

North Counties Resource Guide

<u>County</u>	<u>GS Level and Badge or Journey</u>	<u>Location and Contact Information</u>	<u>Description of Location</u>
Marion	Senior Adventurer	Rainbow River Tubing 352489-3055 352-533-4305 Website	The Rainbow River Tubing is located in Dunnellon, FL. Girls tube down the rainbow river for approximately 4 hours. Kayaking is available as well.
Marion	Brownie Wow Journey	Singing River Tours 352-804-1573 Website	Singing River Tours specializes in eco-tours on a comfortable 40' pontoon boat with the addition of original music. Price: \$15 per person
	Junior Animal Habitats		
Marion	Brownie Painting, Snacks, Potter	Picasso's Palette 352-789-6670 Website	At Picasso's Palette they offer many different art activities. These activities include, Molding clay as well as painting and firing it, painting canvases, and culinary classes.
	Junior Drawing, Simple Meals		
	Cadette New Cuisines		
	Senior Collage, Lacavore		
	Ambassador Dinner Party		

Marion	All Levels First Aid	Marion County Fire Department Mary 352-291-8064	Take a tour of the fire department and learn what it's like to be a fire fighter. See the gear that they have to wear and find out why they wear it.
Marion	Junior Animal Habitats	E.A.R.S (Endangered Animal Rescue Sanctuary) 352-454-6454 Website	EARS is a not-for-profit organization in Citra, FL that exists specifically to provide a permanent home for unwanted and/or abused endangered animals. An EAR also rescues animals that are in need of help. From tiger, lions, cougars, bears and primates...EARS has them all!
Cadette Animal Helpers			
Senior Voice for Animals			
Marion	All Levels First Aid	Ocala Police Department Officer Cynthia Barnes 352-369-7000 Website	Learn about Crime Prevention through activities and summer programs Price: Free
Junior			
Cadette			
Senior			
Ambassador			

Marion	Brownie Pets	Uncle Donald's Farm 352-753-2882 Website	Where else can you milk a goat, pet a bristly pig, touch a chicken, or feed a cow? Since 1980 the family owned farm has allowed visitors to pet and feed a variety of animals and see wildlife up close. Hand feed our beef cattle, watch for llamas and ostriches on the hayride. Adult: \$11.25+ tax Child: \$10.00 + tax Group Rate: (15 or more) \$9.50 each
Marion	All Levels Service Projects	Silver Springs State Park Jeff 352-236-7148 Website	Besides riding on the famous glass bottom boats or visiting the animals, Silver Springs State Park has offered Girl Scouts a special opportunity. Silver Springs State Park has offered to let Girl Scouts come in and conduct service projects as well as camp. If you complete a service project you will receive on free night of camping.
Marion	Brownie Hiker	Ocala National Forest Ruth Lawler 352-546-3576	The Ocala National Forest is the southernmost forest in the continental United States. Take a hike around the world's largest contiguous sand pine scrub forest. The forest has more than 600 lakes, rivers and springs, including three first-magnitude springs where visitors can swim, snorkel and dive in their crystalline waters year-round.
	Junior Camper		
	Cadette Trail Blazing, Trees		
	Senior Adventurer		

Marion	Senior Financing My Future	College of Central Florida 352-854 ext. 1543 Website	Would you like to learn more about attending college? CF offers individual or group campus tours. The visits include information on careers and programs of study, steps to getting started, program requirements, and student life opportunities. Tours are available Monday through Friday during college hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
	Ambassador On My Own		
Marion	Brownie Hiker, Bugs	Rainbow Springs State Park 352-465-8555 Website	Visit the rainbow river head spring, view the waterfalls, walk through the butterfly garden and take a hike on the nature trails. Price: \$2
	Junior Animal Habitats, Flowers		
Pasco	All Levels First Aid	Fire House 37 727-847-2411 ext. 8115	Take a tour of the fire department and learn what it's like to be a fire fighter. See the gear that they have to wear and find out why they wear it.
	Junior		
	Cadette		
	Senior		
	Ambassador		

Pasco	Junior Playing the Past	Pioneer Florida Museum & Village 352-567- 0328 Website	In 1961 old farm equipment was given to the Pasco County Fair Association. This gift provided the incentive for forming the Museum and village. They have 37 vehicles and tools of yesteryear, the main museum which has an addition of a medical room, a one-room school house from Lacoochee, a train engine and much more. The Museum recalls the basic, simple values of our forebears, asserts the dignity of labor and emphasizes the value of craftsmanship. Minimum of 10 people for tour - \$3 a person Reservation made 3 weeks in advance.
Pasco	Brownie Pets	Noah's Ark Farm 727-455-4985	We bring farm fun to you and/or let you come have some fun here! We offer petting zoos, ponies, hay rides, and summer farm camp! Minimum 15 \$10 per child Chaperones free
Pasco	Junior Animal Habitats	Dade City's Wild Things 352-567-9453 Website	Dade City's Wild Things is not like any Zoo you have been to. You will be on an adventure with a guide that brings you closer than ever to some magnificent animals on our guided Sunken Jungle Trek or Jungle Safari Rides, along with options to add on amazing personal encounters with tiger cubs, monkeys, gators, big cat feedings and more.
	Cadette Animal Helpers		
	Senior Voice For Animals		

Citrus	Junior Animal Habitats	Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park Renee 352-628-5343 Website	The Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park offers visitors a rare opportunity to observe Florida's native wildlife in natural settings. Visitors may stroll along the paved trails and boardwalks to see manatees, black bear, bobcats, key deer, alligators, gray fox, otters and cougars at close range. Children 5 & under: Free Children 6-12: \$5 Adults: \$12 (group rates are available for 10 people and over)
	Cadette Animal Helpers		
	Senior Voice for Animals		
Citrus	All Levels Check Calendar for specific events	Floral City Library 352-726-3671 Website	Go to Website to Check for monthly events, Girl Scouts can also do specific events at the library

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Lakes Region Library
352-726-2357
[Website](#)

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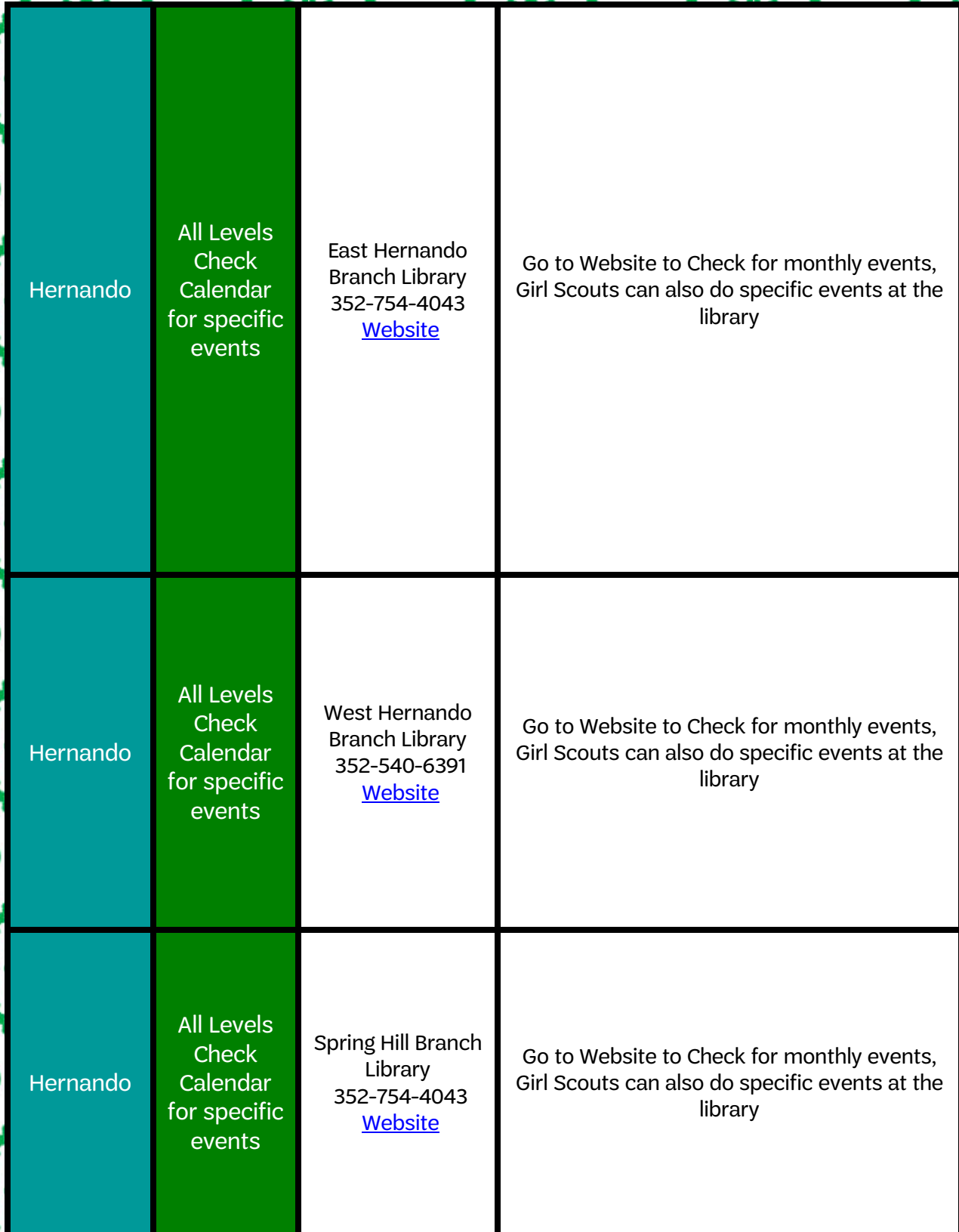
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Citrus	All Levels Check Calendar for specific events	Homosassa Public Library 352-628-5626 Website	Go to Website to Check for monthly events, Girl Scouts can also do specific events at the library
Citrus	All Levels Check Calendar for specific events	Central Ridge Library 352-746-6622 Website	Go to Website to Check for monthly events, Girl Scouts can also do specific events at the library
Citrus	Junior Flowers	Florida Native Plant Society of Citrus County Gail Taylor citrusnps@gmail.com	Meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month January-April and Sept-Nov. Meetings are located in the Crystal River Preserve State Park Visitors Center. Special events are offered through the society contact Gail Taylor for information

Citrus	Senior Financing My Future	College of Central Florida Mathew Giardino 352-476-5982 Website	Would you like to learn more about attending college? CF offers individual or group campus tours. The visits include information on careers and programs of study, steps to getting started, program requirements, and student life opportunities. Tours are available Monday through Friday during college hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
	Ambassador On My Own		
Citrus	Junior Animal Habitats	Three Sisters Springs Board Walk Tour 352-564-8687 Website	River Ventures, now offers the only gateway to access by land to visit the Three Sisters Springs. Located in Citrus County and in the heart of the quaint town of Crystal River is the Three Sisters Springs. It is a complex of three spring areas, with many vents and sand boils that help feed kings bay, and also where many manatees migrate during the winter months Adults \$6 Children under 10 \$4 Crystal River Residents \$3
	Cadette Animal Helpers		
	Senior Voice for Animals		
Citrus	Brownie Pets	Alpaca Magic USA 352-628-0156 Website	Open every day from 10 to 2pm free visits! Go into the pens and get up close and personal with alpacas. Stroll through the gardens for unusual perennials and trees.
	Junior Flowers		
Citrus	Brownie Hiker Bugs	Crystal River Archaeological State Park 352-795-3817	The visitor center/museum features an open captioned video about the tribes that once lived in the area, and houses a collection of artifacts from the site, including arrowheads, pottery, jewelry, stone and bone tools. Open Thursday to Monday 9am-5pm

	Junior Animal Habitats		
Hernando	Brownie Hiker	Chinsegut Nature Center 352-754-6722 Website	The Chinsegut Nature center hosts many educational programs and hikes go to the website to find specific times and dates.
	Cadette Trailblazing		
Hernando	Junior Animal Habitats	Weeki Wachee & Buccaneer Bay 352-592-5656 Website	Weeki Wachee, the only city with live mermaids! Come and watch the mermaid show, the wildlife show or board the river boat cruise. After the shows if you feel like extending the fun visit Buccaneer Bay, Florida's only spring fed waterpark! Adult: \$13.00 Child (6-12): \$8.00
	Cadette Animal Helper		
	Senior Voice for Animals		
Hernando	All Levels Check Calendar for specific events	Main Library Brooksville 352-754-4043 Website	Go to Website to Check for monthly events, Girl Scouts can also do specific events at the library



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Hernando	Brownie Hiker Junior Camper Cadette Trailblazing Senior Adventurer	Withlacoochee State Forest 352-797-4140 Website	Withlacoochee State Forest is currently the third largest state forest in Florida and is divided into several distinct tracts of land. Named one of the "10 Coolest Places you've ever been in North America" by the World Wildlife Fund, Withlacoochee State Forest is a haven for the outdoor enthusiast. Activities include miles of trails for hiking, bicycling, horseback riding and canoeing.
Hernando	Junior Playing the Past	Heritage Museum 352-799-0129 Website	Visit the historic May-Stringer House Museum in Brooksville. The four story home, perched on top of a hill overlooking the city of Brooksville, has over 11,000 artifacts on display. Visitors receive a guided tour by knowledgeable docents lasting 45 minutes to an hour. Be sure to make reservations, open Tuesday thru Saturday noon to 3, \$5 a person for a special treat take a Ghost tour on a Friday or Saturday night by reservation only.

Hernando	Junior Flowers, Gardener	Sweetfields Farm 352-279-0977 Website	Sweetfields Farm is a Seasonal farm and opens up in May and is open from 10am-4pm. In the Spring enjoy the Sunflower Maze, Spring Crops & much more 12 years +: \$9.50 + tax 3-11 years: \$5 + tax
Hernando	Junior Flowers	Nature Coast Botanical Gardens 352-683-9933 Website	If you love gardening, or just want to get away from your daily stresses, you will want to visit our Gardens. 3.5 acres has been transformed into an oasis of beauty and serenity. During daylight hours you can visit the gardens, enjoy the beauty of nature and find tranquility in the middle of the suburban area. The gardens host special events including art and music events and some special environmental programs. Free & open to the public dawn to dusk
Hernando	Daisy Design Your Own	Golden Rainbow Ranch 352-799-5425 Website	Golden Rainbow Ranch offers to do badge and patch programs for girl scouts go to website for different prices. Prices range with Girl Scout badge.
	Brownie Bugs, Pets, Design Your Own		
	Junior Flowers, Gardener, Camper, Animals		
	Cadettes Trees, Animal Helper		
Senior Voice for Animals			

Sumter	Brownie Hiker	Dade Battlefield 352-793-4781 Website	The Society of the Dade Battlefield focuses on increasing public awareness about this historical site and its significance through living history events, nature programs, social functions, educational and recreational activities, festivals, and a reenactment.
	Junior Playing the Past		
	Cadette Trees, Trailblazing		
	Senior Adventurer		
Sumter	Junior Animal Habitat	Florida International Teaching Zoo 352-867-7788 Website	The teaching zoo is a not for profit organization formed to promote the responsible public education through conservative and reproduction of endangered and rare animals. We are open Saturdays & Sundays to the public from 1-5pm Ages 6+: \$6.00
	Cadette Animal Helpers		
	Senior Voice for Animals		
Sumter	Junior Animal Habitat	Florida Bass Conservation Center 352-583-4518 Website	Free self-guided tour of Florida's premier freshwater hatchery. Monday-Friday 9am-3pm
Sumter	Junior Gardener	Center Hill Berry Patch 352-568-8154 Website	Open April - June, call for availability and picking hours.