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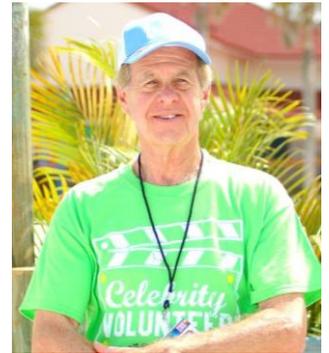
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A big THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who helped the Clearwater Parks and Recreation Department get through a very action-packed start to 2014.

The spring event and tournament season kicked-off in February with the Clearwater Sea-Blues Festival and the NFCA Division 1 Leadoff Classic softball tournament. Throughout March we held three weekends of USF Series Softball Tournaments and the WildSplash concert. In April, hundreds of volunteers signed up to help out with the Pier 60 Sugar Sand Festival, McMullen Tennis Complex's Tennis Day event, the Countryside Recreation Center's Eggstravaganza Open House event, Neighborhood's Day bag stuffing and the Fun 'n Sun Festival concerts. On top of all of that, we held a large number of beautification projects, which are listed below.



Thank you again to everyone that signed up to volunteer and make our events, tournaments and beautification projects a great success. Thanks also go out to the volunteers that help at our recreation centers on a regular basis. We couldn't do it without our AMAZING volunteers!



Recent Beautification Projects

We appreciate all the volunteers who help us keep Clearwater beautiful for both residents and visitors to enjoy. Thank you to all that participated in these projects.

- Volunteers, along with little league team members, planted and mulched at the renovated Sid Lickton Little League Fields on Jan. 11. The field officially opened on Feb. 16.
- The Hillcrest Garden Club planted Jasmine plants in the beds surrounding the Clearwater Main Library on Feb. 11
- The Del Oro Groves Homeowners Association spent the morning of Feb. 8 cleaning up their adopted portion of the Ream Wilson Trail.
- Members of Temple B'nai Israel cleaned up trash from the Courtney Campbell Causeway as part of their service day on Feb. 9.
- Students from PTEC helped to collect invasive air potatoes at Moccasin Lake Nature Park on Feb. 15.





- The Island Estates Civic Association cleaned trash from their adopted section of the Clearwater Memorial Causeway on Feb. 22
- Youth from the United Heritage Methodist Church helped City staff to complete the cleanup of the homeless camp that was located at S.R. 590 and U.S. 19 on Feb. 22.

- Residents from UPARC, Inc. cleaned their adopted section of trail near the Long Center on March 3.
- Boys and Girls Club from the Chi Chi Rodriguez Academy cleaned up air potatoes from Moccasin Lake Nature Park on March 22.
- Youth from Cypress Meadows Community Church helped to beautify the Clearwater Beach Recreation Center by picking up trash and debris from around the facility on March 26.



- Adopt a Park group, Families for a Better Community, painted bollards at Crest Lake Park on April 5.
- A group of ethics students from St. Petersburg College helped city staff plant 100 Jasmine plants and spread 60 bags of mulch at Glen Oaks Park on April 5.

- Adopt a Park group, Sakile #247- International OES, cleaned the grounds surrounding the North Greenwood Recreation Complex on April 5.
- The Tampa Bay Disc Sports Club cleaned trash, fallen tree limbs and other debris from Cliff Stephens Park on April 12 in preparation for a disc golf tournament they hosted.
- A group of Bank of America employees helped to rid Moccasin Lake Nature Park of air potatoes on April 19.
- The Clearwater Beach Association painted bollards at the Clearwater Beach Recreation Center on May 10.
- A group of National Honor Society students from Countryside High School worked on various tasks, including working in the organic garden and invasive removal at Moccasin Lake Nature Park on May 17.



- A group of volunteers from the Krewe of Santa Margarita helped remove invasive Brazilian Pepper plants along Bayshore Boulevard on May 31.
- Largo High School's Science National Honor Society recently adopted a section of the Ream Wilson Trail. On Saturday, May 31, they got together to rid their section of trash.



Volunteer Opportunities

There is currently one upcoming event. Volunteer positions will be posted at myclearwater.com/parksvolunteer soon.

Clearwater Celebrates America

Friday, July 4

4 p.m.



Did You Know?

While in Clearwater for the USF Series Softball Tournament, the Quinnipiac University women's softball team volunteered during their down time to read to students that attend Eisenhower Elementary near the Eddie C. Moore Complex.

Adopt A Park and Adopt a Trail Program

We're always looking for more Adopt a Park or Adopt a Trail partners.



Businesses, neighborhood associations, troops, school groups, and service organizations with at least six members are invited to become our newest partners. Groups are required to complete a minimum number of projects in their park, other city park or their section of trail throughout their contract period. In exchange for their hard work, groups are recognized with a sign bearing their name in the

adopted park or along their section of trail.

Available Parks/Facilities Include:

Bayview Park	3035 Gulf to Bay Blvd.
Crest Lake Park	201 Glenwood Ave.
Eddie C. Moore Complex 5 – 7	3050 Drew St.
Eddie C. Moore Complex 8 & 9	2780 Drew St.
Forest Run Park	3280 Landmark Dr.
McMullen Tennis Complex	1000 Edenville Ave.
Valencia Park	2050 Hercules Ave.

Available Trail Sections:

- Section 1
- Section 3
- Section 4
- Section 5
- Section 6

For location descriptions, visit

http://www.myclearwater.com/gov/depts/parksrec/adopt_a_trail.asp.

Newest Adopt a Park and Adopt a Trail Partners:

Bank of America
UPARC, Inc.
Island Estates Civic Association
Largo High School's Science National Honor Society

If you are interested in adopting a park or a section of trail and would like more information, call (727) 562-4803 or email Krystal.Epperson@myclearwater.com.