

#### **NCHE: November Newsletter**

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### NCHE Annual Christmas Party

The annual NCHE Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 12, 2008, at Springhill Baptist Church from 9:00 a.m. - noon.

- As usual we will bring unwrapped Christmas gifts to donate to the Nassau County Volunteer Center for needy families.
- I will be taking individual pictures of children for the year book. Think about what you want them to wear (Christmas clothes or not).
- Children pre-school thru 5th grade will be making a craft provided by Shona Shough. Please contact Shona if you are interested

in your child or children participating in the craft activity.

#### csishough@bellsouth.net

- -Children 6th grade and up will play games.
- We will gather for a time of Christmas Caroling and special music provided by Selah Strings.
- -We will end the Christmas festivities by having lunch together.

Please bring a main entree such as sandwiches & chips, meatballs, little smoked sausages, anything you like to eat. Also bring a dessert.

Drinks will be provided.

I hope all of you will plan to attend the Christmas Party. It's one of those events that are pure fun and you don't have to be stressed about preparing something for your child to present. If you have any questions please contact Debbie at <a href="mailto:ddhopper@bellsouth.net">ddhopper@bellsouth.net</a>



225-9160.



### St.Augustine

Come join us as we explore the Ximenez-Fatio House museum and the Florida Alligator Farm. The date for this expedition is Friday, November 14th.

Priday, November 14th.
We will plan to meet at

9 a. m. at the Starbucks at
River City Market Place.
Then we will head south to
the museum at St. Augustine
for a tour of how folks lived
in 1798. The house has been
fully restored with period

furniture, and we will have our very own tour guide who will explain what life was like during that time. After our tour, we will head to the Alligator Farm where we will eat our sack lunches at the picnic area. We will then be treated to an educational talk for our group.

Afterwards, we will be free to explore the farm on our own. The TOTAL cost will be \$10.00 per person; cash

only. This is a substantial savings as admission to the farm is over \$20 for adults. For questions call Kelly Bartchlett (904) 845-7068 or Laura Harwood (904) 225-0121. For more information check out

http://www.ximenezfatiohou se.org:80/ and http://www.alligatorfarm.us / Please R.V.S.P. to Laura by October 30th. The groups will be limited to 35 per group.





### Monthly Activies



Next Iron Sharpens Iron will be January 23, 2009 due to holidays in November and December.

God Bless, Jan Wilson



"Now Autumn's fire burns slowly along the woods."-William Allingham

### **NCHE Tennis**

#### Ages 7 and up.

Mondays from 4-5 PM. Tuesdays from 9-10 AM Older children

Tues. and Thurs. from 5-6 p.m. \$5 per child for a one hour lesson. Please contact Becky LaMere to sign up 225-8361

LaMere6@bellsouth.net

### Christmas Party Information

Our Christmas party is coming up fast and I need a count of who would like to participate in making a craft. This year we have a special treat....

Lowe's has generously donated a wooden craft to build. You may build it at the party then take it home to decorate. We have a memory box which has a clear detachable lid to place memorabilia underneath.

A great gift for a parent or grandparent. We can only get 50 of these

but I can also get an assortment of other craft kits. This will be of no cost to you. Please let me know as soon as you can how many children will attend.

Thank you and God's blessings,

Shona Shough

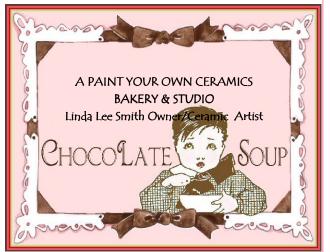
225-3613 csishough@bellsouth.net

The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree: the presence of a happy family all wrapped up in each other. ~Burton

Come join us on November

11th at 1 p.m.; for an hour or more painting ceramic figures, plates, bowls, whatever you like.
Great for the upcoming holiday's for gifts. The average cost runs minimum

7.00 a person. If you are a large family you can purchase one large piece and paint together to bring the cost down.



Located at:

23 South 3rd Street Historic Downtown Fernandina Beach 904-261-7039

Contact Meridith Burkhart for detail and R.S.V.P. by November 7th:

E-mail or call

meridithburkhart@hotmail.com

904.491.3431

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## Holiday's from Around the World!

Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. Timbercreek Plantation Clubhouse State Road 200

Come share your favorite holiday! It could be any holiday from any era. Perhaps something you are studying, want to study, or is a family tradition. Last year there was a state's birthday, Christmas from Laura Ingalls Wilder's book series, the Scottish Hogmanay, Indians, as well as other exciting places and times!

Channel

Let your creative children flourish with what you display, how you dress or artwork representing your holiday choice. The sharing should include a few facts, foods, and someone willing to explain your exhibit to the group. Each holiday will have its own table/exhibit for you to decorate as you deem.

It is fun to learn and rejoice in the many celebrations from around our world. Please attend as a participant or come and share in the experience.

For further information or ideas, please email Karen Harmon, fivepartharmony@bellsouth.net or Kristen Mosco moscos@bellsouth.net

Dec.5<sup>th</sup>. RSVP bν Please call Karen at 225-9516 if you have any questions.



Contact: Michal Tuso E-mail or phone: cakaloopie@aol.com



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The field trip is to the Channel 4 News Station. The tour will take place from 11:30-12:30.

Just wanted to give everyone

an opportunity to plan ahead

for the new year. I have set up

a field trip for

February 4, 2009.

The first half hour (11:30-12:00) is a tour of the jobs in the station. Then the second half hour (12:00-12:30) everyone will get the chance to sit in the studio for a live broadcast. The opportunity is for those 6 years old and up. I think the opportunity sounds like lots of fun.

THE LOCAL STATION

### NCHE Scienc

When: Friday, March 6, 2009

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Where: Springhill Baptist Church

This will be for all ages. You can also show up a little early to set up. If your child does a science project or experiment some time during the school year, save it, or take pictures

of it to display at the science fair. We'll bring snacks and have to time to visit and encourage our children. If you think you're interested in participating, please call

(904) 879-9568 or email me at keithfamily5@windstream.net and let me know. I'll send out reminders and updates as the date gets closer. Thanks, Patty



"Equipped with five senses, man explores the universe around him and calls the adventure Science" -Edwin Hubble

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## NCHE Field Trip/Activity Recognition List 2008-2009

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2. Ardizzoni:

3. Bartchlett: NCHE Family Cookout

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5. Beasley:

6. Beavers: NCHE Family Cookout

7. Birch:

8. Brauda:

9. Broussard:

10. Burkhart:

11. Carey:

12. Cobb:

13. Conrad:

14. Crump:

15. Curtright:

16. Davis: Conner's Corn Maze

17. Dee: Amelia Island Museum of History

18. DiDonato: Newsletter

19. Fouse:

20. Gossett:

21. Graham:

22. Guest:

23. Harmon:

24. Harwood:

25. Henderson:

26. Hodges:

27. Hoit:

 Hopper: Orientation Day, Beach Day, NCHE Family Cookout, Walk for Senator Wise, Game Day I.

29. Howington:

30. John: Okefenokee Adventures

31. Jubin:

32. Kaczmarczyk:

33. Keatnes:

34. Keith:

35. LaMere: Tennis

36. Lindsey:

37. McDonald:

38. Metz:

39. Miller:

40. Mosco: Guitar Lessons

41. Newberry:

42. Pittman L.:

43. Reuter: Mom's Night Out

44. Ross:

45. Rushton: NCHE Website

46. Shough:

47. Taylor:

48. Thornton:

49. Trujillo:

50. Tuso:

51. Van Wager: NCHE Family Cookout

52. Watson:

**53. Wellington:** Youth Volunteer events: Sr. Citizens dinner

54. Whitaker:

55. Wilson: Iron Sharpens Iron





Please send in your field trip photo's to help fill our year book with all these wonderful activities.

You can send them to Debbie Hopper at ddhopper@bellsouth.net

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# STATE PARKS INVITE VISITORS TO ENJOY November EVENTS

JACKSONVILLE - The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Talbot Islands State Parks invite visitors to explore the area's natural environment throughout the month of November.

November programs include:

Archeological Findings Fort George Island Cultural State Park Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00 p.m.

Join Archeologist Keith Ashley for a seminar on local archeology; projects, findings, and interpretation. This seminar will take place at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free.

#### Star Gazing

Fort Clinch State Park Friday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Join Wild Amelia for a look at the stars. The evening will include a star talk and the opportunity to observe the stars up close through telescopes. The program will take place at Fort Clinch State Park. The program fee is \$5.00 per person and no reservations are necessary. Be sure to bring

flashlight and bug spray.

The Florida Park Service is dedicated to providing programs that are accessible to all. Persons with special needs which may limit participation or enjoyment of any program should advise the park in advance so assistance with reasonable accommodations can be provided. For additional information on any of these programs, call the Talbot Islands Ranger Station at (904) 251-2320. For more information about Florida State Parks, visit

www.FloridaStateParks.org.

-Talbot Islands hosts interpretive programs for the entire

# Mom's Night Out

Please come join us for an evening of peace; in the harmonious atmosphere of tranquility at Lanna Thai.



#### Mom's Venture to Thailand!

11/13/08, Thurs 7 p.m.

Lanna Thai Restaurant, FB

Please contact Michele Reuter.

R.S.V.P by 11/12

at 904-225-0707 or email me at itsabeautifullawn@comcast.net

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We Are on the Web!
geocities.com/nassaucountyhomeeducators



Park Day every Thursday at Center Park @ 1:30 p.m.

#### November 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
a.m./12-19 Holi	<b>ives:</b> 12-12 NCF days Around the pens Irons (Due	World/ No Mom				Daylight Saving Time;
2	Tennis 4-5 p.m3	Tennis 9-10 a.m./ Tennis 5-6 p.m.	5	Park Day @ 6 1:30/ Tennis 5-6 p.m.	7	8
9	Tennis 4-5 p.m.	Tennis 9-10 a.m./11 Chocolate Soup @ 1 p.m./ Tennis 5-6 p.m.	12	Park Day @ 13 1:30/Tennis 5-6 p.m./ Mom's Night Out @ 7 p.m.	St. Augustine 14 Trip @ 9 a.m.	15
16	Tennis 4-5 p.m.7	Tennis 9-10 a.m. Tennis 5-6 p.m.	19	Park Day @ 20 1:30/ Tennis 5-6 p.m.	Call Articles i21 for the newslet ter.	22
23/30	Tennis 4-5 p.m.	Tennis 9-10 a.m.  Tennis 5-6 p.m.	26 Re-	Thanksgiving Day	2	29