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## The Blizzard on the Beach Kicks Off the Capital Campaign in Style

On November 18, 2007, over 3,000 visitors joined the Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park to celebrate *The Blizzard on the Beach*—the kick-off of the Friends Capital Campaign to build a new Education Center and Welcome Center, provide new interpretive displays for the existing Nature Center, and construct an outdoor sea turtle tank exhibit.

Visitors enjoyed the Park and all that it offers, as well as two bounce houses, train and tram rides, face painting, kayaking, live animal show, holiday card contest, and <code>snow!</code> Twenty tons of the white stuff made a rare appearance to the delight of children and adults alike. A special guest from the North Pole, Santa, arrived on a fire truck from the Village of North Palm Beach. Santa stayed for free family photographs on the beach.

Colossal thanks are due to Capital Campaign Events Committee Chair, Stephanie Pew, for all her time, hard work and patience. She worked tirelessly right through the event and its clean up. Stephanie and her committee produced an outstanding event (Carolyn Stone, Matt Rundels, Gretta Curry, Susan Kamp, Susan Murray, and special help from Paul Aleskovsky



generate resources to preserve, restore and interpret the natural and cultural assets of the Park for present and future generations. Founded in 1990, the Friends has enriched and enhanced John D. MacArthur Beach State Park by soliciting donations, seeking volunteers, raising funds, hosting special events and operating a gift and souvenir shop.

In 2006, the Friends organization laid the groundwork for the Island In Time Capital Campaign. To date, \$1,168,772 have been contributed toward the capital goal of two million dollars. There has been 100% participation by the Friends Board of Directors, the Park staff and Friends personnel, and 85% of the 135 program volunteers have donated funds, as well as their time and talents. The State of Florida, through the Partnership in Parks Program, has dedicated \$800,000 for this project.

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and photographer Teri Jeffery).

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# An Island In Time CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

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ohn D. MacArthur Beach State Park was established to protect a diverse and undisturbed subtropical coastal habitat from development. The Park is named for John D. MacArthur, whose generosity allowed the State of Florida to secure the land. Developed in part with funds donated by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the Park opened to the public in 1989.

The Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park is a non-profit corporation with a mission of generating supplemental resources to

preserve, restore, and interpret the natural and cultural assets of the Park for present and future generations.

Iohn D. MacArthur Beach State Park is a model public-private partnership. Owned by the State of Florida, the staff and daily needs of the Park are funded by the State. Since its founding in 1990, the Friends organization has enriched the Park by soliciting donations, seeking volunteers, holding special events and by operating a gift shop. All funds raised by the Friends support the Park, making a visit more educational, memorable and fun.

#### PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

More than 101,000 visitors come annually to enjoy the beach, spend time with family and friends, and participate in the ambitious and successful environmental education program of lectures, workshops, and courses conducted by Rangers and volunteers.

Many of these visitors are schoolchildren, who come with classmates and teachers to enrich their classroom experience. The Nature Classroom Program curriculum is based on the Sunshine State Standards, Grade Level Expectations.

# ue to the success of these educational and awareness programs, John D. MacArthur Beach State Park is now in need of more spacious and updated facilities.

These programs overwhelm Park's the current physical structures. Built in 1989, the William T. Kirby Nature Center is the heart and hub of all organized activities; usage has increased, its original size now limits the Park's mission and effectiveness. The Park was created to accommodate a wide range of interests, and its very success has generated the need for more spacious and updated facilities.



A FACILITY FOR EXPANDED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND VISITOR HOSPITALITY

#### **Education Center**

The Education Center will be used for a variety of educational activities and events. *The Nature Classroom* will be equipped to educate and excite the many school groups who visit the Park, with wet labs and equipment to accommodate 40 students and instructors. The Education Center will also house the Research Library and the Discovery Lab.

#### Welcome Center

The new Welcome Center's primary function is visitor hospitality; much of the floor space will accommodate the Friend's gift shop—a main source of income for the Park. A spacious front porch will provide space to

meet, eat or just relax.

#### **Nature Center**

Structurally, the Nature Center will remain the same; the Gift Shop will move to the new Welcome Center to provide space for new exhibits and enhancements. The *Sea Turtle Theater* will receive an upgraded AV system to better serve the educational needs of Park visitors.

#### **Interpretive Displays**

The most dramatic improvements inside the Nature Center are the new exhibits focusing on native sea turtles, a new 700-gallon *The Reef* exhibit, and the 300-gallon *Mangrove Aquarium* exhibit. New exhibits will educate visitors about Land Reptiles, Shore Life, History of Munyon Island, and Native Americans.

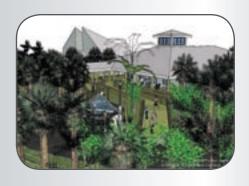
#### **How Can You Help?**

## Make a DifferenceMake A Pledge Today!

The \$2,000,000 campaign, An Island In Time, seeks donations and pledges payable over a three-year period.

Gifts may be earmarked for a specific purpose, facility, or program. Naming and recognition opportunities are available.

The Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park, Inc. is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation to which contributions are tax deductible.



#### AN ISLAND IN TIME CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

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## An Island In Time CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

### **DONORS**

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Matthew Rundels, Carolyn Stone, Nancy Van Deuren, Gilda Vogel,
Stephen Wigal, William Hyland, Terry Coulliette

#### Thank You!

#### RIGHT: Capital Campaign Cabinet:

Bottom Row: Susie Fruehauf (Honorary Chair), Bill Mech (Campaign Chair), Ted Thoburn (Board President) • 2nd Row: Stephanie Pew(Cultivation and Events Committee Chair), Cheryl Houghtelin (Director of Community Relations), Patrick Rash (Assistant Park Manager), Greg Leach (Co-Chair Corporate & Business Division) • Not Pictured: Rebecca Doane (Planned Giving Chair), Dr. Edward Michael Eissey (Major Gifts Chair), Patti Hamilton (Corporate & Business Chair)



## CHARLOTTE RUSH BAILEY

## Artist IN RESIDENCE

#### **Feathers and Friends**

January 28–February 28, 2008 John D. MacArthur Beach State Park Nature Center

he Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park is delighted to host *Feathers* and *Friends*, the premiere exhibition of photographs by Charlotte Rush Bailey.

Charlotte Rush Bailey has been photographing the natural wonders of our world for 30 years. Beginning with the desert Southwest, her love of nature has taken her to more than 80 countries, where she has captured intimate images of wildlife, people and landscapes. Her career as a global marketing and communications executive spanned industry, financial energy services, technology, publishing and professional ser-vices. She also spent five years with the international conservation organization, Ducks Unlimited, where she managed all publications and films. That experience established her passion for wetlands and water birds.

After moving to Florida in 2005 with her husband, Dolphins Enterprises CEO Joe Bailey, Charlotte retired from corporate life to devote all her energies to photography and digital imaging. The wetlands of South Florida have provided an extraordinary opportunity to do what she loves most, right in her backyard. The *Feathers and Friends* exhibition celebrates the beauty and grace of wintering wading birds that share the paradise of South Florida with us.

A portion of the purchases of the signed and numbered images will benefit the Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park organization to support Park programs and activities.











## **Volunteer** SPOTLIGHT

By Kathryn Rothenburg, Park Services Specialist came to John D. MacArthur Beach State Park expecting to work with knowledgeable people in a natural setting, and yes, that is what I have

experienced. However, I did not expect the generosity and warmth that is here. There is something very special about John D. MacArthur Beach State Park. It is not only the picturesque natural beach, uncommon maritime hammock and abundant wildlife that make it so special. It also is the people who have exceeded my expectations.

## can already tell many stories of exceeding expectations

I have been at MacArthur Beach State Park for only a few short months, and I can already tell many stories of exceeding

expectations. *The Blizzard on the Beach* was a shocking day for me. I thought that getting 50 volunteers to help out at the Capital Campaign kick-off event would be a challenge. I was wrong. One hundred and fourteen volunteers came! Volunteers from high schools and community clubs, board members, and numerous regular MacBeach volunteers showed their love and commitment to a common goal on October 18.

It wasn't just the amount of volunteers that surprised me, it was the common attitude of "this place is worthy of my effort and my smile." The community enjoyed the day, learned a thing or two about the *Real Florida* and saw exceptional people giving so much of themselves—time and talent.

Thank you so much to the following: Adventure Times Kayaks, animal

presenters, Bill Rich & Family, bottled water givers, bounce house attendants, Busch Wildlife Sanctuary, Capital Campaign presenters, facepainters, gate attendants, high school teachers, holiday card artists, Jupiter High School students, kayaker assistants, Key Club students, Kings students, MacArthur Academy Beach board members, MacArthur Beach Rangers, Nature Center volunteers and staff, nature walk guides, parking attendants, PEC home school group, photographers, popcorn poppers, Santa Luces High School students, scavenger hunt stampers, snow patrol, Suncoast High School students, tram drivers, and thank you to everyone else who helped that day! Thank you for exceeding my expectations again and again. I look forward to being a part of your continued success and learning from you, the experts. Please come by my office or the Nature Center. I'd like to hear your ideas and comments.

#### Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park, Inc.

Membership Application

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☐ Benefactor\$500+	☐ Patron\$499-100	☐ Family\$75	□ Individual\$40	☐ Student\$20
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Please send this application along with your donation to:

The Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park, Inc.
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For more information on the "Friends" please call (561) 776-7449.

A copy of the official registration and financial information of the "Friends" may be obtained from The Division of Consumer Services by calling (800) 435-7352.

# **Events**UP-N-COMING

#### **JANUARY**

06	Sunday	2:00 p.m.	Introduction to Kayaking by Adventure Times Kayaks
06	Saturday	1:00 p.m.	Birding at MacArthur Park
10	Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Yoga on the Beach
13	Sunday	1-3 p.m.	Recreational Skills: Beach Ultimate Frisbee
13	Sunday	1-3 p.m.	Volunteer Orientation
19	Saturday	7-9 p.m.	MacArthur Under Moonlight Concert: Band TBA
20	Sunday	1-5 p.m.	Bluegrass Music
24	Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Yoga on the Beach

#### **FEBRUARY**

03	Sunday	2:00 p.m.	Introduction to Kayaking by Adventure Times Kayaks
03	Sunday	Noon	Birding at MacArthur Park
07	Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Yoga on the Beach
09	Saturday	11:00 a.m.	F.U.N. (Families Understanding Nature): Valentine's Day Card
10	Sunday	1-3 p.m.	Volunteer Orientation
16	Saturday	7-9 p.m.	MacArthur Under Moonlight Concert: Band TBA
17	Sunday	1-5 p.m.	Bluegrass Music
21	Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Yoga on the Beach
23	Saturday	11:00 a.m.	Recreational Skills: Cast Nettina

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#### **MARCH**

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22	Saturday	7-9 p <b>.</b> m.	MacArthur Under Moonlight Concert: Kat Eggleston
23	Sunday	1-3 p.m.	Recreational Skills: Introduction to Surfing
29	Saturday	10-3 p.m.	NatureScaping "An Earth Day Celebration"

**Every Weekend at 11:00 a.m.:** Animal Feeding in the Nature Center

**Every Sunday at 3:00 p.m.:** Snake Talk in the Nature Center

2:00 p.m.



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