summer board meeting.

C. *Librarian*: A new librarian will be needed, and this will be discussed at the summer board meeting.

D. *Historian*: A new historian will be needed, and this will be discussed at the summer board meeting.

E. *Membership*:

1. Chairperson Donna Krusenoski reported that any badges not picked up at this meeting will be mailed to the appropriate members.

2. Two of our guests signed up as new members at tonight's meeting as well.

3. A new membership chairperson will be needed, and this will be discussed at the summer board meeting.

F. *Field Trips*: No report until after the summer board meeting.

G. *Web Page*: No report until after the summer board meeting.

H. *Newsletter*: Ron Bopp will continue as the Newsletter chairperson/editor. Send any articles to Ron to have them included in the Beauii.

I. *Education*: Lynn Gaulin will continue as chairperson and Shell of the Month will pick up again next fall.

J. *Sunshine*: No report until after the summer meeting.

K. *Artisans*: A new membership chairperson will be needed, and this will be discussed at the summer board meeting.



**VI. Old Business:**

A. Election of the 2022-23 board: as there were only four board members present and all are on the slate for this coming season, the election process had to be modified. President Sally asked for nominations from the floor. None were forthcoming so she closed the nominations. Then President Sally asked for a show of hands for those that accept the slate as presented. All hands were raised so, the vote for the new 2022-23 board was carried.

The new board is as follows:

**Officers:**

- President - Duane Kauffmann
- Vice-President - Carol Mae
- Treasurer - Allan Banko
- Secretary - Lynn Gaulin

**Directors:**

- Karen Huether (3 years)
- Sally Peppitoni (3 years)
- Donna Krusenoski (2 years)
- Rich Cirrantano (2 years)
- Ron Bopp (1 year)
- Nancy Cadieux (1 year)

B. End of Year Picnic: President Sally gave the members information about our upcoming picnic at Cocquina Beach on Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>. Checks for meals catered by Hickory Hollow are to be sent to her by Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>. Donna Bartels added that there would be a "Blind" auction at the picnic too!

**VII. New Business:** None at this time.

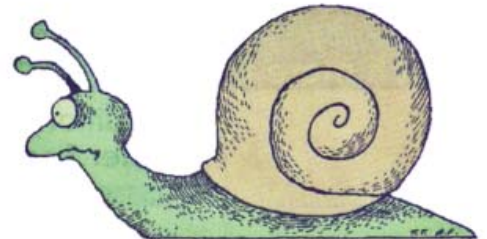
**VIII. Door Prizes:**

Rich Cirrantano helped President Sally draw door prizes.

**IX. Adjournment:**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM by President Sally.

Respectfully submitted,  
President Sally Peppitoni in lieu of  
Lynn Gaulin  
Recording Secretary



**Historian's Report**

**50 Years Ago**

The Club archives do not have minutes of a September, 1972 meeting

**25 Years Ago**

The Sarasota Shell Club meeting of September 11, 1997 was held in the Mote Marine Science Center with 22 in attendance, including 7 guests. Treasurer's report showed balance of \$4440.08.

Other items in the minutes included (a) articles are needed for the newsletter, (b) Peggy Williams has shell cabinets for sale, (c) field trips (perhaps to Cedar Key), and (d) beach clean-up at S. Lido.

Peggy Williams gave a program on her trip to Washington State. The minutes described it as "very interesting."

Duane Kauffmann



# Sarasota Shell Club — 2022-2023 Renewal/New Application Membership

**Initial Dues:** include cost of membership name tag:

\$30.00 single and \$40.00 family (living at the same address)  
\$10.00 student

**Renewal Dues:** \$25 single and \$30 family (living at the same address).

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

All new and renewed memberships will again receive their membership cards/badges at the monthly meetings.

**To join, send checks only (no cash) made out to SSC to**

**Lisa Kinney, Membership Chairman**  
**1338 Georgetown Circle**  
**Sarasota, Florida 34232**

*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: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday day & month: \_\_\_\_\_

## Our Insurance Requires a 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. \_\_\_\_\_

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

**We are newly located at Room 206, Albritton Center,  
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(located on the corner of Proctor Road and McIntosh Road)

You will be sent monthly newsletters via email, starting in September through April, informing you of the date and time of the next meeting which is held the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Look for us at: [www.Sarsotashellclub.com](http://www.Sarsotashellclub.com)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/sarasotafioridashellclub>

Contact us: [sarasotashellclub@gmail.com](mailto:sarasotashellclub@gmail.com)

(To be filled in by the Membership Committee)

Renewal  New Member

Amount paid \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash

Card  Badge  info. filed