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Message from the Chair

- Leah Weisburd, Chair

Hope you all enjoyed Thanksgiving with family and friends!

As we close 2024, it is rewarding to know that we have had a remarkably busy, productive year. Much kudos, and many thanks, go out to our committee chairs, vice chairs, co-chairs, our fantastic Junior Team, and the many of you that have volunteered and worked diligently to help us do our "good trouble."

As you know, the Sierra Club is a strong advocate preserving our natural resources and protecting our environment, not only in Florida but all throughout the United States and the world. Our Broward Sierra Group's journey into 2025 will have us facing many more challenges. We are ready, we are rolling up our sleeves, and we are "all in" looking forward to an exciting and productive year with your help.

We are extremely excited that in this year's election cycle we endorsed 34 candidates and 30 have been elected to Federal, State, and local municipal leadership positions.

- Our ECO afternoon social on Sunday, January 26th Please register and join us! Here is the link to register: <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000UQubliAD>
- Monthly meetings with interesting presenters. Starting on February 6th with Richard Ramcharitar of Broward Clean Air. Registration is required -soon to be posted.
- Our 6th annual early *FREE* Earth Day celebration on Sunday March 23rd. No registration required
- Our 6th annual Earth Day high school students aged 14-18 plastic waste art contest. Registration has already begun. Space is limited so please register now! Here is the link: <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000Q8APrIAN>
- Several outings planned by our **Outings Chair, Jordan Holaday**, starting on Saturday, January 11th Hiking the Florida Trail-Big Cypress North. Here is the link to register: <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000J9O0DIAV>
- Saturday, January 18th, Tamiami triathlon -Sandfly Island Paddle – Here is the link to register: <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000J9gxzIAB>
- Saturday, February 22nd, Tamiami triathlon – Shark Valley Biking – Here is the link to register: <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000JDGs4IAH>

So, we end 2024 wishing all of you a very happy holiday, good health, and let's be positive that good things can and will happen!

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Broward Sierra Group's Earth Day Celebration


PLASTIC WASTE EARTH DAY ART CONTEST



PAST 1ST PLACE WINNERS

TOP PRIZE
\$1000

**CALLING ALL
BROWARD HIGH
SCHOOL STUDENTS!**

 **Sunday, March 23, 2025
8:00am - 4:00pm**

**Anne Kolb Nature Center: 751
Sheridan St. Hollywood, FL 33019**



SIGN UP HERE!

HERES HOW IT WORKS

Step 1 - Be Cool

That means you are between age 14-18, live in Broward County, and have visited the link on the left and registered to enter. Upon acceptance of your registration, rules and instructions will be sent to your email address.

Step 2 - Help the Earth

Pick up plastic trash or gather waste materials that usually end up in the landfill or worse.

Step 3 - Make Something Amazing

Use those materials to create an original art piece like a sculpture, mixed media item, installation, etc...

Step 4 - Show Off Your Art

Registered entrants will have a chance to display their original artwork at the Broward Sierra Earth Day event on Sunday, March 23, 2025. Contest starts at 8:00am, in Mangrove Hall.

Step 5 - Win Cash Prize!

Top prize is \$1000, second place is \$500 and third is \$250.

Register here: [Broward Sierra Group-Earth Day Event PLASTIC WASTE ART CONTEST event.](#)

Individuals with disabilities requiring accommodations in order to participate in programs, services, and activities must contact Broward Sierra Group at 954-329-0447 at least seven (7) business days prior to the scheduled event.

SAVE THE DATE! - Broward Sierra Group's Eco Afternoon Social

We welcome you to join us at our in-person Broward Sierra Group Eco Afternoon Social on **January 26, 2025**.

It will be a very fun day to be had by all and we can't wait to see you!

Please register now to attend. Spots are limited: [Broward Sierra Group Eco Afternoon Social](#)



BROWARD SIERRA GROUP

ECO AFTERNOON SOCIAL

VISIT OUR WEBSITE **TO REGISTER** OR
USE THE **QR CODE** BELOW:



You **MUST** register to attend.
Spots are limited, so register now! Age: 14+
(and adults of all ages!)

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME!

Please join us in person for
the Broward Sierra Group's
Eco Afternoon Social



Sunday, January 26, 2025
12:30pm-4:00pm

**Location: Delevoe Hall at Reverend
Samuel Delevoe Memorial Park, 2520 NW
6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311**

We have a special day full of fun activities
arranged for you, so come hear our plans
for 2025, dig into some tasty snacks, and
have a delightful Eco Afternoon with some
amazing individuals in your community.

Event is indoors. Plenty of parking!
Arrive no later than 1:00pm to sign-in.



Add to your calendars - SAVE THE DATE!

EARTH DAY 2025

Free
Family
Event

Sponsored by
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OUR PLANET. OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Student
"Plastic
Waste"
Art
Contest

Sunday, March 23rd 8:30am-4:00pm
Anne Kolb Nature Center 761 Sheridan St. Hollywood, FL

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

INSIDE: Presentations, exhibitors, Vendors,
Art, Music, Prizes **OUTSIDE:** Nature Hikes,
Kayaking, Food Trucks, Activities

Learn about our health, our changing climate, clean
water initiatives, sea level rise, wildlife & marine life
preservation, protecting our parks, plastic waste,
air-pollution, 100% clean energy & zero waste solutions

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Sierra Group at least seven (7) days prior to the event

BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION

Contact & Information: Adrienesierraleader@gmail.com



- Floridians do not have a right to clean water.
- Current laws and politics are obviously not enough.
- Powerful profit interests are calling the shots, not us.
- We need a constitutional right to hold agencies accountable.
- We need your help to qualify for the 2026 ballot.

We're gearing up for the 2025 Plan, and here's how you can help.

Word of the day: COMMITMENT. Everyone can do something, and many can do much more. What has been missing is the ability for everyone to see what everyone else is doing, so we can naturally help fill the gaps and avoid redundancies. Here's our chance to become a real-time, formidable force of grassroots grit and hard work to do what's right: **Contact** <https://www.floridarighttocleanwater.org/> **to see how you can help!**

HOW TO CONTROL YOUR EMAILS

If you scroll down to the bottom of all mailings from the Sierra Club, it allows you to change some, or all, of the mailings you receive.

If you tire of the number of emails you get from the Sierra Club, please DO NOT hit unsubscribe!

That will cut you off from our newsletter, The Bulletin that shares issues we are working on, presenters scheduled for our General Meetings that you will want to attend, Outings that you will want to go on with our Outing Leaders, and so much more.

For emails you don't want you can control that by clicking on **THE MANAGE PREFERENCES** option at the bottom of every email. Once there, be sure to keep on subscribing to **MY CHAPTER**, the first option. The rest of the options? Decide for yourself.

SUPPORT THE BROWARD GREEN SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN

All students, parents, teachers, elected officials, and community members:
sign today transition Broward County Public Schools to 100% clean energy

SCAN





BROWARD SIERRA GROUP

JUNIOR TEAM

The Broward Sierra Group - Junior Team is a group of 14-18-year-old high schoolers who are passionate about

- sustainability and preservation
- climate and wildlife advocacy
- environmental education

JOIN TODAY!



Lobbied representatives and senators in Tallahassee



Collected petitions for the Right to Clean Water in Florida



Written and published letters to the editors in newspapers



Spoken at commission meetings



Tabled at events and reached 1000+ community members



Supported candidates in their campaigns through canvassing



School service hours are available, and active members get free Sierra Club membership!



For More Information
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[bsg.juniorteam](https://www.instagram.com/bsg.juniorteam)

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

– Leah Weisburd, *Chair*

Hey Broward Sierra Group members! What's your story?

We would like to get to know our members, and our members would like to get to know you too!

Please send our editor/proofreader, Max Goldstein, a short paragraph or two to publish in our Bulletin along with a head-shot photo of yourself.

The deadline for submitting your story in next month's Bulletin needs to be sent to Max by the end of day, Wednesday, December 11th at maxgold@yahoo.com

Please put in subject - **Getting to know you for the Bulletin.**

Please let us know about any environmental issues and preserving our natural resources that you would like to learn more about. Of course, we would like you to volunteer on any of our committees that interests you. We are looking forward to getting to know all our members better!



WE ARE LOOKING FOR AN INDIVIDUAL TO VOLUNTEER TO BE OUR WEBMASTER
Volunteer time about two times a month for a couple of hours!
Is that you? Are you up to date with the latest IT technology?

Training will be provided.
Please contact me for further information
Elisa Jones - elisabrowardsierra@gmail.com

Upcoming Outings

Sunday Dec. 8, 10:00 AM, Paddle South Fork of St. Lucie River

Leisurely 3-hour paddle on the South Fork of the St. Lucie River in Stuart. No rentals available, suitable for paddleboards too. Rest stop halfway through. For information and registration go to:

<https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000RjfZcIAL>

Trip Leader: Ron Haines ronaldhaines@bellsouth.net

Sunday Dec. 15, 10:00 AM, Upper Loxahatchee River

Leisurely 3-4 hour paddle in the backwaters of Riverbend Park in Jupiter. Rentals available. Two portages required. For information and registration go to:

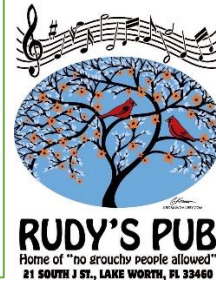
<https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=701Po00000RKRqxIAH>

Trip Leader: Ron Haines ronaldhaines@bellsouth.net

Saturday, January 4, 9:00 AM – Florida Trail walk from the Oasis Visitor Center at Big Cypress National Preserve. [Register Here](#) Leader: Kaatje Bernabei, kaatjebernabei@bellsouth.net

Saturday, January 11, 8:00 AM – Florida trail 8-mile hike form the I-75 Collier County Rest Area. Strenuous. [Register Here](#) Leader: Jordan Holaday, jordansierraleader@gmail.com

Saturday, January 18, 8:00 AM – 5-mile kayak paddle to Sandfly Island near Everglades City. Rentals available. Strenuous. [Register Here](#) Leader: Jordan Holaday, jordansierraleader@gmail.com



**GENERAL MEETING:
LEADERSHIP, VOLUNTEER, AND DONOR RECOGNITION**

You're invited for a fun casual event where we recognizing our outstanding leaders, volunteers, and donors.

**1 free drink and light refreshments are provided!
Bring your spouse, friend, or significant other and enjoy the party!**

When: Thursday, December 5, 2024, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: Rudy's Pub, (561) 602-5307, <https://rudyspubinlakeworth.com>
21 South J Street, Lake Worth Beach, FL 33460

Please Register [Here](#)

Stay for Live Music that starts at 8:00 - Classic Rock

