



# Foundation *FUN*ding Advocate

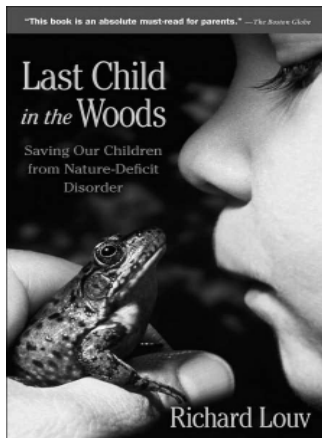
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## *FUN*ds in Action - Education - Advocacy - Leadership

### Foundation Co-Sponsors Opening General Session

The Foundation is proud to partner with REP Services and Landscape Structures, Inc. to sponsor the opening general session speaker, author Richard Louv. Mr. Louv's latest book entitled *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children From Nature Deficit Disorder* provides insight into a number of issues facing society that directly impact our profession.



Don't miss this chance to learn how we can make a difference and hear Mr. Louv on Monday at 4:45 p.m. in the Caribbean Ballroom.

### *It Starts in Parks*

The Foundation is proud to support the FRPA project - *It Starts in Parks*. This exciting initiative provides training, resources and materials to departments to communicate with consumers. The eight tag lines that accompany this slogan feature a number of the benefits/values associated with our field. The eight tag lines include:

- ◆ A Sense of Community
- ◆ Achievement
- ◆ Conservation of Our Natural Treasures
- ◆ Economic Development
- ◆ Florida's Future
- ◆ Good Health
- ◆ Respect for Nature
- ◆ Ties to Our Heritage

FRPA member agencies can receive a CD that contains the graphics as well as wording that accompanies each graphic when they sign the Use Agreement. Non-member agencies can purchase the CD for a nominal fee of \$50.00.

### New Grant Program Established



Recognizing that one of the major concerns today is obesity in children, the FRPA Foundation launched a new grant program.

The *Youth Healthy Lifestyle Grants* are intended to help youth adopt a physically active lifestyle and learn about a healthy diet.

This reimbursement program provides funding in an amount up to \$1500, for the purpose of developing and conducting training sessions/classes for youth ages 6 to 17.

Congratulations to the following recipients awarded funding for 2006:

**Pinellas County Parks & Rec Dept.**

**Sarasota County Parks & Rec Dept.**

Stop by the Foundation Booth for information on the 2007 grants!

#### *It Starts in Parks* Sessions at Conference

**WEDNESDAY**

**8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

**It Starts in Parks:  
Getting Started**

**10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

**It Starts in Parks:  
Departments Show Us How**

## President's Message

### Barbara Manzo, CPRP

Dear Friends,

Has it really been a year since we last gathered for our annual conference? Time sure does fly when you are busy. And busy we have been.

Beginning with the auction last year we had the most people ever take numbers to participate (almost 200) and more buyers than in the past! The total raised surpassed our goal by more than \$6,000, providing a net profit of \$17,389!

The pace of giving continued as we topped our total for donations from the previous year. Our loyal donors gave a total of \$16,689, an increase of \$3,035 from the previous year.

Thanks to all of you for your donations. If you haven't made one yet stop by the Foundation booth to make your contribution.

Don't forget the Annual Auction on Wednesday night! Year after year we continue to exceed our expectations and this year will be no different, as we have a number of new items available for bidding.

Remember, the Foundation exists to support FRPA in achieving its goals of assisting its Professional members. Please let us know how we can help. Stop by the booth or see one of the Trustees in the purple aprons.

Sincerely,

*Barbara*

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## Trustee Changes

The new fiscal year brought changes to the Board of Trustees including new officers, Trustees and the departure of two long-standing Trustees.

Congratulations to the officers elected for the new year to lead the Foundation:

President – Barbara Manzo  
President Elect – John McCarthy  
Secretary – Rosemary Prince  
Treasurer – John Kessinger

Welcome aboard to new Trustees **Joe Abel and Bruce Fassett**. Their service to the profession will be a great asset to the Foundation. Joe is a Trustee of the National Recreation and Park Association and a former President of the Florida Recreation and Park Association. Bruce has served on the Board of Directors for the Florida Recreation and Park Association, most recently, as Vice President of Member Resources.

The success the Foundation enjoyed today is due to the tireless efforts of those who have served over the years. **Cathy Santa Ronald**, a founding Trustee and **David Barth** completed their terms as Trustees at the close of 2005. Their dedication and personal commitment helped establish the standard for giving. We express our gratitude for a job well done.

## Your Name For All To See

Don't forget to stop by the Foundation booth to see the new display board listing each donor's level. Begun last year, it is even better and is a great edition to the Foundation booth.

Stop by to watch as the giving level in the palm tree rises. New donors - your contribution will be recognized immediately. Current donors - step it up to the next level.

Special thanks to:

FRPA Executive Office staff for their assistance in preparing the donor display board.

Sarasota County Parks and Recreation Department for the Palm Tree Thermometer.

# Thank You For Giving!!!

## Donors and Supporters - Where Do You Fit In?

A donor is anyone who gives money to the FRPA Foundation, Inc. and receives nothing in return. We refer to donors as members of the Foundation. All donors receive an invitation to the Foundation social held each year at the FRPA State Conference. Each donor who gives \$25 or more is listed in the Foundation annual report. In addition those individuals who itemize on their income tax return are entitled to list their donation as a tax deduction.

Supporters are individuals who purchase goods or services at the auction. All supporters receive an invitation to the Foundation social held each year at conference. In addition, each supporter will be recognized in a Foundation newsletter. Since those supporters who purchase items at the auction are receiving goods or services they are not entitled to list the amount as a tax deduction.

Both our donors and supporters are important to the Foundation. Last year 122 donors gave a total of \$16,689 bringing total donations since 1998 to \$116,170. Our supporters generated \$17,389 at the auction last year, increasing the total amount raised from auctions since 1998 to \$65,888. Donors listed are for contributions made between January 1 and December 31, 2005.

### DONORS

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COCONUT PALM	\$20,000 - \$29,999
ROYAL PALM	\$10,000 - \$19,999
WASHINGTON PALM	\$5,000 - \$ 9,999
<b>THE FLOWERS OF FLORIDA SOCIETY</b>	<b>\$1,000 - \$4,999</b>
OLEANDER	\$4,000 - \$4,999
AZALEA	\$3,000 - \$3,999
GARDENIA	\$2,000 - \$2,999
ORCHID	\$1,000 - \$1,999
<b>BIRD OF PARADISE SOCIETY</b>	<b>\$500 - \$999</b>
<b>ORANGE BLOSSOM SOCIETY</b>	<b>\$25 - \$499</b>
TANGELO	\$250 - \$499
VALENCIA	\$100 - \$249
NAVEL	\$25 - \$99



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### **MISSION:**

The FRPA Foundation is committed to support professional development and education of leisure professionals, students, and citizen advocates.

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### **FRPA Foundation, Inc.**

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## Annual Auction Wednesday Night, 7:00 P.M.

Don't be late!!!! Wednesday night will be the annual auction and you don't want to miss your chance to bid on a number of great items.

Our premier sponsor, the **Lee County Sports Authority**, has once again set the tone for giving. We appreciate their continued support. Many thanks to everyone who donated items to be auctioned.

The Auction will be in **Caribbean Ballroom 1 & 2** with previewing beginning immediately following the general session. If you attended last year, you know how important it is to get there early. Some of the items up for bid are:

Vacation Stays in Cape Cod, North Carolina, Italy, Cancun  
Daytona 500 Package  
Golf on Several Great Courses  
Hotels Stays For Quick Get-A-Ways  
Gift Baskets and A Whole Lot More!

Don't leave your room without your checkbook or credit cards!