

JUPITER BEACH CLEANUP CREW SET TO REACH DUBIOUS MILESTONE

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The Friends of Jupiter Beach are expecting to surpass a remarkable yet disturbing milestone at the Feb. 2 volunteer beach cleanup: 10,000 pounds in cumulative garbage weight removed from Jupiter Beach in just 18 months.

The monthly beach cleanup is set for 8 to 10 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 2.

Volunteers arrive at 8 a.m., at the Anita Lankler Pavilion in Ocean Cay Park, east of U.S. 1 and Marcinski Road, divide into teams to clean 2 1/2 miles of beach, sidewalks and park grounds, then regroup at 9:30 a.m. for light continental breakfast featuring home baked goods and door prizes.

Community services hours are awarded. All volunteers are welcome and advance registration is not required. When weather is in doubt, call (561) 748-8140 for a "cancel" message.

Volunteers are encouraged to bring recycled plastic shopping bags for use in cleanup efforts, garden gloves, sunscreen and bug spray. Closed-toe shoes are required.

Since September 2006, Friends of Jupiter Beach has been tracking the weight of garbage and recyclables removed from Jupiter Beach at monthly cleanups, for a total of 9,500 pounds of trash removed from September 2006 to January 2008.

More than 4,000 pounds of recyclables have been separated and transferred voluntarily by Rapid Removal, a Palm Beach Gardens firm.

Following the beach cleanup, Friends of Jupiter Beach volunteers will host an information table at the Jupiter Jubilee Civic Fair from noon to 4 p.m., at the Jupiter Community Center.

For more information go to www.friendsofjupiterbeach.com or call (561) 748-8140.