



Hundred Acre Hollows, Inc - Protect/Restore/Engage

Sunset in the Hollows will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on September 1 and 15. Bring the family and some friends and enjoy a beautiful nature walk. There are two native plant gardens where you can get ideas for your garden. Make sure to bring a water bottle, and wear close-toed shoes and a hat. This time of year bug spray is useful also.

Protect the Animals: Bert, our treasurer, saw a 4 point Buck a couple of weeks ago on the west side of HAH around 9 a.m.! The gopher tortoises come to our two native plant gardens which also have many bees and butterflies. Some interesting snakes, a Blue Striped Garter Snake and a brown Pine Woods Snake, were in the garden by the entrance. There are many different frogs now that the basins have water. Some visitors at our last Sunset Walk saw a bobcat on the west side. With water in the basins, the ducks are swimming and the Sandhill Cranes and other wading birds are back.

Restore the Habitat: With the recent rain, the native butterfly plants in the gardens are thriving, as are the oak trees and Magnolias that were recently planted. We will have some work days and we need “weed warrior” volunteers to help keep grass and unwanted weeds out of the gardens.

Engage the Public: Bert went to the national Audubon Society meeting in Milwaukee this summer. He told many people about our native plant gardens in HAH. People were amazed at the educational signs in the Audubon in Action garden that were created by local Master Naturalist classes.

Please help us tell others about HAH. Bring your friends to a Sunset Walk. We are working on a Ranger program where students can earn volunteer hours for the Bright Futures scholarship. There are 647 people who follow our Facebook page. Please look there and on our website or Instagram. We are always looking for more helpers, volunteers, and donors.

The HAH Board of Directors met on July 20 for Strategic Planning. We were pleased at the progress made, and many of the ideas on our list from Jan 2018 have already happened. We wanted to have a pavilion and native plant garden with a rain barrel. Now we have two native plant gardens like that! We haven't had corporate donors this year, so our income is down from last year. HAH now has a 2019 Silver Seal of Transparency on Guidestar which rates nonprofit organizations! Please become a member!

Please renew your membership or join HAH, Inc! **Annual Membership suggested donation:** Student/Teacher \$10, Individual \$15, Family \$25. You can join online or checks can be sent to: Hundred Acre Hollows, Inc. 1170 Ida Way Melbourne, FL 32940. Our website link goes to PayPal which is a secure site. **Hundred Acre Hollows, Inc** is a 501c3 nonprofit foundation formed to be caretakers of 114 acres of Brevard County land in north Suntree. Please visit our website: www.hundredacrehollows.org and our Facebook page:

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