

THE VILLAGER

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FOR THE TROOPS!

All of the stockings were received by our 250 troops in Iraq, Afghanistan, Yemen, Kuwait & Qatar.

One Sergeant wrote, "We received the Christmas boxes that you sent. The guys and I would like to thank you very much. The packages are greatly appreciated".

Our remote group has been moved to a new area in Iraq then they will head back to the states in March. They received their Christmas tree, decorations and stockings and said, "We have moved to a new camp, address below. We got the Christmas goodies, thanks so much. We will be heading home in March".

We will be mailing homemade cookies, Oreo cookies and coffee with all the fixings this month. They love the Dunkin Donuts coffee. We would like to thank James & Kay Wallwork for their donation that will be used to pay for postage this month. We would also like to thank Bobby Magee for the Oreo cookies and donation.

One Captain wrote, "Please pass on that we are extremely grateful for all that you have done for us. It has been amazing to me how the popcorn, movies, candy and pictures have brightened the days of the Soldiers. I always saved your boxes and passed out the goodies as Soldiers left or returned from missions in Iraq".

I was able to meet with one of our troops at Mac Dill Air Force Base in Tampa after Christmas. It was a joyous event to have a wonderful lunch while we discussed his time in the Middle East. The end of this month he will be going to Yemen. So good to see him but so sad to know that he has to go back and fight in the war again.

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!



Are you someone who gets involved and wants to make a difference?

If you are, this may be the opportunity you have been waiting for...

The Florida Department of Children and Families in your community has been awarded a Food Stamp Participation Grant.

We are looking for committed volunteers with the following qualities to help our food stamp customers navigate through the online application process:

- A "can do" attitude
- Computer savvy
- A patient and caring demeanor

Contact the Department to discuss this opportunity at 352-330-2162 x 5518

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Upcoming Events in Dunnellon

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

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

Property Owners' Association

www.RainbowSpringsPOA.org

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING RESULTS: The accounting firm, Collier, Jernigan & Goedert, P.A. is in the process of compiling the voting results from this year's annual membership meeting. The count was not available as of 1/15/10. Results of the vote for candidates will be posted on the bulletin boards at the Country Club, the Beach and on the POA website www.Rainbowspringspoa.org. Members can also call the POA office at 489-1621 for results.

ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS: 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 1/31/10. A lien process will begin on all properties in March 2010 where the assessments (including the \$15 sign assessment) have not been paid by then. All legal, administrative and lien fees will be added to those accounts in accordance with our covenants.

ENTRANCEWAY SIGNS: The remaining (7) interior signs are scheduled to be installed in February. These are the single sided signs that will be the same color and material as the monument signs. All lighting on the monument signs on the highway should also be completed by then pending permit approvals from Marion County.

SOLICITORS: Security has received several complaints about solicitors in our area. We cannot stop anyone from soliciting door to door on county maintained roads. If you do not want any solicitors coming to your door, you need to post a small "NO SOLICITING" sign on the house near your front door. Those areas on private roads such as Grand Park, Grand Park North, Foxtrace, Boundary and St. Andrews areas can post a NO SOLICITING sign at each entranceway into their area.

POA Cont.-

DEED RESTRICTION ENFORCEMENT: Section 2 on page 14 under "Enforcement" entitles the Association to recover all legal and attorney fees associated with the enforcement of deed restrictions. The Association will contact in writing an owner deemed to be in violation of a restriction and the owner will be given a reasonable amount of time to remedy the problem. If the problem is not resolved during that period, the matter is turned over to our attorney for resolution and all legal fees associated thereafter are charged to the owner in accordance with our documents. The usual minimum charge once our attorney is involved is \$150.00.

VACANT LOTS: Residents are reminded that vacant lots cannot be used to dump branches, etc. on, nor are they to be used to park any vehicles, RV's, boats, etc.

RV's CAMPERS, BOATS, and TRAILERS: Are permitted to be parked in your drive between the garage and street for a maximum of 24 hours only for the purposes of cleaning, loading, etc.

COMMERCIAL OR BUSINESS; Section 13 on page 18 of our Restrictive Covenants states that "No lot shall be used for any commercial or business purpose, including but not limited to a Boarding house". Also restricted is any business where pets (dogs, cats, etc.) are bred and raised for sale.

TREES: Our Deed Restrictions require written ACB approval to remove any tree (other than pine trees) that is over 4" in diameter. Any tree within 10 feet of the home and pine trees of any size may be removed without ACB approval.

Call Marion County for the following: Potholes, DRA blockages, etc., Road Dept., 671-8686; Unleashed dogs, excessive barking, etc., Animal Control, 671-8900, DRA mowings, runoff problems, etc., Engineering, 671-8686.

Call 911 for fire, medical or criminal emergency. Security can be reached at any time on cell phone # 322-0261. If you cannot reach the cell #, leave a message on voice mail and they will call you back. You can also reach the Guard House at 465-9064 and leave a message if they are not there.

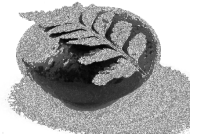
The next regular scheduled monthly Board meeting for the Property Owners' Association is Feb. 9, 2010 at 10:30am in the Dunnellon library.

Please call the POA office (489-1621) for any name, address or telephone # changes. POA office hours are 10am to 2pm Mon. thru Fri.

R.S. Garden Club

Traditionally, February ushers in clear skies, sunshine, and cool temperatures that are ideal for getting outside again. However, based on our December and January weather, anything is possible. Regardless of the weather February is a good month to work on plans for your landscapes while your plants are still dormant.

Alice Kennedy has the perfect project for this time—garden stepping stones. Originally scheduled for our January meeting, Alice will teach us how to make customized stepping stones for our yards and gardens using inexpensive materials and items unique to our homes. She has many in her landscape that she made with relics from Spain and other places where she has traveled. You'll be surprised at the types of materials that make interesting stepping stones for your gardens.



Make plans to attend February's meeting on the 25th at 1:30pm at 7620 S. US Hwy 41 to hear Alice's presentation. (Sandra Marraffino's presentation on the wildlife and aquatic plants of the Rainbow River was the program in January in lieu of Alice's program on stepping stones.)

In late January, more than twenty people participated in each of two guided nature walks through two different new parks in our area. One walk was through the new Woodlands Nature Park on SW 215th Court that was guided by Walt McLellan. The other walk was an interpretive walk through the Blue Run of Dunnellon Park on CR 484 at the bridge. Paul Marraffino organized this walk. Each group has now become the nucleus of informed citizens who will spread the word about the benefits and pleasures of these two new parks and encourage others to experience them as well.

At our February meeting, orders will be taken for logo aprons, polo shirts, tote bags, and baseball caps. Prices, styles, and colors will be displayed at the meeting, and payment must accompany each order.

Join us for a wonderful program, plant of the month, door prizes, 50-50 drawing, and refreshments. Review the bulletin board for minutes of the previous meeting and pictures of new members, door prize winners, and other club activities. See you there!

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

Listings offered by Rainbow Springs Community Realty, Inc.



3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,966 sf la—Priced at \$264,000.
Call Sharon Graley FTA/023



3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,821 sf la—Priced at \$169,000.
Call Janet Pigeon 099/026



2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,489 sf la—Priced at \$135,000.
Call Earl Riis 176/005



2 BR., 2 BA., 2-car Garage, Pool
1,543 sf la—Priced at \$120,000
Call Yulee Commander 132/010



3 Bedroom, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
2,233 sf la—Priced at \$271,300
Call the Sales Office GPN/044



3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
2,046 sf la—Priced at \$189,900
Call Carole Caird E/017



3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,919 sf la—Priced at \$155,000
Call Dave Farrell A/005



2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,556 sf la—Priced at \$169,900
Call Janet Pigeon 161/012



2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2-car Garage
1,218 sf la—Priced at \$198,000
Call Yulee Commander S/005

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News from "Friends of Rainbow Springs State Park"

The Friends of Rainbow Springs State Park, Park volunteers and Park staff present "Cracker Days" on Saturday and Sunday, February 27th and 28th from 9am to 4pm.

The Park becomes home to soap makers, quilters, basketmakers, wood carvers, corn grinders, spinners, wood turners, chair caners and various other crafters and demonstrators. Early Florida trapper Robert Wilson will spin a yarn and explain life in rural Florida before electricity. Terry Stidham from Dudley Farm State Park will be on hand demonstrating the joys of an old fashioned wash day. Musical entertainment will feature Dunnellon's "Shade Tree Pickers" and other wonderful rural musicians. Duke Stoetzer, Dix Stephens, J. Lester Dinkins, Kathy Dobronyi and others will speak on area and state historical subjects.

The azaleas, camellias, red bud and dogwood will be in full bloom making the Park an even lovelier place to spend an "early" Spring day. Admission to the Park is \$2 per person. Additional information can be obtained at the Park or by calling (352)465-8555. <http://www.floridastateparks.org/rainbowsprings>.

R.S. Residents Organization

The 2010 officers and directors of the RSRO are Chuck Gilmore—President; Judy Larsen—Vice-President; Barney Reagan—Treasurer; Wayne Sloan—Secretary; Jill Branch—Director, Social; Maryann Demirjean—Director, Membership; Roz McMurray—Director, Publicity; Jim Reeser—Director Welcome; and Dick Mennera—Director, Past President.

RSRO MONTHLY Board meetings are held the first Wed. of each month at 10:00 am at the County Office on US 41. The March and Nov. meetings will be general meetings, and all meetings are open to the general membership.

Upcoming Social Events:

April 24th—Picnic at The Rainbow River Club. RSRO Members only.

May 1st—The Community Shredder day will be held at the Rainbow Springs Sales office parking lot at 10:00am.

Oct. 15th & 16th—Community Tag Sale.

Fall Festival Dinner Dance scheduled for early Nov. RSRO Members only.

The seminars have been discontinued due to low attendance.

Insert pages for the directory have been mailed with the January Pipeline to correct Publishing errors in the 2009-2010 directory.

Watch our website, the bulletin board at the Country Club, Villager, and local newspapers for further information.

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.

"Back To Our Roots"

By the Christian Women's Club

February is known as the "Month of Love" but it is also the month of Presidents. The Dunnellon Christian's Women's Club, a division of Stonecroft Ministries will be celebrating the birthdays of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

The next meeting will be at 10am on February 24, 2010 at the Rainbow Springs Country Club located at: 19220 S.W. 83rd Place Road, Dunnellon, Florida. Our guest speaker Jo Ayers will be talking on "The Happiest Girl in the USA".

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 February 19th. If not kept, reservations must be honored.

The colors are red, white and blue. So come and join us for a party of great celebration and other special surprises.

Kiwanis Club



The Kiwanis is presenting the 20th Annual Monte Carlo night at the Rainbow Springs Country Club on Saturday, February 20th from 6:30 to 9pm. Tickets are available from any Kiwanis member at \$15.00 each. They may also be purchased at the door that evening. Come on out and enjoy a fun evening while helping the Children of Dunnellon. Remember 100% of the funds earned stays in our community.

The Recycling dumpster has returned for your newspapers and aluminum cans. Kiwanis sponsors this project, and again all proceeds "help the youth".

The Little League pancake breakfast will be held at the American Legion Post on February 27th this year. Our Kiwanis cooks and servers will be there to help Little League. Enjoy a delicious breakfast and help those ballplayers.

Travel News

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Hello, everyone. I have some day trips available and have availability on all of them at the moment. If you are interested in any of them, please give me a call to reserve your seats on the motorcoach. 352-465-5215. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE CLUB TO COME ON ANY OF MY TRIPS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. All Day Trips leave from the Winn Dixie Parking Lot in Dunnellon on Route 41.

Feb. 3rd—A Day in St. Augustine w/ Luncheon at the Famous Columbia House. Price: \$60 p/p. Includes: Luncheon w/ tax & tip, motor coach and driver gratuity. St. Augustine is the nation's oldest city and Columbia House is located in the heart of all the stores and attractions. Come for a relaxing leisurely day, in St. Augustine. Motor coach leaves Winn Dixie at 9:00 am.

Feb. 15th—Hard Rock Casino—Tampa. Leave Winn Dixie at 9:00 am sharp from Winn Dixie. Price: \$30 per person. You receive back: \$25.00 in Free Play and a \$5.00 Meal Voucher. Vegas Style Slots and Blackjack is now here. Fun on the Bus going down with Door Prizes, etc.

April 4th - On the beautiful *Celebrity "Soltice" 7-Night Eastern Caribbean.*

April 17th - *BERMUDA CRUISE on the lovely MSC "POESIA"*. We have a group already booked on this one.

April 27th - May 8th - *HAWAII on the Royal Caribbean "Rhapsody of the Seas"* - 10-Night with \$100 Shipboard Credit.

July 8th - *ALASKA on the MS RYNDAM - Holland America* - 4 Day Land Tour and 7-night cruise.

Let me know where you would like to travel and I can find the right cruise, leisure vacation packages on land, motorcoach or train for you. For any trip above or others contact: Joyce A. Stumpf, Your Travel Coordinator, Villages of Rainbow Springs in Dunnellon, Florida 352-465-5215 or email me at: jaspizazz@aol.com

