



Keeping YOU connected to
Palmetto Island State Park!

Hello Friends!

Happy Valentine's Day



Mardi Gras Golf Cart Parade

Krewe of



Palmetto

**6th Annual
Mardi Gras in the Park
Golf Cart Parade**

Palmetto Island State Park

**Saturday,
February 19, 2022
Line up at site #36 - 3 p.m.**

NO king and queen, no theme, no extras, just a quick cruise through our favorite park to honor the campers who didn't get cancelled and have stuck it out. We appreciate your dedication to our event and Palmetto Island State Park.

For those of you who lost your reservation this year, Please Don't Give Up!

Krewe of Palmetto plans to be back in 2023 bigger than ever.

SAVE the DATE: Saturday, February 18, 2023 Mardi Gras Golf Cart Parade.

Reservations are open now.

Please be aware that if the Krewe of Palmetto must cancel the event for any reason, other than an official mandate or closure by Louisiana State Parks, cancellation fees will apply to your reservation should you choose to cancel or transfer it. Palmetto Island State Park is not responsible for dates or times of this event. Thanks.

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Rocks in the Park

If you find a Krewe of Palmetto rock somewhere in the park, post a picture of yourself with the rock on our Facebook page.

If the rock has a STAR on the back of it, then bring it to campsite #36 and claim your prize!!

Friday & Saturday ONLY
February 18 & 19, 2022

2022 Friendship is FREE!



We've decided to waive this year's membership fee for both new members and those who are renewing. That's right! 2022 membership into Friends of Palmetto Island is FREE! *Of course, You are always welcome to make a donation.* To be considered a 'member in good standing' you have two ways to join or renew: **Electronically:** You can fill out and submit the membership form electronically [here](#). The membership fee has been waived. You are welcome to make a membership donation using the PayPal button. **By Mail:** You can choose to download our current membership form below and send it in to Friends of Palmetto Island at P.O. Box 33, Perry, LA 70575.

2022 Membership Application

2022 Membership Guidelines

Welcome to FPISP!

We'd like to welcome two new additions to the board. At the January meeting held last Tuesday, Dwayne Thevis and Theresa Dequire were temporarily voted onto the board until the 2022 Annual Membership Meeting which will be held in March. If Theresa and Dwayne are still willing to continue to serve, they will be up for re-election to the board by current members in attendance at the meeting. Thank You Dwayne and Theresa for loving the park, believing in our organization and taking the leap to serve!



2022 Board Members Needed

New board members are still critical for 2022. Specifically someone willing to serve as President. Some current members have reached their term limits and others have had life changes that don't permit them to participate anymore. Please consider becoming part of the organization that supports Palmetto Island State Park. If you're interested in serving please email info@friendsofpalmetto.org

Become part of our future...

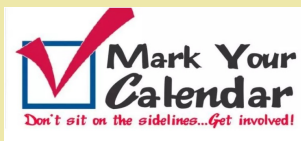
Friends of
Palmetto Island State Park, Inc.



**Filling Board of Directors' seats
is critical to our future.**

Available Now and in March.

Contact us at info@friendsofpalmetto.org
for more information and get the date for the next meeting.



Friends of Palmetto's board meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month. The February meeting will be on the 22nd at 6 p.m. in one of the meeting rooms at the Vermilion Parish Library in Abbeville. Members and non-members are welcome to attend.

Scales and Tails



Interpretive Ranger Jennifer Viator is having a “Scales and Tails” program at the Nature Center on **Saturday, Feb. 19 at 11 am.** Explore the natural history of some of the mammals and reptiles that live in North America. The presentation will last about an hour.

Cracklin Demo Postponed until November 2022



Friends of Palmetto does plan to host the 2022 Cracklin Cooking Demo this November. We'll post the date as soon as we have worked out the details. Thank you for your patience.

Latanier Cookers

Dutch Oven Gathering

Palmetto Island State Park

2022 Schedule

Jan 8 ♦ Feb 12 ♦ March 12 ♦ April 9 ♦ June 11 ♦ July 9
Aug 13 ♦ Sept 10 ♦ Oct 8 ♦ Nov 12 ♦

**2022 State Gathering at Jimmy Davis State Park, Chatham, LA - May 28 **



Meeting, Greeting, Cooking & Eating



Latanier Cookers (*lah ton yā*) will be hosting a D.O.G. (Dutch Oven Gathering)

Meeting, Greeting, Cooking & Eating.

Complimentary Dutch Oven sides and desserts.

9 a.m. - Tasting at noon.

Ice chests are welcome. Bring your chairs and drinks.

Entrance fees into the park apply.

Covered Dishes are Welcome!

Dutch Ovens and Membership are NOT required to participate.

Latanier Cookers is a local chapter of the Louisiana Dutch Oven Society.

To become a member or for more information call **337-298-3098** or **337-501-1535**.

Find us on Facebook @ <http://www.facebook.com/#!/LatanierCookers>



Please be aware that if Latanier Cookers must cancel their events for any reason, other than an official mandate or closure by Louisiana State Parks, cancellation fees will apply to your reservation should YOU CHOOSE TO CANCEL or TRANSFER IT.

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Join us for the second Dutch Oven Gathering of 2022 at Palmetto Island State Park on the second **Saturday, February 12.**

Bring your favorite Valentine and enjoy our tasty treats.



Congratulations to Mr. Wayne Landry for being Latanier's new Vice President.

The 2022 Commisioner's for Latanier are Shari Hebert - President;
Wayne Landry - Vice President and Carlene Meaux - Sec/Tres.



Latanier Cookers Membership Renewal Time

It's membership renewal time. Join us in promoting the art of Dutch oven cooking. Annual membership fee is \$10 per family. Get your application at our next gathering which will be held on **February 12** or down load it [here](#).

Featured Recipe - Chef Ted Bourque's Crawfish Boudin

Christmas Bird Count



The 6th running of the Palmetto Island CBC was held January 4, 2022. The count circle is centered at Palmetto Island State Park in Vermilion Parish. The species count total this year was 150 species, right on the 5 year average of 151 and the 6 year total count is now a very impressive 193 species, after adding 5 new species to the count this year. The count circle is in an unique area of Louisiana that is an intersection of major terrain trends. The circle includes bottomland hardwoods from old Vermilion/Mississippi River 'meanderings', coastal prairies, agricultural fields, freshwater marshes, 'urban' Abbeville down to the Cameron like industrial port of Intracoastal City. See more pictures and read complete article [here](#).

Palmetto Island & Vermilion's 2022 CBC List

Park Comments and Suggestions



Gates are open 7am-9pm (*Sun-Thurs*) and 7am-10pm (*Fri & Sat*). Entrance station is open: 8am-5pm (*Sun-Thur*) 8am-8pm (*Fri & Sat*). All park sites close at 10pm on Friday, Saturday and days preceding holidays. **Entrance Fees:** \$3 per person; Free for Seniors (*62 and older*) and children age 3 and under. **Canoe rentals** are \$25 per day or \$7 per hour. The **Splashpad** is closed on Mondays for maintenance. **Golf cart** entry fees are \$10 per day or \$100 for annual pass (*proof of insurance is required*). Palmetto Island State Park has 96 camp sites, 6 cabins, 4 pavilions, 4 primitive backpack sites, 1 primitive group site and a meeting room to rent. **Reservations** for overnight accommodations at Palmetto Island State Park can be made online (*click button below*) or through the Call Center at 877.226.7652. **For more information** about the Park, visit www.lastateparks.com, call 888.677.0094 toll free or 337.893.3930 locally.

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Thank You!

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