

## Florida's Water Systems



## Friday, March 18, 2016 Creation Adventures by Science Partners

"He shall have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth." Psalm 72:8

Come enjoy the great outdoors of Florida with Bill and Merilee Clifton - creationists, authors, Florida Master Naturalists, and science educators. The Cliftons will lead our group from Canaveral National Seashore (CNS) to Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge (MINWR), the Indian River Lagoon (IRL) and the St. Johns River (SJR), exploring Florida's Water Systems from the perspective of God's great design in creation.

We will meet at 7:30 AM at Bridgewater Marketplace Shopping Center on East Colonial Drive in the parking lot between Winn Dixie and Subway and depart for CNS by 8:00 AM after a brief orientation. This shopping center is located just east of the intersection of Hwy. 408 (East-West Expressway, Exit 23 -Titusville) and Hwy. 50 / Colonial Drive. For directions and time estimate on www.mapquest.com or www.googlemaps.com, use Subway's address, 13212 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando 32826. At CNS, we'll begin with an orientation, beach walk, and sea bean hunt at this saltwater ecosystem. (Please Note: The CNS entrance fee is \$5 per car, unless you have a National Parks pass or your group is granted a fee waiver.) Then, we're off to MINWR, where we'll look at their educational displays and see a film on the ecology of the area. Be sure to bring a picnic lunch. We'll eat lunch at IRL where we will also get into the brackish water with seining nets. Our Capture and Release permit allows us to study the marine specimens we catch in our nets and then return them to the water. We never know what we might find, but have caught fish, shrimp, crabs, seahorses, jellyfish, puffer fish, horseshoe crabs, stingrays, and more! Sometimes we see dolphins and manatees. <u>TIE-ON SHOES ARE REQUIRED TO GET IN THE WATER!</u> These can be old tennis shoes, athletic-type shoes, etc. They **must tie on** so they won't come off in the water. Slip-ons, beach shoes or boots, zippered shoes, Crocs, etc. are NOT acceptable. If you don't have tie-ons, you can go to a discount store and get a pair for around \$5. Bring a towel, change of clothes (just in case), dry shoes, plastic bag for wet things, and a container of water to rinse feet after seining. Our last stop is the SJR where we'll observe the plant and animal life of this freshwater habitat from an airboat. Watch for alligators, bald eagles, many other birds, turtles, and more! There's an awesome gift and snack shop at the airboat place. Our day as a group will end after the airboat ride at approximately 3:30 PM in Christmas, FL. It's always a good idea to bring sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, water, snack, rain poncho, and camera. Creation resources will be available for purchase. If you have any questions, please contact Bill or Merilee Clifton at 407-808-4458 (cell/text) or sciencepartners@cfl.rr.com.

Space is limited to the first 60 registrants! Minimum number is 35. Family and friends of all ages are welcome! A responsible adult must accompany all children. Please note that our day is long and very active. Cost is \$35.00 for ages 4 - 12; and \$39.00 for ages 13 and over. Make your check payable to **Science Partners** and send it with registration form below to 343 Allison Avenue, Longwood, FL 32750. **Deadline for minimum number is February 19, 2016.** Late registrations accepted, space permitting.



## Registration Form: FLORIDA'S WATER SYSTEMS - Friday, March 18, 2016

Last Name:		Address:			
City:		Zip:		Home Phone: ( )	
E-mail:			Cell Phone: ( )		
Adult Names:	Children's Names and Ages:		Children's Names and Ages:		
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Cost: (Ages 3 and under are free. Please note that our day is long and very active.)

# Children (4 - 12 yrs.) = @ \$35.00 = \$	# Adults (ages 13+) = @ \$39.00 = \$	
Total Amount Enclosed: \$	Your Check Number:	