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Oyster domes are constructed onsite Tampa Bay Watch headquarters by pouring marine friendly concrete into a fiberglass mold containing a large round buoy surrounded by smaller rubber balls, creating the holes in the oyster domes. Microsilica is mixed with the concrete to balance the pH so oysters are attracted to the domes. The purpose of oyster domes is to restore hard bottom habitat, improve water quality or reduce shoreline erosion by placing domes along seawalls and shorelines.

We are recruiting [five - eight volunteers](#) to build oyster domes on each of the following dates:

Monday, February 2
Wednesday, February 4
Wednesday, February 11
Friday, February 13
Wednesday, February 18

Time: 9:45am - 12:45pm

Where: Tampa Bay Watch, 3000 Pinellas Bayway S., Tierra Verde 33715

What to wear/bring: Wear closed toe shoes and plan on getting dirty! Water and gloves will be provided.

*****Note to registered volunteers***: Please be advised that the project dates are tentative and they may be cancelled due to weather or conflicts with other restoration projects. We'll let you know of any changes ASAP.**

[If you would like to help out on any of the dates listed above, please sign up with](#)

Rachel at rarndt@tampabaywatch.org Please let her know the dates you would like to volunteer and your phone number.



Tampa Bay Watch is excited to announce the second year of a Day on the Bay, an exciting component of our Estuary EDventures education program. The environmental community course starts with an estuary orientation and touch tank experience, followed by a day of exploration on the bay via tandem kayaks. Participants will check out oyster beds, a local bird rookery, seagrass beds, and a mangrove forest!

Who can come:

Families, individuals and annual visitors to the Tampa Bay area. Group sessions can be arranged by special request.

When:

Every Wednesday between February 4 and March 25, 2009, from 11:00 am-3:00 pm.

Cost of tuition:

Adults:

Tampa Bay Watch members= \$20

Non-members= \$25

Kids (ages 8-16)= \$15*

*Includes a free kids' membership

[Click here for more information and to register online!](#)

OPPORTUNITIES WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS



presents: **Carbon Neutral: Teaming Up to Make A Difference For Our Climate**

National sports teams, universities, and conferences are partnering with government entities and private businesses to offer carbon neutral events. What does this really mean? Learn how governments, businesses and individuals are using carbon offsets and trading to positively impact climate change. Find out tips on what you can do to reduce your carbon footprint and live a more sustainable lifestyle.

Friday, January 30, 2009 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center

Saturday, January 31, 2009 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Pinellas County IFAS Extension Center

Saturday, January 31, 2009 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Brooker Creek Preserve Environmental Education Center

Each program is free and open to the public; pre-registration is not required. For more information, please contact the centers where each event is being hosted:

<p>Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center 1800 Weedon Drive NE St. Petersburg, FL 33702 Phone: (727) 453-6500</p>	<p>Pinellas County Extension Office 12520 Ulmerton Rd. Largo, FL 33774 Phone: (727) 582-2100</p>	<p>Brooker Creek Preserve Environmental Education Center 3490 Keystone Rd. Tarpon Springs, FL 34688 Phone: (727) 453-6800</p>
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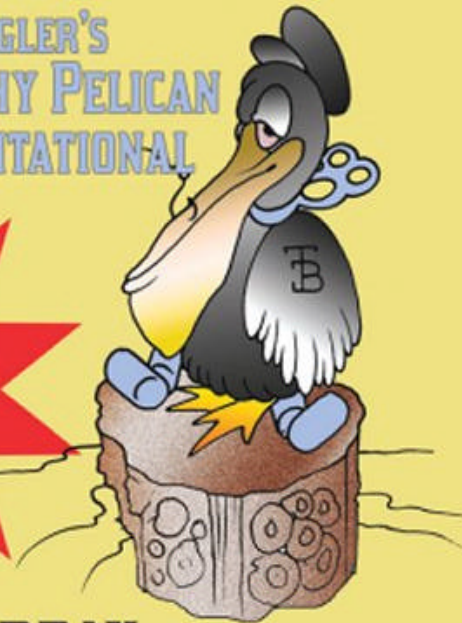


The Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System will host a free workshop on recreational boating on February 4 - 5 at the U.S. Geological Survey office, 600 4th Street, St. Petersburg, FL 33701. This workshop will help you plan safer and more time and cost-effective boating trips. Please visit <http://www.gcoos.org> to register and to read more information about the workshop.

**The proceeds of the following tournament will benefit
Tampa Bay Watch!**

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21ST

CAPTAINS MEETING & PARTY

**AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 138 - 5535 W. PRESCOTT ST.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH - 6:30 PM - FOOD, DRINKS & GOOD TIMES**

TOURNAMENT IS SATURDAY - 6:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

WEIGH-IN - AWARDS - FISH FRY / BBQ IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

ENTRY FEE IS \$55 PER ANGLER

**NOTE: CONTACT YOUR LOCAL BAIT OR TACKLE SHOP FOR AN ENTRY INVITE, OR VISIT
WWW.SALTWATERANGLERONLINE TO REGISTER. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 12TH.
AFTER FEB. 12TH THE ENTRY FEE IS \$65 PER ANGLER. FOR INFO CALL 813-223-3474.
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT TAMPA BAY WATCH**

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www.saltwaterangleronline.com

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