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2026 COA Field Trip Registration

Sunday, June 7

Fossil Field Trip

Travel south to the Punta Gorda, Florida area to explore and collect two to four million old fossil mollusks. Easy exploration of wide-open shell pits allow attendees to collect a variety of items, many of which are in perfect or near perfect condition. Travel will be by bus and a box lunch is offered upon return.

FULL

Cost: \$80.00 per person. Number of Persons Total
Depart from hotel at 7:00 am Return to hotel: 2:00 pm **Limited to 24 members**

Sunday, June 7

Mote Science Education Aquarium, "Mote SEA"

Travel by bus to the brand new, one-million gallon aquarium which has just opened up. Located at Nathan Benderson Park (known for the world-leading rowing facility) the three story facility is the ultimate of its kind. Exploration by foot will be a real treat to enjoy the many sea creatures.

Cost: \$50.00 per person Number of Persons Total
Depart from hotel at 8:00 am Return to hotel: 1:00 am **Limited to 51 members**

Monday, June 8

Bishop Museum of Science & Nature

Just a short distance from the hotel is a wonderful landmark of Bradenton. There are several displays of seashells including the McClendenin Collection which is normally closed to the public. While the museum is normally closed on Monday, we will have a guided tour of the important aspects including the McClendenin Collection. Other sites include large marine tanks which house recovering Manatees. Due to the closeness to the hotel, travel can be by foot or car.

Cost: \$25.00 per person Number of Persons Total
Depart from hotel at 9:15 am Return to hotel: 12:15 **Limited to 25 members**

Monday, June 8

Shelling Sarasota Bay via the Carefree Learner Boat

Located near downtown Sarasota the Carefree Learner boat is a large pontoon boat fitted with a live well and suitable to take members into Sarasota Bay for a morning of shelling in knee-deep water. Many shell species can be found on this trip. Have your cup of coffee before leaving for this unique shelling experience. Our bus will take us to the boat ramp.

Cost: \$60.00 per person Number of Persons Total
Depart from hotel at 6:00 am Return to hotel: 11:00 am **Limited to 24 members**

Monday, June 8

Sunset Cruise via Private Boat

After a comfortable ride from Holmes Beach, Florida, enjoy the sunset along the shores of Anna Maria Island overlooking the Gulf of America. Our boat will be for COA members only. We will be transported by bus to just a few steps away from boarding. Bring your own beverage and snacks.



Cost: \$65.00 per person Number of Persons Total
Depart from hotel at 6:00 pm Return to hotel: 10:00 pm **Limited to 40 members**