

Thank You Volunteers!

Loxahatchee River District and River Center Host Volunteer Luncheon



The Loxahatchee River District (LRD) and the Friends of the Loxahatchee River hosted an Appreciation Luncheon at the River Center on Friday, November 5 to honor over 60 volunteers.

School age volunteers were treated to a pizza and ice cream party Friday night.

Bud Howard, Director of Water Resources for the Loxahatchee River District, presented awards to Water

Quality Monitoring volunteers in appreciation of their time and efforts towards the program.

River Center Volunteer Coordinator Melissa Johnson presented a unique array of awards to over 40 volunteers, including the "Great Angler", "Unsung Hero", and "Rising Star" awards.

Each volunteer received an eco-friendly, reusable volunteer bag, as well as a bandana.

The Loxahatchee River District and River Center encourage you to become a

more active volunteer in your local community. We offer a number of regular and special event volunteer opportunities, including river cleanups, water quality testing, education programs, and much more.

For more information about upcoming volunteer opportunities please call the River Center at (561) 743-7123, send an email to Melissa.Johnson@LoxahatcheeRiver.org, or see the Volunteer Roundup section of this newsletter.

Loxahatchee River Photo Contest

The Loxahatchee River District, River Center, and Friends of the Loxahatchee River invite you to participate in the second annual Loxahatchee River Photography Contest!

Photographers are invited to submit their photographic representations of the Loxahatchee River by April 9, 2011. Categories for the 2011 contest include professional, amateur, and under twenty-one.

Professional nature

photographer and contest judge John J. Lopinot will host an Art of Landscape photography workshop January 20 - 22 at the River Center. Proceeds will benefit the River Center.

For more information on the 2011 Loxahatchee River Photo Contest or Art of Landscape workshop please call the River Center at (561) 743-7123 or send an email to Callie.Sharkey@LoxahatcheeRiver.org.

The 2011 River Calendars Are Here!

Pick yours up in the River Center's gift shop today!

LOXAHATCHEE RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

RIVER TIDINGS

THANK YOU!

RIVER CENTER SPONSORS



Solid Waste Authority

Our annual River Center sponsors are recognized on our donor wall at the entrance to the River Center.

Upcoming Events:

- *Sat, Nov 20 - Visit the River Center's booth at the Tequesta Harvest Festival! 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Located in Paradise Park in Tequesta*
- *Thurs & Fri, Nov 25 & 26 - River Center Closed, Enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday!*
- *Fri, Dec 3 - Friends of the Loxahatchee River meeting, Field Trip, Take a 'behind the scenes' tour of the Town of Jupiter's Water Utilities Plant with David Brown, RSVP's required, Call for details*
- *Sun, Dec 12 - View the River Center's float in the annual JTAA Holiday Parade, 12 p.m., Parade route from Center Street north on Alt A1A to Bridge Rd. in Tequesta*

 *Treat friends and family to a 1/2 day kayak rental for the holidays!* 



Pick up a \$70 Jupiter Outdoor Center gift certificate in the River Center's gift shop today! Half of all proceeds from the certificate sales benefit to the River Center.

Going Green Holiday Tips!

- Donate your unused holiday decorations to the River Center! We will use them to decorate the center, during special events, or on our annual Holiday Parade float!

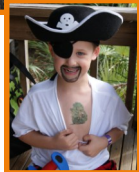
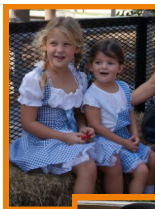


- Reuse empty cereal boxes to hold crafty items around your home, or donate them to the River Center where they will be used in children's crafts.

- Share your treasured books, household items, or decorations as meaningful holiday gifts for your loved ones.

- Donate excess holiday food to a local shelter. To find a shelter near you just visit www.homelessshelterdirectory.org

The River Center hosted its third annual Haunted Hammock Kids Halloween Party on Friday, October 29. Over 600 guests learned about animals found in the river, made crafts, played games, and enjoyed the hay ride, provided by Miniature Dream Party. Volunteers and staff dressed as characters from Peter Pan and entertained visitors with action packed sword fights.



Donate at the River Center!



The River Center is participating as a drop off location during the Marine Corps annual Toys for Tots charity program throughout the 2010 holidays.

Stop by with a new, unwrapped toy or purchase one in the gift shop to donate to this great cause.

20% Off

of your purchase in the River Center's gift shop.



Happy Holidays!

Not applicable with any other discount. Excludes new 2011 River Calendar. Limit one per customer.

Volunteer Roundup

Sat, Dec 11— Help us decorate the River Center's holiday float! 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Call the River Center at (561) 743-7123 or send an email to Melissa.Johnson@Loxahatcheeriver.org for details.

Sun, Dec 12— Volunteer as a Polar Bear, Penguin, or Elf on the River Center's float in the annual JTAA Holiday Parade! Volunteers must sign up in advance. Contact Melissa at the River Center at (561) 743-7123 or send an email to Melissa.Johnson@Loxahatcheeriver.org.

Night on Loxahatchee Committee— With February fast approaching we are looking for volunteers to help plan and create our next annual Night on the Loxahatchee fundraiser event. Please contact Melissa at the River Center by calling 561-743-7123.