

## Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Volunteer News March 2013

Thank you to Ray Braumuller, owner of Carrabba's in Naples (south of Pine Ridge/41 intersection) for working with us to provide a delicious meal and a comfortable atmosphere to recognize volunteers who have reached milestone hours. Everyone agreed the food was fabulous! Please think of *this* Carrabba's location when looking for a place to have dinner...and say hello to Ray while you are there!



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**Proprietor: Ray Braumuller** 

Nature Festival Planning Meeting on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 10am in the CSO room. If you have already signed up for a job for the Nature Festival please try to make this meeting. If you have NOT yet signed up and are interested in helping, please come as well! The Nature Festival will be held on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 10-3pm.



We are in need of empty plastic bottles with screw caps for activities that need water during the nature festival.





# Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Nature Festival

April 6, 2013 • 10am to 3pm • Area 3

Family Fun Games Guided walks @ 11 and 2

Contests Displays Learning Nature

#### **Exhibitors / Displays**

Lover's Key State Park Smokey Bear/Division of Forestry Fish and Wildlife Commission

**Alligator Amblers** 

**Kowiachobee Animal Preserve** 

**Rookery Bay** 

**Department of Environmental Protection** 

FGCU Social Media Sierra Club

Recycling

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#### **Other Activities**

Art from Native Materials Nature Walks
Sea Grape Creations Make a Necklace

Face Painting Shell Seekers / Bag-O-Beach

Fishing Clinic with Park Rangers

Paddleboard Demonstrations from Old Naples Surf Shop



#### SAVE THE DATE!

Volunteers wanted to help give out tee-shirts, direct other volunteers and also do beach cleanup. Email Donna Young if you would like to join us April 13<sup>th</sup>

donna.young@dep.state.fl.us



#### SAVE THE DATE! April 20 & 21





Fabulous outreach opportunity! We are registered for the Grand Reopening of the Conservancy as an Environmental Exhibitor. They will

provide a table for us so we only need to bring our "supplies" to help us educate and engage the families in attendance and also promote the Friends of Delnor-Wiggins membership. If we have enough Members and volunteers we can attend both days. Please contact Donna Young if you would like to help out for a few hours.



Volunteer help on the weekends during the busy season is ALWAYS welcome. If you would like to assist our fabulous staff please email or call Donna Young. Late field help is also needed; from 4pm until close.

#### JOIN US! Sunset Yoga on the Beach is back!

\$5.00 plus admission to the park \$1.00 is donated to the Friends of

#### **Delnor-Wiggins**

Schedule:

March 21 6:30 - 7:30

March 28 6:30-7:30pm (sunset at 7:42)

April 4 6:30 - 7:30

April 11 6:30 - 7:30

April 18 6:30 - 7:30

April 25 6:30-7:30pm (sunset 7:56)

May 2 6:30 - 7:30

May 9 6:30 - 7:30

May 16 6:30 - 7:30

May 23 6:30-7:30pm (sunset 8:11)

May 30 6:30 - 7:30





"Beach Steward" is a new volunteer position in the park.



Stewards at Delnor-Wiggins monitor the beach, picnic areas and parking lots and travel by bike or on foot. They interact with and answer questions that may arise from our visitors in a friendly, courteous and educational manner. Our goal is to have Beach Stewards available 7 days a week during season. If you would be interested in becoming a Beach Steward, please contact Donna Young Donna.young@dep.state.fl.

Kaye Klag & Carol Fletcher

Thank you to our current Beach Stewards who seem to be enjoying their new positions and are getting quite a bit of positive feedback from our visitors! (don't forget group photo on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30am. Meet at my office and we'll head to the beach!)

Brian Settle Brad Snow Vicki Sowinski Carol Fletcher Kaye Klug Bill Moore Jane Moore Hank & JoAnn Linck



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Stay tuned for the unveiling of our new Podcast and Twitter account at the Nature Festival on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>! Students from FGCU will be showing off their "Social Media" Civic Engagement project at a display table which will not only promote the Podcast and Twitter account but also The Friends Facebook page and The Florida State Parks Pocket Ranger App to all our visitors.



Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> is Easter and the park will open an hour earlier on this day. This has traditionally been the busiest day of the year with *many* families spending the entire day celebrating.

Volunteer help would be greatly appreciated either Saturday or Sunday. If you can give any time on either day, please contact Donna Young, donna.young@dep.state.fl.us or call 239-597-6196



#### Are you good with a camera?



Enter the 2013 Florida State Parks Photo Contest Click on the link to get all the details on how to enter your photos. Let's get some photos of our beautiful park in this contest!

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