



Accomplishments for 2017

Programs and Events

- Kicked off 2017 at our annual Symposium - Open the Garden Gate to Coastal Habitats. The Coastal Habitats theme was carried through to the rest of the year's educational programming.
- Our 5th annual fundraiser *Starlight & Spartina* at the Musgrove Plantation, SSI, was a great success. We raised close to \$7,000.
- Hosted several *Lunch & Learn* events and *Evening Lectures*. Topics included: habitat certifications, wildflowers of Georgia, native plants for birds, and birds of prey.
- Held two Garden Parties at the residences of Freya Zipperer in Savannah and Linda Lamb in Darien.
- Led field trips to Dunham Farms, Harris Neck NWR, Savannah Ogeechee Canal, Big Hammock and Canoochee Bog, and Altama Plantation WMA.
- Led a paddle trip through Brunswick tidal creeks in partnership with Southeast Adventure Outfitters.
- Worked with the STEM program in Liberty County to educate area youth at Cay Creek Wetlands Interpretive Center.
- Continued our Habitat Certification program and awarded seven certifications.
- Honored Randy Tate as the 1st prize 2017 "Coastal Habitat" photo contest winner.

- Used the Paul Griffin Scholarship Fund to send a child to the GA DNR Camp Talon.
- Participated in an Oyster Roast fundraiser at Sorry Charlie's in Savannah, GA. In total, \$750 was raised and will be used to support the restoration work of the Living Shoreline working group.
- Held our Spring & Fall Native Plant Sales at Ashantilly Center in Darien, GA and raised close to \$1,300.
- Celebrated our members with a *Feast of the Coastal Wild* oyster roast.

Partnerships

- Partnered with the Friends of Sapelo to add more plant species to their Native Plant Garden.
- Partnered with the Jekyll Island Authority to propagate native plants at the Jekyll Island Greenhouse complex.
- Developed interpretive signage for a boardwalk on the Satilla River with the Satilla Riverkeeper, UGA Extension – Camden County, and Bryan-Lang Historical Archives.
- Partnered with GA DNR CoastFest event to award a best "Habitat" award to Glynn Middle School student artist Griffin Lee.
- Partnered with the USFWS to administer 5 \$1000 pollinator Grants to the following:
 - St. Simons Elementary School
 - St. Elizabeth Episcopal School

- Savannah Classical Academy
- Lost Plantation Golf Course
- St. Mary's Middle School
- Installed the second major Phase of the Master Plan at Cay Creek in partnership with the City of Midway.

Volunteering

- Assisted GA DNR with a population assessment of the rare Radford's Mint.
- Tended the native plant gardens on Little St. Simons and Sapelo Islands.
- Helped maintain the wetland demonstration garden at Cay Creek Wetlands Interpretive Center.
- Helped with a monthly native bee survey on Sapelo Island.
- Provided GA DNR with volunteers for monthly garden restoration work days at Altama Plantation WMA.
- Provided GA DNR with volunteers to help with invasive Sand Pine Removal at Townsend WMA in Brunswick, GA.
- Provided GA DNR with volunteers to help with longleaf pine seedling planting at Townsend WMA.
- Provided GA DNR with volunteers to plant a Native Plant Pollinator Garden at Altama Plantation WMA.



Mission

The mission of Coastal WildScapes is to actively preserve and restore the highly significant biodiversity of Southeastern coastal ecosystems by protecting existing native habitats, rebuilding the connectivity of impaired habitats and minimizing the future fragmentation of the coastal landscape. We have three overarching strategies to accomplish our mission:

- Educational Outreach**
- Conservation Initiatives**
- Grassroots Activities**

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