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‘Ding’ Darling hosts free Estate Planning 101

Representatives from local legal and financial advisory firms will team up once again with the “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) on Thursday, March 29, for a free Estate Planning 101 panel presentation at the “Ding” Darling Visitor & Education Center from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts provided by DDWS.

Sanibel attorney Janet Strickland and Jack Thomas and Trevor Swartz from HighTower Advisors/Thomas and Swartz Wealth Management will present information and answer questions about the importance of estate planning, how new tax laws affect it, and how to get started with the process.

“The success of our first free ‘class’ provided a valuable public service and gave attendees insights, guidance, and tools to help them plan their estate or develop questions for their own advisors and family members,” said DDWS executive director Birgie Miller. “This one too will provide a means to take that first step for those who haven’t already done so and may feel overwhelmed with the process and the new tax laws.”

Attendance is free but limited on a first-come basis. For more information, contact DDWS at 239-472-1100 ext. 256.

ABOUT DDWS

As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, DDWS works to support J.N. “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge’s mission of conservation, wildlife and habitat protection, research, and public education through charitable donations and Refuge Nature Shop proceeds.

To support DDWS and the refuge with a tax-deductible gift, visit dingdarlingsociety.org or contact Birgie Miller at 239-472-1100 ext. 4 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.

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