

Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Presents **June's** Adventure Quencher Event



Early Morning Family Paddling Adventure in Bayou Heron

What: Join us for a **FREE Morning Paddling Adventure in Bayou Heron**. Adults and children over 6 years of age are invited to participate in this lightly to moderately-strenuous flat water paddling adventure. We will paddle down the bayou to an American Indian Midden (archeological site) and then paddle north up the bayou in order to see how the habitats change as the salinity of the water changes from salty to fresh.

Animals that we might be able to observe during the adventure include egrets, ospreys, willets, clapper rails, raccoons, crabs, and alligators (from a distance of course!). Plants, both purposeful and or wild, that we will see include smooth cordgrass, black needlerush, salt marsh hay, saw grass, soapberry tree, toothache tree, yucca and pickleweed.

When: Saturday June 16, 2012 from 8:00 AM-11:00 AM. Sign in at office at 7:30:00 AM!. **Pre-registration is required.** Contact Jen.buchanan@dmr.ms.gov to pre-register.

Where: The event will be held at The Coastal Resources Center at the Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve located at 6005 Bayou Heron Road in Jackson County. Check out the website www.grandbaynerr.org for directions.

Info? Please contact us today to sign up for this free event at 228.475.7047, or email jen.buchanan@dmr.ms.gov for more information.