



Newsletter of the  
Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve  
**\*\*\*Special Edition\*\*\***

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March 18, 2009  
Dear Friends,

This is a special edition of our newsletter to invite our entire membership to our next board meeting on **Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**.

The topic of discussion will be **Fundraising!** As I mentioned in the last newsletter, 2009 is a tough economic year for our Environmental Lands Division and Brooker Creek Preserve. 2010 will prove to be even more of a challenge. We want to ramp up our ability to provide for programs and other needs at the Preserve. To succeed, we need You! We are looking for ideas, event planning assistance, and some energized hands to help us in this important mission.

On Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, we will kick off the day with a road cleanup at **8:00 A.M.** Then we will convene in the Education Center from 10:00 – 12:00 for a “working brunch.” We will provide refreshments and materials; we ask that you please bring your fundraising ideas and talents!

As a reminder, please make sure to voice your support for Brooker Creek Preserve to your commissioners. There are two remaining public forums:  
+ **Monday, March 23:** Osceola High School, 9751 98th St. N., Seminole  
**Thursday, March 26:** Gibbs High School, 850 34th St. S., St. Petersburg.

We have sent a letter co-signed by the Friends of Weedon Island, regarding the budget. We want to spread the word that the Education Centers and the Preserves’ foundation services (provided by the Environmental Lands Division and the Sheriff’s LIMA unit) are vital to the continued health of these unique places. For more information, please visit our website.

Thank you! See you on the 4<sup>th</sup>!  
Allyn Childress, Chair

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**Adopt-A-Mile VOLUNTEERS**

**We will meet on April 4, 2009 at 8:00 A.M.** at the picnic area just to the left of the Kiosk by the parking lot at the Education Center of Brooker Creek Preserve. I will have gloves and orange vests and trash bags. We will have time to wash our hands and faces before the meeting.

Please contact me if you will be able to participate in the roadway cleanup so I can have supplies on hand. Contact me at: ksr28@verizon.net or 727-781-0745 and leave a message.

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