

Friends of the Museum of the Everglades

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Mark Your Calendar

Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 14, 2016
3:30 pm at City Hall

Pauline Reeves Gallery January/February 2017

"Reflections of Florida"
A Photographic Exhibit
By John Brady

Everglades City Seafood Festival

February 11 & 12, 2017

Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival

February 21 to 25, 2017
See pages 6 & 7 for details



Pauline Reeves Gallery *"Reflections of Florida"*

A Photographic Exhibit by John Brady

John Brady's photographs which have been on display since the beginning of January will continue to be on exhibit throughout the month of February. On January 14 a reception for John was hosted by the Friends of the Museum.

As a landscape photographer John Brady has focused his camera on Florida's natural beauty. John has owned and operated the Everglades Gallery since 2005. He has exhibited work at the Fuji Salon Gallery in Tokyo and is currently working with a gallery in Germany. Besides preserving the wet jungles, creeks and prairies of Florida's remote wilderness through his photographs, John hopes others will become passionate about our need to protect our fragile environment.

For more information about this and other exhibits please call us at (239) 695-0008.

Examples of John Brady's Photographs as
Displayed in the Pauline Reeves Gallery




Next Author's Hour
March 3, 2017 at Noon
Author: Michael Calhoun Tucker

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Manager's Report By Thomas Lockyear



My name is Thomas Lockyear and I accepted the position of Manager of the Museum of the Everglades at the beginning of January. I am a graduate of the University of Wisconsin. My museum experience includes Curator of the Museum at Historic Pigeon Key and Executive Director of the History of Diving Museum in Islamorada.

My fascination with Florida history has grown to become a genuine passion. As my wife and I explored more of our new home state and its hidden treasures, we fell in love with Everglades City. Our son, now four years old, has hiked the trails and wobbled along the boardwalks of Everglades National Park since he was old enough to walk. This region, with its distinctive history and natural wonders holds a special place in my heart.


I look forward to serving the community of Everglades City, the residents of Collier County, and our many visitors from across the country and around the world. It is my pleasure to work alongside Martha Hutcheson, our colleagues in the Collier County Museum System, and the Friends of the Museum of the Everglades. Together we will maintain the level of excellence for which our museum is known while raising our mission's goals of preserving and promoting our unique heritage to even greater heights.



BOD Meeting

Please take note that the February board meeting will be a on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2017 at 3:30 pm at City Hall.

This is the second Tuesday of February.



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Museum Report by Martha Hutcheson

As the month of January has been flying by the Museum of the Everglades has been busy with visitors from near and far. Our Author’s Hour on January 6 featured Karen Bartlett, an award winning writer and photographer. Her book, “A Mostly Kids Guide to Naples, Marco Island & the Everglades,” was highlighted. Copies of her book are for sale in the Friends of the Museum of the Everglades gift shop.

Our next author’s hour on March 3 at noon will feature Michael Calhoun Tucker. Mr. Tucker is sure to reignite one’s love of old Florida while discussing his book, “The Crackers: The Legend of Jessie B. Tucker.” Mr. Tucker will also give a “Cracker” whip demonstration.

Remember, our signature event, the Marjorie Stoneman Douglas Festival will be held February 21 – 25, 2017. Be sure to call the museum to sign up for any activities you are interested in. These activities include kayak, swamp and walking tours.

To listen to a presentation it is suggested you arrive at the museum ten minutes before the scheduled start of a presentation; reservations are not needed.

Details about the opening Luncheon, activities and presentations can be found on pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter or by calling the museum at 239 695 0008.

VOLUNTEERS



Photo by Marlene Sassaman

Volunteers are needed to assist with greeting visitors from around the world, clerical tasks and organizing events. If you have a talent, a hankering to serve our community, or lend a helping hand, please give Martha a call at (239) 695-0008.

Be sure to stop by to meet our newest volunteer, Bob Reeves.

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Keep your eyes peeled for different species of birds, alligators, jumping fish, dolphins, and perhaps a manatee!

Welcome Board Members and Committee Chairs

The friends of the museum are already organized for an exciting year. We are especially happy to have a few new people taking a position of responsibility. Remember that the board members, committee chairs, and the many, many supporting staff are all volunteers who share a common interest in preserving our unique 'old Florida' heritage.

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(renewable every January)

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Marjory Stoneman Douglas

Marjory Stoneman Douglas (1890-1998) was an author, a journalist and environmental activist. Her best-known work *Everglades: River of Grass* was published in 1947. It drew attention to the fact that water is the key to the Everglades and presented the concept that the Everglades was not simply a swamp to be drained for homes and businesses, but a vital part of the ecosystem of South Florida.

The original Everglades drainage scheme, implemented in 1906, forever changed the Everglades by altering its natural flooding and evaporation cycle. Were it not for Marjory and others like her, these changes might have gone unnoticed and the death of the Everglades may have occurred.

In the 1960s at the age of 78, Marjory became actively involved in environmental issues when she opposed a planned jetport along the Tamiami Trail. She established Friends of the Everglades and began speaking on their behalf to public and private entities across the state. In doing so, she was able to focus attention on the importance of protecting this national treasure.

Although Marjory Stoneman Douglas died in 1998 at 108 years of age, her power of observation and skillful use of the written word lives on. Her legacy serves as a challenge to succeeding generations, not only to persevere in the fight to save the Everglades, but to discover for themselves the incredible beauty of the natural wonder we call the "River of Grass."

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COLLIER COUNTY MUSEUMS LOCATIONS / HOURS

Museum of the Everglades

105 West Broadway
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Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Collier County Museum

3331 Tamiami Trail East
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Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Naples Depot Museum

1051 Fifth Avenue South
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Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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180 South Heathwood Drive
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The 13th Annual



Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival

February 21-25, 2017

**ALL ACTIVITIES BEGIN AT THE
MUSEUM OF THE EVERGLADES
EXCEPT TUESDAY'S LUNCHEON**

**For more information, please call
(239) 695-0008**

Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival

February 21 - 25, 2017

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Opening Luncheon at Everglades Isle

(Cost: \$25; FME Members \$20)

10:45a-3p Welcome- Buffet Luncheon

"Marjory Stoneman Douglas, The Voice of the Everglades"

Connie Washburn, President

Friends of the Everglades

Come share with Connie her memories of Marjory Stoneman Douglas.

"There are no other Everglades in the world. They are, they have always been, one of the unique regions of the earth; remote, never wholly known. Nothing anywhere else is like them" Marjory Stoneman Douglas

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Education and Adventure

9:00 am Kayaking the Fakahatchee

with Tod Dahlke (Max 12)(aprox3-4)

9:00 am Logging Walk/Photography Class

with Cesar and JohnBob (Max 12)

9:00 am "What Lies Beneath"

By Ranger Fiona

Big Cypress National Preserve

10:00 am *"Learning Facts and Myths about Fracking"* By Jack Thomas, PhD.

11:00 am *"Brief History of Agriculture in SW Florida"* By Dallas Townsend, County Extension Director Henry County-Retired

1:00 pm *"Edison & Ford Conservation in Southwest Florida"* By Chris Pendleton, Pres. & CEO and Mike Cosden, V.P. of Interpretation

Edison-Ford Winter Estate

2:00 pm *"Women in the Everglades"*

By Author Marya Repko

3:00 pm *"The History of Loop Road"*

By Author Cesar Becerra

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

A Walk on the Wild Side

8:30 am Historic Guided Canoe Tour

(Max 12)(BCNP) (2-3hrs)

9:00 am Allure Adventure Everglades Slide Boat Tour (Max 6) (1 hr)

10:00 am Otter John's Wild Everglades Animal Presentation

11:00 am *"Environmentally Healthy Ways to Improve Productivity"* By Russ Luther, Echo Global Farm

1:00 pm *"FWC Everglades Restoration Priorities"* By James Erskine, Everglades Coordinator, FWC

1:00 pm Swamp Walk with Mike Owen

Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park (Max 12) (3-4hrs)

2:00 pm *"Pioneer/Warden Charles Mosier"* By Author Cesar Becerra

3:00 pm *"America's Everglades: The Path Forward"* By Author Nick Penniman

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Step into the Glades

9:00 am Johnstons' Airboat Adventure

(Max 5) (1hr)

10:00 am Canoe and Sandfly Island Tour

(Max 12) NPS (2-3 hrs)

10:00 am *"Seminole War and Weapons"* By Rey Becerra, Community Outreach Specialist, Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum

11:00 am *"Everglades Invasive Species and Their Management"* By Tony Pernas Supervisory Botanist, Big Cypress National Preserve

1:00 pm *"Epiphytes and Wildlife"* By Mike Owen Biologist Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park

2:00 pm *"Sabal Palm Pipeline and Big Cypress Oil"* By JohnBob Carlos – Activist, Photographer

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

MSD Art-in-the-Glades Day

Join us for a day filled with music by Celtic Spice & Others, food, local arts & crafts and fun.

9:00 am Fakahatchee Tram Tour (Max 22) (1.5 hours)

10:00 am *"Hey Bob, What Happened to Your Tail? Legends, Facts and Mysteries of the Bobcat"* By Ranger Jay, Big Cypress National Preserve

11:00 am *"Swamp Survival"* By Ranger Jacob Ford, Big Cypress National Preserve

12:00 pm *"Gulf Coast, A Title Wave of History"* by Everglades National Park

1:30 pm *"Going Deep with Florida"*

By Ranger Danielle, Big Cypress National