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### APOLLO DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS January 2016

**PLEASE NOTE: all programs are subject to cancellation and/or rescheduling** due to staff limitations, weather conditions, or other factors. Some programs require reservations, a minimum age, or a cost-recovery fee. Call 386-428-3384 ext. 0 for program information during operating hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), [www.nps.gov/cana](http://www.nps.gov/cana). Entrance fees apply to all interpretive program participants. All programs meet the requirements for the Canaveral National Seashore Junior Ranger program.

#### **WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 20<sup>TH</sup> AND 27<sup>TH</sup> -- 10:00 AM - "CANOE MOSQUITO LAGOON"**

Reservations will be accepted a week before the canoe date. Join a guide as you explore this rich and diverse estuary up close. Some experience is preferred. You must be at least 8 years old and able to paddle. You must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip-flops). Bring water, sunscreen and a hat. Dress to get wet. Individuals with their own kayaks or canoes are welcome to join in. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 0 to reserve your spot. Meet at the Visitors Information Center at 9:45 a.m. We will leave promptly at 10:00 a.m. (2 hours)

#### **WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup>, AND 27<sup>TH</sup> -- "BIRDERS" PONTOON BOAT TOUR"**

Take a leisurely cruise from the dock behind the Visitor Center to see the many birds of Canaveral National Seashore. A park guide will be on board to point out different species as they appear. Our comfortable pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol*, and our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe tour. Join us as we depart from the Visitor Center at 10 a.m., weather permitting. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED** and **SPACE IS LIMITED**. A cost recovery fee of \$20.00 per person is charged. There is a 50% discount for each holder of Senior or Access passes. Children 15 and under are free. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 0 to reserve space. (3 hours)

#### **THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 21<sup>ST</sup> – "PONTOON BOAT CRUISE TO HISTORIC SEMINOLE REST"**

Take a leisurely cruise from the dock behind the Visitor Center to Seminole Rest, where there will be a tour of the historic house. We'll see lots of wildlife and enjoy some of the same views as river steamer passengers saw in the 19th century. Our comfortable pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol*, and our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe tour. Join us as we depart from the Visitor Center at 10 a.m., weather permitting. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED** and **SPACE IS LIMITED**. A cost recovery fee of \$20.00 per person is charged. There is a 50%

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**FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup>, 22<sup>ND</sup> AND 29<sup>TH</sup>; SATURDAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup>, 16<sup>TH</sup>, 23<sup>RD</sup>, AND 30<sup>TH</sup>; AND SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, 17<sup>TH</sup>, 24<sup>TH</sup> AND 31<sup>ST</sup> – “PONTOON BOAT CRUISE: THE BACKWATERS OF MOSQUITO LAGOON”** Take a leisurely cruise to the places that lend character to this vital estuary on our pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol*. Our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe park water tour. Join us for a two-hour journey as we depart from the Visitor Center at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., weather permitting. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED and SPACE IS LIMITED. A cost recovery fee of \$20.00 per person is charged. There is a 50% discount for each holder of Senior or Access passes. Children 15 and under are free. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 0 to reserve space. (2 hours)

**WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 13<sup>TH</sup>, 27<sup>TH</sup> – “PLANTS OF THE PARK”** Join us for a series of plant walks to learn how the plants in the park were used by Native Americans and early settlers and see their unique botanical characteristics and areas of adaptation. There will be two walks on the 6<sup>th</sup>. The first explores the area around Turtle Mound. Meet at Turtle Mound parking area at 9 AM (1-1/2 hours). The second walk on the 6<sup>th</sup> also meets at the Turtle Mound parking area and walks south towards the Visitor Center. (1 hour) On the 13<sup>th</sup>, we will explore the plants of Castle Windy. Meet at Parking Lot #3 at 10 AM. (2 hours) The walk on the 27<sup>th</sup> explores Eldora. Meet at 10 AM at Parking Lot #8. (2 hours).

**SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> – “BEACH CLEANUP”** Help celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of the National Park system by cleaning up our beautiful National Seashore. Bring water, sunscreen, bug repellent, work gloves and a hat. We provide trash bags. Meet at the Visitor Center at 10:00 AM (3 hours)

**SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> – 11:00 AM - “PINE NEEDLE BASKET WEAVING”**

Learn the ancient art of pine needle basket weaving. This is great for beginners or those looking to brush up on their skills. The materials will be provided, just bring your imagination. Meet at the Visitor Center. (1 hour)



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