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## Mark your calendar for Calusa Blueway speaker series

Lee County Parks & Recreation to offer events through March

Fort Myers, FL, Feb. 19, 2019 – The fourth in a series of free Calusa Blueway-related programs will be "Exploring the Calusa Blueway; Safety Gear and Equipment" at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, at Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16760 Bass Road, Fort Myers, FL 33908.

The National Safe Boating Council Executive Director Peg Phillips and Florida Kayak School owner Tommy Thompson will be returning to share entraining stories about paddling in Florida and discussing safety techniques and equipment. They will also lead a group paddle on the morning of the program. For details on the group paddle, visit Calusa Blueway on Facebook.

"This is going to be a very fun and engaging program highlighting kayaking safety," says Calusa Blueway Coordinator Mike Hammond. "Peg and Tommy are bringing many years of paddling and water experience. Their individual programs were both very popular and having these two combined is going to be exciting."

The Calusa Blueway Speaker Series topic on Tuesday, March 19, will be "Photography from a Canoe" with Connie Mier.

For more information and directions to the program, contact Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center at 239-432-2154. Trail information is at <u>www.calusablueway.com</u> or <u>www.leeparks.org/blueway</u>. Stay tuned for more events and further details. Find Calusa Blueway on Facebook. Visit the iTunes store or Google Play to download the free smart-phone app. Visitors can find information at <u>www.fortmyers-sanibel.com</u>.

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