

Collier County Government



PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION

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Parks, Pets, Entertainment, Libraries, Senior Programs & General

PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION Calendar of Events January-February 2007

This calendar covers the Collier County Public Libraries, Museums, Parks & Recreation, Domestic Animal Services and Human Services Departments. Please, keep this for your publication's planning.

—IN ORDER BY DATE—

-EVENTS BY DAY (REPEATING)-

Day/Dates: Fridays (Jan.5, 12, 19, 26 and Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23)

Event/Host: PetSmart Pet Adoptions by Collier County Domestic Animal Services

Location: PetSmart at 2255 Pine Ridge Rd. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; \$58 for dogs, \$48 for cats

Info: Head to PetSmart to meet some furry friends from the public animal shelter and adopt! Visit www.colliergov.net/pets.

Contact: 239-530-PETS (7387) **AUDIENCE:** PET INTEREST

-JANUARY EVENTS-

Date: Jan. 2-Apr. 27, 2007 Tuesdays and Fridays

Event/Host: Arthritis Exercise Class by Collier County Parks & Recreation

Location: Golden Gate Aquatics & Fitness Complex at 3300 Santa Barbara Blvd. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 11 a.m.-12 p.m.; \$5 parks fee per class and a \$10 Arthritis Foundation monthly fee

Info: Arthritis Foundation trained instructors teach low or no impact exercise classes for people with arthritis. Visit www.colliergov.net/parks.

Contact: 239-353-7128 **AUDIENCE:** SENIOR

Date: Jan. 6, 2007

Event/Host: DAS Volunteer Orientation

Location: Collier County Domestic Animal Services at 7610 Davis Blvd. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 9 a.m.; Free

Info: Train and then help walk homeless animals, adopt them out and be a playful companion. Visit www.colliergov.net/pets.

Contact: 239-530-PETS (7387) **AUDIENCE:** VOLUNTEER/PET INTEREST

Date: Jan. 7, 2007

Event: Orange Blossom Special 80th Anniversary by the Collier County Museum Department

Location: Naples Depot Museum at 1051 5th Ave. S. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 4 p.m.; Free

Info: On Jan. 7, 1927, the Orange Blossom Special rolled into Naples as the first passenger train. This celebration will feature a 30-minute film about the passenger train and the past of the 1920's.

Contact: 239-262-6525 for general information **AUDIENCE:** HISTORICAL INTERESTS

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-JANUARY EVENTS continued-

Date: Jan. 8-May 31, 2007

Event: **After School Program by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: All Collier County Community Parks: Veterans, Vineyards, Max Hasse, East Naples, Immokalee and the Golden Gate Community Center

Time & Cost: School release time-6 p.m.; \$500 per child without transportation

Info: For kids in grades K-5. Program includes sports, outdoor activities and arts and crafts.

Visit www.colliergov.net/parks.

Contact: 239-254-4000 for general information

AUDIENCE: PARENTS & CHILDREN

Date(s): Jan. 12, Jan. 26, Feb. 2, Feb. 9 and Feb. 23, 2007

Event/Host: **National Bicycle League (NBL) BMX Races by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: Golden Gate Community Center Wheels Skate & BMX Park at 4701 Golden Gate Parkway in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: Registration 6:30-7:30 p.m., First Race 8 p.m.; \$7 for first race, \$5 for second race

Info: An NBL license is required to compete, which costs \$45 per year. Visit www.colliergov.net/parks.

Contact: 239-455-2343

AUDIENCE: ALL AGES

Date: Jan. 12-Feb. 28, 2007

Event: **Celebration of Black History by the Collier County Museum Department**

Location: Naples Depot Museum at 1051 5th Ave. S. in Naples, FLA

Time & Cost: Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Free

Info: The month of January celebrates Martin Luther King's birthday and the history of African American citizens. A special exhibit opens Feb. 1 through March entitled *African American in World War II*.

Contact: 239-262-6525 for information

AUDIENCE: HISTORICAL INTERESTS

Date: Jan. 13, 2007

Event: **Grub and Grog with John O'Kelly by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: North Collier Regional Park Exhibit Hall at 15000 Livingston Rd. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; \$1 per person for the lunch

Info: John O'Kelly brings the 18th century to life in a pirate luncheon, where, if you don't bring silverware, you'll be eating with your hands. Parents loved him last fall, and he returns this winter with more exciting, pirate tales.

Contact: 239-254-4061 to reserve your spot by Jan. 10

AUDIENCE: PARENTS & CHILDREN

Date: January 17, 2007

Event: **Global Warming by the Collier County Library & Museum Departments**

Location: East Naples Branch Library

Time & Cost: 2 p.m., Free entry

Info: David Southall, Collier County Museum's Curator of Education looks at global weather patterns in the context of Geologic history.

Contact: 239-775-5592

AUDIENCE: ALL AGES

Date: January 18, 2007

Event: **The Chronicle of Florida's Jews by the Collier County Library Department**

Location: Headquarters Regional Library

Time & Cost: 2 p.m., Free entry

Info: Narrative slide presentation with Chief Curator of the Jewish Museum of Florida, Marcia Zerivitz, on how Jews were first allowed to live in Florida, how they participate(d) in communities statewide and contributions.

Contact: 239-593-0177

AUDIENCE: HISTORICAL INTERESTS

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-JANUARY EVENTS continued-

Date: Saturdays, Jan. 20 – Feb. 24, March 10 – Apr. 21 & May 5 – June 9

Event: **Puppy Kindergarten by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: Veterans Community Park, 1895 Veterans Park Dr. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 9-10 a.m.; \$80 for a six week session

Info: Your puppy will learn basic obedience that will enable your pet to blend better with the family.

Contact: 239-566-2367 to pre-register for a session

AUDIENCE: PET OWNERS

Date: Jan. 20 – May 6, 2007

Event: **Journey of Light Exhibit by the Collier County Museum**

Location: Collier County Museum of Naples at 3301 E. Tamiami Tr. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Free

Info: A photographer's search for the 'Soul of Florida' by John Moran. Moran captured Florida as it may have appeared to Ponce de Leon and early visitors.

Contact: 239-774-8476 for information

AUDIENCE: HISTORICAL INTERESTS

Date: Jan. 26, 2007

Event: **Fifth Grade Dance by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: East Naples Community Park at 3500 Thomasson Dr. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 6-8 p.m.; \$8 per ticket

Info: Have fun dancing with friends and enjoy pizza and soda.

Contact: 239-793-4414 for information

AUDIENCE: PARENTS & CHILDREN

Date: Jan. 26, 2007

Event: **Parents Night Out by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: Immokalee Community Park at 321 N. First St. in Immokalee, FLA.

Max Hasse Community Park at 3390 Golden Gate Blvd. W. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 6-9 p.m.; \$3 per child

Info: Park staff watches children and provide a fun atmosphere while parents enjoy a night on their own.

Contact: 239-657-4449 (Immokalee) or 239-348-7500 (Max Hasse)

AUDIENCE: PARENTS & CHILDREN

Date: Jan. 27, 2007

Event: **Mother/Son Wacky Olympics by Collier County Parks & Recreation**

Location: Vineyards Community Park at 6231 Arbor Blvd. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 10 a.m.; \$10 per mother/son and \$4 for additional son(s)

Info: Mothers and sons participate in silly relay races.

Contact: 239-353-9669

AUDIENCE: PARENTS & CHILDREN

Date: Jan. 27-28, 2007

Event: **Civil War Encampment by Collier County Museum Department** (EXPANDED THIS YEAR!)

Location: Immokalee Pioneer Museum at 1215 Roberts Ave. in Immokalee, FLA.

Time: Jan. 27 re-enactments at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., Jan. 28 Civil War Cotillion (time to be determined)

Info: An historical skirmish between F.A. Hendry's Confederate Cow Cavalry and Union troops from Ft. Myers. Go back in time and enjoy this unusual historical countryside. The Saturday night Civil War Cotillion will include nearly 200 re-enactors showcasing the attractions and lifestyles of the people who lived during that period.

Contact: 239-658-2466 for information

AUDIENCE: ALL AGES/HISTORICAL INTERESTS

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-FEBRUARY EVENTS-

Date: Month of February

Event: Senior Pet Adoption Discount Month (Feb.)

Location: Collier County Domestic Animal Services at 7610 Davis Blvd. in Naples, FLA.

Time: Mon., Wed. & Fri. 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Tues. & Thurs. 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Info: \$10 Discount is for Collier residents only. Dog adoption will be \$48 and cats \$38 after the discount.

Contact: 239-530-PETS (7387) **AUDIENCE: SENIOR/PET INTEREST**

Date: Month of February

Event: Henehayo – My History by Collier County Museum Department

Location: Collier County Museum of the Everglades at 105 W. Broadway in Everglades City, FLA.

Time & Cost: Tues.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Free entry

Info: Artwork in acrylics, as well as pen and ink sketches by Leroy Henehayo Osceola

Contact: 239-695-0008 **AUDIENCE: HISTORICAL INTERESTS**

Date: Feb. 5, 2007

Event: Ike and Mamie Eisenhower by the Collier County Library Department

Location: Naples Regional Library

Time & Cost: 11 a.m., Free entry

Info: A costumed dramatic portrayal of the lives of Ike and Mamie Eisenhower.

Contact: 239-263-7768 **AUDIENCE: THEATRE/EDUCATION**

Date: Feb. 10, 2007

Event/Host: DAS Volunteer Orientation

Location: Collier County Domestic Animal Services at 7610 Davis Blvd. in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 9 a.m.; Free

Info: Train and then help walk homeless animals, adopt them out and be a playful companion.

Visit www.colliergov.net/pets.

Contact: 239-530-PETS (7387) **AUDIENCE: PET INTEREST**

Date: Feb. 14, 2007

Event/Host: Senior Expo by Collier County Public Services Division

Location: Golden Gate Community Center at 4701 Golden Gate Parkway in Naples, FLA.

Time & Cost: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Free

Info: Includes dozens of vendors such as chiropractors, foot specialists, exercise experts and some free basic health care screenings! Visit www.colliergov.net/parks.

Contact: 239-455-2343 **AUDIENCE: SENIOR**

MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS FESTIVAL FEB. 20-24, 2007 EVENTS

FESTIVAL BY LIBRARY & MUSEUM DEPARTMENTS

Date: Feb. 20, 2007

Event: Afternoon Tea with Marjory Stoneman Douglas

Location: Seafood Depot, Everglades City

Time & Cost: 2-5 p.m., Cost: \$20

Info: An afternoon tea hosted by Marjory Stoneman Douglas as portrayed by Betty Jean Steinhauer, Florida Humanities Council. This is the festival's third year operating and it continues to grow.

Contact: 239-695-0008 **AUDIENCE: EVENT/HISTORICAL INTERESTS**

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-FEBRUARY EVENTS continued-

Date: Feb. 21, 2007

Event: Everglades Guided Boat Tour at Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival

Location: Everglades National Park

Time & Cost: 9 a.m., \$10 Adult, \$5 Child

Info: A guided boat tour of Everglades National Park with a official Park guide.

Contact: 239-695-0008 **AUDIENCE:** EVENT/FAMILY

Date: Feb. 24, 2007

Event: Swamp Country Fair at Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival

Location: McLeod Park, Everglades City

Time & Cost: 11:30 a.m.–5 p.m., Free entry

Info: An old-fashioned country fair featuring performances by the Joe Stem Band and the American Folk Trio, the Otter John Everglades Wild Animal Show, games, food, prizes and fun.

Contact: 239-695-0008 **AUDIENCE:** EVENT/FAMILY

~~-END OF FESTIVAL INFORMATION-~~

Date: Feb. 28, 2007

Event: Human Trafficking in our Backyard by the Collier County Library Department

Location: East Naples Branch Library

Time & Cost: 2 p.m., Free entry

Info: A look at the realities of life as a slave in Southwest Florida and why parents allow their daughters to be sent as slaves – a joint program presented by the FL Coalition on Human Trafficking and Miracles in Action.

Contact: 239-775-5592 **AUDIENCE:** EDUCATION/FAMILY

Questions?

Media may call Camden Smith at 530-5326.

Public should call the contact numbers listed by the event or program.