

WELCOME TO THE NEW WILDERNESS GREENWAY

We are proud to announce, that after months and months of negotiation with the Florida Greenways and Trails, now a division of The Florida Parks and Recreation, Your Wilderness Greenway Team of Volunteers has developed a partnership with the local Greenway and Trails Division to help in preserving our natural resources and making The Wilderness Greenway and Trails a major asset to our community and a place to have fun and enjoy nature at it's best! Your Wilderness Greenway and Trails Volunteers have just completed phase I of our goals.

Phase I of our goals was to clean up certain areas of the Greenway and make it a safer environment for folks to visit and enjoy. You will notice some area's are being mowed and widened for your safety and ease of access. Other areas like our trails have been cleared to increase safety if you decide to take a nature walk. Caution though, this is Florida and we are in the critter's territory. Do enjoy our Greenway and Trails but please remain alert! Kudos goes to our volunteer's who worked so hard in unbearable heat to complete Phase I, they are: **Van Harmison, Karen Harold, John & Cindy Riccobono, and Bob Dombroski**. Also, we have established a few rules we have agreed to with our Greenway and Trail's Partners. They are:

1. We are responsible for keeping the Greenway and Trails clean. Please discard all trash properly and if you see any trash on your visits to the Greenway and Trails please pick it up and discard of it. Thanks in advance for your help!

2. We are permitted to drive our golf carts down to the area where the pontoon boat and canoes are and up the little slope and to the end of the pavement where the beginning of the North Trail starts. Beyond this point only bicycles and foot traffic are permitted. Greenway and Trails Volunteers who are conducting maintenance or are scanning the area to pick up trash are permitted in all areas of the Greenway and Trails to complete their work.

3. We are making some trails to the left side of the pavement out to the water's edge for your enjoyment to fish or enjoy viewing the wildlife. These trails are for bicycles and foot traffic only. Golf carts should park on the edges next to the pavement to allow others to pass by.

Your Wilderness Greenway Team will continue to negotiate with our partners locally to make future improvements to the Greenway. With the Florida Greenways and Trails now under the leadership of Florida Parks and Recreation their transition will not be complete until December 2011. So we will be preparing to negotiate Phase II of our planning at that time. What we can do in the mean time is keep the Greenway and Trail's clean and add additional picnic tables and benches in strategic areas of the Greenway for your comfort and a rest area if you are hiking the trails. Thanks goes to John & Cindy Riccobono and Jerry & Laura Tryczenski of Town Park who have donated picnic tables for the Greenway. In addition to maintaining the Greenway, your Wilderness Greenway Team of Volunteers welcomes you to join our team and help make our community a better place to live. See a member of the Greenway Leadership team in your community to join our team, and they are:

In Preserve: Van Harmison & Karen Harold

In Village: Howard & Gloria Chappuis

In Town Park: John & Cindy Riccobono or Bob & Barbara Dombroski

RELEASED BY: Bob & Barbara Dombroski