# Greenways & Natural Lands Seminole Tracks Newsletter

**Natural Lands Program Newsletter** 

Call 407-665-2211 for info

**2017 Fall** 

# **Upcoming Hikes & Special Events**

### **NATURAL LANDS GUIDED HIKES**

Join Natural Lands staff and volunteers for guided hikes on some of our most beautiful wilderness areas. Experience the trails and learn about the amazing animals and plants that live in the variety of habitats. **Children must be at least 7 years old and accompanied by an adult**. **Pre-registration is required, space is limited**. Register at any active park: Red Bug Lake Park, Sanlando Park or Sylvan Lake Park. <u>You cannot register over the phone</u>.

Park hours: Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**GUIDED HIKES** Cost: \$3 per person

| Date      | Theme                  | Time           | <u>Location</u> .           |
|-----------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| *Sept. 16 | Swamp Walk             | 8:00am-10:00am | Spring Hammock Preserve     |
| Sept. 30  | Free Public Lands Hike | 8:00am-10:00am | Lake Harney Wilderness Area |
| Oct. 21   | Hammock Hike           | 9:00am-11:00am | Spring Hammock Preserve     |
| **Nov. 4  | Morning Trail Trek     | 8:00am-12:00pm | Black Bear Wilderness Area  |
| Nov. 11   | Birds & Bagels Hike    | 7:30am-9:30am  | Lake Harney Wilderness Area |

<sup>\*</sup>Swamp Walk will take you through thick black mud to explore the beauty of the hydric hammock. Wear closed-toed shoes and long pants. Lots of fun for the entire family! Bring something to sit on in your car, you WILL get muddy!!

<sup>\*\*</sup>Black Bear Wilderness Area trail is a 7.1 mile loop trail. It is very rough terrain and is <u>not recommended for children</u> <u>under 10 years of age</u>. Bring water, bug repellent and wear comfortable hiking shoes.

| I | PROPERTY   | Spring Hammock Preserve     | 2985 Osprey Trail, Longwood 32750         | ١ |
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|   | ADDRESSES: | Lake Harney Wilderness Area | 2395 Osceola Fish Camp Road, Geneva 32732 | ١ |
|   |            | Black Bear Wilderness Area  | 5298 Michigan Ave., Sanford 32771         | ١ |

### SPECIAL EVENT! GREAT AMERICAN CAMPOUT— NOVEMBER 4 - 5

Learn to camp in a fun, family-oriented event. Meals included! We will have tent pitching assistance, cast iron cooking, wildlife program, cook s'mores over a campfire and much more! **Limited to 40 families**.

<u>Families must have a child 13 years old or younger</u> to participate. One tent per family.

Call 407-665-2211 for information.

**Date**: November 4-5

**Location**: Lake Mills Park

1301 Tropical Avenue

Chuluota, FL 32766

Time: Saturday, 2 p.m. to Sunday, 9:00am

Cost: \$8/per person or \$30/family (4 or more)

The Seminole County Natural Lands Program is your source for these activities:

Eco Birthday Parties at the Ed Yarborough Nature Center • Programs for Civic and Community Groups• Scouting Programs/Hikes • Public and Private School field trips • Eco Programs in your classroom • Private day and night hikes for groups of 15-25

Geneva Campus Rental for meetings, parties, and events!

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# Camps and Classes

# **WINTER ADVENTURE ECO CAMP!**

Imagine a camp where you can have fun while learning about the natural world! Have fun fishing, hiking, playing games, setting live traps, dip-netting, making crafts and much more! It's an outdoor Adventure and Environmental Education program that is committed to promoting individual growth and environmental awareness. Call 407-665-2211 for more information

When: January 2-5 (no camp on Jan. 1)
Where: Ed Yarborough Nature Center

3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva 32732

**Times**: 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

(extended day available from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.)

**Ages**: 7-12

Cost: \$132/wk (extended day additional \$15/wk)

# **Nature Classes:**

Pre-Registration is required for ALL CLASSES, HIKES & PROGRAMS

Register at any active park: Red Bug Lake, Park, Sylvan Lake Park, Sanlando Park. Park Hours: 8:00am-10:00pm Monday thru Friday. 8:00am-8:00pm Saturday & Sunday

# **COMPASS CLASS**

Come and learn how to navigate just using a map and compass. We will use our new skill to find the treasure! Led by a Florida Master Naturalist. Class limited to 15 children, so sign up soon! For ages 9-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Date/Time: Saturday, September 9, 9:00 a.m—11:00 a.m.

**Location**: Ed Yarborough Nature Center

3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva

**Cost**: \$5 per person

**Ages**: 9-12

# PARENT/CHILD ECO CRAFTS! (AGES 5-8)

Join us for Parent/Child Nature Craft time! We will begin the morning with a hike. From the items you collect on the hike we will return to the pavilion and create a one of a kind nature craft.

Class limited to 20 participants, so SIGN UP NOW!

**Date/Time**: Saturday, **Oct. 14**, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. **Location**: Ed Yarborough Nature Center,

3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva 32732

Cost: \$5 per person



# **REPTILES OF FLORIDA**

Join a local expert as he gives an introduction to, and dispels some of the myths about these often misunderstood cold blooded residents! Children must be at least 7years of age and accompanied by an

adult.

Date/Time: Saturday, September 23, 9:00am- Noon

**Location**: Ed Yarborough Nature Center

3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 7 and up (children must be accompanied by an adult)

# DOG SAFETY IN THE WOODS & TRAILS

Bring your "best friend" (on leash) and learn how to be safe on the trails when hiking with your pet. Learn the basics of trail etiquette & safety, what to do before, during and after the hike to keep your pet happy and healthy!

Only 25 spaces available, so sign up

NOW!

**Date/Time**: Sunday, **Oct. 22**, 10 a.m. - Noon

**Location**: Geneva Wilderness Area

3485 N. County Rd. 426, Geneva

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 10 and up (children must be accompanied by an adult)

# **BUGS, INSECTS & CREEPY CRAWLIES**

There are more than one million insects species in the world—from fleas that can jump 200 times their body length to houseflies that taste with their feet! Come learn about this large, fascinating and diverse group of animals. Then we'll go on a hike to see if we can spot a few up close!

Date/Time: Saturday, October 7, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Location: Geneva Wilderness Area

3485 N. County Rd. 426, Geneva

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 7 and up (children must be accompanied by an adult

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**Date/Time**: Saturday, **Oct. 28**, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. **Location**: Ed Yarborough Nature Center, Geneva

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