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## 500th MEMBER JOINS FRIENDS

By Jean Scholz

An important milestone was quietly achieved during the Fall of 2013 when our 500th member joined! The grand total now stands at 512, though active membership is approximately 230 individuals, couples, families, and organizations. The "active" category changes over the years as people move into and away from the area. And while some people join for a year or two, many others, especially our Charter Members, have been staunch supporters since the inception of the Friends in 2001.

So let the balloons and confetti fly (indoors and recycled, of course) as we thank ALL of our members for their support. YOU have made so much happen, from the signs along the trail to the Slough's educational programs to advocacy for habitat conservation in Fort Myers.

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## BONE UP ON FLORIDA FOSSILS JANUARY 22

Dr. Charles O'Connor, Vice President and Education Director for the Friends will be the speaker at the Friends Gathering at 7 pm, Wednesday, January 22, 2014.

Dr. O'Connor is a native Floridian and an amateur paleontologist. He was an assistant in the Vertebrate Paleontology Laboratory at the Florida Museum of Natural History in Gainesville, one of the premier Pleistocene fossil museums in the nation.

He has received the Golden Apple Award, SW FL Audubon Educator of the Year Award, Ding Darling Conservation Award, and was a Lee County Environmental Teacher of Year for his classroom science activities and community environmental education work. He has taught community and school groups for 17 years, with over 400 lively presentations. This summer he was hired as an educational consultant by the Florida Museum of Natural History Vertebrate Paleontology Department to assist in fossil excavations in the newly excavated Panama Canal Zone.

His colorful and informative presentation describes Florida geological history, how fossils are formed and where to find them, how fossils are dated, the legal issues of collecting, the many unusual animals that lived here, and several possible reasons why they disappeared.

Lecture presentation specimens include teeth from 60 foot sharks, mammoths and mastodons, rhinoceroses, dire wolves, camels, and whales, as well as crocodile and glyptodont armor, amber, frozen mammoth ivory and hair, fossilized dung, whale ribs with shark bite marks, and many more extinct animal skeletal fossils.

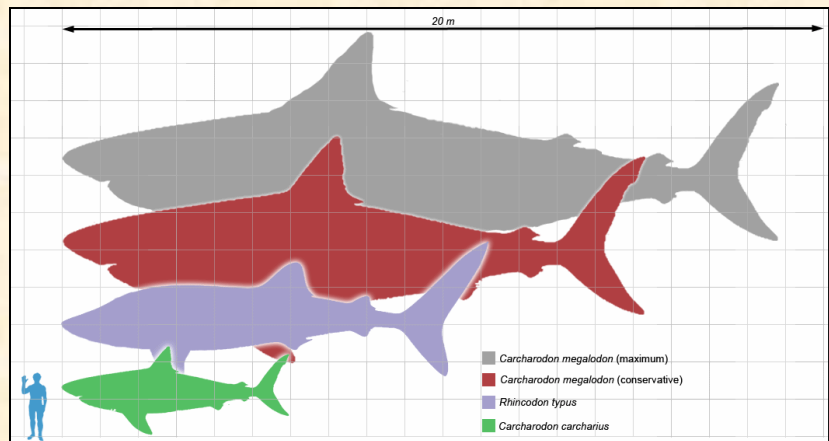
Special emphasis will be given to C. megalodon sharks, with many huge colorful teeth on display.

The event is free and open to the public, however, **space is limited**. To let the Friends know you would like to attend this presentation, or for more information, please call (239) 533-7557

Bring in your "unknown" fossils for identification!



## IS IT FOSSILIFEROUS?



## FIELD TRIPPING WITH THE FRIENDS

### 2014 Friends of Six Mile Excursions

By Janet Bunch

We have an extraordinary line-up of adventures for this year, with a little something for everybody. Detailed information on each trip will be provided at the time of registration, which is a month in advance of departure. We have two trips for which a donation is requested of participants. We like to support our fellow organizations and the work that they do on our behalf, and feel sure that our members agree. There is a maximum of 12 people for each trip. People who want to be on the email list for the individual field trips MUST contact me via email at [janetbunch@yahoo.com](mailto:janetbunch@yahoo.com). Registration starts over each season, so just because you were on the list last year, doesn't mean I know that you are still interested. This way we avoid sending unnecessary notifications to folks who have no interest or aren't around for the trips. Any questions? Contact me at the above email, phone 239-567-7919 or cell at 239-691-3251.

#### **Tuesday, February 4, 2014, 8:30-11 am Bunche Beach (Moderate)**

Elaine Swank will be our guide to San Carlos Bay-Bunche Beach Preserve, one of the premier birding sites in Lee County. Spread over 719 acres, the Preserve provides protection for tidal swamps, an extensive tidal creek system, coastal grasslands, and extremely productive sea grass beds and mudflats. Participants should wear shoes and pants that might get wet, as well as sun protection, hats and water. There are picnic tables and restroom facilities available, so we have a picnic lunch opportunity if participants choose to do so. Carpooling from the Slough.

#### **March 18, 2014, 8:30 am – noon Flint Pen Strand (Strenuous)**

Our own Stewardship Coordinator Bob Repenning will be our guide through this Lee County portion of the Corkscrew Regional Ecological Watershed (CREW.) Contiguous to Bird Rookery Swamp in Naples and The Nature Place in Bonita Springs, this is an area with no public access without prior special arrangement. The Preserve provides habitat for white-tailed deer, wild turkeys, black bears and the Florida panther, all of which are seen there on a regular basis. Trails are limited so study shoes, long pants, long sleeved shirts, sun protection and water are strongly advised. No facilities available. Carpooling from the Slough.

#### **April 2014 (date to be determined) Little Pine Island Mitigation Preserve (Moderate)**

The schedule of tours of the Preserve are not available as of this printing. Little Pine Island lies between Matlacha and Pine Island and the 4806 acres are managed by the Charlotte Harbor Aquatic and State Buffer Preserves, a field office of the Florida DEP. This trip will give participants an appreciation of the local ecology on the 2-mile hike through the high marsh and salt flats. Wear sturdy shoes that can get wet or muddy. Hats, sunscreen and water strongly advised. Carpooling from the Slough

#### **Tuesday, May 6, 2014 8:30 am -noon Estero Marsh Preserve (Moderate to strenuous)**

Estero Marsh Preserve's 243 acres are located adjacent to Estero Bay Preserve State Park. Conservation 2020 Stewardship Coordinator Sherry Furnari will be our guide to the site's eight plant communities, estuarine tidal swamps and marshes, flatwoods and hammocks. This is a Category 4 Resource Protection and Restoration preserve, and so no recreational facilities are planned for the site. We are fortunate to get this rare opportunity to explore this beautiful preserve. Carpooling from the Slough

## FRIENDS WINTER GATHERINGS

**February 26, 2014 — 7:00 pm Robert Repenning—*State of the Slough***

**March 26, 2014 — 7:00 pm To be announced**

**April 23, 2014 — 7:00 pm To be announced**

Watch for the announcement of upcoming speakers on the Friends website [www.sloughpreserve.org](http://www.sloughpreserve.org) and the Friends [Facebook](#) page.



## ALONG THE BOARDWALK... Winter 2013-2014

By Dotty Brown



Receding water brings concentrations of aquatic critters into breeding grounds. Mating birds are actively filling the preserve habitats surrounding the ponds and the Rookery at Gator Lake. They are confident of a food supply for their young.

Turtles venture onto the pond banks to lay their eggs. Raccoons seek their nests and savor the flavor, but they leave the shells. Otters are actively cruising the waterways. Snakes have been seen mating. Gators frequent Otter Pond to sun on the logs and around the banks. Owls are seen and heard at the Grandmother Tree near Wood Duck Pond. A variety of woodpeckers are spewing wood chips in a variety of sizes as they prepare for nesting.

New migrating species arrive. An eye to the sky may catch the view of a swallow-tailed kite or a roseate spoonbill!

The terrestrial orchid, Ladies Tresses, near the rest room ramp, introduces the season with a flair of its 'circular staircase' of tiny blooms.

Duck potato and Iris grace the winter scene. COME, feel the energy of new life bursting forth under the lengthening daylight hours.



Jeff Montgomery musing  
Photo Carolyn Babb

Jeff Montgomery is a seven year volunteer at the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve and a member of Friends. Once a month he leads a group of eager volunteers on a meander along the boardwalk, sometimes venturing off the walk if feeling adventurous. Topics of the meanders have included fungi, birds, trees and any thing else that may pop up that day of interest to the volunteers and to the visiting public. Another wonderful example of the education opportunities for our volunteers who can then share it with the visitors. We are lucky to have Jeff as a volunteer and a member of Friends.

## MEANDER MUSINGS

By Jeff Montgomery

It's hard to tell exactly when it happens. Like a sunrise on a cloudy day, when you sense the brightening skies, but can't pinpoint the exact moment of daybreak. Maybe it's when you see a cormorant or two on the rafts, or when you notice that there are no more kites in the skies. Perhaps it's the once-vibrant lubbers, now faded and fading fast into oblivion, the first signs of pig damage, or noticing that a particular patch of ground is now high and dry. Whatever the trigger, at some point it becomes evident that summer has morphed into Season. Believe me, it has happened – Season is upon us.

And Season is magical. The cooling waters require the reptiles to sun themselves on the rafts, beaches and logs for more and more hours each day. More dry land gives the pigs more areas to browse and nurse their young. Shrinking ponds concentrate the fish and invertebrates, luring in the predators – birds, raccoons, otters, bobcats. Thinning foliage exposes the bejeweled flocks of warblers and vireos.

And we volunteers are a part of this magic. But we must commit ourselves to getting better each year. If we don't make the effort to get better, we surely will get worse. Maybe this is the year you will learn more about a new plant or animal in the Slough. Maybe you will learn a new skill – Store, Front Desk or, perhaps, Trail Host. You could tackle exotics with Bob or help Andy with the myriad tasks he has to get done. You could help Heather with the school groups or Jack with the grounds-keeping. Whatever it is, its important that we all try to do more or, at least, commit ourselves to doing whatever we do better than we did it in the past. Why? Because we are Slough volunteers. While the other parks scrounge for volunteers, we have a waiting list. Our volunteers are the envy of the other parks and we are supported by the best park staff in the county. They will do whatever it takes to help us be our best. That's why visitors keep coming back. That's why our visitation numbers increase every year. The place itself is magical; the staff and volunteers enhance the experience.

So come on the meanders. Share your knowledge and experience with the rest of us. Make us ALL better and make yourself better as you do it. You owe it to the Slough.

Lets make this new Season the best one of them all!

## UPCOMING SLOUGH PROGRAMS

**All About Alligators** Saturdays, January 4, February 1, March 1, and April 5, 2014, 11:00 am

**Amazing Anhingas** Tuesdays, January 7-21, 2014, February 4-18, March 4-18 and April 1-15, 2014, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm



**Drawing Inspiration** Fridays, January 3-17, 2014, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm

### Earth and Awareness Skills

Shelter Making Demo Saturday, January 25, 2014, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Fire Making Demo, Saturday, February 22, 2014, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Basket Making Demo, Saturday, March 22, 2014, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Full Moon Walk** Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 6:00 pm, Friday, February 14, 2014 at 6:00 pm, Saturday, March 15, 2014 at 7:30 pm and Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 7:45 pm

**Paper Making** Saturdays, January 11, 2014 and February 8, 2014, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**Photoshop Elements** Thursdays, January 9 through February 13, 2014, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**Puppet Show** Saturdays, January 11, 10:00, 2014 and February 8, 2014 10:00 am and 11:00 am

**Skull ID 101** Tuesdays, January 7-21, February 11-25, and March 11-25, 2014, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm



**Slough Yoga Session** Tuesdays January 7-March 25, 2014, 9:00 am to 10:15 am

**Tracking Club** Sunday, January 12, 2014, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Contact Mary Rude at (239) 533-7555 for information about Tracking Club.

**Reservations are required for most programs. Register for programs online at [leeparks.org](http://leeparks.org) or by calling Lee County Parks and Recreation at (239) 533-7275.**

## PHOTO CONTEST ENTRIES DUE BY JANUARY 31, 2014

Entries for the Friends of the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve fifth annual photo are due this month. Photographers may submit three photos until January 31, 2014, at 3:30 pm with prizes awarded at a reception at the Interpretive Center February 22, 2014 at 10:30 am. There are five categories, including Animals, Plants, Open (photos other than animals and plants), Altered and a Youth category (Ages 17 and under). Each photographer may submit three photos. There is a new category this year for a two to three minute video, *A View of the Slough*.

Top prize in each category provided by Lee County Parks and Recreation is a one year Lee County Parking Sticker good at 18 parks and boat ramps in Lee County. Second and third place winners will receive gift certificates good for purchases in the Friends Corner Shop at the Interpretive Center at the Slough.

Award winners will be notified by February 14, 2014.

Winning photographs and videos will be on display at the Slough Interpretive Center. Photos and videos are also used for postcards for purchase by visitors at the Friends Corner and for advertising and educational purposes.

If there are any questions please check the website at [www.sloughpreserve.org](http://www.sloughpreserve.org) or call the Friends at (239) 533-7557 and leave a message.

## KRIS NELSON VOLUNTEERS AT ZOO AND SLOUGH

By Theresa Roake

When my husband Steve and I were “up North” in September, our granddaughter Gigi (3 years old) took us to Brookfield Zoo just outside Chicago for a visit to see some of her favorite animals. We were looking for the baboons which were missing in action at their outside habitat. Steve explained they may be inside where it is cool. A volunteer docent was nearby and started to explain how we could get inside to see the primates. I thought I recognized the voice and turned and standing right next to my husband was Friends member and slough volunteer extraordinaire Kris Nelson. Talk about a small world! I was very curious about Kris’ other volunteer life and sat down with her to talk about it. Kris has been a docent at Brookfield Zoo for 22 years. When she took early retirement from her role as an executive in Human Resources at a Chicago area bank, she was looking for a new opportunity. Her daughter Karin had been an intern at Brookfield Zoo during her college days at the University of Chicago and had landed a job after graduation as Editor of Zoo Publications. She suggested her mother enroll in the docent training program and after 4 months of training a new docent was born. Karin has moved on to become a professor at the University of Illinois-Chicago but the Docent remains.

Docent duties vary. There are Zoo Chats at exhibits throughout the day featuring a particular animal including question and answer sessions. Docents also rove at the Zoo, like volunteers here at the Slough interacting with visitors and answering questions. In addition, volunteers take themed carts out to educate visitors on general animal and conservation topics. Kris said her favorite cart to take out is one called “Who Dung It?” You guessed it. It features animal waste from diverse species such as bumblebees, coyote and mountain lion. There’s even a moose turd earring. The kids just love this and it gives Kris the opportunity to educate young people while giving them a good laugh.

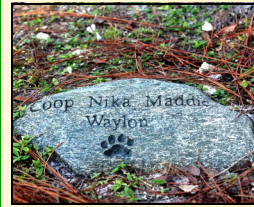
I asked Kris about her favorite animals and she said it’s very hard to choose. She named a few for me but said there are many more. She said all the docents became very fond of Pepe the Penguin because he became so habituated to humans. The keepers had to encourage them to ignore the behavior, so he would act more like a penguin! She loved watching the endangered Golden Lion Tamarins in the trees. They were released into the trees by the big lake at the Zoo to learn to act more like wild tamarins and were ultimately released into their native habitat in South America. She also enjoys watching the feeding of the African Wild Dogs in their habitat. Game is strung up on a wire for them to chase just as in the wild. The pups pictured were born at Brookfield Zoo. She also enjoyed being on Dolphin Watch. When baby dolphin are born, docents and keepers take turns on 24 hour watch to make sure everything’s ok.

## “ROCKS AROUND THE WORLD” PROGRAM GROWS

By Terri Krass

There are now 14 engraved river stones in the Rock and Stroll Garden located in the center of the main parking lot. A new arbor, beautiful new sign, and many blooming plants are just a few of the recent improvements that have been added.

One of the first stones for the project is engraved



“Coop, Niki, Maddie & Waylon” – this is the story behind those names. They are all family dogs that were rescued. The donor, a frequent visitor, wrote that “we are better off for having them in our lives and so lucky for the unconditional love

they give us. When I visited Six Mile Cypress (Slough Preserve) I thought it was a beautiful safe sanctuary for so many animals and it inspired me to want to do my part in keeping it that way. I felt there’s no better way to memorialize my dogs. I’m honored to have my family in the rock garden”.

Recently the Friends Board received a request for a stone to be placed at a private site, outside the Slough. Considering that all donations for the stones will benefit our educational programs it was decided to expand the program into “Rocks Around the World”. Anyone wishing to donate for a stone for their personal garden or use may do so. Simply indicate your intention on the order form. We still want everyone to have their own “piece of the Slough” but also realize that the stones make excellent gifts.

There are also a limited number of small stones in the gift shop engraved with the Slough Logo available for a \$50 donation to the Friends Education Program. Be sure to look for them on your next visit to the Interpretive Center.



There’s a theme here. The Zoo is active in conserving wildlife through its breeding programs. The mission of the Chicago Zoological Society is to inspire conservation leadership by connecting people with wildlife and nature. Kris is helping them achieve this mission on Thursdays in the summer just as she does on Thursdays at Otter Pond each November to May. Thanks, Kris!



Photo: Chicago Zoological Society



# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## ***Renewing Members: Thank you for your continued support!***

Susan Beavers  
Beth Ceiley  
Susan Crawford and Jeff Rosemann  
Shirley Fox  
Michael and Nancy Frazier  
Robin Gardner  
Joanne and Jack Gifford  
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grispio  
Dick and Andrea Houle  
Jeff and Nancy Montgomery  
Walter and Cathy Sedlacek  
Christina Sierra  
Erin White

***C” denotes Charter Member, persons who were first year members of the Friends.***

## ***Welcome New Members***

Ward and Norah Johnson  
Anne and Kevin Mullin  
Harry Phillips and Honey Archey  
Rainome Family  
Peter Roche  
Vivian Seelie  
John Swisher

## ***Additional Donations Gratefully Received From:***

Anonymous for guided walk by Rosie Hackman  
David Bell  
Alan and Jackie Cadkin, honoring Joyce and Bill Sanders  
Fiddlesticks Garden Club  
Rebecca Mitchell for school field trip  
Alouise Skehan Pyle in memory of Rosemary Flemming  
Alouise Skehan Pyle in memory of Phoebe Obdyke

## **GREENING THE MEMBERSHIP**

By Jean Scholz

In order to save money and paper, the Friends has started to conduct routine membership activities by email. Starting this fall, annual membership renewal reminders and renewal receipts are being transmitted by email to all members who provide an email address. If you don't have an active email account, or if you'd still like to receive these materials on paper, please call the Friends at (239) 533-7557 to let us know. If you receive membership material on paper but would like to move to email, please call the same phone number or email [sixmile-friends@gmail.com](mailto:sixmile-friends@gmail.com). Your support is critical to our mission, so don't hesitate to tell us your preference!

## **SUPPORT THE SLOUGH, SHOP TOO!**

By Carolyn Babb

The Friends Corner shop at the Interpretive Center continues to supply our visitors with books, cards and shirts. But did you know that there is also a way to shop from home? We have an online shop at [www.friendscorner.qbstores.com](http://www.friendscorner.qbstores.com) where you can purchase a golf shirt, tee shirt or blue denim shirt from home. There are also children's tee shirts and sweatshirts, all with the Friends logos. As with the store profits, all profits go towards the Friends educational programs and other support at the Slough. See Mary Rude's thank you on page seven for some of the ways that money is used at the Slough.

**There are coupons available on Facebook at the QB Online Store Facebook page.**

The next time you need a gift let your fingers do the walking (shopping) at the Slough store, [www.friendscorner.qbstores.com](http://www.friendscorner.qbstores.com)

**TRASH PICKUP 9 AM  
3RD SATURDAY EVERY MONTH  
Contact: [thehoules75@yahoo.com](mailto:thehoules75@yahoo.com)**



Another sell out crowd of Friends attended our fifth annual potluck at the Slough Interpretive Center. The food gets better every year. Friends Board member Jeff Key kept our spirits high with his great sounds. This potluck is always a great time so if you missed out please try to catch it next year. CB

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# Thank You to the Friends For All Your Support

By Mary Rude

It has been another fabulous year at the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve. The support of the Friends has been invaluable. We have watched our Center Island garden in the parking area literally blossom into the *Rock & Stoll Garden* complete with beautiful plantings, an arbor, benches with inspiring dedications and lovely river stones lining the walkways engraved with words of love. We see more and more people sitting on the benches just absorbing the ambiance of this beautiful spot. We've also had more butterflies and other wildlife in the garden than ever before. Thank you to the Friends for the monetary support and especially to Terri Krass for all her work on the river stones project. Thank you to All who put their efforts into helping this area to come alive.

After walking through the garden and crossing the parking lot, next you come to the Friends-supported fabulous Tiki Hut which is a new station for guides and trail hosts to greet the public. It is certainly an attention attractor and puts people in a friendly mood.



New greeters station  
Photo Heather Gienapp

The Friends have also purchased a wide range of teaching materials, from spotting scopes to binoculars for the Guided Walks to summer camp supplies. Funding even included an animal-proof trash can for our front entrance to the Interpretive Center. The raccoons had a nightly raid on our previous container and were steadily gnawing their way through the sides. Now our state of the art "bear-saver" receptacle has been a welcome relief.

Aside from the front entrance, the Friends have made their mark inside. They funded a beautiful walnut recognition tree with gold leaves with the names of our Volunteers of the Year dating back to 1999. The plaque is a nice way of honoring some of our really outstanding volunteers.

Also in the Interpretive Center the Friends funded an upgrade to our water fountain to include a bottle filler. To date the counter confirms over 1,000 water bottles have been refilled! (The Friends also sell refillable containers in their store.) The other great part of this story is that local agencies have been contacting me to find out how to get a bottle filling station of their own. I love that the Friends have set the bar higher and that others want to reach for that height as well.

The Friends continue to break through the higher goals they set for themselves, too. In addition to their monthly informational evening programs in season, the Friends added an outstanding puppet show to their repertoire. They wrote the play, practiced their show and wowed the audience. What a joy to hear Board members talk with a turtle or snake "accent"!

The Friends have not only supported us monetarily and programmatically, but the moral support goes on and on. They generously hosted a party for Andy Gurri, our outstanding maintenance man, to honor his

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Hi Friends— Happy New Year to all. I think it is going to be a busy and bright one. Visitor traffic on the boardwalk is already booming. I hope that they are all taking pictures to enter in the photo contest. Remember that entries are due the end of the month. And there is a new category for a video, *Your View of the Slough*. Those are going to be fun to show in the IC.



Water level in  
September

The pot luck was attended by more than 50 folks, more than we have had in previous years. A big thank you to board member Jeff Key for his music during the evening. If you didn't make it this year, mark your calendar for next year.

Again this year a group of students from the University of Georgia were in Lee County to help out Lee Parks and Recreation. The Slough was the recipient of two full days of young people enthusiastically and tirelessly working to help Bob Repenning clear an area just to the west of the Interpretive Center. The Friends provided their lunch. We can't thank them enough for all that hard work.

The Friends gatherings begin this month with board vice president, Dr. Charles O'Connor as our speaker. One of his specialties is fossils. This is one talk you don't want to miss. Charles is a fantastic speaker and knows so much about his topic. He has traveled to many different places to gather all of his knowledge. Call us at (239) 533-7557 to make a reservation for the evening gathering.

Try to join us this year for the March annual meeting. The board will present the annual report for 2013. It is always amazing to look back and see all that has happened and what we have accomplished with all of the members help, both financially and with all of the hours that Friends puts in for the Slough. Fifty-two Friends members submitted 897 hours of work for the Friends through October of this year. Join us in March for the rest of the picture.

See you in the Slough. CB



Andy Gurri's BIG birthday party  
Photo Carolyn Babb

"big" birthday in July. During the summer at that same time, my little sister died in Pennsylvania. While there at her viewing, I was surprised and humbled to see a loving note from the Friends on a big bouquet of flowers. How thoughtful. Their arms reach far and wide and the good that they do for all of us spreads out into the world continuously.

Thank you Friends!

## JOIN FRIENDS TODAY!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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In addition I would like to contribute

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ additional for the Friends use at the Slough.

TOTAL\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Level (Please Check One)

- Student (\$10)
- Individual (\$20)
- Contributing (\$50)
- Supporting (\$100)
- Associate (\$250) - 1
- Sustaining (\$500) - 1, 2
- Corporate Sponsor (\$500) - 1, 2
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1- includes parking sticker for 18 Lee Co. Facilities.

2 - includes choice of wet walk or moon walk for ten guests.

3 - includes bench or rocking chair naming opportunity

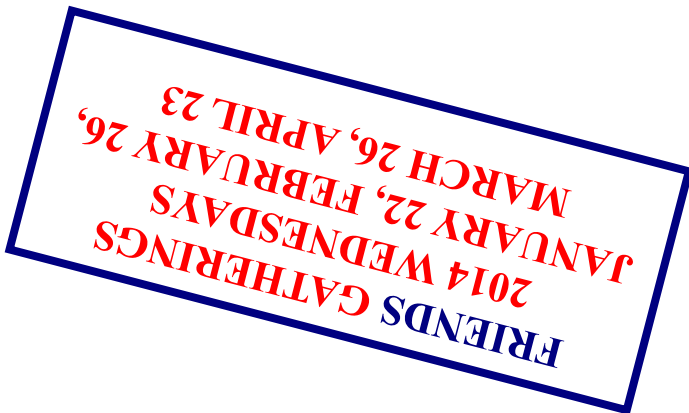
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Friends of Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is a not-for-profit advocacy and support organization committed to preserving, protecting and promoting Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve for future generations through education and community partnerships, working together with Lee County and South Florida Water Management District. The Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is a critical wetland system having positive value in inspiring and educating its visitors about wetlands and their roles in preserving the environment and local quality of life. Friends' vision is to maintain the Preserve's positive community influence in perpetuity.



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