

Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Minutes

February 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order by the President, Marcia Byrd. 32 members were present.

Minutes were read, corrected, and approved. Seven new members were introduced. Four Charter Members were introduced and recognized. Alicia Astorga was introduced as our Webmaster.

Treasurer's Report

Larry Beer reported: Cash \$47,932. \$ 33,000 CD \$6,000 Checking

Larry read a note from Melissa Churchill who donated \$10.

Aileen Liden sold tickets.

Fundraising Event

Marcia announced that we need volunteers for all fundraising events.

JoAnn passed around the Nature Festival flyer that will be sent out to schools to encourage young people to come to the Festival. JoAnne announced that she needs people for face painting, decorated bags table, & painting shells. She also needs help setting up the maze. A sign-up sheet was passed around for help in these specific areas. JoAnn also spoke about our next event the Green Flash.

Carolyn shared briefly the history of the Nature Festival. It started in 1989 with "March-for-Parks" and pledges were made for a 2-mile walk on the beach. The March ended in 1996. In 1998, an "Old Tyme Music Festival" was the theme and featured music & dancing. The festival drew 3,500 people and the event generated \$3,300.

Field Trip

Phil Nye spoke about the trip to Corkscrew March 7th @ 8:30AM. Participants are to bring a bag lunch and meet in parking lot #1. The group will also take an airboat ride on Lake Trafford. Another Friends Membership Field Trip is being planned to visit Shark Valley in the fall.

Old Business

Larry spoke of the renovations at the gate house. The renovations will start today and be finished by the end of the week.

Marcia thanked Edgar for maintaining the membership database.

Marcia also thanked Sharon for her creative work on the Palm Tree Press and Membership Flyer.

Park Manager's Report

Bob spoke about the Osprey nest in Area 5 and suggested that everyone visit it soon.

Dredging will begin February 22 to better connect to the Cocahatchee. There were no State Funding cuts to the State Parks. Carolyn recorded hours of those who attended the Appreciation Day.

New Business

50/50 drawing of \$29 was won by a new member

The State Park Pass was won by a new member.

Family Passes were won by Sally Madden

Meeting Adjourned at 11:20AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Olga Williams for Kathryn Goerig-Eastlake, Secretary