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**August Greetings from The Friends of Sarasota County Parks, Inc.**

**Plan to Network like Crazy on Sept. 1**



In the next four weeks you'll hear a lot about the [2015 Giving Challenge](#) - it starts at **Noon on Sept. 1**, runs for 24 hours, and will be the single most important fundraising opportunity of the year -- especially since the [Patterson Foundation](#) has committed to match all new donor contributions up to \$250 - no limit on the number of new donors.

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## **Power to Phillippi**

*Even in our very wet July, The Friends of Sarasota County Parks was at work, as Priscilla Brown wrote to say:*



### **Network like Crazy**

Plan with your members for the Sept. 1 Giving Challenge!

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Friends of Sarasota County Parks put in a work day at the front of [Phillippi Estates park](#), facilitating the installation of an electrical line to have power available at the [Phillippi](#)

[Farmhouse Market](#) for the music tent and the west side of the market. Previously, electrical extension cords had to be run across the ground causing a potential tripping hazard.

The park thanks [FOSCP](#), and Fred Whitehouse, Tim Brown of Brown's Grove, and John Lewis for assisting.

**Volunteer Today!** 2015 International Coastal Cleanup

Saturday, Sept. 19 | 8 a.m. - Noon  
(Don't forget to bring your own gloves!)

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For more information, or to register for the event, call 941-863-6800 or visit [www.sarasota.gov/beautiful](http://www.sarasota.gov/beautiful)

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**Volunteer!**

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Because of the pre-history of the location, all digging required an archaeologist in attendance and sifting of all soil removed to look for artifacts.\*

The [Farmhouse Market will re-open Wed Oct 7](#) from 9 am until 2 pm and remain open every Wednesday through Wed April 28, 2016. Friends of Sarasota County Parks support local agriculture!

*\*Note: Interim County Archaeologist Steve Koski sampled the terrain - no artifacts found.*



**Looking Ahead**



*The Milky Way*

Lots going on in our parks this month, including a scrub lands walk along Caspersen Aug. 12, stargazing at Red Bug the 13th (catch a falling Perseid), and a walk with naturalist Brooke Elias to see what's blooming, buzzing and hatching at Shamrock on the 27th.

[For all that's going on in the parks, click here.](#)

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And next month is also filling with events - there's National Public Lands Day Sept. 26, and the week before, it's the [International Coastal Cleanup](#). You can [register for that here today](#), it's part of *Keep Sarasota County Beautiful*.

# Volunteer Today!

2015 International Coastal Cleanup®

**Saturday, Sept. 19 | 8 a.m. - Noon**

(Rain Date: Saturday, Sept. 26)

Register today with friends, family, school groups, civic associations or as an individual to help

**KEEP SARASOTA COUNTY BEAUTIFUL!**

Cleaning locations available throughout the County including:  
Sarasota • Laurel/Nokomis • Venice • Englewood • North Port

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For more information, or to register for the event, call 941-861-5000 or visit [www.segov.net/kscb](http://www.segov.net/kscb)

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## Got Paver?



Click on the bird to learn more!

## Why not . . .

. . . give volunteering in the parks a try? On the County's [Volunteer Page](#), you'll find many existing [opportunities](#) to choose from - some that are

"Done in a Day," others that can be ongoing tasks.



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## Another beachgoer

An Italian visitor to Siesta Beach captured this video of a turtle burying her eggs then finding her way back to the sea. (Facebook Friends of the Friends probably have seen this video -- [have you liked us yet on Facebook?](#))



Another sort of Giving Challenge?

Till next time for the Friends,

I'm Tom M.

