



MIAMI BLUE CHAPTER, NABA JANUARY 2016 E-NEWS

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Miami Blue Quarterly Meeting

Sunday, February 7, 2016, 1 - 3 pm

Castellow Hammock 22301 SW 162 Avenue

Program: Mosquitoes and Butterflies

Please join us for our first meeting of the new year at Castellow Hammock, where a panel of experts, FIU and UM graduate students, will introduce us to their research. Jesus Blanco (FIU), Tanjim Hossain (UM) and Suresh Subedi (FIU) will discuss "Mosquito Abatement and Butterfly Conservation: Subtropical Dry Forests in the Florida Keys."

This program has been organized by Jaeson Clayborn, PhD Candidate, FIU. Jaeson has suggested that it be a program with lots of questions and comments with members and visitors as well.



Castellow Hammock



Dingy Purplewing at Castellow Hammock Courtesy of Ron Nuehring

This meeting is open to the public, and refreshments will be served (bring some tasty nibbles to share, if you can).

Come early and stay late to view the fabulous butterfly garden and hammock. This is one of the few places where the threatened Florida White may be seen. Watch the hummingbirds as well as the butterflies; the former are swarming in the butterfly garden..

Nature Film Night at Pinecrest Gardens

Friday, March 4, 7-9 pm, \$5

Pinecrest Gardens
At the intersection of Red Road and SW 104 Street

You are invited to a special presentation of the young people's film, "Disney – Nature Wings of Life." Doors open at 6:30 pm., At 7 pm, visit with members of the Miami Blue Chapter, NABA, to learn more about butterflies, caterpillars and the plants they love. The film will be shown in the Amphitheater at 8 pm. A cover charge of \$5.00 will be charged.

Bring your elementary and middle school age children; this film is for families and them.

Native Plant Day

Saturday, March 19 9 am - 4 pm

Bill Sadowski Park 17555 SW 79 Avenue

Come for a great day of programs, nature walks, plant sales, hands on activities, and SO much more! All FREE!

Please save the date to voluteer at the Miami Blue table for a while, or th help provide butterfly caterpillars or chrysalises for display. Let Linda Evans know if you will help in either way.



Florida White at Castellow Hammock





Ruddy Daggerwing at Sadowski Park Courtesy of Becky Smith

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