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Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Quarterly Volunteer Newsletter

Spring 2017

Volunteer Spotlight:

In January and February, we held our annual art shows: 19th Annual Wildlife and Wildlands Art show on January 21 and the 4th Annual Children's Art Show on February 25 and 26. Both events were a great success and we had many volunteers come out to help. A big **THANK YOU** to all the volunteers at each event! Your hard work and support were greatly appreciated. A special thank you to art show committee chairs **Kathy Foster** and **Valerie Thompson** (Wildlife and Wildlands Art Show) and **Marcia Byrd** (Children's Art Show) for all their many hours and hard work!

Art Show Volunteers:

Larry Beer	Patti Forman	Michele	Jay Thompson
Gene Byrd	Kathy Foster	MacFarlane	Valerie
Marcia Byrd	Jerry Guthier	Sally Madden	Thompson
Bob Carlson	Armund Janto	Doug McFarland	Richie Twiefel
Sue Carlson	Dolores	Nancy McFarland	Gerri Walters
Pauline Cataldo	Kernochan	Julie Meyer	Susan
Linda Colvin	Alliene Liden	Phil Nye	Zimmerman
Kevin Dougan	Jacque Lucas	Ann Petrillo	
Milagros Dougan	Wally Lucas	Ruth Rittermeyer	

Children's Art Show Volunteers:

Pat Baiera	Barbara Craig	Wally Lucas	Johann
Ross Baiera	Janet D'Addario	Sally Madden	Schwertner
Larry Beer	Milagros Dougan	Julie Meyer	Terri Sutherin
Caroline Brown	Kathy Foster	Phil Nye	Gerri Walters
Gene Byrd	Barb Galvin	Jackie Olson	
Marcia Byrd	Alliene Liden	Ruth Rittermeyer	
Pauline Cataldo	Jacque Lucas	Elaine Routh	



2017 Wildlife and Wildlands Art Show



Winners of the 2017 Children's Art Show

Park Cleanup

On Monday, March 20, the Friends of Delnor-Wiggins held a park cleanup. March is the busiest month for the park with snowbirds and spring breakers visiting in record numbers. Unfortunately, a lot of visitors equals a lot of trash and we rely heavily on volunteers to help with keeping the park clean. The next park cleanup up will be Monday, April 17 at 8am. Anyone is welcome to help! Space is limited so please RSVP to Lori at Lori.HeathThorn@dep.state.fl.us if you would like to join us.



Jay Thompson and Donald Savino cleaning up in picnic area 3

Upcoming Programs:

All programs are free with park entry fee unless otherwise stated.

Programs are updated monthly on our website. Check out www.floridastateparks.org/park/Delnor-Wiggins for more programs and details.

BEACH COMBING

Sundays at 9:30AM

Check out our website for exact dates.

SUNSET YOGA:

Every Monday, January through May

Check out our website for exact times.

YOGA ON THE BEACH

Every Wednesday at 9:00AM

All yoga classes are \$5 each plus park admission. To make a reservation and payment please call **Greenmonkey Yoga** at 239-598-1938 or visit:

www.greenmonkey.com.

Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Corner

The **Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park** hosted the 19th annual Wildlife & Wildlands art show at area 3 picnic area on Saturday January 21, 2017. Twenty artists displayed their art to our visitors. Event co-chairs Kathy Foster and Valerie Thompson guaranteed good weather and so we had a beautiful day with good show traffic. This event is our primary fund-raising event so good weather is a must.

Our new Resident Artist, Mary Limont, was presented with the traditional artist's chair with her name on it and she provided a spectacular booth with her unique jewelry. Thanks to all of our artists.

Almost 30 Friends volunteered their time to make this event a success. Duties were wide-ranging from set-up, parking, greeting, manning the Friends table, Drawing of Chance table, running the popcorn and ice cream sales and take down.

And a big thank you to those artists, vendors and Friends who donated items for our drawing. We especially appreciate the help of sponsors Royal Scoop Ice Cream and the Beach box Café.



Earrings by Mary Limont



Past Resident Artist Sandra Galloway-Carter features her lovely oil paintings



Ranger Rosa Simone displays her pointillism art with the beautiful blue Gulf as a backdrop

And we don't want to leave out our Park Rangers and especially Park Services Specialist Lori Heath Thorn who provided invaluable coordination between the Friends, artists, and Park Staff. **Looking forward to next year! Save the date for the 20th annual show on January 20, 2018.**

Article by Larry Beer, Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Board Member

A Message from the Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park:

Becoming a Friend of the Park - Make a Difference

The Friends group would like to cordially invite those of you who may not already be members of Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park to become a member and receive 12 free passes to the Park, among other benefits. The Friends mission is to promote public awareness, use and enjoyment of the Park, and to assist the Park management and staff. Your annual membership fees help the

Friends group accomplish our mission as well as to improve the Park facilities by providing amenities through funds raised at our annual Art Show fund-raiser. The Friends is the only organization that contributes funds directly to support the Park.

As a member of Friends, in addition to 12 free passes to the Park, you will be invited to member meetings, special events and have the opportunity to volunteer in the Park and be as involved as your time allows. Friends is a 501 (C)3 charitable organization. Your membership dues and donations are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. For membership information please contact Gabriella Miyamoto at: dwmembershipchair@gmail.com

Upcoming Friends meetings at the Park, all are welcome:

- April 10 at 11am- end of season picnic at the pavilion in Area 5. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please RSVP to Lori at the email below.

Any questions? Contact:
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