



HERNANDO COUNTY TOURISM BUREAU
30305 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, FL. 34602

February 2009 Calendar of Events

Presented by the Hernando County Tourism Bureau
352-754-4405 www.naturallyhernando.org

CHINSEGUT NATURE CENTER Open to the public every Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am – 2:00 pm. 352-796-6722
23212 Lake Lindsey Road (CR-476), Brooksville. www.MyFWC.com/Chinsegut

HERNANDO COUNTY ART GO-ROUND: "Art in Public Places" during business hours of 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Monday thru Friday.
12 locations throughout Hernando County featuring local artists:

CITY HALL ART GALLERY - 201 Howell Avenue, Brooksville **RISING SUN CAFÉ** - 10 So. Main Street, Brooksville;
CORTEZ COMMUNITY BANK (2 locations) - 1000 So. Broad Street, Brooksville; 12456 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill
DENTURE CARE CENTER - 18134 Powell Road, (south) Brooksville; **EASY STREET HOME DÉCOR** - 838 E. Jefferson Street, Brooksville
NANETTE'S SPIRIT OF THE HAND GALLERY, 13157 Cortez Blvd. (near Circuit City); **PATIO PARADISE**, 7069 Coastal Blvd. (near Panera Bread);
SUMMIT BROKERAGE SERVICES - 14269 Powell Road, (south) Brooksville
WEST HERNANDO / S.T.FOGGIA BRANCH LIBRARY - 6335 Blackbird Avenue (off SR 50), Spring Hill
WITHLACOOCHIE RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE - 10005 Cortez Blvd., Spring Hill

FARMER'S MARKET -- Every Saturday 8:00 am – 2:00 pm Fresh fruits, vegetables, plants, novelty items. Downtown Historic Brooksville, Main Street in front of the Courthouse. Fresh fruits and vegetables, organic products including chocolate and soaps! www.risingsuncafe.com 352-428-9275

FRI. & SAT. NIGHTS GHOST TOUR 8:00 – 10:00 pm – by Reservation Only Hernando Heritage Museum, 601 Museum Court, Brooksville.

4 HOT DIGGITY BIKE NITE 6:00 pm Coney Island Drive Inn, 1112 E. Jefferson Street, Brooksville. Stop by for great food and fun. www.gotfootlongs.com 352-796-9141

4 - 8 FAMILY MOTORCOACH ASSOCIATION SOUTHEAST AREA RALLY Hernando County Airport, Runway Drive entrance off US 41), Brooksville. Motorcoaches on display, seminars, vendors, concessions. <http://www.fmca.com/> 352-796-0154

6 & 7 "THE FOREIGNER" 8:00 pm Stage West Community Theater, 8390 Forest Oaks Blvd., Spring Hill. Great comedy sure to tickle your funny bone! Tix: \$10.00 www.stagewest.net 352-683-5113

6 COLLECTIBLE ANTIQUES APPRAISAL AND SALES FAIR 8:00 am – 6:00 pm Hernando County Fairgrounds Auditorium, 6436 Broad Street (US 41 South), Brooksville. Door fee: \$5.00 and \$5.00 for each appraisal. Sponsored by Brooksville Woman's Club. (352) 345-4950 or 796-8224

'WINTER WONDERLAND' 5:30 pm Hernando Beach Club, 3145 Flamingo Drive, Hernando Beach. Dinner, entertainment, dancing. Reservations required. Members: \$15.00 Non-members: \$17.00. 352-688-4976

7 BARK ISLAND DAY 8:00 – 10:00 am Alfred McKethan Park (PINE ISLAND), 10800 Pine Island Dr., Spring Hill. Treat your Pooch to some beach fun! Proof of current pet vaccinations required. Free. www.hernandocounty.us/parks_rec 352-754-4031

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"KICK START" PIG ROAST 1:00 – 8:00 pm Spring Hill Moose Lodge, 5214 Mariner Blvd., Spring Hill. Pig roast and barbeque to benefit local charities. Food, music, beer. Tickets: \$12.00 per person. 352-686-5666 or 352-584-5729.

HERNANDO COUNTY BIG DAY AND BIRDATHON A day-long search for birds in the county to help raise funds for Hernando Audubon. Start early and end late, or join in at any time. Contact: Clay Black at 592-4949 to participate. Contact Kristin Wood at 754-6722 to be a sponsor.

ANNUAL CATTLE BARON'S BALL 6:00 pm \$100.00 per person The Palace Grand, 285 Della Court (off US 19), Spring Hill. Dinner, live and silent auction, dancing to the music of "Rebound". Dress: "Denim and Diamonds". Reservations and info: 352-597-6331 (Proceeds benefit American Cancer Society)

VALENTINE DINNER-DANCE 6:30 – 11:30 pm SNPJ Hall / Suncoast Dance Party Center, 13383 County Line Road, Spring Hill. Full course dinner and dancing. Semi-formal dress requested. Members: \$15.00 Non-Members: \$20.00 Tickets: 352-666-5381 or 352-684-7464

8 FREE CONCERT 2:00 pm Brooksville Woman's Club, 131 So. Main Street, Brooksville. Concert featuring local church keyboard and vocal artists. Ballads, jazz and classical selections. Refreshments served after concert. 352-799-9920

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- 12 **"AUSSIE POWERHOUSE"** 7:00 pm (Doors open: 6:30) Brookridge Clubhouse, 8150 Hampton Street, Brooksville. Performance by "Aussie Powerhouse" Greg Bonham, trumpet and vocals presentation. Tickets: \$15.00 each 352-597-4620
- 13 **MASARYKTOWN ANNUAL SWEETHEART DANCE** 8:00 pm – 12:00 midnight Masaryktown Community Center, 539 Lincoln Avenue, Masaryktown. Music will be "Decades of Tunes" by Phil (music requests taken). BYOB set ups available. Tix: \$5.00 – available at Masaryktown Post Office located at 399 Broad St. (US 41) in Masaryktown, Mon – Sat.: 8 – 3:00. Info: 352-397-3758
- 13 & 14 **"THE FOREIGNER"** 8:00 pm Stage West Community Theater, 8390 Forest Oaks Blvd., Spring Hill. Great comedy sure to tickle your funny bone! Tix: \$10.00 www.stagewest.net 352-683-5113
- 13 thru 16 **THE GREAT BACKYARD BIRD COUNT** Stay home and count the birds at your feeders. Contact Linda Vanderveen at 754-9436 or for more details go to www.birdsource.org/gbbc
- VALENTINE DINNER DANCE** Cocktails: 6:00 pm Dinner 7 – 8:00 pm Dancing until 11:00 pm The Wellington Clubhouse, 400 Wexford Blvd., Spring Hill. Tickets: \$25.00 per person. Reservations: 352-666-6888 or 352-688-3889
- 14 **CHINSEGUT 5K RUN AND FUN WALK** 8:30 – 10:30 am Chinsegut Nature Center, 23212 Lake Lindsey Road (CR 476 west of US 41), Brooksville. Cross-country 5K race thru the woods and a 1-mile Fun Walk. Registration required. www.MyFWC.com/Chinsegut 352-754-6722
- FREE CONCERT: BANDSHELL BASH** 4:00 - 8:00 pm Downtown Brooksville, 204 E. Ft. Dade Avenue, Brooksville. A great Valentine show by "Kick". Then take your "sweetheart" to dinner! Bring your chair and find your spot under the majestic oaks! Food & beverage available. www.brooksvillebash.com or www.hernandoarts.org 352-754-4788
- HERNANDO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** 7:30 pm Hernando Performing Arts Center, 700 Bell Avenue, Brooksville. Program: "25 Years of Favorites" including selections from Phantom of the Opera, Lord of the Dance, Apollo 13 and more! Individual tix: \$12.00 Students: \$5.00 www.hernandosymphony.com 352-597-9555
- 15 **"THE FOREIGNER"** 2:00 pm Stage West Community Theater, 8390 Forest Oaks Blvd., Spring Hill. Great comedy sure to tickle your funny bone! Tix: \$10.00 www.stagewest.net 352-683-5113
- 19 **RELAY FOR LIFE CARNIVAL** 4:00 pm– 10:00 pm Chillis, 3021 Commercial Way (US 19), Spring Hill. Rides, food, magic show, craft booths, bake sale, face painting, "bounce house", family fun. Wear "Purple" – win a prize! Information: 352-686-0407.
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- 21 **RELAY FOR LIFE CARNIVAL** 12:00 noon – 11:00 pm Chillis, 3021 Commercial Way (US 19), Spring Hill. Family Day at the Carnival. Rides, food, magic show, craft booths, bake sale, face painting, "bounce house", family fun. Wear "Purple" – win a prize! Information: 352-686-0407.
- **CARICATURE DRAWINGS** 12:00 noon – 8:00 pm Chili's, 3021 Commercial Way (US 19), Spring Hill. Artist Dustin Goolsby is Back by popular demand! Single drawing: \$15.00 Doubles: \$20.00 Tickets and information: 352-686-0407
- HERNANDO AUDUBON WORKDAY AT AHHOCHEE HILL SANCTUARY** Starts at 9:00 a.m. Ahhochee Hill is located at 24268 Lake Lindsey Rd., just east of U.S. 41 and past the fire station. Follow the shaded driveway through the woods. Clean and repair birdhouses in preparation for the upcoming nesting season. Help with trail maintenance or with other sanctuary tasks. Bring a dish to share for lunch. www.hernandoaudubon.org 352-797-3545.
- MARKET ON MAIN STREET** 8:00 am – 2:00 pm Downtown historic Brooksville, Main and Broad Streets. Shop for art, antiques and fresh produce, crafts, and "treasures"! Visit historic Brooksville shops and sites. <http://www.brooksvillebusiness.com/> 352-650-8648
- 21 & 22 **FORMER MERMAIDS SHOW** 12:00 noon (may vary) Weeki Wachee State Park, 6131 Commercial Way (US 19), Weeki Wachee. Enjoy a day at Florida's newest State Park and a great show! Park admission. www.weekiwachee.com 352-596-2062
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- FRANKIE DEE NEW YORK ORCHESTRA** 2:00 – 5:00 pm VFW Post 10209, 14739 Edward R. Noll Road, Spring Hill. Dinner and dancing: \$16.00; dancing only \$10.00. Reservations suggested for dinner. 352-596-6486
- MACHINE GUN SHOOT** 9:30 am – 3:00 pm Hernando Sportsman's Club, then west off US 19 – 9/5 miles north of Weeki Wachee. \$20.00 per shooter. Spectators: \$2.00 admission; Kids under age 15: Free with adult. Food & beverages. www.hernandosportsmansclub.com 352-597-9931
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- 27 **WEEKI WACHEE RIVER CANOE/KAYAK TRIP** Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Hardee's on U.S. 19, just north of State Road 50. Bring lunch, water, snacks. There will be no charge for launching on the river. Trip leaders: Elaine Maywalt: 352- 686-8195 andymaywalt@bellsouth.net or Vera Huckaby, 352-848-5776 - bhuckaby@innet.com