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Coastal development & sea turtles—the debate heats up

Indian River County, located on Florida's central Atlantic coast, is at the center of a growing debate on the state's coastal construction and beach protection policies and their impacts to Florida's sea turtle nesting habitat and offshore foraging grounds. Not coincidentally, the county is also a focal point for CCC's "Free the Beach Campaign," which seeks to stop the destruction of Florida's remaining coastal habitat by reforming poorly designed coastal management policies.

Recently, state Representative Stan Mayfield convened a "town meeting" in Vero Beach to address coastal management issues and to inform the public about state and local beach armoring and renourishment policies. Representatives of CCC's Sea Turtle Survival League (STSL) were invited to the meeting to address the public with our concerns for sea turtle habitat in the area. The hundreds of citizens in attendance asked numerous questions and provided a lively, often heated, debate on these controversial issues. CCC commends Rep. Mayfield and his staff for bringing numerous stakeholders together for this public meeting.

Another focus of the town meeting was the county's



Archie Carr, Jr.

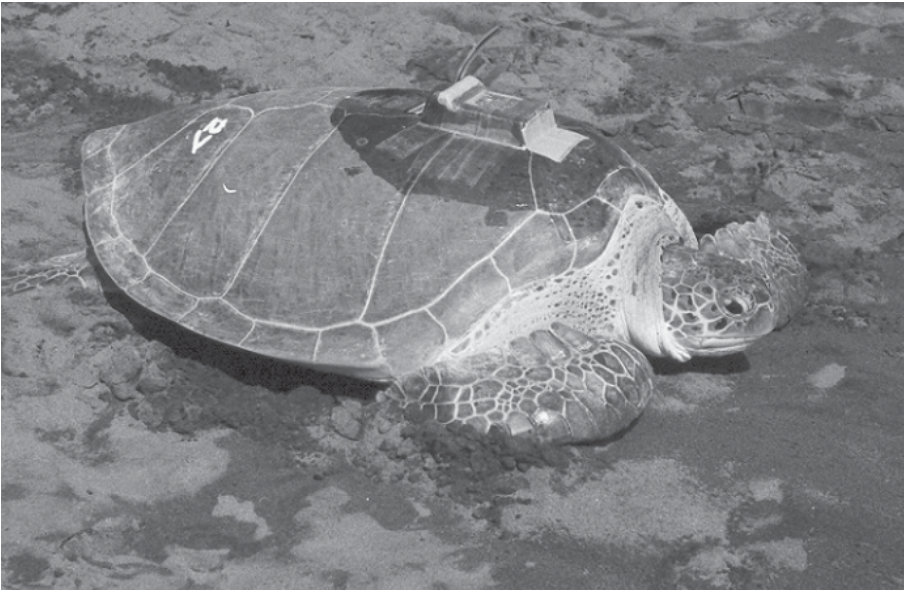
Florida's sea turtles, such as this green sea turtle, are losing nesting habitat through the building of coastal armoring designed to protect houses and property along Florida's

ongoing efforts to develop a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for sea turtles. The HCP is being developed as a result of an agreement between the county, the state and CCC, which was negotiated following a 1999 lawsuit filed by CCC to halt the construction of sea walls that were illegally authorized by the county. The lawsuit alleged that the unlawfully built sea walls were causing a "take" of

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CCC and Volvo sponsor teachers and students in Tortuguero, CR



Dan Evans

A female green sea turtle returns to the water after having a satellite transmitter attached to her shell by CCC researchers in Tortuguero, Costa Rica.

Two U.S. high school teachers and ten students will travel to Tortuguero, Costa Rica, in September to help save endangered sea turtles. Stacy Gwartney, of Jacksonville, Texas, High School, and Maribel Toledo of Gulliver Preparatory School in Miami, Florida, won a competition sponsored by Caribbean Conservation Corporation (CCC), the world's oldest sea turtle research and conservation organization, and Volvo Ocean Adventure (VOA), the educational component of the Volvo Ocean Race.

The students will assist CCC researchers in monitoring Tortuguero's sea turtle nesting population and participate in the tagging and release of a sea turtle fitted with a satellite transmitter sponsored by VOA. The black sand beach of Tortuguero, located in northeast Costa Rica, is the largest remaining rookery in the world for endangered Caribbean green turtles. The transmitter-tagged turtle will be part of an online education program that uses wildlife satellite-tracking technology and a comprehensive website to teach people about sea turtles.

As the turtle, named "Freija" after the ancient Norse goddess of fertility, is tracked by satellite, her migration route will be plotted on maps as part of CCC's educational program. In addition, the Rotterdam Zoo in Holland and Shark Reef Aquarium at Mandalay Bay are each sponsoring a satellite transmitter that will be attached during the same week. The maps showing each of the three turtles' movements will be posted on CCC's web site; Freija's map will also be posted on the VOA web site.

"This is a great opportunity for the teachers and their students to get a hands-on field research experience," said

David Godfrey, CCC's Executive Director. "The students will also get involved in learning about another culture and gain an appreciation for a different way of life."

The turtle tracking and the teacher contest are part of an ongoing partnership between CCC and VOA, formed to provide interactive educational tools to help children, students and adults around the world learn more about the marine environment.

"We plan on using this experience to involve the student body and larger community in tracking the course of the turtles and in sea turtle conservation in general," stated Maria Toledo, the teacher from Miami's Gulliver Preparatory High School.

Volvo Ocean Adventure is the educational outreach component of the upcoming Volvo Ocean Race, a grueling 9-month round-the-world sailing race which begins this coming September and is sponsored by Volvo.

"The program represents a new and exciting platform for world education as well as using a sporting event to bring science alive," says Dr. Simon Boxall of the Southampton Oceanography Centre, one of the founders of Volvo Ocean Adventure.

CCC will be part of the marine aspect of the VOA educational program. During the trans-global Volvo Ocean Race, CCC will provide information about the sea turtles and marine habitats visited by the racing fleet.

"My students are being given the opportunity to see that science is all around them. Science is full of creative individuals who are constantly thinking and wondering 'what if'," said Ms. Gwartney, the teacher from Jacksonville High School. "I want my students to feel this passion."

Each year, CCC conducts sea turtle monitoring and protection programs at its field station in Tortuguero. Through its Sea Turtle Migration-Tracking Education Program, CCC has reached thousands of people with information about sea turtles and threats to their survival. 🐢

For more information and to follow the sea turtles and boats during the race, please visit the Caribbean Conservation Corporation web site at <http://www.ccturtle.org>, the Volvo Ocean Adventure web site at <http://www.volvoceanadventure.org>, and the Volvo Ocean Race web site at <http://www.volvoceanrace.org>

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In Caribbean cultures, *Velador* translates as "one who stands vigil" — originally referring to turtle and egg harvesters who waited at night for turtles to come ashore. Now CCC claims this title for its newsletter, and in Tortuguero, CCC's researchers and volunteers are replacing poachers as the new veladors.

Velador is published quarterly for members and supporters of the nonprofit **Caribbean Conservation Corporation (CCC)** and its **Sea Turtle Survival League (STSL)** program.

CCC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the conservation of sea turtles through research, training, advocacy, education and the protection of natural areas.

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Participant Programs

Space still available in the Neotropical Bird Program

The bird monitoring team has already made its southerly migration to

Tortuguero in anticipation of the influx of feathery travelers this fall, and it's not too late to join them!

Tortuguero is ideally situated along an important flyway for literally millions of migratory birds making their way from central and eastern North

America to the New World tropics... to say nothing of the spectacular resident birds of the lowland rainforest and waterways!

Annual systematic monitoring of the resident and migratory species is conducted at CCC's John H. Phipps Biological Field Station. The information gained from these efforts helps track the status of bird populations and will ultimately be useful in management planning for wildlife in the area.

Efforts are focused on the fall (August-November) and spring (March-May) migrations and mist-netting and censuses are the primary methods used to monitor bird populations. Several research sites are in primary forest and the rest are in successional habitat, so many of the "classic" rainforest species (e.g. antbirds, antshrikes) are captured along with many species from edge and successional areas. Censuses are conducted at intervals throughout the day, to tally the diurnal migrants streaming over Tortuguero.


Recently, mist-netting was conducted all year long (more than 14,000 net-hours) and a total of 3,675 birds were captured. The combined counts of migrants during the day for the spring and fall migrations exceeded 75,000 individuals. The migrant species captured most often were Traill's Flycatcher, Swainson's



CCC File Photo

Bird participants help researchers mist net, leg band, and survey both the local and migratory populations of birds in and around Tortuguero, Costa Rica.

Thrush, Prothonotary Warbler, Northern Waterthrush and Veery. Of the resident species, White-collared Manakins, Bronzy Hermits and Long-tailed Hermits were the most frequently captured.

For those who love birds and the outdoors, it doesn't get any better than this! Call CCC for more information on how you can become a part of this ongoing research effort enjoying birds in the hand and in the bush! This unique program has you outside every day, learning field study techniques with experienced ornithologists and enjoying the varied and lush tropical landscape. For more information contact Dan Evans at CCC by phone at (800) 678-7853 or by e-mail at resprog@cccturtle.org. 

A special thank you to the following people who helped fulfill some of CCC's wishes!

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Coasts & Turtles from cover

marine turtle nesting habitat. Through the settlement agreement, the county was forced to stop all permitting of sea walls until it develops an HCP, which must be approved by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Once approved, the HCP would allow the county again authorize certain types sea walls following major storms, but only if strict measures are taken to minimize and mitigate for any harm done to sea turtles or their nesting habitat. The types of mitigation being suggested include beach front lighting regulations, the purchase and protection of beach front properties that would otherwise be developed, the implementation of a sea turtle monitoring program, and more stringent regulations on the construction of coastal armoring. Gary Appelson, STSL's Advocacy Coordinator, used the meeting to support the HCP process and to explain to homeowners how this approach has the potential to providing long term protection for sea turtles, while still allowing some relief to coastal homeowners threatened with erosion.

Appelson declared, "while the HCP process may seem long and arduous, the results will be long lasting and will benefit beach goers, coastal property owners, elected officials, and, of course, sea turtles."

The plan is currently in draft form and should be available for public review in a couple of months.

Events in Indian River County provide the perfect example of how coastal management policies can directly impact the long term recovery of sea turtle populations—and why CCC is so intent on reforming these policies through the Free the Beach Campaign. Of the county's 22 miles of shoreline, 7.6 miles (34%) are designated as critically eroding, meaning coastal erosion already threatens private structures built on the beach. Much of the remaining coastline is in various states of



Gary Appelson

Above: The pressure to armor is common along Florida's east coast, especially in areas such as this critically "eroding" beach in Indian River County. Below: Florida Representative Stan Mayfield and CCC's Gary Appelson, at right, met with local government officials and homeowners to discuss coastal erosion problems and solutions in Indian River County.



Kathy Sullivan / Positive Focus Photography

erosion. Thus, there is great pressure to either pump sand on the beach or to build sea walls to protect private homes. Both activities can dramatically harm sea turtles (See the *Velador*, Winter 2001). Currently, 8.2% of the county's shoreline is armored and 37% (8.3 miles) is slated for nourishment.

Indian River County's beaches are also critical sea turtle nesting beaches, with over 5,000 turtle nests within the county last year. The county's northern beaches are included in the Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge. Additionally, the reefs just off shore are uniquely valuable to juvenile green sea turtles, which migrate to these reefs from throughout the Caribbean to forage and grow. Planned beach nourishment projects, if not revised, could bury 56 acres of these reefs and impact many more. CCC, as part of its FTB Campaign, will continue to influence decision-making in Indian River County and in other coastal counties where beaches are heavily used by sea turtles. 🐢

By Gary Appelson



Gary Appelson

This extensive sea wall in Indian River County is located about a mile south of the Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge.

I regret to inform you, but a cat got your turtle

I regret to inform you.... was how the email began that related the remarkable fate of one of our study animals. The message went on to say that a turtle bearing tag MM013 was eaten by a jaguar on the nesting beach at Tortuguero on June 16, 2001. A carcass with this tag was encountered by the Tortuguero National Park guards Jorge and Noldán, and the information reported to the CCC field station at Tortuguero. We had first captured this adult female green turtle in a net off the Zapatilla Cays, Panama, on June 22, 1990, as part of a study of the ecology and migrations of marine turtles of Bocas del Toro Province. With funding from the Wildlife Conservation Society, my husband Peter and I have been investigating the biology and migrations of the adult green turtles captured in Bocas during the reproductive season. Based on tag return data, genetic data, and satellite tracks, we know these are Tortuguero green turtles en route to the nesting beach, or mating in the nearshore waters of Bocas.

The tagging records revealed that this turtle had been seen at Tortuguero once before — about one month after we had tagged and released her in Panama in 1990. She had nested at Mile 6 1/8, where she would not normally have been observed, but there was a special project being conducted that year by the Center for Field Studies. Researchers watched her nest, recorded her tag number, and allowed her to return to the sea.

It is likely that she visited the nesting beach at Tortuguero other times during the 11-year interval between her last two sightings, but she would have been unlikely to

be observed because that part of the 22-mile beach is rarely monitored at night. Green turtles typically exhibit a high degree of site fidelity to their previous nesting sites. The final detail in the email reporting the turtle's demise was chilling, all the same — the guards had found her on Mile 6!

Jaguars have been documented as predators of nesting turtles at Tortuguero on numerous occasions, killing at least 31 green turtles, 2 hawksbills and one leatherback turtle in 2001 alone. There has been an increase in the number of marine turtles killed by jaguars at Tortuguero, with four documented kills in 1997 and 60 recorded in 2000. Most of the kills have been encountered far into the National Park, where night patrols are only occasionally conducted.



Nevertheless, as soon as CCC realized that the Research Assistants were sharing the beach at night with a large predatory cat we contacted jaguar researcher for more information. To our great relief, they all informed us that jaguars in the wild have never been documented as attacking people.

The increase in jaguar predation in Tortuguero may have been caused by an increase in the jaguar population, a decrease in other prey species, a decrease in suitable habitat forcing more jaguars into the National Park or a female jaguar teaching her cubs to prey upon nesting turtles. CCC is currently looking for cooperators to study the area's jaguars in order to determine if they are presenting a significant threat to the marine turtle populations. 🐾

By Dr. Anne Meylan & Sebastian Troëng

International Sea Turtle Update

Mexican Environment Ministry rejects the hotel development project in Xcacel, Quintana Roo, Mexico!

One of the most important sea turtle nesting beaches in Mexico was sold in late 1997 to Sol Melia, one of the five largest hotel chains in the world. The sale violated a 1994 ecological ordinance agreement through which land in Xcacel was only supposed to be sold to non-governmental organizations (NGOs), so it could be turned into a protected reserve. Despite the setback, for nearly four years conservation organizations, including the Caribbean Conservation Corporation, fought to stop the construction of a 1,453 room mega-resort in the area. The fight seemed lost late last year, when the Environment Ministry gave the

the developers authorization to proceed with construction. This prompted renewed appeals by NGOs from around the world. Under great public pressure, a new administration made a landmark decision earlier this year by revoking, for the first time in Mexican history, an environmental permit authorization construction of a hotel. After the permit revocation, the Environment Ministry opened a new public review process in which 90% of the opinions received were against the project. The project was finally rejected on July 28, 2001 by the Environment Ministry! Congratulations to everyone who participated in saving Xcacel! 🐾

Competition for the title of "Old Faithful"

When CCC Research Assistant Daveka Boodram from Trinidad and Tobago on the night of 12 August 2001 encountered a green turtle carrying tag No. 80968 on the Tortuguero beach, little did she realize this female turtle was very special. The following morning CCC Field Coordinator Catalina Reyes entered the previous night's data into the computer and checked on the history of turtles that were seen. Imagine her surprise when she found that the turtle carrying tag 80968 was originally tagged in Tortuguero with tag No. 17139 on the night of 28 July 1978! Daveka's sighting was the 13th observation of that green turtle spanning an impressive 23 years between the most recent sighting and the date of first tagging.



Laurie M. Penland

The Caribbean Conservation Corporation has been monitoring the Atlantic green sea turtle nesting population at Tortuguero, Costa Rica for over 40 years.

In 1983, Dr. Archie Carr published an article about the feats of Tortuguero green turtle No. 3438 (Animal Kingdom 85:49-50), a turtle he named *Old Faithful*. Turtle No. 3438 got its honorary name from its remarkable tagging history at Tortuguero where it was observed on 26 occasions during seven nesting seasons in the 17 years between 1965 and 1982. After the 2001 Green Turtle Program, turtle No. 3438 may have to give up its *Old Faithful* nickname to green turtle No. 17139.

No. 17139 is now carrying her sixth and seventh tags after having lost tags and having them replaced several times over the years (see Table 1). The female was first seen nesting at

Tortuguero during the 1978 nesting season (once) and has since been observed by CCC taggers during the 1982 (twice), 1986 (three times), 1989 (twice), 1992 (twice), 1995 (once), 1998 (once) and 2001 (once) nesting seasons.

Turtle No. 17139 is important not only as an

oddy but her history emphasizes many aspects of sea turtle biology and research. For example, it shows that turtles are long-lived animals. Green turtles become sexually mature around 25-50 years of age and adding to that 23 years of intermittent nesting we are talking about a turtle 48-73 years of age, minimum.

Turtle No. 17139 is also a good example of how faithful Tortuguero green turtles are to their nesting sites. All the sightings of No. 17139 have been along a three and one quarter mile stretch of the 18 mile Tortuguero

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Table 1. History of green turtle No. 17139 at Tortuguero.

Date	Mile section	Comments
28 July 1978	3 7/8	Tag 17139 applied.
3 September 1982	4/8	
15 September 1982	1 1/8	
11 August 1986	2 5/8	Tag 37659 applied.
21 August 1986	7/8	
10 September 1986	6/8	
6 August 1989	1 2/8	
6 September 1989	1	
17 August 1992	6/8	Tag 17139 lost, tag 57232 applied.
30 August 1992	5/8	Tag 57232 lost, tag 57454 applied.
30 August 1995	1 1/8	Tag 57454 lost, tag 59661 applied.
12 July 1998	1	Tag 59661 lost, tag 37659 replaced by tag 80968.
12 August 2001	1 4/8	Tag 90622 applied.



beach and 12 of the 13 sightings have occurred along only two miles of beach (see Table 1).

Green turtle No. 17139 was of only average size, suggesting that female green turtles probably grow little once they have reached sexual maturity. Once they become reproductively active all their energy may go towards building up reserves to migrate, to mate and to lay eggs.

Old Faithful No. 17139 has been sighted during eight nesting seasons which means that the female must have migrated between Tortuguero and her feeding grounds at least eight times. She has dodged turtle fishermen, shrimp trawls, boat propellers, lobster nets and poachers along those migrations and during her time near the nesting beach. Turtle No. 17139 must either be a very

international conventions and conservation programs.

The many encounters with No. 17139 also highlight the importance of long-term projects such as the Tortuguero turtle programs. The only reason we know about No. 17139's impressive life history is because CCC has had turtle taggers patrolling the beach every year since 1955. Without the hundreds of volunteers and research assistants walking the beach over the years, we would never have been able to record turtle No. 17139 as many times as we have. Hopefully CCC's continued commitment to the Tortuguero turtle programs will result in some of the newly tagged green turtle females from this year being seen again in 23 years time.

The database records for turtle No. 17139 show that she was checked for papillomas in 1995 but found to have none. Optimist that I am I think turtle No. 17139 will remain healthy and will stay away from those trying to catch her.

I hope that in three or four years time, maybe after the 2004 or 2005 green turtle nesting season, I will be able to report on the triumphant return to Tortuguero of our new *Old Faithful* No. 17139, for a record nine nesting seasons spanning over 26 or 27 years! 🐢

**By Sebastian Troëng
Research Coordinator**

STSL Educational Update —

Since being designated the only entity, other than the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service itself, authorized to conduct guided walks to see a nesting turtles in the Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge (ACNWR), the Caribbean Conservation Corporation, through its Sea Turtle Survival League (STSL), has finished its third year of conducting intimate, highly educational walks that are targeted especially to educators and students. Through these walks, STSL is inspiring strong support for sea turtles, their nesting habitat (especially in the ACNWR) and creating future naturalists and sea turtle advocates. The educators who participate in the walks also become ambassadors for sea turtles and their protection, spreading their knowledge and support to countless children.

During this past June and July, the months the turtle walks are conducted, STSL lead over 200 students and educators to witness a nesting loggerhead sea turtle on the beach. One walk was conducted especially for a girl scout troop from Miami. The ten girls represented nine different countries, mostly Central and South American. They got to see a turtle nest and had a great time.

In addition, the very last walk of the season included a group of teachers and students from the Florida Online High School Science Club, a virtual school where students and teachers communicate over the internet. It was the first time many of the teachers and students had ever met face to face. 🐢



Getting the chance to witness a sea turtle laying her eggs can be an emotional and inspiring experience.



Nesting females are tagged with metal tags that let researchers identify individual turtles. *Old Faithful* has had many different tags that have allowed Caribbean Conservation Corporation researchers to follow her nesting cycles for over a quarter of a century.

lucky turtle or she lives in a place where turtle fishermen and shrimp trawls are scarce.

Turtle No. 17139 may also reflect the success of sea turtle conservation in the Caribbean in recent decades. It is possible that female No. 17139 has survived all her migrations because improved protection given to turtles through

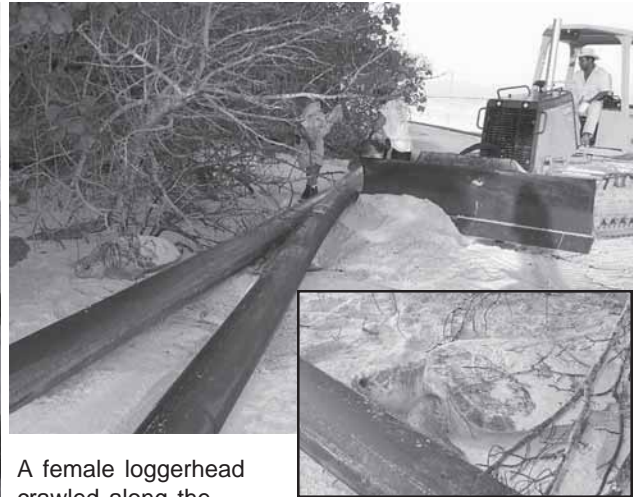
STSL Update

Workshop to look at Environmental Impacts of Beach Renourishment

On September 13-14 the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Beaches and Coastal Systems will be sponsoring a workshop on beach nourishment entitled, *Environmental Design of Beach Nourishment Projects in Florida*. Currently the design of a renourished beach is primarily based on economics and engineering efficiency. This workshop will consider the design parameters needed to build a more natural or environmentally sensitive beach and hopefully lay the groundwork for environmental rules and procedures that encompass the breadth of environmental concerns impacted by beach rebuilding projects.

CCC will be attending the workshop, advocating that renourished beaches consider the needs of nesting turtles and their off shore foraging habitats utilized by hundred of marine species. We have been seeking input from marine turtle experts and coastal engineers on how best to build a turtle friendly and environmentally healthy beach. Merely pouring vast quantities of sand on an eroding beach does not automatically improve nesting habitat. In fact, it can result in lower nesting densities and success, and may be an economically unsustainable state policy. CCC has often reported on the real and potential harmful impacts to sea turtles resulting from these projects.

Beach renourishment is big business in Florida. The state is currently spending \$30 million a year to dig sand from the ocean bottom and pump it onto eroding beaches. The federal government more than matches this with federal tax dollars. There are dozens of large beach dredging projects planned. Because the life of a rebuilt beach can be anywhere from 5 to 7 years, the state is



A female loggerhead crawled along the upland side of a beach renourishment pipe on Hide-away Beach in Collier County, Florida. The pipe is used to pump sand onto the beach (*top, left*). The loggerhead was eventually trapped behind the pipe in the dense vegetation and was unable to nest. Renourishment workers found the turtle while spreading freshly pumped sand on the beach with a bulldozer (*top, right and insert*). When the crawl was closely observed, it was noticed that the loggerhead had expelled several eggs onto the sand while trying to get around the pipe (*bottom, left*). The loggerhead was lifted over the pipe and allowed to return to the water (*bottom, right*). Photos by Maura Kraus.

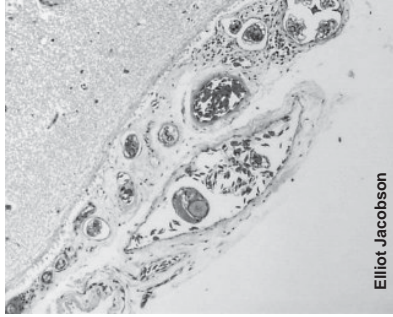


literally embarking on a never ending cycle of massive and expensive beach rebuilding. According to one study, over 40% of Florida's most densely nested beaches are recommended for renourishment. Consequently, Florida's sea turtle populations are and will be significantly impacted.

Hopefully this workshop will lay the foundation to minimize negative impacts to sea turtles and other marine species from these large sand pumping projects. Ultimately, state laws may need to be changed and new regulatory rules may need to be written requiring a better approach to beach building. CCC commends the DEP for organizing this workshop, even if it is long overdue. 🐢

Parasites are linked to recent loggerhead outbreak

A devastating illness that left at least 140 loggerhead sea turtles dead over the last six months was most likely caused by trematode parasites, according to researchers at the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine. Although the parasites are normally found in low levels in loggerhead turtles, researchers found much higher levels of the parasites in the dead and dying loggerheads they studied. Researchers believe that the elevated parasite levels overwhelmed the turtles, causing life-threatening symptoms and death.



Elliot Jacobson

Researchers found elevated numbers of parasites, as seen here in the tissue of a sick turtle.

Now, with funding provided in part by Caribbean Conservation Corporation, UF researchers are trying to determine what caused the increase in parasites. Possible factors include pollution, weather, and changes in ocean temperature. Researchers are also looking at the pathology of sea turtles and the natural history of the trematode.

Late last year, dozens of loggerhead turtles began washing ashore in Florida, mainly in the southern part of the state, exhibiting extreme lethargy, pneumonia and acute musculature failure in the eyes and throat. Most of the turtles found alive were dying soon after being taken to rehabilitation facilities. In all about 150 dead and sick turtles washed ashore between October 2000 and March 2001. Because not all of the sick and dead turtles washed ashore, there is no way to know how many other turtles were afflicted with the illness and died at sea.

Of the 50 turtles found alive, 35 were taken to the Hidden Harbour Marine Turtle Hospital in Marathon, Florida. The facility's staff worked desperately to save each turtle, racking up \$3,000 a month for medicines and other supplies. To help offset these costs, CCC raised and donated \$7,000 toward the care and rehabilitation of these sick turtles. Through the valiant efforts of the hospital staff, four of the 35 turtles were saved. Of the remaining 15 turtles treated at other facilities, no more than six survived.

Earlier this year as the numbers of dead and dying turtles found along the shore grew, the situation became a

crisis. Florida-based rehabilitation facilities were quickly overwhelmed and began scrambling to find money to pay for treatment of the sick turtles. Veterinarians and scientists with several state agencies and universities also found themselves short of resources to conduct the pathological and toxicological studies needed to learn more about what was causing the outbreak. Compounding the problem further, the state government had no mechanism to provide emergency funding to assist either the rehabilitation facilities or the researchers.

Realizing the gravity of the situation, CCC approached several foundations for emergency funding. The Bernice Barbour Foundation was the first to respond, providing \$10,000 toward the medical investigation and treatment of turtles. CCC quickly disbursed this grant to the Hidden Harbour Marine Turtle Hospital in Marathon and to the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine. This grant, along with the publicity CCC generated about the crisis, helped researchers secure additional funding from state and federal sources. Other foundations that answered CCC's call for assistance include the Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund, the Moore Charitable Foundation, the Ahimsa Foundation, and the Lobo Fund.

Although Florida's environmental agencies eventually were able to respond to this emergency, several uncertain weeks passed while agency personnel and researchers wrung their hands wondering how to pay for an appropriate



Marine Turtle Hospital

Staff at the Hidden Harbour Marine Turtle Hospital in Marathon Key, Florida, tube feed sick loggerhead sea turtles. They were able to save four of the 35 sick turtles.

response to the crisis. In hindsight, it is clear that precious time was lost during the early phase of the disease outbreak, when leads to a cause might have been fresher and more turtles might have been successfully treated. The breakdown was not anyone's fault, but it does point strongly toward the need to establish a reservoir of funding that is available for similar crisis in the

future. Such a reservoir does exist for emergencies affecting whales, dolphins and manatees in Florida, and it is time to add sea turtles to the list. Toward that end, CCC is organizing an initiative to ensure the passage of a state law in 2002 that would make emergency research and rehabilitation funds immediately available for sea turtles in crisis cases. For more information or to help with the campaign, please contact Gary Appelson, CCC Advocacy Coordinator, at (352) 373-6441. 🐢



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Brian Benigno
Jon Bennett
Carter Benno
Clare Bensley
Maritz Bernadette
Remo Bernet
Joseph Bernier
Paula Berntson
Jared, Josh, Matthew & Jordan Berson
Ribello Bertoni
Aniek Beumer
Claudia Bevacqua
Big Island Tattoo
Jen Bilderse
Sean Bilodeau
William Binneveld
Kim Birchard & Carol Dorman
Eric Bissonnette
Fred Bittle
Barbara & Roy Blackbird
Sharon Blackwell-Simon
Jordan Dallace Blair
James Blampied
Edward Blissard
Marsha & Jack Bliven
Russell & Nancy Block
Travis Bloom
Brittany & Kyle Bobak
Pamela Marie Bodemuller
Richard Boehman
Kyla Bolden
Bonney Family
Edward & Emma Boomershine
Hannah Boone
Dana Borer
Christopher Boswell, Jr.
Shawn Bouley
José Bouwens
Sara Boyd
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Sari Braderman
Alan Brainard
Ruth Brake
Barbara Bramble
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Richard & Jan Braun
Joyce Braus
Hannah Bray
Frank Brayton
Michael Breen
Peggy Brennan
W.B. Briggs

Ren & Allison Brindley
Turner Brinkley
Brittian's Class
Willow Broehmer & Kellie Rey
Bryan Brooks
Virginia Brooks
Anne Brown
Kate Brown
Lynden Brown
Sue Brown
Sarah Brown
Brownie Troop 10
Brownie Troop 93 - Lovelace
Brownie Troop 157
Brownie Troop 212
Brownie Troop 236
Brownie Troop 379
Brownie Troop 470
Brownie Troop 474
Brownie Troop 495
Brownie Troop 1248
Brownie Troop 1257
Brownie Troop 1382
Brownie Troop 1469
Brownie Troop 1478 - Lori Koch
Brownie Troop 2089
Lisa Brubaker
Brittany Bruce
Hilary Bruce
Sonnihild Brückner
Lee Brugge
Max Brugh
Sherry Bruner
Carmela Brunner
Shirley Brunson
Ann Bryan
Robert Bryant
Joy Buchanan
Lara Bucher-Pellegatta
Nancy Buckley
Annah Budetti
Ted Buettner
Cristina Ruiz Bujedo
Brian Bulko
John Bull
Kyle & Brooke Bullington
Neal Bungard
Peter Burge
Beth Burnham
Caroline Burpee
Joshua Busch
Paula Su Bush
Ian & Sean Busko
Sarah & Bram Bussin
Linda & Dan Butler
Jane Butler Roberts
Tom Buturla
C.H.S. (Club De Espanol)
Jill Calabria
Michelle Calva-Despard
Denise Calvert
Gretty Camaraza
Roderick Cameron
Sandra Cantey
Anthony Capavacio & Bonnie Rollins
Olga Sáenz Carbonell
Carlisle School 5th Grade
Jennifer Carman
Marjorie Carmichael
Elizabeth Carota
Robin Carpenter
Helen Carr
Stuart & Nancy Carrier
Tom Carson

Raenelle Cartajena
Marcia Carter
David Carter
Judy Cartwright
Renee Caruso
Harriet Carver
Casey Elem. School, Open Doors Class
George & Maydel Cashdollar
Nigel Cassar
Ann Cassell
Elizabeth Castellano
June K. Paine & Robert Cathey, Sr.
Cathys Valley School - 4, 5 & 6 Grades
Amelia Cazier
Christian Cebrian
Jody Cecil
Anabel Cepas Gil & Antonio Gil Delgado
Elisabeth Cerda
Frank & Alicia Cervantes
Dorothy Chaisson
Angela Chang
Lorna & David Chang
Christopher Chapman
Nancy Cheek
Bill & Alice Cheng
Camille Chesavage
Children Of 1st Parish Unitarian
Carol Chin
Alexa Chisholm
Cora Chisholm
Michelle Cho
G.E. Chow
Aaron Christensen
Nardy Chung
Kate Ciembronowicz
Marty & Heather Cipar
Sam & Chloe Cipar
Laura Clancey
Shelley Clark
Laural Clark / Girl Scout Brownie Troop 4495
Classroom B, Childrens House Montessori
Heather Clayton
Heather Cleveland
Kristina Cleveland
Andrea Clewis
Rodger & Jeanette Clifton
Diane Cline
Wendi Lee Clure
Kevin Cobb
Derek Cocovinis
Stephanie Coggins
Andrew Cohen
Lauren Cohick
Sarah Cole
Marilyn Coleman
Stephanie Coleman
Kristin Coleman
Joel Collins
Commonwealth Girl Scout Troop #94
Molly Conant
Yolanda Miguez Conde
Y Rober Fdez
Dorothy Conklin
Jonathon Connatser
F.E. Connolly
Connolly Family
Jack & Betty Cooper
Anne Cooper & Janet Wietersen

John Allan Cooper & Melissa Gamer
Coor's Class
Laura Copeland
Michael Corbett
Roger Corbett Kindergarten
Sharman Corleto
Corlett Family
Cheryl Coronado
Sarah Corrigan
Mary Costanzi Foor
James Costello
Elizabeth Cothen
Hannah Cotterell
Karen Coughlin Tully
Georges Courboin
Carolyn Cramer
John Crane
Cindy & Gordon Crawford
Sheryl Creighton
Creighton's 2nd Grade Crew
Pat Crocco
Susan Cronyn
Dianne Crosby
Amy Crouse
Claire Crowell
Trina Rae Cuff
Ilanthe Cullen
Susan Cummings
Ethan & Emily Currie
Alicia Currier
Michael Cuzenza
Angela Cutnaw
Charles Cyr
Leah Czlapinski
Edward Dabkowski
Jeniffer Dafflon
Rebecca Dafflon
Dahlin's Period 2 English
Dahlin's Period 3 English
Annette Dahlquist
Mary-Kathleen Daley
Marie D'Amico
Eric Damiens
Darcy Damrau Steck
Brian Daniels
Caitlin Daniels
Samuel Darby
John Mack Darden
Marie-Helene Darel
Diane Darrow
Dass Agro Engine Services
Ian Davidson
Ann Davies
Kathy Davis
Brooke Davis
Crystal Davis
John Davis
Kathryn Davis
Maria Davis
Meredith Day
Charles Dean, III
Steve DeCroes
Donna Delahooke
Patricio Delfosse & Maria Iglesias
Janissa Delzo
Maggie Dennis
Margie DePalma
Anne-Louise DePalmo
Pam DeRose
Irene Derry
Pat Des Chene
Desaever

Descloux Marine
Christine Devenny
Marie Devey
Lela DeVia
David Dewenter
Maureen Dewire
Barbara Dically
Klara Dickinson
Lisa Dickson
Clifford & Rhonda Dillon
Tabatha Dobransky
Leeann Doherty
Raymond & Stephanie Dommanschet
Barbara Donaldson
Isabel Donaldson
Timothy Donaldson
Linda Donley
Dolores Donohoe
Marsha Doran
Chandra & Mrs. Joan Doshi
Conor Douglas
Jonathan Drapkin
Arielle, Rebecca & Robbie Dryer
Eleanor DuBois
Kendall Dubroff
Robin Dudley
Terry Dudzik
Gerry Duggan
Julia Dullien
Mary Dungan
Jennifer Durkin
Marilyn Dusek
Margaret May Dutton
Jennifer Earnest
Lou Ann Eason
James Eastland-Fruit
Mabel Easton
Christine Eckman
Thorbjörn Edlund
Lauren Edrington
Shari Egan
Joe Eisner
Jim & Sue Elder
Barbara Elias
Elins' Class
Jeremy & Jill Ellermeyer
Anna Ellis
Lynne Ellison
Katharine English
Environmental Club
David Erickson
Carl Ernstrom
Jay Ervin
Bob Erznosnik
Joanne Erznosnik
Cinda Eson
Alanna Estes
Roberta & Richard Evans
Evans Family
Joanne Eymard
Gemma Fagan
Lyn Fairchild/Cary Acad.
Environmental Club
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Arthur Falek, Ph.D.
Wendy Fandler
Liana Farnham
Carol Faucett
Marc. Faucher
Richard & Kathy Faulkner
Susan Faust
Laura Feakes
Klara Fejer
Sady Felipe



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Daniel Fenech & Linda Speegle
Robert Fenyo
Juan Fco Delgado
Fernandez & José Pablo
Joe Ferrara
Katherine Ferrell
Peter Fichte
Millicent Ficken
Fifth Grade Class,
Erie Day School
Karin Fischer
Walter Fischler & Marcela Youle
Jack Fisher
Stephanie Fisher
Robert Fishman
Ursula Fleck
Nancy Flynn
Frank Flynn, Jr
Carolyn Foelsch
Sue Foldy
Karen Foley
Amy Folmar
Heidi Foltrauer
Michelle Foon
Alison Forest
Patrick Forst
Laura Forte & Kenneth Kharbanda
Jenipher Fortier
Lori Foster
John Fowle, DDS
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Troop 293
Michael Franco
Theresa Franze
Sophie Fraser-Smith
Leanne Frazak
Janie Freeman
Phil Freeman
Bob Freeston
Trisha French
Roberta Frentz
Suzy Fried
Dana Friedrichs
Tina Frohne
Curt Fuhrmann
Yukiko Fujimori
Karena Fulton
David Fulton
Melissa Fulton
Jean Fyle
Georgia Gémez - Ibáñez
Paula Gaber
Anne Gaisior
Susanne Galla & Frank Knab
Kathleen Gallasch
Stacey Gallino
Marlee & Nathan Galper
Eva Garcia Vidal
Mioko Gardner
Pat Gardner
Kelly Jean Garner
Janiss Garza
Dylin Gaudenti
Michael Gaynor
Hanspeter & Dora Gempeler
Gabrielle Gentile
Julia Gerbasi
Judith Gerdin
Ann Gernert
Ann Gerstenberger
Barbara Geyer
Angella Gibbons
Pat Gibson

James Gibson
Girl Scout Brownie Troop 311
Girl Scout Brownie Troop 1539
Girl Scout Brownie Troop 2303
Girl Scout Junior Troop 311
Girl Scout Troop 18
Girl Scout Troop 107
Girl Scout Troop 126
Girl Scout Troop 163
Girl Scout Troop 252
Girl Scout Troop 339
Girl Scout Troop 388
Girl Scout Troop 464
Girl Scout Troop 564
Girl Scout Troop 656
Girl Scout Troop 688
Girl Scout Troop 719
Girl Scout Troop 720
Girl Scout Troop 812
Girl Scout Troop 833
Girl Scout Troop 839
Girl Scout Troop 919
Girl Scout Troop 1053
Girl Scout Troop 1128
Girl Scout Troop 1159
Girl Scout Troop 1317
Girl Scout Troop 1352
Girl Scout Troop 1472
Girl Scout Troop 1991
Girl Scout Troop 2910
Girl Scout Troop 4202
Girl Scout Troop 6135
Girl Scout Troop 20159
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Christine Glaser
Tracey Glaser
Mary Glass
Annie Glasspool
Kelly Glenn
Mona Gloff
Andreas Gobbert
David Godfrey
Carol Goepferd
Zach & Jake Gold
Kip Goldsberry
Jody Goldstein
Elisabeth Vinas Gomez
Lise Gonord
Toni Gonzales & Betty Henry
Sofia Paulina González Vásquez
Jack Goozee
Phil, Stuart, & Patrick Gorman
Olivia Gorvy
Deborah & Stephen Goudge
Audrey Gould
Barbara Goulette
Grade 5 - Jewish Community Relig. School
Ken & Candi Graf
Gary & Carol Grametbauer
Dryden Granger
Hank Granger
Hugh Grant
Joan Grass
Grasse-Scruggs Family
Lauren Grasshoff
George & Benita Gray
Bob & Ronda Greaves

Allison Green
Greer Family
Janet Greever
Linda Gregory
Monica Viviana Greiser
Joanne Grenz
George Grice
Tom & Francesca Groen
M. K. Grosberg
Sara & Tina Gross
Dana Grubbs
Diana Grüter
Arthur Grymes
GSPH Brownie Troop 54
Beth Guenther
Christopher Gullo
Nicole Gunther
Guren Family
Beverly Gurtler
Nikia Gustafson
Kerry Gustafson
Katinka Gustavson
Renate Gutmann
Jaime Gutshall
Hope Guzzo
Tina Gwaltney
Daniela Hadden
Hadden Family
Renate Haidekker
Stephen Hale, Jr.
Ann Hall
Kathleen Hall
Kathy Hallgren
Katelynn Halligan
Kirsten Hallingstad
Carolyn Halstead
Wade Hamilton
Nicole Hamilton
Aleksie Hamm
Ann Hammack
Renate Hammerschmidt
Benjamin Handler
Patricia Hans
Samantha Hans
Mary Hanse
Lisa Hardin
Christine Hardman
Ryan Hargrave
Timon Haringa
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Jonathan Harraway
Dallan Harrington
Peggy Harris
Darwin Harris
Shirley Harrison
Mavourneen Harshman
Gary Hart
Patricia Hart
Marianne Hart & Hans Kamstra
David Hartley
Michael Hartly
Vicki Hartz
Kellyn Harver
Lee Harville / Mary Seisser
Ronald Hatten Sr.
Sandy Havens
Hawes-Davis Family
Catherine Hawkins
Marian Hawkins
Cathie Haynes
Melanie Head
Hans Heckmann
Paul Heidenheim
Amy Heim
Audrey Heimler
John Held

Pia Helena & J. Ormerod
Jodi Helffenstein
Kay Heller
Kathryn Hendricks
Carl & Dotty Hennessy
Jessica Hennessy
Mike Hennessy
Tassy Hennessy
Michelle Hernandez Pacheco
Andrea Herold
Gretchen Herr
Michael Herrera
Andrea Herrick
Shirley Hess
Michael & Jeannie Hewitt
Richard Hiers
Kristin Highland
Rosie Vegas Hill
Ashley Hill
Laurie Hilliard
Jill Hirota
Chloe Hitchcock
Nan Hodge
George Hoffer
Ariane Hofmeister
Jeremy & Tamilee Holbrook
Mitzi Hole
Kevin & Suzanne Holland
Shana Holland
Anita Hollenthoner
Hannah Hollyer
Simon Holmes
Allan Holmgreen
Clayton Hommel
Emily Hommel
Heather Honiss
Jean Hooper
Joseph & Carolyn Hooper
Hopatcong Girl Scout Troop 997
Kazuo Horikoshi
Ethan Horn
Linda Horton
Melissa Horton
David Houck
Susan Houlik
Donna Houston
Jennifer Howard
Mark Howe
Tina Howe
Stars Howell
Jenn Howey
Allen Howland
Richard & Alexandra Huber
Sharon Marceline Hubert
Thomas George Huckle
Joan Huffman
Chris Hulsbeck
Norma Humphreys
Shelby Hunt
Michelle Hunter
Mary Husebo
Ximena Roca Iborra
Natalie Iglesias
J. Inkenhaag
Alden Inman
Alex Ioannides
Trevor Irinaka
John Irvin
Michael & Jennifer Isaac
Kirsten Isbister
Amanda Israel
Amanda Lee Ivory
Jillian Jackson
Kristina Jackson

Rhett & Donna Jackson
Suzanne Jacobs
Jacques Jacobson
Jerry Jacobson
Elliot Jacobson
Jason Jaggors
Patricia Janda
Elizabeth Janes
Janice Jarrett
Jennie Jenkins
Lauren & Nicholas Jenkins
Michele Jenkins
Candy Jennings
John Jerrard
Beatriz Jevremovic
Carly Jewell
Gordon Jewett
Marenka Jirasek
Aislinn Jobs
Sylvie Jobs
Charron Jocelynt
Ed & Sandy Johns
Caroline Johnson
Charlie & Delsie Johnson
Donna Johnson
Jean Johnson
Jeremiah Johnson
Linda S. Johnson
Margaret Johnson
Nat Johnson
Zachary Johnson
Johnson's 6th Grade Class
Sara Joll
Charlene Jones
Le Lone Jones
Elaine Jones
Kelly Jones
Emily Jordan
Brittany Joyce
Joshua Judson
Monika Junge
Junior Girl Scout Troop 2160
Sarah Juon
Michel Kaftan
Kevin Kampherstein
Frank & Julia Kane
Mary Anne Kanter
Daniel Karen
Karis' Class
Susan Kasten
Katsaounis' First Grade
Blanche Katz
Sigmund Katz
George Kaul
Frank John Kazel, Jr
Penny Rene Kee
Nicole Keefe & Mike Law
Bill Keenan
Molly Keirnes
Jill Keller
Amy Kelley
Andy Kelley
Laurie Kelly / Troop 473
Ton Kemps
Kentuckiana Girl Scouts Troop 1774
Bob Kerstetter
Betty Keuffel
Isael Kibel
Seth Kibel
Meegan Kidd
Jess Kimball
Lynn Kimball - SWGSC Troop 2455
Jennifer Kinder
Ronald King
Cynthia King /

Girl Scout Troop 947
Lucy Kinne
Kim Kinzler-Lysne
Joy Kitson
Ed & Jeannie Kittrell
Tina Kivilaan
Gyda Kjekshus
Linda Klippert
Elaine Klucken
Robert & Sylvia Knudtson
Maxim Kocher
Cliff Koehler
Reva & Jay Kolin
Ton Koole
Shannon Kramer
Karen Kranzberg
Rainer Krause
Nora Krieger
Joshua Krieger
Lynn Kroner
Gail Ann Kryzaniak
KSE Club Cherry Tree
Caryn Kuehl
Holly Kuehn
Matt Kurbat
Kathryn Kutis
William Kutz
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Hannah Lacey
Julia Lackey
Lani Ladao
Daryle Lademan
Michelle LaFaille
Caitlin Laffy
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Tom Lancefield
Betty Landers Bashaw
Steve Lane
Courtney Lang
Yvonne Langman
Xavier Lario
D. Philip Lasater
Linda Laufer
Tanya Lawreys Canada
Erica Leachman
Todd Leary
Scott Erin LeBlond
Cheryl Lechtanski
Brian Lee
Burton Lee
Jeannie Lee
Alyssa Lee Lee
Robin Lee / Girl Scouts Troop #1250
Benjamin Leeds
Doreen Leeds
Laura Leeuw
Daniel Leibow
Dayna Lemke
Andrea Lemmon
Joan Lemihan
John & Marie Lentsch
Alyssa Leone
Linda Levine
Roneet Levy
Arthur Lewis
Annie Lieb
Otto Ligtelijn
Sue Lindsey
Sarah Lipton
Thomas List
Marilyn Lister
Sharon Livingston
Izskun & Melchor Lladó
Tom Llewellyn
Teresa Lloro



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Gill Locke
Susan Logan
Patricia Logan
Rosarie Lombard
Lombart's Class
Gavin Lonergan
Jonathan Long
Pat Long
Long Beach H.O.P.E. Club
Emma Longhorn
Amberose Longrie
Kelsey Longrie
Leticia Lopez Leon
Diego Lorenzo Adanez
Emily Loriso &
David Rowe
Los Alumnos Del Salon 24
Heather Lowe
Melynda Lowe
Stella Lowry
Eugene Lucero
Walter & Joan Luikart
Cheryl Lunnen
Gary Luoma
William Lynn
Philip & Eleanor MacBain
Margaret MacCary
Tomata Macewicz
Catrina MacKenzie
Ossian Mackenzie
Philip Macks
Leah & Robert MacNamara
Magic Brush, Inc
Kelvin Magoon
Derek Mainwaring
Helen Maki
Raymond Malaver
Pat Maloney
Peg Mancuso
Amity Mank
Manna Family
Roman Marecek
Barnier Marie
Contreras Marie
Mathew & Byron Markel
Keith & Judy Marks
Dan Marriott
Nicholas Marschner
Patrick & Ben Marshall
Diane Marshall
Alison Marszalek
Angeles Mart'nez Zamora
Chelsee Martin
Juliane Martin
Donna Macnutz Martin
Martin Family
Ashley Martinez
George Martinez
Ilar Martinez Pilar
Shelly Marusah
Mason Heights
Elementary Science Lab
Lucia Mastel
Dawn Mathis
Sheila Mathis
Judy Mathys
Dorothy Matthews
Kay Matthews
Peter Matthiessen
Lesley Mattingly
Dorothy Mattiza
Cassie Mattox
Christi Mattox
Gere Maugere
Lorrie Maxen
Arthur Mayfield
Diana Mayne
Maywood Elem. School

Linda McCaig
Dale McCloskey
Joyce McCloskey
Pat & Jeffrey McCloskey
Jane McCluskey
Lindsay &
Shawn McDougall
Karen McElmurry
Marilyn McGehee
Macon McGinnis
James McGowan
Phil McHale
Elizabeth McIntosh
Janie McKay - Sarah,
Jessica & Julia
Denelle McKee
Spencer McKee
Kat McKell
Leah McKelvie
Anne McKenzie
Heather McKirdy
Vern McKissick III
Angie McLawhorn
Deanna McLendon
Mary McMahan
Betsy & Phil McManus
Patti McMullen's 4th
Grade Class 2000-2001
Tommy McNally
Christine McNeil
Donald Mead
Anna Meador
Bo Meador
Marian Meador
Brenda Meek
Lucie Melahn
Kristin Melvin
Lorena Mendoza
Michael & Linda Mendoza
Robyn Meredith
Betsy Meria
Lory Merrill
Mrs. John Messerly
Judith Metzger
Michelle Metzler
Valentina Michael
Werner & Anne Mie
Mahieu Mike
Sally Miller
Candice Miller
Henry & Diane Miller
Logan Miller
Paula Miller
John & Kathryn Miller
Thomas Miller
Tina Miller
Lee Miller Family
Miller's Environmental
Geography Class
Bonnie Mills
Dennis Miniato
Peter & Bonnie Minkler
Erica Minkman
Catherine Minnig
Dennis Minty &
Antje Springmann
Maddi & Mike Misheloff
James Mitchell
Jane Mitchell
Joseph Mitchell
Jennie Mizrahi
Katie Mizrahi
Ryan Moffatt
Janice Moffitt
Janice Moffitt/
Miranda Moffitt
Diane Molkup
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Audrey Moody
Kaylee Moon
Kathryn Moore
Rosalind Moore
Tracy Moore
Amy Moore
Ben Moran
Karen Kargianis Moran
Ardell Morgan
Hoop Morgan
Walter & Laura Morgan
Andrea Morgan
Georgia Morris
Jack Morris
John Morris
Patty Morris
Robert Morse
Emily Morton
Cara Moscardelli
Leslie Moser
Matthew Mossholder
Becci, Mel &
Melvyn Moulton
Robert Mower
Sandy Moyer
Christine Mulfinger
Gisela & Gerhardt Muller
Kerstin Müller
Margaret Munn
Margaret Munn
Jonathan &
Chrissy Munro
Dorothy Murray
Casey Musselman
Tom & Claudia Myers
Paul & Tanice Myers
Craig Nakamura
Calvin Nania
Corey Nash
Amir Navid
Donald & Sally Nazzaro
Lindsay Neal
Andy Nelson
Sue Nelson
Marie Nelstrop
Ruth Ann Nemire
Louise Nepomuceno
James Newbery
Nathan & Amy Newbury
Tricia Nicewicz
Catherine Nicholas
Bethany Nickel
Halsey & Nate Niles
Diana Niskern
Brandon Nixon
Pauline Nixon
Nancy Noel
Stephen Nordlinger
Mary North
Samantha Novey
Raymond Novotny
Lynne Numata
Mathias Nutt
Lane/Wyatt Nutter
Steve Oaks
Aisling O'Connell
O'Donnell Girl
Nancy O'Connell
Scout Troop #162
Richard & Sally O'Grady
Kris Ohanu
Michael & Susan O'Keefe
Debra Olds
Migdalia O'Leary
Stephen Kothenbeutel &
Erin O'Looney
Jim Olsen
Joseph Olson

Jonas Opperman
Susan Opyoke
Marjorie Orabona
John Oravis
Christine Orlando
Martha Orrick
Fred Ortiz
Teresa Ortiz
Zoe Ostle
Michael Ostrelch
Heather Ostrin
Sara Oyster
Jane Packard
Margaret Palasek
Natalie Palmer
Patricia Palmer
Elizabeth Palmer
Palmer Trinity School -
Sarah Kemeiness
Catherine &
Christopher Pamelard
Michael Paquette
Marcella Pardo
Susannah Parker
Debi Parks
Lucy Parrish
Stesha Pasachnik
Rhys Paston
Anna Paulls
Paulussen
Krystyn Pawling
Cathy Payne
Gordon Pearce
Judy Peavyhouse
David Pederson
Chloe, Audrey & Joy
Peoples
Christy Pekara
Enrico Pellizzer
Gail Peluso
William Pendree
Eric Peniston, Jr.
Grey Pentecost
Fernando Manuel De Cruz
Duarte Pereira
Alex Perez
Francisco: Pilo Pérez
López
Freda Perrotta
Christine Perroud
Steve Pesick
Karrie Peters
Dawn Peters
Mary Jane Peterson
Linda Peterson
Susan Petitti
Kranen Petra
Lesley Petrik
Nancy Pfeifer
Victoria Phucas
Marcia Pickering
Bonnie Pickett
Billie Pierce
Jim Pierce
Lia Pieters
Valerie Pigg Rozzi
Carol Piligian
Christiane Pindat
Kristin Piotrowski
Mary Alice & Don Pisani
Frances Placide
Denise Plowman
Howard Pohl
Steven Pokress
Charles Politis
D. Pollard
Amy Pomp Lorette
Phillip &

Louise Poppleton
Charlotte Porter
Portland French School
Fam. Potjer
Dan & Julia Potter
Lisa Potter
Cynthia Potter /
Brownie Troop 2515
Sarah Poulton
Charlotte Powell
Sharon & Jeffrey Prager
John Prestbo & Darlene
Liz Preston
Michele Pritchett
Dennis Prince
Cindy Proost
Robert Prosser
Don Prouse
J Pryke
Carole Lynn Pue
Adriana Puig
Jeremy Purcell
Rossel Purcell
Penny Purtzer
Marjorie Putman
Grace Elisabeth Quattrochi
Greg Quinn
Jean & Lauren Rachlin
Justy & Bob Ragan
Tony Ragan
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Roz Rakoff
Jennie Rambo
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Barbara Raney
Alida Ratteray
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Regu Regunathan
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Tracy Lynn Reimer
Rick Rein
Kelsey Nicole Reischel
Barbara Remini
Zantedeschi Renata
Camille Renner
Rebecca Resinski
Helena Reuter
Christine Reynes
Jon Rhodes
Louis Rhodes, Jr.
Neli & Samara Ribbens
Ivette Ricco
Joy Richards
Adam Richardson Martin
Sarah & John Riddick
Elaine Ridley Kharbanda
Paul Riegert
Ruth Rinde
Robert Rinearson
Gracie Rissler /
Girl Scout Troop 406
Dolly Robbins
Linda Roberts
Kate Robertson
Christa & Jacob Robinson
Nicole Robinson
Sabrina Rocha
Kevin Roche
Sarah Jane Rochelle
M.A. Rodavitch
Jessica & Maxx Rodriguez

Susana Rodriguez
Charlie Rogers
Amy Rohrbach
Gibson Jay Roll
Nell Rollins
Mary Catherine Rollins
Jennifer Romero
Abi Roney
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Debra Rose
Kamala Rose
Rufus Rose
Christie Rose -
Spanish II Class
Kenneth Ross
Cindy Proost
Robert Prosser
Don Prouse
J Pryke
Carole Lynn Pue
Adriana Puig
Jeremy Purcell
Rossel Purcell
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A newsletter for young sea turtle activists!



Girl Scouts Travel From Miami to See a Sea Turtle Nest in the Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge

**By Kyla Rivas-Zehtab
for Junior Troop 812, Miamia Beach, Florida.**

Thanks to having sold boxes and boxes of cookies, my girl scout troop (Junior Troop 812 from Miami Beach) and I were able to participate in a CCC turtle walk in the Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge, where we saw massive sea turtles deposit 75-100 eggs in sandy spots where they thought their hatchlings would survive. When we arrived at the small boardwalk, we were a little bit nervous, not knowing what to expect. When we reached the end of that boardwalk, we felt that we were on a secret mission because of the way we had to approach the beach-like spies. We were crouched as we walked; there was absolute silence. Only the wind and tall grasses were whispering. Our instructions from the CCC guide were to look for a moving rock coming out of the ocean. In 5-10 minutes, we saw a moving blob appearing out of the crashing waves and moving faster than we had ever expected. Although it was a great sight, the sea turtle returned to the ocean. We felt bad because we thought we had scared it away, but our guide told us that turtles can change their minds for many reasons.



Junior Troop 812 at breakfast the morning after the walk. From left to right, Saskia Lascaris, Jessica Pauley, Laura Torres, Noelia Morini, Kyla Rivas-Zehtab, Catalina Villacura, and Sofia Varas-Formica.

One of the guides that was scouting ahead on the beach had called in on the walkie talkie and said: "Sea turtle making a body pit." We knew that meant that in a few more minutes of walking all schrunched up, we would soon get to see what we had come for. When we got there, a huge loggerhead turtle was already busy laying her ping-pong-ball-sized eggs. We had a special red light, aimed at her back end, which let us see what was going on without disturbing her concentration. The actual event took about 45 minutes in all. I started to think about how people could ever hurt such beautiful animals. It made some of us sad. Although we enjoyed seeing the process, it was soon time to go-for both the turtle and our troop.

On behalf of Troop 812, please help these beautiful animals and their precious young live long, happy lives.

Are you a Turtle Hero? We want to hear your story! Maybe you helped clean up beach litter, or worked with a local turtle watch group. Send us a letter or email that describes what you did to help save sea turtles. Your story might be printed in a future issue of Turtle Heros. If you like to write poems, songs, or draw pictures of turtles, send those, too!

Turtle Heros is a newsletter for young sea turtle activists. Send your letters to: Turtle Heros, 4424 NW 13th St., Suite A-1, Gainesville, FL 32609. Or email: ccc@cccturtle.org.

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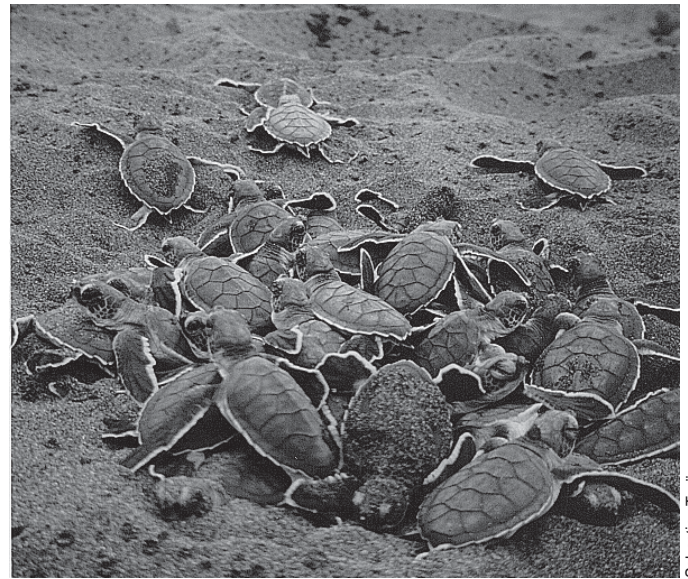
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