

Florida Wild Cat Conference

AUGUST 6-12, 2026

Schedule & Meal Plan

MEAL PLAN

AUG 7-12

Free breakfast provided by the hotel

AUG 7-11

Daily lunch menus

AUG 6 & 10

Conference-paid Sprouts Farmers Market groceries for dinners

THURSDAY - AUG 6

All day	Arrivals & hotel check-in Airport shuttles where possible. Rooms include coffee service, small fridge, microwave and electric kettle.
Open	Conference room welcome Coffee and tea provided. Snacks are welcome.
As needed	Conference-paid Sprouts Farmers Market shopping trip Buy enough dinner food for August 6-9 and keep it in your room refrigerator.
Evening	Dinner in the meeting room, or in your rooms Enjoy the evening meals you purchased during Sprouts Farmers Market trips.

FRIDAY - AUG 7

7:00-8:00	Free hotel breakfast
8:00-9:30	Speaker 1
9:30-10:30	Break & socializing
10:30-12:00	Speaker 2
12:00-1:00	Vegan Lunch
1:00-2:30	Speaker 3
2:30-3:00	Break & socializing
3:00-4:30	Speaker 4
4:30-5:00	Socializing
5:00-6:00	Dinner in the meeting room, or in your rooms

SATURDAY - AUG 8

7:00-8:00	Free hotel breakfast
8:00-9:30	Speaker 5
9:30-10:30	Break & socializing
10:30-12:00	Speaker 6
12:00-1:00	Italian Lunch
1:00-2:30	Speaker 7
2:30-3:00	Break & socializing
3:00-4:30	Deb Quimby From the Field to the Feed: Sharing Wild Cat Conservation with the World
4:30-5:00	Socializing
5:00-6:00	Dinner in the meeting room, or in your rooms

COVERED BY THE CONFERENCE

Meals and Sprouts Farmers Market shopping

The conference pays for transportation to Sprouts Farmers Market, dinner groceries purchased during the scheduled trips, the Friday-Monday lunches, and the beach celebration dinner. Tuesday's lunch on the road uses your remaining conference-paid groceries. A free breakfast is provided by the hotel August 7-12.

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Proposed Conference Schedule

SUNDAY - AUG 9

7:00-8:00	Free hotel breakfast
8:00-9:30	Speaker 9
9:30-10:30	Break & socializing
10:30-12:00	Shu-Jin Luo - Peking University, China Genomics, Evolution, and Conservation of
12:00-1:00	Cuban Lunch
1:00-2:30	Speaker 11
2:30-3:00	Break & socializing
3:00-4:30	Speaker 12
4:30-5:00	Socializing
5:00-6:00	Dinner in the meeting room, or in your rooms

MONDAY - AUG 10

7:00-8:00	Free breakfast provided by the hotel
8:00-9:30	Speaker 13
9:30-10:30	Break, socializing & Sprouts Farmers Market shuttle
10:30-12:00	Steve Galster EarthTeam by Zoom
12:00-1:00	BBQ Lunch
1:00-2:30	Carole Baskin Story Telling Techniques and AI
2:30-3:00	Break, socializing & Sprouts Farmers Market shuttle
3:00-4:30	Speaker 16
4:30-5:00	Socializing & Sprouts Farmers Market shuttle
5:00-6:00	Dinner in the meeting room, or in your rooms

MONDAY SPROUTS FARMERS MARKET PLAN

Shuttles during conference breaks

The conference-paid Sprouts Farmers Market trips on August 10 run only during scheduled breaks and socializing. Restock for Monday's dinner; Tuesday evening is the conference-paid beach dinner.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT REMINDER

Flight and Transport Receipts

Please email your arrival and departure days, times and airport to Carole. Upload your receipts for air and ground transportation to the Shared Google Drive folder she created on 7/24/26.

TUESDAY - AUG 11

Stalk Florida panthers day

Leave the hotel promptly at 7:00 AM for our reserved 9:00 AM Shark Valley tram, then continue to the Everglades Elevated Boardwalk, 4:00 PM talent show, and celebration dinner on the beach.

1**BEFORE / AT 7 AM****Free breakfast, then depart with your ID**

ID required. Bring a hat, water bottle, walking shoes and camera for both field trips.

2**9:00 AM****Shark Valley Tram Tour**

2 hours. Optional: Bobcat Boardwalk (1/2 mi), Otter Cave Hammock Trail (1-mi loop), gift shop.

3**SECOND TOUR****Everglades Elevated Boardwalk**

Bring hat, water and walking shoes. Spray, sunscreen and ponchos supplied.
Lunch on the road: bring uneaten food supplies to use them up.

4**4:00 PM****Talent Show**

A special afternoon of shared talents and fun.

5**EVENING****Beach celebration dinner - location TBD**

Finish the day together beside the ocean.

WEDNESDAY - AUG 12

7:00-8:00 Free breakfast provided by the hotel

Departure day - Airport shuttles

Safe travels!

Lunch Menus & Featured Session

August 7-11, 2026

MONDAY FEATURED SESSION

Steve Galster joins by Zoom

EarthTeam: Tracking, Spotlighting, and Rewarding Your Impacts. Full presentation details and project links are on page 5.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

Vegan Lunch

Roasted tofu, warm portobello mix, cucumbers, basil, shredded cabbage, roasted almonds, wild rice, shredded kale, miso sesame ginger dressing, and rosemary focaccia bread. (Vegan)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

Italian Lunch

Spaghetti with marinara sauce (Vegan); Five-Cheese Ziti al Forno (Vegetarian); Chicken Scampi with angel hair pasta; breadsticks (Vegan); Black Tie Mousse Cake and Tiramisu (Vegetarian).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

Cuban Lunch

Vegetable medley of seasoned sauteed vegetables with white rice and beans (Vegan); Pollo a la Jardinera - boneless chicken with peppers and onions - with Moros (black beans and rice); house salad; plantain chips; garlic mojo; sweet plantains; and Tres Leches Cake (Vegetarian).

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

BBQ Lunch

Vegan BBQ burnt ends, smokehouse corn, garden salad (Vegan), mac and cheese, and Texas cornbread (Vegetarian) - with sweet tea, of course!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

Field Trip Lunch on the Road

Bring your uneaten food supplies to use them up.

MONDAY - AUGUST 10 - 10:30 AM

Steve Galster joins by Zoom

Founder/Advisor, Freeland and Co-Chair, EarthTeam

FEATURED PRESENTATION

EarthTeam: Tracking, Spotlighting, and Rewarding Your Impacts

Steve will explain the EarthTeam Solutions Map, where conservationists can showcase their projects. Listing your work can provide greater visibility, connections with other conservation organizations, expert verification of your results, and a transparent record of your impact through EarthTeam Stars.

IT'S FREE!

Explore the Solutions Map, then register to add your own projects and begin building a visible, verifiable record of your conservation impact.

EXPLORE EARTHTEAM

View the EarthTeam Solutions Map

<https://map.earth-team.org/>

Register and add your projects

<https://map.earth-team.org/auth/signin>