The Friends of the Hammock Board of Directors and the City’s Hammock Advisory Committee meets the second Monday of every month at the Dunedin Community Center, Room 161, 1920 Pinehurst Road at 6:30 P.M. All members and public are welcome. Friends of the Hammock of Dunedin, Inc. is an IRS-recognized nonprofit organization.

FIFTY SHADES OF GREEN —
ANNUAL SPRING FLING IN HAMMOCK PARK

Saturday, May 2, 2015 from 9:00 AM to Noon
Meet At The Main Parking Lot Picnic Shelters

If you were alone in the forest would you know what plants you could use for your survival? Would you know what you could use for food or for medicine? What plants would you pick and what plants would you avoid? What insects would you chose to eat? Could you make an adequate shelter to protect you from the elements?

Join Arborist Art Finn and Dunedin City Arborist Craig Wilson on a stroll through the Hammock looking at the good and the not so good plants and trees of the forest. Discover what Native Americans and early settlers learned about fending for themselves in an untamed land. Following an easy walk along Hammock trails to see the provisions that nature offers. After the walk, meet at the picnic shelters to enjoy a cold ice cream treat compliments of the Friends of the Hammock. Water will also be provided.

FRIENDS IN ACTION

Two old growth red cedar trees that had provided shade to the Hammock picnic shelters for years were recently removed. Both were diseased and had become a safety issue.

Sadly there are very few old cedars in the park due to droughts and disease. The northern part of the park especially was once dominated by cedars that enjoy the coastal soil.

The Friends of the Hammock provided funds for a seven foot replacement tree and a second tree was donated by a Dunedin resident. In the 1990s, a volunteer reforestation project planted replacement cedars along Cedar Trail. The cedars in that area are doing well.

NEW FLOWERS FOR THE BUTTERFLY GARDEN

- milkweed
- passion flower
- native porter weed
- blanket flower
Invasives Begone!

The City of Dunedin is in the process of contracting with Bio-Tech Consulting Inc. to remove all exotic trees and plants from the Hammock. The $48,000.00 project also includes removing invasive growth from Scotsdale Park.

The first phase in the Hammock will begin in late spring or early summer, and is expected to take two years to complete. The park has been divided into 16 sections, and it’s estimated that 10–12 sections will be completed this year. The remaining sections will be completed next Spring / Summer. Upon completion, volunteers will then be trained and assigned to monitor a specific site for re-growth of undesirable foliage.

Watch for info about becoming an Exotic Volunteer soon!

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IT’S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

YES! I want to become a “Friend of the Hammock” and help preserve this park for future generations!

Here’s my tax-deductible donation payable to Friends of the Hammock:

☐ Corporate – $40 ☐ Family – $15 ☐ Individual – $10 ☐ Student – $5

Name (Please print)______________________________________________________________________________
Address ________________________________________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______________________ Zip ___________________
Tel ( ) ___________________________ E-mail _______________________________________

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