

# FDWPSP Quarterly Newsletter July 2024



Welcome to our new Park Manager Cody Peters!



The Friends of Del-nor Wiggins Pass State Park is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

# Monthly Happenings:

**April:** Several Friends members enjoyed a "Walk in the Park" led by John Finer. Native and invasive plants were identified along the walk. The group also planted sea oat seedlings in the dunes in Area 2.

April: The Friends Info Table and Boutique were a hit at the Earth Day celebration at the Conservancy of SW FL. During the 5 hour event we gave away buttons, stickers, and the very popular temporary turtle tatoos. We look forward to participating again next year.

April: We held our Members Only "Sip, Sand, and Sunset" event. All members enjoyed a feast, beautiful weather, and a perfect sunset. Some attendees even saw the illusive greenflash! We hope to make this an annual event.

May: The Florida State Park Foundation awarded the Friends a Foundation grant to build a Mobile Shade House (we are calling it the MuSH!). As we move forward with purchases and construction, we will be calling on Friends for help with propagation, watering, and plantings. Stay tuned.

June: Our new Park Manager arrived! Please welcome Cody when visiting the park.



Sunsets are the perfect time to enjoy the beach.



Clockwise from top-left: A walk in the park, Sip, Sand, and Sunset, Sip, Sand, and Sunset, Earth Day Boutique.





## **Donations Welcome!**

In **May**, the friends received a generous boat donation and worked with a boat dealer to convert that to a monetary donation. **REMINDER**; in addition to cash donations, FDWPSP are happy to accept material donations. Please reach out to the Friends if you are considering a donation of goods. And remember, we are a 501(c) (3) charitable organization.

#### Bonita Springs Shell Club Event

**May**: Shelling, collaboration, and some fun make for a great morning! A special thanks to Bonita Springs Shell Club for their continued support and donation.







## Adopt-A-Nest -2024

Turtle nesting season is in full swing. As of this writing the park has over 40 nests! Thank you to all our generous donors for your support. Donations raised go to the protection of our turtles, supplies needed for the turtles and other restoration projects in the park. Turtle season continues through October 31st. AND-- It's never too late to adopt a nest! Please visit our website to sign up now. https://www.delnorwiggins.org/adopt\_nest.htm#gsc.tab=0

# Future Happenings:

Please check your emails often for Members Only opportunities. We are planning our Fall/Winter schedule now and if you have any requests or suggestions for Friends activities, please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@delnorwiggins.org">info@delnorwiggins.org</a>.