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DECEMBER 13 AT KELLY PARK 2008 FLO CHAMPIONSHIPS

SANTA DAY IN THE PARK & BOARDWALK OF LIGHTS

*Fun family day with FLO
AND
afterward, meet Santa (4pm to 8pm)*

☑ UPCOMING EVENTS,

(DATES ARE TENTATIVE - CHECK THE WEB PAGE FOR UPDATES)

Nov 08 – Wekiva Springs State park, Longwood

Orlando's poor: 70,000 kids in our metro area.

Did you read this headline? It was in the Orlando Sentinel recently. The article by Jeff Kunerth, Kate Santich, and Vicki McClure goes on to say that "Nearly 70,000 children younger than 18 in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Lake Counties lived in poverty in 2007 – about 33 percent of the region's 211,000 poor people."

If you are one of the fortunate, if you don't have to worry about your next meal, if you are secure in your home, if you know you are going to have a good Christmas, then I am writing to you. Yes, I am begging.

I know the hands are out everywhere you look. Well, the need is great, and let's face it, most of us can spare a few cans of food. Stretch, you will feel great!

Please bring a donation this Saturday, one can or a bag full. Let's fill up two cars with FLO generosity, and show the food bank what Orienteers are like.

OH yeah, there will be great orienteering too! Bob promises tough courses, to prepare you for the State Championships next month.

So do good and feel good. Have a fun time hiking or running in the woods, AND play Santa at the same time.

Dec 13 – Kelly Park, Apopka

2008 FLORIDA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS,

Come enjoy top of the line, challenging orienteering in a great family friendly location. This is the Florida Orienteering Championships, and if you love orienteering, then this is one **don't miss** event.

Later, after resting up, you can bring the kids for milk and cookies with Santa and see the Boardwalk of Lights, courtesy of Orange County and Kelly Park, 4pm to 8pm.

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BECAUSE HUNGER HURTS

FLOs 6TH ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE for FEEDING AMERICA! (Previously 'Second Harvest')

NOVEMBER 8TH AT WEKIVA SPRINGS STATE PARK

Saturday, December 27, 2008, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Winter Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Supper, by Bob Putman

Open to all FLO Members and Guests. FLO will provide plastic ware, plates, soft drinks, cups and ice. BYO Beverage of Choice and maybe enough to share.

The rest is up to you. It always seems to work out well with enough hot plates, cold dishes, salads and desserts. Microwave reheats available.

The evening's Agenda will consist of:

- 1) 6:00 - 7:00 Meet, Greet & Eat
- 2) 7:00 - 9:00 FLO Annual Business meeting. (Meeting Agenda follows)
Reports by officers, 2009 planning and Biennial Election of Officers and Board Members.
- 3) 9:00 - until... Andy throws you out: Billiards, tall tales, finish up the food and sharing of maps from around the world.

SITE: Andy Canelos' house, it's very near Winter Springs if that helps.

Current Board of Directors:

President: Jerry Sirmans
Vice President, Technical: Bob Putnam
Vice President, Administrative: Mike Dempsey
Treasurer: Russ Stienke
Publicity Chair: Ray Bruneau
Maps & Permits Chair: Jonathan Linforth
Board member at Large: Ron Eaglin
Board member at Large: John Ide
Board Member at Large: Joe Maliszewski

It's not required, but might help a little if you could notify Andy or me beforehand that you're planning to attend. Please also notify any Board member if you would like to stand for any Board position in the election.

Note my new home email address, to which you should address responses: putnamsfl@bellsouth.net

Hope to see you there and if that's impossible have a Happy Christmas, New Year, Hanukah, or whatever, Holiday. 🗇

FLO ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA – DEC. 27, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

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ADJOURNMENT – TO GAMES, POOL (AS IN BILLIARDS), DISCUSSION OF MAPS COURSES AND ROUTE CHOICES UNTIL ALL HOURS.

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or

by contacting Mike Dempsey

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news@FloridaOrienteering.org

RE: ADD me to FLO's newsletter e-list

FLO CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2008

Sat - Nov 8 **Wekiwa Springs State Park, Longwood** **CS: Bob Putnam EC: M&M Dempsey**
Courses: W Y O G R ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE – DON'T FORGET YOUR DONATION

From I-4 exit 94 take SR 434 west 1 mile to Wekiva Springs Road. Turn right and go 4.5 miles to the park entrance on your right.

Entry Fee: \$5/Car, \$3 if driver only. Turn left after paying fee and then turn left again to the Youth Camp parking area.

Sat - Dec 13 **Kelly Park, Apopka** **CS: Will Pirnasch, EC: Russ Steinke**
Courses: W Y O G R 2008 Florida State Championships

From I-4 exit 92 follow SR 436 west 6.5 miles and merge into US 441. Continue North (west) for 0.7 miles to center of Apopka. Turn right on 435 (Park Ave/Rock Springs Road). Follow 435 north 5 miles to T-junction, turn right. Park entrance is 0.2 miles.

Entry Fee: \$3 (1 or 2 persons), \$5 (more than 2) (the Santa parade is Dec. 6th, so no conflict; NOTE: Milk & cookies with Santa is 4pm - 8pm)

Sat - Dec 27 **December FLO Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Supper, Winter Springs** **Host: Andy Canelos**
Open to all FLO members and guests.

Located just off Red Bug Road. Contact Andrea to RSVP and for directions: andrea.canelos@siemens.com

FLO CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2009

Sat - Jan 10 **Croom tract, Withlacoochee State Forest** **CS: TBD, EC: TBD**
Courses: W Y O G R

From Orlando. Take SR 50 west 3 miles past US 301 to Croom-Rital Rd (just after pedestrian overpass). Turn right (north) on Croom-Rital Road / CR39 (FR 6). Go approx 6 miles. About 100 yards past parking area #1, keep left at the "Y" road junction. Continue five miles (past Parking Area #2 at intersection of FR 7) to the Tucker Hill Fire Tower. (Parking Area #3 is on Left). **Entry Fee:** \$1 / Person (Honor system)

Sat - Feb 14 **Ocala National Forest, Woodpecker West** **CS: TBD, EC: TBD**
Happy Valentine's Day

Take I-4 exit 103 (SR 46). Go west for 7 miles. Turn right at light onto 46A (north), 5 miles to SR 44. Turn left on 44 (west) and go 4 miles to CR 439. Turn right on 439 (north) all the way to CR 42 (8 miles). Turn left on 42 (west) and go 3.5 miles to SR 19. Turn right (north) onto SR 19. After 5 miles turn right on CR 445 towards Alexandra Springs. Staging area may be on right *, or on FR538 (Turn right after 4 miles)

Entry Fee: None * See web site closer to the event date

Sat - Mar 14 **Moss Park / Split Oak Forest, SE Orlando, FL.** **CS: Will Pirnasch, EC: TBD**
Courses: W Y O G R **See directions above**

Sat - Apr 11 **Rock Springs Run State Reserve, Sanford** **CS: TBD, EC: TBD**
Courses: W Y O G R **See directions above**

Sat - May 9 **Ocala National Forest, Woodpecker Hill** **CS: TBD, EC: TBD**
Courses: W Y O G R **2009 JROTC Championships**

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Sat - Jun 6 **Little Big Econ State Forest, Oviedo** **CS / EC: Bob Putnam**
Courses: W Y O G R

Go 3 miles northeast of Oviedo, on Geneva Road, SR 426. Parking corral is on the right.

Entry Fee: \$1 / Person (Honor system)

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All starts are from 10 AM until 1 PM, unless otherwise noted – RAIN OR SHINE

Pre-registration and membership not required, unless otherwise noted – events are open to ALL

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IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER, JOIN NOW – DON'T MISS AN ISSUE!



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