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Prevention aids post-Fourth beach clean-up

July 7, 2017 – While some handed out beads, bubbles and flags during the Fourth of July Parade in Flagler Beach, staff from the Flagler County Tourist Development Office handed out garbage bags at the beach to encourage revelers to be tidy.



“Flagler Beach Ocean Rescue Director Tom Gillin used his 4-wheeler to take our staff tent to tent to provide garbage bags,” said Tourist Development Director Matt Dunn. “They did this both during the day and right before the fireworks when people were ready to leave.”

Beach visitors were asked to leave the filled bags near the dune walkovers. The results were noticeable.

“You could see the bags lined up by the walkovers the next morning as you drove along (State Road) A1A,” Dunn said. “Several volunteer groups, including the Flagler Beach All Stars – headed up by Mayor Linda Provencher, were out early in the morning to clean up the beach and there was a difference from last year.”

Charles Ericksen, Jr.
District 1

Greg Hansen
District 2

David Sullivan
District 3

Nate McLaughlin
District 4

Donald O’Brien Jr.
District 5

Dunn and his staff were also out on the morning of July 5, and combed the area from the Pier south to 11th Street and back and collected another two garbage bags of trash – a fraction of the clean-up required in 2016.

“This is just one example of the things our staff does, behind the scenes, to keep the quality of life high here in Flagler County,” said Administrator Craig Coffey. “They take pride in their jobs, and they take pride in their community.”

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