

# Become a Member

By becoming a member of the FRIENDS OF WAKULLA SPRINGS, the official Citizen Support Organization (CSO) nonprofit partner of Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park, you join others who are committed to preserving and protecting the beauty and wonder of Wakulla Springs. Your financial gift and your involvement are critical to help protect this internationally recognized treasure.

## Membership includes\*:

- Membership card and Member Decal
- Free one day Park Passes
- 10% Lodge Discount toward accommodations, gift shop, & restaurant purchases
- Periodic e-news subscription
- Invitation to special events
- *And much more..*

## Membership payment enclosed: *cash check*

Student/Senior .....	\$20.00
Individual .....	\$25.00
Family .....	\$30.00
Good Friend .....	\$50.00
Best Friend .....	\$100.00
Lifetime Friend .....	\$1,000 or more

## Become a Sustaining Member with a monthly contribution

Wood Duck.....	\$5.00/month
Manatee.....	\$15.00/month
Limpkin.....	\$50.00/month
Tarzan.....	\$100.00/month
Any Amount.....	\$_____/month

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Ask about opportunities for business investment & volunteering

Join online at <http://www.wakullasprings.org/>

**TELL US ABOUT YOUR SKILLS AND TALENTS! WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOUR INPUT!**

### Friends of Wakulla Springs

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# 5 Reasons To Join

Friends of Wakulla Springs  
State Park, Inc.

**1** We're an award-winning organization! We've received 5 statewide volunteer awards from Friends of Florida State Parks including Outstanding Citizen Support Organization (Friends).

**2** Friends is a 501-C(3) organization. Your dues, gifts and donations are tax deductible and make a difference.

**3** Enjoy fun social and networking events like our annual pot-luck dinner and Members-only boat rides!

**4** Volunteer  
Park Interpreters  
Special Events  
Social Media  
Park Projects

**5** You'll join a global network that supports projects vital to the preservation and public education for this unique park!

# Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park, Inc.

*A Citizen Support Organization for Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park*

*The home of one of the world's largest and deepest freshwater springs.*



## Our Mission

To conserve, protect, restore and enhance the natural, historical, cultural and recreational resources of Wakulla Springs State Park for present and future generations.



River guides had colorful tales about life on and in the river. Henry performed astonishing feats when called to jump the pole submerged at 25 feet. Passengers on the glass bottom boats anticipated the "come on Henry, come on jump. Do your stuff for the folkses" to see the star athlete perform and Henry became famous. The pole vaulting fish is our mascot.

## Our History

Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park, Inc. was organized in 1995 to provide a way to generate more community support, education and advocacy for the Park and Springs. Our immediate challenge was preventing the construction of a service station on the environmentally sensitive area near the entrance to the Park. The State eventually purchased this important property with our support.

Following are a list of recent activities funded/supported by the Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park:

- Added an Online store to the Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park webpage and have started selling a handful of item offerings.
- Created a music album (CD) of original songs about the Park, generously donated by Park Ranger Collin Johnson and other talented Park staff, which is being sold through the Online store as well as in partnership with the Lodge Concession Gift Shop.
- Developed a standard "traveling" program about the Friends, which will be showcased (e.g., at local festivals in the area, among other events), in an effort to continue growing our membership base.
- Obtained \$500K from the Dpt of State Div. of Historic Resources for a Historic Preservation grant to restore the Lodge (e.g., elevator, historic windows, etc.) with additional cost share support provided by FDEP.
- Implementation of a Capital Campaign to help support: an Interpretive Center, waterfront renovations, including the boat maintenance program & sustainability, dock repair and maintenance, dive tower repair, among other critical need areas.
- Continuing to partner with FDEP for ongoing project replacement and restoration of the entire boat fleet; expected to take 1-2 years.
- Ongoing Florida Humanities Council grant for at least three speakers (for both virtual & live audiences) renowned experts in their fields, for the annual "Florida Talks" Program.
- Continuing to work on and support the next phase of the CRTPA "Bike Trail" connection project.
- Ongoing hosting of educational oriented workshops; e.g., "Climate Up Close", Cave Exploration, Fly Tying, among others.
- In addition, efforts will continue to establish new trails, provide educational materials to schools and programming at the Park, and further understanding of water quality issues impacting Wakulla Springs, among other areas.

A contribution to the Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park Endowment fund is a gift that keeps on giving. Contact the Community Foundation of North Florida (850) 222-2899 - [www.cfnf.org](http://www.cfnf.org) to care for Wakulla Springs State Park forever.

A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free (800-435-7352) within Florida. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state.