

# Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Quarterly Volunteer Newsletter

# **Winter 2017**

# **Volunteer Spotlight:**

#### **Doubletree Suites Beach Clean-up**

Staff from the Doubletree Suites and Keep Collier Beautiful (KCB) held their quarterly beach cleanup at the Park. Volunteers spent 3 hours on the beach and throughout the park picking up trash and recycling. Most of the trash was micro trash (cigarette butts, bottle caps, straws, straw wrappers, etc.) but they were still able to fill 7 bags!



Doubletree/KBC volunteers cleaning the park

# **Information**:

# The volunteer newsletter is going quarterly!

Look for the newsletters to be emailed in January, April, July, and October.



Shell necklace by Mary Limont, 2017 Wildlife and Wildlands Resident Artist

# Save the Dates! 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Wildlife & Wildlands Art Show Saturday, January 21st, 2017 9am-4pm FREE with park admission

The art show site is in a unique and beautiful setting alongside the beach where visitors can meet the artists in a naturally shaded area of the park. Artwork depicts "Old Florida" and/or uses natural materials. Various mediums, such as photography, watercolors, acrylics, fusion glass, ceramics, and jewelry design are represented at the show. A percentage of the proceeds through sales of the artwork is donated to the Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, a nonprofit 501 3c. Visitors can also purchase tickets for a Drawing of Chance. **Due to the popularity of the art show and park, it is recommended to come to the show in the early** 

morning or afternoon. Food from Naples Beach Adventures is available on site for lunch; ice cream from Royal Scoop Ice Cream and popcorn are also for sale. Acoustical guitarist, Amber Crowley, is scheduled to provide musical entertainment.

Volunteers needed! Please contact Lori if you want to help:

Lori.HeathThorn@dep.state.fl.us or 239-593-2658



# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Art Show Saturday, February 25, 2017 from 10am-3pm Sunday, February 26, 2017 from 2pm-5pm

The Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park will proudly host the Fourth Annual Children's Art Show at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. The goals of this event are to showcase the artistic talents of elementary students from Collier County public and private schools as well as to

promote community awareness and enjoyment of our Park. Prizes and People's Choice Awards will be given.

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# **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.

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# **Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Corner**

#### The Friends announce their 2017 Resident Artist, Mary Limont!



Mary Limont

Mary's organic, one-of-a-kind necklaces and earrings reflect her fascination with texture and color. Taking her inspiration from nature, she incorporates fossils, pottery, metals, and found objects alongside the colored natural stones. "I think even the tiniest leaf or a rusty nail has a familiar beauty, even if it's often overlooked."

Born and educated in West Virginia, Mary lived in several states as she raised her children. She moved to Naples in 2000.

Over the next several years, Mary tapped into her creative side as she explored the world of Southwest Florida through photography and pottery. In 2009 she began making jewelry for herself and her sisters and quickly grew to love the natural stones and the endless possibilities. She started selling her jewelry at local venues.

Come meet Mary and see her work at the 2017 Wildlife and Wildlands Art Show on Saturday, January 21, from 9am-4pm. Mary's work can also be seen on her website: <a href="https://www.marylimontdesign.com">www.marylimontdesign.com</a>

# 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 receive12 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: <a href="mailto:dwmembershipchair@gmail.com">dwmembershipchair@gmail.com</a>

#### **Upcoming Friends meetings at the Park, all are welcome:**

- January 9 at 10am, annual meeting; Ranger Rosa Simone will be presenting a talk on stingrays.
- February 13 at 10am
- March 13 at 10am
- April 10, end of season picnic, time to be determined

#### Any questions? Contact:

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