

# SUMMER NEWSLETTER

## SERV PROGRAM

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Read about our next exciting restoration events!

#### ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

Read about our ongoing opportunities to protect the environment and make a difference in the community.

#### WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, & LAKEWATCH REQUEST

Read about some fun and educational opportunities with FYN, and lakes in need of assistance.

#### FEATURED VOLUNTEER

Read about our "Inspiring Volunteer" of the season!



We greatly appreciate our followers and visitors! Thanks for liking, commenting, and sharing.

### PHOTOS FROM THE SPRING



Sweetwater Lakes



Lake Lotus Park

### SUMMER EVENTS



### MIDWAY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Saturday, June 17th, 9 am - 1 pm: The Seminole County Sheriff's Office & Seminole County invite you to help in a community clean-up at Midway. Kick-off: Midway Safe Harbor Center, 2405 Rightway, Sanford. For more information, or to sign-up, email [nnelson@seminolesheriff.org](mailto:nnelson@seminolesheriff.org), or call 407-665-6636.

### RED BUG LAKE RESTORATION

Saturday, June 24th, 9 - 11 am: Join us in helping to protect Red Bug Lake! We will be cleaning up litter/trash from Red Bug Lake Park, and removing invasive plants from the park's shoreline of Red Bug Lake. Volunteers should wear closed-toe shoes, and bring work/garden gloves. Contact Elizabeth Stephens ([serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-2457) with questions or to sign-up!



### LITTLE WEKIVA INVASIVE REMOVAL

Interested in helping to protect the biodiversity of the Little Wekiva River? We are in the process of scheduling a hydrilla removal activity on a Saturday, later in the summer. Contact Elizabeth Stephens ([serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov), or call 407-665-2457) to express interest in participating, or with any questions. Specific date & kick-off TBA.

### ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES



### ADOPT-A-ROAD / RIVER

Help protect our water resources and reduce pollution by joining our Adopt-A-Road and River Programs. Adopt your own section of road or river in Seminole County and schedule clean-ups at your convenience (roads: minimum 4/year, river: 2/year). Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov)) for more information.

### ADOPT-A-PARK

The Adopt-A-Park Program facilitates the monitoring, clean-up and enhancement of parks, natural lands, trails, and trailheads maintained in Seminole County. For more information and to join this great program, contact Seminole County Leisure Services at 407-665-2001.



### ADOPT-A-SHELTER

This Program is an opportunity for any non-profit, faith-based, or private organization to demonstrate community involvement and support for the County's emergency shelters and citizens in a disaster. The American Red Cross and the Office of Emergency Management will provide free training for all volunteers wanting to assist in a shelter. For more information, click [HERE](#) or contact 407-665-5102.



### WORKSHOPS & FYN CLASSES



### FERTILIZER WORKSHOPS

Learn how to have healthy turf and clean waterways! We'll discuss the specifications of the new Fertilizer Ordinance for Seminole County and have hands-on demonstrations so you know exactly what to do! Next scheduled dates: June 10 (10 am), June 28 (6:30 pm), July 12 (6:30 pm), July 22 (10 am). To sign-up, visit <http://bit.ly/fertworkshop> or contact Taryn Sudol ([tsudol@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:tsudol@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-5755).

### THE GOOD, THE BAD, THE BUGLY

Wed, June 21st, 6:30 – 8:30 pm: Take an integrated approach on pest management in your yard. Help out the good bugs and prevent the bad bugs. 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford. Sign-up online <http://bit.ly/2rZAnCT> or contact Taryn Sudol ([tsudol@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:tsudol@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-5755).



### COMPOST & MULCHING

Sat, July 8th, 2017, 9:30 – 11:30 am: Learn how to take yard and kitchen scraps and turn them into rich additions to your landscape in this compost and mulching class. 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford. Sign-up online <http://bit.ly/2r6Hifg> or contact Taryn Sudol ([tsudol@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:tsudol@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-5755).

### REQUEST & SUMMER FEATURE



#### LAKEWATCH REQUEST

Do you live on any of the following lakes? If so, Lakewatch could use your help! FDEP and Lakewatch would like to add these lakes to the program. Please contact Jason Bennett (352-273-3639, fl-lakewatch@ufl.edu) if interested! You can also visit the Lakewatch website for more information: <http://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu>

- Ada Lake
- Lake Cockran
- Lake Emma
- Lake Gem
- Lake Jennie
- Lake Kathryn
- Lake Minnie
- Lake Mobile
- Lake Yvonne
- Linden Lake
- Long Lake
- Mullett Lake
- North Horseshoe Lake
- Pearl lake
- Puzzle Lake
- West Crystal Lake
- Wildmere Lake



#### INSPIRING VOLUNTEERS

##### KELLY KIRK

###### SERV HISTORY

Kelly (second from left above, pictured with her Knights for Marine & Wildlife Conservation Club) started volunteering in 2016, and has continued as a site captain since then!

###### HER STORY

"I was born in south Florida and have always loved being outside since I was a kid. I decided to volunteer with SERV so I could learn about their amazing programs and meet fellow community members who are passionate about protecting and restoring the environment. I love SERV events because they're outdoors and hands on. As a site captain for lake restoration events I always enjoy seeing people embrace the experience and take away new knowledge about protecting our waterways."

###### BACKGROUND

Kelly is earning her B.S. in Environmental Studies from UCF; she is currently the president of Knights for Marine and Wildlife Conservation, and works for the Arboretum. She hopes to work for the National Park Service and eventually get a Masters degree in Conservation Biology or a related field.