

Sun City Center Audubon Club

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Friday, April 22, 2022

9:00am

Nature Trail Preparation

We are ready, are You?



Pam Eichenlaub and Ann Fennimore cleaning up signs and benches!



Sprucing up the Trails: Left to right: Marshia Hall, Joe Mustion, Mark Meyerhoff, Dennis Morris, Mae-Ellen Dowdy.

Just a brief reminder about our big Earth Day Celebration coming up on Friday, April 22 at 9:00 a.m. on the Sun City Nature Trailhead located at 1624 W. Del Webb Blvd. between Seton Hall Drive and Vincennes Dr. Just look for the big square canopy at the rear of the lot. You can't miss it.

There will be trail tours given by local experts, free snacks, bottled water, a plant raffle and free giveaways. You'll even get a sneak preview of the spot where our new avian pole and platform will be located! And this year, there will be a Port-O-Let for your comfort and convenience. If by chance it should rain, the event will be rolled over to Saturday at the same time and place. See you there!



Another Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 23rd:

After you've enjoyed Earth Day at the Sun City Nature Trail on Friday, April 22nd, the fun continues the next day!

Our SCC Audubon Club members have received a *personal invitation* from **Oscar Scherer State Park** to attend their 33rd Annual Earth Day Festival, to be held **Saturday April 23rd**. As you recall at our March 5th meeting, Oscar Scherer Park Manager Matthew Krause spoke about Florida Scrub Jays. Here is the letter of invitation and information attachments:

Dear Patsie and the Sun City Center Audubon Club,

I am writing on behalf of Oscar Scherer State Park and the Friends of Oscar Scherer Park, Inc. **We loved visiting your club for the March meeting / presentation on Florida Scrub Jays and would like to warmly invite Sun City Center Audubon to join us at Oscar Scherer State Park for our 33rd Annual Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 23rd.**

This will be our first opportunity in the past three years to gather in person as a community in celebration of this special day!

The event will feature special speakers, eco-friendly exhibitors and vendors focusing on the Earth Day theme for this year, "Invest In Our Planet." A special Ribbon Cutting Ceremony is planned for the park's new ADA accessible fishing pier over Lake Osprey. There will also be live music with local musicians like up-and-coming Laura Hedderman, Tommy Santelli from the band "America" & Sarasota artist/songwriter Al Donadi Band. Fun activities for kids, a juried photo contest exhibit, and much more.

Attached is our official press release and supporting flyer. If you have any questions for me, please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,

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