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Supporters Of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Quarterly Newsletter - October 2026

The Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

Thank you to the donors of the Adopt-A-Nest program

Thank you for your continued support of our Adopt-A-Nest program. We truly appreciate your participation year after year and the encouragement you provide.

Your adoption supports our park staff and our own volunteers for the turtle program and other programs and purchases throughout the year.

This year, 61 nests arrived on our beautiful beach, and we were able to provide license plates for 46 nests. We had an incredible 65 adoptees participate this year.

With heartfelt gratitude we thank you!



Be sure and like our Facebook page. Click below:
<https://www.facebook.com/friends.delnorwiggins>

A special thank-you to Janice Kmetz for keeping
our page up-to-date! She does a fantastic job for
all of us!



The Friends Boutique has a new permanent home!

Located in our new trailer,
we now will be open
7 days a week

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

We now take credit cards!
You will find our clothing,
critters, hats and bottled
water!

The trailer is located in
parking lot 1.

As a member we are wanting you to participate. We are planning our fall events and would like your input. Please email info@delnorwiggins.org with any suggestions you may have. We look forward to receiving your ideas.



**Please Carry Out
What You Carry In**
**Trash Containers
Not Provided**

Trash Can Update

There was a decision made by Park management, all trash cans have been removed from the park. If you are visiting the park or performing beach clean-up you will need to take the trash home with you.

Nominations for 2027 Board

We urgently need members to step forward to serve on our 2027 Board of Directors. Without a committed Board, we will not be able to continue operating as an organization.

If you are interested in helping lead and strengthen our organization, we would love to hear from you. To be eligible to serve on the 2027 Board, you must have been a member for **at least one year by January 2027**.

We are especially looking for members with experience or interest in:

- **Computer/technology skills**
- **Event planning**
- **Membership management**
- **Chairing our Adopt-A-Nest program**
- **Chairing membership activities**

Board members are expected to attend **one meeting each month**, and Board terms are **three years**. Board meetings do not meet June through August and remote attendance at meetings is available.

This is an important moment for our organization. We need members who are willing to contribute their time, skills, and ideas to ensure that our organization continues into 2027 and beyond.

Please do not wait. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please email your interest to info@delnorwiggins.org as soon as possible.

Our future depends on members stepping forward. **Without a Board, there will be no organization.**

Thank you for considering this important opportunity to serve.

Be sure and check out our new website. The site provides you information on our organization...and there are beautiful pictures and updates.

<https://delnorwiggins.org>

Naples Team Gives Back During Better Together Days

The Naples office of 1834, a division of Old National Bank, recently participated in Old National Bank's 5th annual **Better Together Days**, volunteering their time to help clean up Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park.

This year, 2,928 Old National Bank employees came together to donate 7,050 hours of service in support of nearly 175 organizations across 12 states. We're proud to be part of an initiative that brings colleagues together to make a positive impact in the communities we serve.

Thanks goes out to our Board Treasurer, Eric Cosentino and employee of 1834, for organizing this event.



Membership Renewals

Please be sure and check your emails for renewal notices. Your renewal may be paid online through our new Zeffy payment system.

We are Working for You!

As many of our members remember, we once had a 12 free parking punch card as part of your membership fee. Your board did not forget. We have been working with management and the state in an attempt to bring this perk back. Stay tuned...we are getting close to reinstating this membership bonus!

Expanding Access to the Beach at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park

We are excited to announce that the Florida State Park Foundation has received a generous grant from the Surfing's Evolution & Preservation Foundation to support the purchase of EcoRovers for four Florida state parks.

We are especially pleased that **Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park** was selected to receive an EcoRover, along with a dedicated storage trailer. This exciting addition will help expand outdoor accessibility and create new opportunities for individuals and families in our ADA community to enjoy the beach.

The EcoRover is designed to make beach access easier, allowing more visitors to experience the beauty of our park and enjoy time together along the shoreline. We are thrilled to see this resource become part of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park and look forward to the difference it will make for our visitors.

How to Access the EcoRover

The EcoRover is located in **Parking Area 1, next to the Friends/Interpretation trailer**. It is available to visitors on a **first-come, first-served basis**.

We are grateful to the Florida State Park Foundation and the Surfing's Evolution & Preservation Foundation for helping make greater accessibility possible at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. This generous support is helping ensure that more individuals and families can experience and enjoy our beautiful beach.

Are You Interested in Volunteering?

We are going to be asking for volunteers to help with Pop Up Boutiques at the Friends/Interpretation Trailer located in Parking Area 1. If you are interested please send an email to info@delnorwiggins.org. We will be working on a schedule and will get back with anyone interested. Look forward to hearing from you.

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