

## **Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park**

### **Membership Meeting – November 14, 2011**

*The meeting was called to order by President Marcia Byrd at 10:10am.  
23 members were present & 7 Board members. Guest: Natasha Alvershire*

*Minutes were read and approved.*

#### *President's Report*

*Trail sign workday consisted of Jay Valerie, Jack & Wallie Luckas and Mark Nicoletti. All signs are in place and Marcia encouraged members to walk the trail and view the new signage.*

*Marcia thanked everyone who helped make the Green Flash a wonderful success. Marcia also thanked Phil for organizing the Shark Valley & Clyde Butcher trip. It was a beautiful but chilly day and everyone had a great time.*

#### *Treasurer's Report*

*Cking \$5,445 Saving 7,529 CD 33,607.40 (EverBank) Total 46,581.40*

*Suggestions for better interest rate by members: Ally Bank & Credit Unions.*

*Treasurer's report was approved.*

#### *Membership Report*

*Kathryn reported 26 new members to- date for 2011. New member orientation meeting will be held right after the membership meeting.*

#### *Park Manager's Report*

*The boardwalk in #5 is complete. Some boardwalks have concrete at the beginning and end with yellow aids for the handicapped. This is an on-going project to make our park ADA compliant.*

*The large grill at the pavilion was moved to an area surrounded by new pavers.*

*The pavers were put down as an Eagle Scout project.*

*We have three new Park Rangers:*

*Brittany Petit – has an Environmental Studies degree*

*Alyssa Rothstein – former AmeriCorp and East Florida beach park volunteer*

*Wendell Vaught – retired Florida Forest Ranger*

*Shannon Solstice is leaving to go to Rookery Bay as an Administrative Assistant.*

*Carolyn passed out 500 hour certificates to Pauline Cataldo, Larry Beer, & Jo Ann Linck.*

*She also announced that she needs someone to go with her to the Shell Club to obtain shells donated by the club on November 17<sup>th</sup>.*

*National Recycling Day is tomorrow, November 15th. Members are encouraged to bring in all aluminum cans from home to help fill up the trailer. We earn \$400 per load. Members can drop off their cans at the gate.*

*New members were introduced & welcomed: Tom & Carol Belfiori & Jackie Wittler. Tom & Carol lead the Beachcombing walk every week at our Park during season. New members were invited to stay after the meeting for a brief orientation meeting.*

### *Special Events*

#### *Art Show*

*Jo Ann reported that the Art Show will be held January 14<sup>th</sup> from 10-3pm. Fourteen artists are coming. David Zimmerman owner of Royal Scoops donates ice cream for the Nature Festival and the Art show. JoAnn asked for a volunteer to contact David. Phil Nye volunteered to do it. Bill North started our Art Show and in honor of his passing a bench & plaque hopefully will be ready for the Art Show. JoAnn thanked everyone who helped with the Green Flash. There will be a wrap-up Meeting following the Membership Meeting today.*

#### *Resident Artist*

*JoAnn shared that Erv Kraus is putting together a book of his year as our resident artist (2011) and is donating it to the Friends to sell as a fundraiser. Our new resident artist is Janette Atkins who is a botanical illustrator.*

#### *Nature Festival*

*Jo Ann asked for help collecting material such as pine cones, shells, boots, and large flat seagrasses for the Nature Festival on April 14, 2012.*

*Marcia reminded members of the Thanksgiving clean-up day after Thanksgiving.*

### *New Business*

*Marcia announced that The Friend's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary date is September, 2012. Marcia passed out post-its and asked for members to write their name on the post-it, and to post their name on a wall poster which contained various areas our organization needs help. One area is the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.*

*David Eastlake reported that he had checked on securing a replica of a loggerhead turtle to be placed near the Ranger's Station the cost was \$500. David will continue to explore prices and other suppliers.*

*The Osprey are circling the nest in our Park. A sign and roped off area will be put up.*

*The Meeting adjourned at 11:10am.*

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Kathryn Goerig-Eastlake  
Secretary*