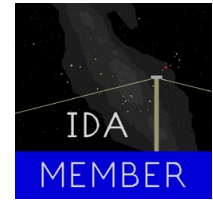


THE LOCAL GROUP
OF DEEP SKY OBSERVERS
4208 5th Ave West
Palmetto, FL. 34221

MEMBER SOCIETY OF THE
ASTRONOMICAL LEAGUE



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name: _____ Student? _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

e-mail address _____

How did you find out about the Local Group? (Local Group Member, Bishop Planetarium,
State College of Florida, Sky and Telescope or Astronomy magazine, Internet, Local News, Other)

What are your specific interests in astronomy? (Observing with the naked eye, binoculars or telescopes; telescope making, use of the telescope, lunar, planetary, variable stars, double stars, deep sky observing, digital astronomy (CCD - computers) arm-chair astronomy (reading), or other interests.)

Do you own a telescope? _____ If so, what kind? _____

Do you receive any astronomy related monthly magazine? _____ If so which one(s)? _____

The Local Group of Deep Sky Observers meets monthly, weather permitting, at our local Crowley Nature Center dark sky site. At our site, visual, telescopic, and photographic observations of deep sky objects are unencumbered by street lights. We request that late arriving members and their guests approach the observing site with parking lights only - (No headlights or white-light flashlights). Members and guests are encouraged to bring their own telescopes, and are invited to observe through the available telescopes at the site, (please ask first). Some of the sites the Local Group meets at can be considered wilderness - caution must be exercised, (wild animals and lack of improvements to roads, etc., could create some risk). Common sense and responsible conduct enhance everyone's star party experience and therefore is expected of all who attend Local Group meetings. If you have any other questions about the Local Group, please feel free to ask any of the Core Group members listed in the quarterly newsletter.

Signature

Date

Annual club dues are **\$20.00** per family for 1 year, **\$35.00** for 2 years, or **\$50.00** for 3 years. Dues are due January 1st and cover that year. If you join after October 1st your payment will be carried over to cover the next year. Regular benefits of membership include star parties, quarterly meetings and presentations, astronomy related workshops, the quarterly newsletter, the quarterly Astronomical League newsletter - the Reflector, membership in the Astronomical League - a national coalition of astronomy clubs, group membership in the International Dark-Sky Association, available discounted Sky & Telescope and Astronomy magazine subscriptions and discounted books and atlases through Sky Publishing and the Astronomical League, and access to many other Local Group activities, special functions, and equipment support, and membership on our Yahoo group:

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/tlgbradenton/>.

Please make your check or money order payable to:

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