



Keeping YOU connected to Palmetto Island State Park!

Hello Friends!



We believe this is a native Dogwood tree. Picture taken at Palmetto Island State Park by James Menard

2022 Board Members Needed

Click here to join. Membership is FREE for 2022!

Annual Membership Meeting

All members of Friends of Palmetto are invited to our **Annual Membership Meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 6 p.m. at the Vermilion Parish Library in Abbeville.**

We'll talk about our past accomplishments and goals as an organization, listen to member comments and suggestions and hold an election for any vacant seats on the board. We currently have 1 board member seat available. We'll also elect our 2022-2023 officers. You must be present at the meeting to be elected to the board. I've listed a little information below for in case you are interested in serving on the board.

- You must be a current member. Membership fee is **free** this year.
- Be available and willing to attend monthly board meetings, held on the last Tuesday of the month at the Vermilion Parish Library in Abbeville.
- Term for each board members is one (1) - 3 year term, max of 2 consecutive terms (6 years). *Minimum of 1 year off the board, then can be reelected to the board.*
- All Board members, **not serving as an officer**, shall be required to participate in two of the options listed below:
 - ◊ Participate on at least 1 committee per year,
 - ◊ Chair or take an active role in the organization of a portion of at least 1 event per year,
 - ◊ Manage an area, program or project of the organization which may include but shall not be limited to: storage trailers, enhancement projects, book program, merchandise and grants.
 - ◊ Other options may be created by the Board as deemed necessary or suggested by the individual Board member in keeping with their interest, experience and talents.

We are an organization of volunteers, no compensation will be dispensed for serving on the board. I can't stress enough how engaging our organization is. We are currently the most active community support group of any State Park or Historical Site in Louisiana. With your fresh energy, ideas and passion for the park we'll continue and build the momentum that began 8 years ago.

Please consider becoming a more active part of our organization. If you have questions about becoming a board member or you'd like a complete copy of our organization's By-laws, conflict of interest, cooperative endeavor agreement and code of conduct documents please call 337-278-0846 or by emailing the request to info@friendsofpalmetto.org.

2022 Membership Guidelines

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 on the board, please email info@friendsofpalmetto.org and be at our 2022 Annual Membership Meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 6 p.m. at Vermilion Parish Library in Abbeville.

2022 Membership is FREE! Join below.

Friends of Palmetto Island Membership

Eagle Scout Banquet



A banquet was held for Terence Decuire February 26, 2022. He has proudly earned the rank of Eagle Scout. His Eagle Scout project was the rope climbing playground that is located by the splash pad at Palmetto Island State Park. It will bring much enjoyment to many kids in the years to come. Terrace has joined the Army and is preparing to leave for boot camp sometime in the near future.

Mardi Gras Golf Cart Parade



The weather was GREAT and we had a pretty good crowd considering all the cancellations. We had participation from 22 golf carts. We appreciate everyone who came out to Palmetto Island S. P. and either camped, participated or just enjoyed the parade. See videos and pictures on our [Facebook page](#). We are getting ready for our 6th annual parade in 2023! Save the date and make your reservation! See flyer below.

Rock in the Park game winners.



Paul Miguez 1st Place



Brenden Meche 2nd Place



Erica Touchet 3rd Place

6th Annual
Krewe of Palmetto's
Mardi Gras in the Park
Golf Cart Parade

Palmetto Island State Park

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday,
February 18, 2023



Ladies...Pull out the poodle skirts!

Fellas...Slick your hair back!

**“ROCKIN’ AROUND THE
CAMPGROUND...50’S STYLE!”**



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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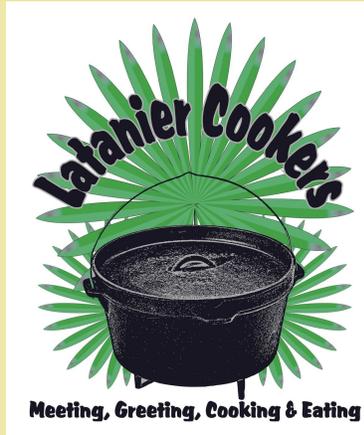
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Reservations are OPEN!

Latanier Cookers

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



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 **March 12** or download it [here](#).

Featured Recipe - Seafood Mac N Cheese

We'll be posting Louisiana Seafood recipes during Lent. We hope that they make this season of reflection more enjoyable!

Cracklin Demo Update



We know that many of you were disappointed that we had to cancel this year's Cracklin Cooking Demonstration. You can still get your cracklin fix for 2022. Latanier Cookers has extended an invitation for Friends of Palmetto to sponsor a Cracklin Cooking Demo at their annual Pork in the Park Dutch Oven Gathering scheduled for November 12, 2022. **THANK YOU LATANIER COOKERS!**

Dutch oven sides, desserts, entrees, cochon de laits and cracklins. You're gonna want to make this event!

**Next year's Cracklin Cooking Demo is scheduled for
February 25, 2023.**

Make your Campiste Reservations!

8th ANNUAL
DON DUGAS MEMORIAL
FUR, FIN, & FEATHER COOK OFF

(PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE HENRY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT)

MARCH 12, 2022

ACROSS FROM DON'S BOAT LANDING - HENRY, LA.

JUDGING TIME: 11:00 AM

SERVING TIME: 12:00 AM

LIVE AUCTION: 2:00 PM

ALL DAY 50/50 RAFFLE

DOOR PRIZES ALL DAY

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS AVAILABLE

LIVE MUSIC 11:00 AM WITH LAYNE TOUCHET

BEAU YOUNG BAND AFTER AUCTION

(NO GLASS CONTAINERS ALLOWED)

(NO ICE CHEST ALLOWED)



**For Further Information Please Call:
Ryan Kirkconnell (337) 319-8774**



Friends of Palmetto will be participating in the cook-off, come by and visit with us.



Don't forget to spring forward
March 13!!!

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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