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APOLLO DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS December 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. Entrance fees apply to all interpretive program participants. All programs meet the requirements for the Canaveral National Seashore Junior Ranger program.

THURSDAY 1ST AND 15TH – “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% 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)

WEDNESDAY 7TH AND 21ST -- "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. (2 hours)

WEDNESDAY 7TH – “PLANTS OF THE PARK” Join us for a plant walk 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. Meet at Turtle Mound parking area at 10 AM. (1-1/2 hours)

SATURDAY 10TH – “BEACH CLEANUP” Help keep our beaches clean. Join us to clean Apollo Beach. Bring water, sunscreen, bug repellent, work gloves and a hat. We provide trash bags. Meet at Parking Lot #2 at 10:00 AM (3 hours)

SUNDAY 11TH – 1:00-4:00 PM - “ELDORA HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE” Join the Friends of Canaveral at the Eldora State House for a Holiday Open House. The house will be decorated for the holidays and there will be refreshments to put you in the holiday spirit! The open house is free.

WEDNESDAY 14TH – “PLANTS OF THE PARK” Join us for a plant walk 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. Meet at Parking Lot #8 at 10 AM. (1-1/2 hours)

WEDNESDAY 14TH AND 28TH – 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)

FRIDAY 16TH – 11:00 AM – “CLAMMING 101” Learn how to collect this delicious bi-valve from the waters of Mosquito Lagoon. Gathering clams has been an activity conducted in this area for thousands of years. Learn tips, techniques and recipes along with the Florida bag and size limits. Salt water fishing license is required. Must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip-flops). Meet at Parking Lot #1 and cross street to lagoon (note that parking is limited and you should park only in designated parking spots). (1 hour)

