

THE VILLAGER

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FOR THE TROOPS!

The troops have received and are enjoying the Dunkin Donuts coffee, Oreo cookies, and candies. Thanks to Colonel Bobby Magee for his donation of Oreo cookies and funds for postage.

This week we will be mailing out our "Special Movie Night" boxes. These boxes will include movies, popcorn, hot chocolate, candy bars and gum.

We had a wonderful surprise visit from the nephew of Roy and Anna Coombs, Brigadier General, John Uberti. He brought a beautiful bouquet of flowers and a note from his heart. "Thank you for the many contributions you make through the "Support Our Troops" program. Your efforts are having a great impact on the morale of our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines stationed so far from home and in austere conditions. I continue to hear about all the wonderful and innovative things you do to demonstrate support for our troops, and I wanted to personally thank you for your energy, enthusiasm, and most importantly, your unwavering support. Thanks for all you do. John Uberti, BRIGADIER GENERAL U.S. ARMY.

As you can see, our efforts are very much appreciated. If you would like to make a donation, please call Martha Kyker at 352-489-2525 or come to the sales office. THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS.

News from "Friends of Rainbow Springs State Park"

We can never give the exact date that the azaleas will bloom at the park in the spring, but we can tell the date of the annual Art in the Park event. It is always the first full weekend in March. This year it will be held Sat. and Sun., March 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Many of the azaleas should be blooming this week, so it is a great time to visit Rainbow Springs and browse through the many kinds of art work that will be on display, from jewelry to painting of many kinds. This event is a fundraiser for the Friends with a percentage of the purchase price of each sale going to the Friends to enhance the park, whether it be the gardens or necessary equipment.

There will be a guided bird walk on Sat., Mar. 13th. Meet at the Visitor Center at 8:00 a.m. with your binoculars, and any bird guide you may own, the tour will be of the headsprings area and the boardwalk looking for early migrants returning to the park on their way up north.

There will be guided garden walks on the 1st and 3rd Sat. until April. Meet on the veranda at 11:00 a.m. Learn about the interesting history of the park as well as the plants and animals that call it home. The walk lasts from 30 to 45 minutes. Reservation required.

Guided canoe and kayak trips are held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. Meet a park ranger at the canoe dock at the headsprings section of the park. The trip is about one mile down river and back and takes about 2.5 hours. Canoes and kayaks can be rented for \$10.00 per hour, and a \$25 deposit with a driver's license is required for rental. Reservation is required.

For info about these programs or for reservations call the park at 352-465-8555. Regular admission of \$2.00 per person is charged. If you would like to support the park but feel that you do not have time to volunteer, consider joining the Friends of Rainbow Springs, Inc., a non profit 501(3)c corp. whose mission is to support Rainbow Springs State Park. For more info about the organization and its events visit www.friendoftherainbow.com.

Property Owners' Association

www.RainbowSpringsPOA.org

2010 DIRECTORS: The following directors were accepted as officers for 2010 at the February board meeting and the following were unanimously voted into office by the membership: Robert Frankenfield, President 931, Carol Fritz, Secretary 926, Richard Mack, Vice-President 923, Jeffrey Welch, 921, Russell Shay, 917, John Bernal, 903, Donald Gesek, 920, Robert Boattini, 904. Amanda Bennett, elected as Associate Director and Treasurer. Martha Kyker is the ninth director and represents the Developer. The votes were tabulated by the Accounting firm of Collier, Jernigan and Goedert, PA based on valid proxies and ballots cast at the annual meeting. The small number of total votes cast by members is a concern to the board as participation of all the members and their input is important to the Association. For a detailed break down of all the votes cast refer to the report issued by Collier, Jernigan and Goedert, P.A. posted on the bulletin boards at the beach and the country club as well as on the POA web site: rainbowspringspoa.org.

COMMITTEES: The beach and executive committees were continued without change. The executive committee will review policies and procedures, and insurance coverage for the association.

ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS/LIENS: We have implemented a new accounting system in 2010 regarding Assessment payment. The new system will improve and speed up the entire billing and receipt process. All payments should be made out to Rainbow Springs POA and mailed to: Superior Bank, Rainbow Springs Property Owners' Assoc., PO Box 49228, Sarasota, FL 34230-6228 as listed at the bottom of your statement. The bottom stub should be removed and mailed in the envelope provided with the address showing thru the window along with your check. Members who make electronic payments thru their bank should correct the mail to address. Partial payments are not accepted. The Association will not be responsible for payments that are late due to using the wrong address. Late fees will be added to all member accounts that have not paid their assessments by January 31, 2010. A lien process will begin on all properties in March, 2010 where the assessments (including the \$15 sign assessment) have

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not been paid by then. All legal, administrative and lien fees will be added to those accounts in accordance with our covenants.

WOODLANDS TRAILS PROJECT: The beach committee under the direction of Walt McLellan, has been working at the area owned by the Association known as Tract B in the Woodlands on SW 215th Court Road. They have been cleaning up the area, removing trash, working on establishing trails, and mapping and marking walking trails. The intent is to have a nature walking trails area for residents. We will keep you advised of future progress. Donations to this project can be made by contacting the Association office at 489-1621.

RV PARKING: The covenants permit residents to park their RV's, campers, boats, etc. in their driveway for up to 24 hours for cleaning, loading, etc. The ACB's standard allowance for this is 2 days as exact in and out times cannot be accurately verified.

For the best results, homeowners are encouraged to call Marion County directly for the following: Potholes, DRA blockages, tree limbs overhanging stop/road signs—Road Dept, 671-8686; Unleashed dogs, excessive barking, etc.—Animal Control, 671-8900; DRA mowings, runoff problems, etc. **E n g i n e e r i n g , 6 7 1 - 8 6 8 6 .**

Call 911 for any fire, medical or any criminal emergency. Security can be reached at any time on cell phone # 322-0261. If you cannot reach the cell number, leave a message on voice mail and they will call you back. You should call Security to let them know if you are going to be away for any extended period of time and they will check on your home while you are gone. You can also reach the Guard House at 465-9064 and leave a message.

The next regular scheduled monthly Board meeting for the POA is scheduled for March 9, 2010 at 10:30AM at the **D u n n e l l o n L i b r a r y .**

Please call the POA office (489-1621) for any name, address or telephone number changes. POA office hours are 10AM to 2PM, Monday thru Friday.

R.S. Garden Club

Whether March comes in like a lion or a lamb, it will be welcomed by the many gardeners who view its arrival as the official start of spring. At last, the chances of getting out in our yards in decent weather are greatly improved, and we are anxious to clean up the freeze damaged landscapes and begin planting our favorite spring flowers.

February provided a few opportunities for outdoor clean-up, specifically Friday morning, the 5th, when a group of volunteers led by Walt McLellan and Bill Vibbert literally blazed the trail through the Woodlands Nature Park on SW 215th Court Rd. Trail marker signs are being ordered and will be installed early this month if possible. Plans for a kiosk at the trailhead and benches along the trail are also in the works.

This month's garden club meeting will be on Thursday, March 25th, at 1:30 PM, at 7620 SW US Hwy 41, across from the catholic church. To further inspire you to get outside again, Scott and Cheryl Steffer, owners of Anson Nursery, will present their program on Spring Clean-up and Summer Readiness – Insecticides, Fungicides, and Maintenance Strategies. They are sustainable landscaping specialists, using practices that preserve limited and costly natural resources, reduce waste generation, and help prevent air, water, and soil pollution. Their goal is to minimize environmental impacts and maximize value received from dollars expended.

Our climate can be challenging for those wishing to establish thriving gardens and landscapes, so be sure to attend this meeting and learn what you can do to create your ideal landscape.

Orders are still being accepted for logo aprons, polo shirts, tote bags, and baseball caps. Payment must accompany each order. If you are thinking about ordering, try to place your order this month so that the total order can be placed at one time, otherwise each order will have shipping added to it.

Remember to sign in at the meeting to insure that you have a chance to win a plant of the month as a door prize. Bring your extra plants for the Grow and Share sale, join in the 50-50 drawing, and enjoy light refreshments during the break. Check out the bulletin board for the minutes and pictures of the previous meeting.

For additional information, please call President Brenda Noah at 465-0541.

Listings offered by Rainbow Springs Community Realty, Inc.



*2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,556 sf la—Priced at \$157,900.
Call Janet Pigeon 161/012*



*3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,340 sf la—Priced at \$169,000.
Call Sharon Graley 182/019*



*3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 3-car Garage
2,111 sf la—Priced at \$199,000
Call Earl Riis 168/011*



*3 BR., 2 BA., 2-car Garage, Pool
2,288 sf la—Priced at \$249,900
Call Carole Caird F/022*



*3 Bedroom, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,928 sf la—Priced at \$269,000
Call Yulee Commander FTA/006*



*3 BR., 2 BA., 2-car Garage, Pool
2,283 sf la—Priced at \$319,000
Call Janet Pigeon FEW/010*



*3 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths, 2-car Garage
2,539 sf la—Priced at \$275,000
Call Sharon Graley F/052*



*3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,816 sf la—Priced at \$232,500
Call Yulee Commander FTA/022*



*3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,414 sf la—Priced at \$194,500
Call Dave Farrell 002/038*

Rainbow Springs Community Realty, Inc. only lists and sells properties in Rainbow Springs. If you want more showings on your home, call us at 352-489-2525. We are open 7 days a week and have sales associates on duty every day.

New Incentive Program

Rainbow Springs Limited is offering an incentive program to Rainbow Springs residents who bring a friend or relative to construct a new home in the community. All you have to do is register a prospective buyer that is not already registered with the Sales Office and if they buy a new home to be constructed within six months of registration you get \$1,200 just for introducing them to Rainbow Springs. For more details concerning this program contact one of the Sales Associates at 489-2525 and discuss any questions you may have.

R.S. Residents Organization

The Rainbow Springs Residents' Organization, will hold the annual members picnic on April 24th, between 12 to 4:00 PM at the Rainbow River Club. Food will be served between 1:00 and 3:00 PM. There will be music for entertainment, plus horseshoes, volleyball and paddle boats for our use. The tickets will be sold at our Monthly Meeting at the Sheriff department on US-41, at 10:00 AM on March 3rd, 2010. Tickets are \$5.00 per person. Tickets will also be sold on 4/9, 4/10, 4/16 and 4/17 between 11AM and 2 PM in the lobby of the Rainbow Springs Sales Office on SW 88th Place Road. If you have not paid for your membership, you can do so then.

We are also having the paper shredder on Saturday, May 1st, 2010, at 10:00 to 11:00, at the Rainbow Springs sales office parking lot. This is an opportunity to safely dispose of unwanted documents and old tax returns at no charge. Bring your unwanted paper work and old taxes, and watch your papers get shredded.

Upcoming Events in Dunnellon

Enjoy "Girls Day Out"
with your friends in
Dunnellon's Historic Village,
Tuesday, March 2, 2010 from
10 am—5 pm.
Refreshments & In-Store
specials

Come enjoy the
"First Saturday Village
Market"
March 6, 2010 at the Historic
Village Shops of Dunnellon
from 9 am—2 pm.

You can now read *The Villager* online.
Just go to our new website:
www.MyRainbowSpringsFlorida.com
and click on newsletter.

Or if you would like to receive *The Villager* by e-mail just send your e-mail address along with your name to sales@tvrs.com.

"Spring Is In the Air"

By the Christian Women's Club

The Women's Connection Club is having their monthly breakfast on March 24, 2010 at 10am at the Rainbow Springs Country Club. Our program is "Spring Is In the Air".

The ladies will be moving to "Step to the Music". We will have musical numbers by Kim Forte, our very own hometown girl. We will also have an inspirational speaker, Yvonne Hancock, who will relate her story of the "Perl of Great Price". The program is only an hour and half long. Treat yourself and a friend for a morning of fun and relaxation.

You will make new friends and you may walk away with new ideas for the spring. We have door prizes. The cost of the breakfast and program is only \$10.00.

To make reservations for you and your friends please call: Dot at 352-465-1158 or e-mail to: Shirttail1934@yahoo.com. Reservations or cancellations must be in by March 19th. If not kept, reservations must be honored.

Travel News

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All Day trips must be booked in advance with full payment within one week of booking. You do not need to be a member of Rainbow Springs Country Club to come along on any trip with us.

March 16th, Tuesday - MYSTERY DAY TRIP - \$50.per person. A Surprise Day with Luncheon, motorcoach and driver gratuity. Must have 35 people minimum for this trip. Leaves from Winn-Dixie at 9:00 a.m. Always fun on the bus with door-prizes.

April 17th - BERMUDA - 8-Day/7-Night cruise from Ft. Lauderdale on the MSC Poesia (new Italian Lines) - PARADISE IN PINK!! Is in Full Swing, but space may be limited at time of printing. Motorcoach is available for an additional price from Ocala.

May 13th, Thursday - SWEET CHARITY - SHOW WITH LUNCHEON, motorcoach and driver gratuity included. Price: \$68.00 per person. We must have a minimum of 35 persons for this trip to make it a GO! Meet at Winn-Dixie at 9:30a.m. A lovely day, excellent seats, good food, a great show, talented performers and door prizes on the bus. In order to hold our seats, you must call asap.

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May 25, Tuesday - A DAY IN MOUNT DORA - Spend a leisurely day in a quaint town with lots to see and do. Restaurants, antique shops, etc. Price: \$35. Per person includes motorcoach and driver gratuity. We need 35 people to make this trip a Go!

June 15th, Tuesday - Ca'd'Zan, The Ringling Winter Residence of John & Mable Ringling set on scenic Sarasota Bay. Those of you who have never been, it's a delightful day. Explore the Ringlings' collection of furniture and paintings and admission to the Art Museum. Price: \$50.p/p also includes motorcoach, driver gratuity. Must have a minimum of 35 person to make this trip a Go!

May/June/July/Aug & Sept. - ROCKY MOUNTAINEER TRAIN TRIPS thru Canadian Rockies - 2 - 4 days on the Train - motorcoach sightseeing, evenings at deluxe hotels so you can see the beauty of the Rocky Mountains during the days. Optional, also can be combined with a 7-Day cruise on the Holland American "Zuiderdam", or you can also drive and take your time. Many options for pricing and different itineraries. Call Joyce 352-465-5215.

May 28th - OASIS OF THE SEAS - Royal Caribbean - 7 Night Western Caribbean Cruise - Alternating to 7 Night Eastern Caribbean Cruise. From Ft. Lauderdale. If interested, call me.

Many Cruises are available for 2010. Call for information. Ships: Holland America, Princess Lines, Royal Caribbean, Celebrity, Carnival, Costa, Crystal, Cunard, NCL, MSC Poesia (Italian Lines), and River Cruises, UNIWORLD, Trafalgar, Viking, Globus, etc. Just let me know where and when you want to travel, and I'll find a cruise tailored for you, or with a group, or call and see what cruises I have available. 352-465-5215.

Sept.20 - Oct.4th - Cruise on the Grandeur of the Seas. 5 Day/4 Night - Ft. Lauderdale, Key West, Cozumel, Cruising and return Ft. Lauderdale. Inside Cabin: \$341.77, \$355.77, Oceanview \$399.77, \$408.77, Balcony \$634.77, Junior Suite: \$714.77. Pricing are as time of printing and may change according to booking date.

Sept. 22 - 11 Days/10 Nights - Sail on the MSC POESIA - Dazzling Fall Foliage. Itinerary: New York, Nova Scotia, Canada, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Cruise St. Lawrence, Halifax, Newport, Rhode Island back to NY. Call for pricing and AIR not confirmed yet.