APOLLO DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS January 2008

PLEASE NOTE: *all programs are subject to cancellation and/or rescheduling* due to staff limitations, weather conditions, or other factors. Certain programs require reservations, a minimum age, or a cost-recovery fee. Call 386-428-3384 ext. 10 for program information during operating hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Entrance fees apply to all interpretive program participants. All programs meet the requirements for the Canaveral National Seashore Junior Ranger program.

PONTOON BOAT CRUISE: THE BACKWATERS OF MOSQUITO LAGOON

Journey with a National Park Ranger on a visit to the colorful places that lend character to this vital estuary. Our pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol* is U.S. Coast Guard inspected and our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe park water tour. Bring sunscreen and water. Join us for a two-hour journey as we cruise from the Visitor Center on most weekends, weather permitting.

<u>RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED</u> and <u>SPACE IS LIMITED</u>. A cost recovery fee of \$20.00 per person is charged for all passengers. Senior pass and Access pass holders receive 50 % off. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 10 to reserve space.

"ELDORA WALK"

WEDNESDAY, **9**TH **AND 23**rd **-11:00 AM-** Take a stroll through history as you learn what life would have been like in the small town of Eldora during the turn of the century. Meet at parking area #8. (1 hour)

"TIMUCUAN TALK"

THURSDAY, 10th AND 24TH- 11:00 AM- Walk to the top of Turtle Mound and learn what life was like for the Timucuan Indians 2,000 years ago. Bring sunscreen and water. Meet at Turtle Mound. (1 hour)

"FISH MOSQUITO LAGOON"

THURSDAY, 10th AND 24th -1:00 PM- Learn tips and tricks for fishing the waters of Mosquito Lagoon. Bring your own tackle if you can, we have some supplies. Bring water and sunscreen. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (2 hours)

"CANOE MOSQUITO LAGOON"

FRIDAY, 11th AND 25th -9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM – Reservations will begin 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. 10 to reserve your spot. Meet at the Visitor Information Center at 8:45 a.m. we will leave promptly at 9:00 a.m.

"A CRABBING WE WILL GO"

Tuesday, 15th -10:00 AM- Learn about the elusive and delicious blue crab. Try some trapping techniques and get some recipe ideas. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)

"HOOK, LINE AND SINKER"

THURSDAY, 17th and 31st -1:00 PM- Bait, rigs and tackle tips will be discussed for surf fishing on Apollo Beach, along with the rules and regulations for keeping what you catch. Bring water and sunscreen. We have a few rods; feel free to bring your own. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (2 hours)

"CLAMMING 101"

FRIDAY, 18TH -10:00 AM- Learn how to collect this delicious bivalve 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. Must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip flops). Meet at the pavilion behind the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)

"PINE NEEDLE BASKET WEAVING"

SATURDAY, 19TH-1:00 PM-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 Information Center. (1 hour)