The Friends of the Hammock Board of Directors and the Hammock City Advisory Board 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.

FRIENDS OF THE HAMMOCK ANNUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM
Dunedin Community Center, Elliott Room • 1920 Pinehurst Road
Refreshments Served

The featured speaker at the annual meeting is Rebecca Conroy, a Pinellas County urban beekeeper. Rebecca keeps her colonies of 400,000 bees at the Chester Ochs 4-H Educational Center apiary in Largo. In her power point presentation she will highlight the importance of bees as super organisms. She will show how they have been perfecting their relationship with nature for over 50 million years and how important they are as a world resource and essential for sustaining our environment. She will also offer insight about the two bee colonies on Sugarberry Trail in the Hammock, discussing how they reproduce and form new colonies.

2015 SLATE

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President: Sue Humphreys
VP: Pen Jennings
Secretary: Open
Treasurer: Pat Jennings

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Ray Dabkowski, Jeff Gow, Sue Humphreys, Susan Wallace
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IMPLEMENTING THE PLAN

The Hammock Park Long Range Management

The Long Range Management Plan for Hammock Park has begun with all the trails being upgraded. Low muddy areas have been shelled and several paths have been realigned to protect tree roots and offer safer passages. A study is underway to determine the best course of action for Fern Trail, which will require a board walk for almost 90% of it to allow for yearround access. For another part of the master plan, bids have gone out for the chemical and manual removal of the invasive plants and trees identified by the study, with the work to begin this spring.
FRIENDS IN ACTION
The members of the Friends of the Hammock have just completed their fifth kiosk for the park. At a cost of over $400.00 each, the group provided the funds and the volunteers to build each kiosk. The single and double designs were created by former president Jim Polgar, who directed the construction. A sixth kiosk will be built at Osprey Field/Disc Golf Course by Cedar Creek this year.

AIR POTATO PICKUP & PICNIC

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Meet at the Main Picnic Area in the Hammock Saturday, January 17, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 12 Noon

Volunteers will be treated to a hotdog cookout at noon. Bring gloves, plastic bags and digging tools. The December roundup was a great success with over 50 volunteers filling half a dumpster full of the invasive potato. Let’s make this event even bigger and better. Bring your family and friends for our community effort to protect the Hammock.

Find us on the web at hammockpark.org & on Flickr.com as Dunedin’s Hammock Park

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)______________________________________________________________________________
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Please mail check (no cash please) to:
Friends of the Hammock Membership, c/o Dunedin Parks & Recreation, 1920 Pinehurst Road, Dunedin, FL 34698