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Gay Naturists International ([GNI](#)) and the WildFyre Society are delighted to have teamed up in a working partnership with [South Florida Free Beaches](#) / Florida Naturist Association (SFFB/FNA) and its educational and charitable adjunct, [B.E.A.C.H.E.S. Foundation Institute](#). SFFB is the mainstream naturist organization that created and continues to look after the clothing-optional section of Haulover Beach in Miami, FL.

A key factor in keeping the naturist beach a safe and pleasant place to visit is the [Haulover Beach Ambassador \(BA\) program](#). It is



covered by the Program Partnership Agreement between B.E.A.C.H.E.S. and the Miami-

Dade County Department of Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces, which operates Haulover Beach and the park that surrounds it. SFFB administers the program for B.E.A.C.H.E.S.

Beach Ambassadors, identifiable by their distinctive, teal safari hats (see photos), are volunteers that serve as beach monitors and greeters. They are extra eyes and ears for Ocean Rescue (lifeguards), park staff, and local police, observing and reporting any problems, welcoming "nudecomers" to the beach, providing information on park rules and guidance on naturist etiquette, answering questions about SFFB and B.E.A.C.H.E.S., and sharing with visitors their knowledge of Haulover Park amenities, local hotels and restaurants, etc.

The next training for Beach Ambassadors is scheduled for Saturday, June 7, 2014 at times and locations shown on the [lower part of the next page](#). GNI and the WildFyre Society are pleased and proud to be part of the recruitment effort, and we invite you to join this wonderful and essential corps of volunteers. **To attend this training, RSVP to Ken, Beach Ambassador Captain, at ken_tauer@yahoo.com.**

What does it take?

1) A minimum of eight hours per month on the beach with your BA hat and ID badge. (Call in your hours to the BA Captain.) You *don't* have to be walking the beach all the time; just let the nearest lifeguard know you're there, keep your hat visible while you're sitting in your spot, and be available to respond to requests from lifeguards, park staff, or police for assistance in solving problems.

2) Attend two trainings (this one counts toward that) and two SFFB Board meetings per year.

A Day in the Life of a Beach Ambassador

What's it like to be a Haulover Beach Ambassador? By special courtesy of [The Naturist Society](#) (TNS), from which GNI originated, we can share with you this feature article from the winter 2012 issue of *Nude & Natural (N)* Magazine, the quarterly publication of TNS. [Join TNS](#) to receive this magazine regularly along with many other [member benefits](#).

From the log of Richard Mason, President, South Florida Free Beaches (SFFB)



Sign in at parking lot attendant booth at 9:12 a.m. I enjoy the beach in the mornings, before the sun gets too intense. Lighter crowds as well. I know other Beach Ambassadors (BAs) like the after 2 p.m. crowd the best.

I face my first conflict of the day. The parking is free for BAs so I personally saved six bucks. But as an officer in South Florida Free Beaches, I want the parking revenues to be high so that we can brag about all the money Miami-Dade County is making from the naturists. I quickly overcame the conflict by dedicating the six bucks to a six-pack of non-alcoholic beer. [Read more...](#)

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3) Pass a criminal background check. (It costs \$20, which you'll more than make back in savings from **free** parking -- see below.)

4) Approval by SFFB Board of Directors

5) Occasional assistance at SFFB information booth

What do you get?

a) That neat, blue safari hat and a Beach Ambassador ID badge

b) **Free** parking on your duty days. Just show your BA badge and sign in at the parking lot attendant booth.

c) A good excuse to introduce yourself to strangers and a chance to have a lot of fun conversations

d) A sense of accomplishment and pride for your role in helping keep Haulover Beach safely nude, and the gratitude of beachgoers for that

What does training involve? (This training date has a special schedule and agenda.)

1. **Required:** Study the [BA training manual](#) in advance.

2. **Required: 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM** — Condensed training by police, lifeguards, and park staff plus briefings on upcoming beach events and major initiatives. Clothing required. (At Peppermill Restaurant*)

3. **Optional: 12:30 – 2:00 PM** — Lunch* with discussion of Florida clothing-optional beach projects (including [Blind Creek Beach](#) in Fort Pierce) and collaboration among naturist organizations. Clothing required. (At Peppermill Restaurant*)

4. **Optional: 2:00 PM – ?** — Weather permitting, informal discussion continues, if needed, or just enjoy the beach. Clothing-optional. (On Haulover Beach under south chickee [thatched-roofed hut], near lifeguard station #13)

* [Peppermill Restaurant](#) is located within the Arlen House complex across Collins Ave (State Road A1A) from the north end of Haulover Beach. (Tell security that you're going to the restaurant.) The



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address is [350 Bayview Dr, Sunny Isles Beach, FL](#). Lunch costs \$12 per person (SFFB will pay half, plus tip, for those attending training) for a limited, prix fixe menu, or you may order à la carte at your own full expense.

Ready to attend the Beach Ambassador training at Haulover Beach on Saturday, June 7, 2014, starting at 10:00 a.m.? RSVP to Ken, Beach Ambassador Captain, at ken_tauer@yahoo.com.