



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

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Items Contained in the Viva Florida 500 Statewide Time Capsule 2013 – 2015

Enclosed in the Viva Florida 500 statewide time capsule is a combination of digital files and physical items. All digital photographs are contained on one disc, clearly labeled "Digital Photographs." Files within the disc are organized by county.

County: All

Florida's population and general demographic information for 2013.
Material: Paper

County: All

Florida Wildflower Foundation Viva Florida 500 seed packets that were distributed across the state.
Material: Paper/ seeds

County: All

Decals that were distributed to vehicle registrants in 2013 choosing to support the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Manatee fund within the Division of Habitat and Species Conservation Imperiled Species Management Section.
Material: Paper/ vinyl

County: All

24 kt. gold finish limited edition Viva Florida 500 Quincentennial holiday ornament produced by the Florida Governors Mansion Foundation. This ornament was available only for the 2012 and 2013 holidays.
Material: Metal



County: All

Flyer on the Florida Artists Hall of Fame, including a description of the program and all inductees through 2013.

Material: Paper

County: All

Florida Humanities Council's FORUM Magazine
Fall 2011 Vol. XXXV, No. 3 and Fall 2012 Vol. XXXVI, No. 2

In the 2011 issue, read how Spanish explorers and colonists claimed Florida, fought off competitors, established communities and brought lasting cultural influences—and how modern immigrants have added their imprint to our Hispanic legacy.

In the 2012 issue, read about Florida's first people. What were they like? How did they live? What did they believe? Their societies developed on the Florida peninsula for 14,000 years. Why did they vanish after Europeans arrived?

Material: Paper

County: All

A limited-edition Florida Humanities Council poster, signed by acclaimed Florida artist Christopher Still to commemorate Florida's 500th anniversary.

Material: Paper

County: All

First Day of Issue cancellation envelope, coverlet with stamps and commemorative program from La Florida Stamp unveiling in St. Augustine on April 3, 2013.

Material: Paper

County: All

Items produced by the Florida Department of State during 2013:

- 1) The Viva Florida 500 brochure
- 2) A Short History of Florida, from 12,000 years before 2013 to the space shuttle program, which ended in 2011.
- 3) Exploring Florida children's activity book, with historical paintings by artists Christopher Still.
- 4) Florida's Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan, 2013 - 2016

Material: Paper

County: All

Copy of the Official Florida Transportation map from 2013, by VISIT FLORIDA and the Florida Department of Transportation.

Material: Paper

County: All

News article and a bone and hemp cordage necklace donated by Expedition Florida 500 team leader, Justin Riney. This authentic hei matau necklace was given to Mr. Riney by a dear friend for protection during his yearlong Expedition Florida 500. The Maori people of New Zealand believe the hei matau provides safe passage over water. After circumnavigating the coastline on a paddleboard the first half of 2013, and then turning inland to explore many of Florida's freshwater ecosystems, he believes the necklace has done its job and should be respectfully retired within the Viva Florida 500 time capsule.
Material: Paper and Bone/ Hemp

County: All

DVD video of a documentary produced for the Viva Florida 500 commemoration. This program was shown across the state in spring 2013 and has become available for schools and general use to share the history and heritage of Florida from 12,000 years before and through to 2013.
Material: DVD disc

County: All

Great Seal of the State of Florida lapel pin.
Material: Metal

County: All

2013 Class of Great Floridians brochure.
Material: Paper

County: All

"The Next 100 Years," a book by George Friedman. Also includes a note from 2013 Speaker of the House Will Weatherford
Material: Paper

County: All

Florida Department of Agriculture Commemorative Coin, submitted by Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam
Material: Metal

County: All

President of the Florida Senate entry of Chapter 2013-36 Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 2 "An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.312, FS." Also a challenge coin with the seal of the Florida Senate.
Material: Paper/ metal

County: All

Documents relating to Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater's leadership as Senate President (2009-2010).

1) Address and remarks at the time that Florida citizens faced one of the most dramatic economic collapses in recent history.

2) Senate Bill 6E - Relating to Biomedical Research Institution, from The Office of Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater.

Material: Paper

County: All

Documents submitted by the Office of the Florida Attorney General relating to healthcare reform that came into effect during 2013. Items titled: "Brief of State Petitioners on Medicaid," January 10, 2012 and "Brief for State Respondents on the Minimum Coverage Provision," February 6, 2012.

Material: Paper

County: All

Proclamation announcing Viva Florida 500 from the Florida Cabinet. Presented by the Office of Florida Governor Rick Scott.

Material: Paper

County: All

2013 Great Floridian Award for Juan Ponce de León. Presented by the Office of Florida Governor Rick Scott.

Material: Glass

County: All

2013 Special Edition of Florida Travel and Life from VISIT FLORIDA.

Material: Paper

County: Alachua

Information regarding Alachua County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information.

Material: Paper

County: Baker

A 2013 library card and information brochure describing how the Emily Taber Public Library was started.

Material: Plastic/ paper

County: Bay

Centennial Coin of Bay County, 1913-2013 presented by the Historical Society of Bay County and a bag of the world renowned "sugar" sand from a Bay County beach.
Material: Metal/ sand

County: Bradford

Photograph from the Thundering Drums Native Gathering 2013 showing First Nations drummers and staff taking some family time to relax and just enjoy being together.
Material: Digital photograph

County: Brevard

Photographs showing:

- 1) A sand sculpture from the 2013 Art of Sand Festival in Cape Canaveral
- 2) The concluding performance of an artist residency at Sabal Elementary, Melbourne.
- 3) The spirit of the Brevard Symphony Orchestra photograph titled "Musicians of the Brevard Symphony Orchestra on the Beach!" with violinists pictured (from left to right): Susan Bearden, Bethany Barnhorst Confessore, Jennifer Kitts Guzman. Photo taken at Indian Harbour Beach.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Broward

2013 city calendar celebrating City of Plantation's 60th anniversary as well as photographs from El Galeón's visit in Bahia Mar Marina. Photographs include:

- 1) Unveiling of Guy Harvey T-shirt showing (left to right) Antonio Fins, Dr. Rodriguez Menendez and Steve Stock. Dr. Rodriguez Menendez is a confirmed descendant of Pedro Menendez de Aviles who settled St. Augustine for Spain in 1565. Antonio Fins and Steve Stock are Presidents with the Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation.
- 2) Justin Flippen, Broward County native and Viva Florida 500 project manager with the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau, climbs to the crow's nest of the Viva Florida 500 El Galeón in May 2013 (photograph by Andy Royston).

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Calhoun

The Calhoun County Viva Florida 500 program centered around Chief John Blount, who was an Indian military officer enlisted in the U.S. Army during the Creek and First Seminole Wars. Following his service, the Apalachicola Reservation, known as Blountstown and Spanewadka, was set up just outside of Tallahassee where he led the Apalachicola Band of Indians as Chief John Blount until the removal of 1830 and the final treaty selling the land to the state in 1832. A sculpture by Cliff Leonard was completed and unveiled for permanent display in the foyer at the Blountstown Library. Photograph shows Chief John Blount's Great-Great Granddaughter and sculptor Cliff Leonard.
Material: Digital photograph

County: Charlotte

A music sampler by local musician Jim Morris who sings about Charlotte County and Southwest Florida.

Material: Music Compact Disc

County: Citrus

A brochure about Citrus County from the Citrus County Visitors & Convention Bureau. It tells a great story about the leisure activities that locals and tourist enjoy in the County including the unique temperate springs that keep the manatees coming back each winter making it the site of North America's largest manatee gathering.

Material: Paper brochure

County: Clay

Information regarding Clay County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information.

Material: Paper

County: Collier

A program for the time capsule event held in Collier County which was held on the 90th anniversary of the County. The time capsule will be opened in 2023 on the 100th birthday of the County. Collier County partnered with several area parks (Collier Seminole, Everglades, Big Cypress, Corkscrew Swamp) and organizations (Historical Society, Conservancy, Botanical Garden, Naples Woman's Club, Friends of the Library, Seminole Museum, Collier County Sheriff, Collier County Parks and Recreation, Classic Car Association) and others for the time capsule.

Material: Paper

County: Columbia

Columbia County Public Library 2013 calendar, Celebrating Florida's History and Viva Florida 500.

Material: Paper

County: Desoto

Information regarding Desoto County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information.

Material: Paper

County: Dixie

Dixie County tourism article and photograph showing kayaks along a river in Dixie County.
Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Duval

On April 30, 2012, the French Navy sailed two goélettes (schooners) into downtown Jacksonville to commemorate the 450th anniversary of French Huguenot Captain Jean Ribault's arrival and the beginning of French history in Florida.

The Etoile and Belle Poule picked up VIP guests in Mayport Village, at the mouth of the St. Johns River, then made the 20 nautical mile trip to the Jacksonville Landing. The two schooners received a warm "Welcome on the Water" from Jacksonville residents and city government officials as they docked. The theme of common history and friendship was reinforced by the ships themselves, each flying the U.S. flag alongside their native French tricolor. This photograph shows the Etoile and Belle Poule docked at the Jacksonville Landing. Next to the crew and two Captains (wearing white uniforms) stands (left to right): Honorary French Consul in Jacksonville Francois Kloc, Consul General of France to Miami Gaël de Maisonneuve, Secretary of State Ken Detzner, Mayor of Jacksonville Alvin Brown.

Also included is a return on investment document for the city's investments in the arts in 2013. This brochure is used to advocate for public funding for arts and culture.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Escambia

Photograph of the Viva Florida 500 Spinnaker Sail and pages from the Viva Florida 500 Navy Cup brochure.

Material: Paper

County: Flagler

Photo of a Flagler County beach.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Franklin

News article from the New York Times describing the 2013 water issues documented in the Apalachicola Bay which has led to a fisheries collapse and "water wars" documented nationally. Also a photographic collection showing Apalachicola photographer Richard Bickell's work about "the Last Great Bay," showing Apalachicola's famed oystermen.

Material: Paper

County: Gadsden

Information regarding Gadsden County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information. Also a photograph of the Chattahoochee landing taken in 2013.
Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Gilchrist

The seal of Gilchrist County depicting both its geography and its culture based in farming, timber, and outdoor recreation.

Material: Paper

County: Glades

Brochure from a Viva Florida 500 Exhibit titled "We Were Here," which traveled to several counties in South Florida during 2013, including Glades.

Material: Paper

County: Gulf

Cape San Blas lighthouse documentation regarding the relocation of the physical lighthouse to Port St. Joe. Also photographs showing the devastation to the coastline following Hurricane Isaac in 2012.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Hamilton

Photographs from Florida Folk Festival in White Springs, in May 2013. Artists performed in the Florida Folklife program area include "Kez," a graffiti artist from Jacksonville and Ann Yao, a Heritage Award winner and nationally acclaimed Zheng master. Photographs show:

- 1) Dancers in the Folklife area
- 2) "Kez" writing the Folklife tag, later displayed at the R.A. Gray Building in Tallahassee.
- 3) Secretary of State Ken Detzner and State Folklorist Blaine Waide stand in front of "Kez's" piece hung on the north wall of the R.A. Gray Building lobby, in June 2013.
- 4) Ann Yao playing the Zheng at the 2013 Folk Festival in White Springs.

Material: Digital photographs

County: Hardee

Badge from Hardee County showing the founding date of 1921

Material: Textile

County: Hendry

Resolution number 2013-22 from the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County recognizing 2013 as Florida's 500th anniversary.

Material: Paper

County: Hernando

Florida Library Association 2013 Library of the Year Award poster.

Material: Paper

County: Highlands

In May 2013, Highlands County dedicated its Viva 500 Time Capsule and placed it to be opened in May 2063. Enclosed are a series of photographs depicting the time capsule at center stage of the dedication, being sealed and placed into its resting spot, and of the bronze plaque marking the spot in the Government Center foyer. (Photographs by Jodie Thayer).

Material: Paper

County: Hillsborough County

News article discussing the controversial proposed demolition of the "Bro Bowl" at the Perry Harvey Sr. Park in the City of Tampa. Photograph of the skate park.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Holmes

Holmes County Viva Florida events and photos.

Material: Paper

County: Indian River

National Register Nomination, accepted by the United States Department of the Interior in 2013, for the Treasure Hammock Ranch Farmstead in Vero Beach.

Material: Paper

County: Jackson

1) Information regarding Jackson County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information.

2) Photograph of the Bellamy Bridge, which crosses the Chipola River. The Bellamy Bridge heritage trail opened to the public in 2012. The old iron structure is thought to be haunted and has claimed several lives along the trail. Its history dates back to Marcos Delgado crossing the Chipola River where the bridge stands in 1686. It is also a battle field from the first Seminole War where General Andrew Jackson crossed the Chipola River.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Jefferson

Photographs of the brochure for the 63rd annual Watermelon Festival held in 2013 and a photograph of the Wacissa River in Jefferson County. The Wacissa River was designated by AmericanTrails.org, the worlds' largest online trails resource, as an "Outstanding Florida Waterway." The pristine waters are fed by twelve springs and recreational opportunities abound in the form of swimming, fishing and boating. The diverse array of wildlife that can be encountered includes otters, birds, snakes and alligators.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Lafayette

Lafayette Board of County Commissioners Resolution 2013-4-1-1 Commemorating Florida's 500th anniversary in partnership with the State of Florida.

Material: Paper

County: Lake

Document with a summary and photographs of the City of Eustis 2013 time capsule burial ceremony on December 5, 2013, and an outline of the time capsule contents.

Material: Paper

County: Lee

An alphabet cone shell from the beaches of Sanibel.

Material: Shell

County: Leon

- 1) Blended Lives passport and brochure for the 2013 program "A Route in Search of Roots." Blended Lives is a program offered to 4th graders in greater Tallahassee annually. The theme in 2013 was Florida in the Civil War 1860-1865. This passport is used as children visit important historic sites and museums in Tallahassee that partner with the John G. Riley Museum on the Blended Lives program. John G. Riley House Museum and the Florida African-American Heritage Preservation Network also designed and traveled an exhibition with information about 500 years of Black history in Florida.
 - 2) A harmonica, music compact disc and photograph all relating the The Museum of Florida History's staff band. Among other venues, the band plays together at events held at the Florida Department of State.
 - 3) Tallahassee Visitors Guide for 2013.
- Material: Paper/ metal/ music compact disc
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County: Levy

Brochure from Visit Levy County
Material: Paper

County: Liberty

Rick Smith signing copies of his father's book "A Land Remembered," at the Veterans Memorial Civic Center in Bristol, Florida on November 20, 2013 to celebrate Viva Florida 500.
Material: Digital photograph

County: Madison

Resolution 2013-04-17C from the Board of County Commissioners for Madison County, expressing their support of the Viva Florida 500 initiative and recognizing 2013 as the 500 year anniversary.
Material: Paper

County: Manatee County

The Manatee County time capsule sealing ceremony brochure and a Viva Florida 500 program flyer showing the many Viva Florida 500 programs held through the Manatee County Public Library during 2013.
Material: Paper

County: Marion

Information regarding Marion County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information.
Material: Paper

County: Martin

Digital Photographs showing:

- 1) The Indiantown library and community members welcomed a Smithsonian exhibit in October 2013 called Journey Stories. The exhibit depicted how ancestors came to America and explored how these experiences helped shape the identity of our country. The submitted photo was taken by David Opasik at the Journey Stories grand opening on October 19, 2013.
- 2) Photograph from the April 2, 2013, Viva Florida 500 Fiesta at the Town of Jupiter Island showing street side signage used to advertise the Fiesta designed by Town resident Jane Davis Doggett.
- 3) Photograph from the April 2, 2013, Viva Florida 500 Fiesta at the Town of Jupiter Island showing town resident Tim Carew portraying Ponce de Leon and lead the parade in his galleon float.

Material: Digital photographs

County: Miami-Dade

One of the 500 porcelain flowers in the "500" exhibit at Biscayne Nature Center as part of the "500" participatory art project designed for 2013 and Viva Florida 500. Cortada's "500" exhibit at Key Biscayne's Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Preserve included an installation of 500 porcelain sculptures depicting Florida's native wildflowers-- the same ones that grew in our state when Juan Ponce de Leon landed in 1513 and named it "La Florida"--from "flor," the Spanish word for flower. Also includes a postcard about the exhibit.

Material: Ceramic/ digital photograph/ paper

County: Monroe

Song and video produced by Howard Livingston with James Slatter for Key West's 500 Year Celebration and the Viva Florida 500 effort. It hopes to impress Key West as a historically "magical" place that still has plenty of mystery and magic in 2013.

Material: DVD disc

County: Nassau

The Amelia Island Museum of History hosted a Viva Florida 500 Weekend Celebration on September 27 and 28, 2013. The weekend included historic tours of the Old Town Gate by the Amelia Island Genealogical Society, re-enactors depicting Fernandina's Spanish Colonial period, a recreation of a typical lot (or Peonia) as mandated by the Spanish Law of the Indies, Spanish Flamenco dance performance and a presentation on Spanish Colonial Foodways by Cathy Parker. The weekend culminated with a moving Middle Passage Ceremony (pictured) featuring Queen Quet of the Gullah Geechee and honoring the many slaves who died on the journey from Africa to the New World. Also included is a photograph of the sign for the Old Town of Fernandina.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Okaloosa

1) Baker Block Museum--Sheila Moors spins sheep wool on the porch of an 1860's log cabin during the Baker Block Museum's annual Heritage Day on November 2, 2013 in Baker, Florida.

2) A commemorative Viva Florida 500 prize coin from the Okaloosa County Public Library Cooperative, who devised a Heritage Geocache Trail, for which this coin was a prize. Geocaching is a popular outdoor treasure hunt using GPS-enabled devices (Global Positioning Systems) to navigate to a specific set of geographic coordinates. A hidden "cache" at the coordinates contain a log book for finders to sign. Eight caches were hidden near historic points of interest in Okaloosa County; each cache contained a historical question. To earn the prize coin, participants had to find at least 6 of the 8 caches and record the answer to the question on a trail passport, which they would then download from the Internet. Passports were exchanged for prize coins at the six member libraries of the Okaloosa Cooperative.

Material: Digital photograph/ metal

County: Okeechobee

Information regarding Okeechobee County, including 2013 County Commissioners and demographic information as well as important events from 2013.

Material: Paper

County: Orange

1) A front cover of the first edition of the Orange County Public Library Books & Beyond Newsletter and a USB stick containing all 12 issues from 2013. Each month, the newsletter published information about Viva Florida 500 programs offered at the libraries in 2013 as part of the historic milestone.

2) A photograph taken outside the Orange County Administration Center on April 11, 2013. The event celebrated the 500th anniversary of the "discovery" of Florida, where a Viva Florida 500 time capsule was made available for the public to submit items descriptive of everyday life in 2013. In the photograph are Orange County Mayor Teresa Jacobs (center), Orange County Commissioners Pete Clarke, Jennifer Thompson, and Scott Boyd. Also in the photograph are students from the Lake Eola Charter School; Mary Anne Hodel, CEO of the Orange County Library System; Sara Van Arsdel, Executive Director of the Orange County Regional History Center; community representatives Lt. Col. Dennis Freytes (USA Ret.) and Palmira Ubiñas; as well as actors depicting Juan Ponce de Leon and Native American. The children are holding drawings of what they believe life will be like in 2063, the year in which the time capsule will be opened.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Osceola County

Information on the opening of the new West Osceola Branch Library on February 9, 2013.

Material: Paper

County: Palm Beach County

A paper copy of a book created and placed in the Palm Beach County time capsule, to be opened in 2068. The book shares a snapshot of life in the City of West Palm Beach in 2013 and includes a letter from Mayor Jeri Muoio and Library Director Chris Murray. Additionally photographs and a program from various events for Viva Florida 500 in Palm Beach County:

- 1) A mosaic mural created by students at Toussaint L'Ouverture High School for Arts and Social Justice in Delray Beach, together with Haitian youth from Art Creation Foundation For Children in Jacmel Haiti. The mural is an artistic statement of thank you for all of the assistance given by the people of Florida to those of Haiti during times of disaster.
 - 2) Photograph from a special Viva Florida 500 Animal Antics program for children called "They Sailed by Wooden Ships and Explored Florida's Flora & Fauna!" at the Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach. Kids created origami ships and landed them on Florida's East Coast.
 - 3) Picture of Seminole Maroon Descendant, Wallis Hamm Tinnie, Ph.D. taken at Loxahatchee Battlefield during the 175th anniversary Seminole Maroon Commemoration, January 19, 2013. Also includes a commemorative program from this event (paper copy)
- Material: Paper/ digital photographs
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County: Pasco County

Photograph of Rick Smith in front of the Pasco County Library sign advertising his very popular programs about his Father's classic book, "A Land Remembered." Hudson and Dade City were lucky enough to host his multimedia presentation "Florida is a Land Remembered" in October as part of Viva Florida 500.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Pinellas

A DVD with video report of the Viva Florida 500 event for the public with dedication of Pinellas County time capsule staged at Heritage Village, Largo, which is Pinellas County's living history museum. Also, a photograph from the 50th anniversary of Fort De Soto Park, taken May 11, 2013.

Material: Digital photograph/ DVD

County: Polk

Photo of time capsule being sealed and decorated at the Polk History Center in Bartow on September 14, 2013. This time capsule is to be opened in 25 years and contains art work and objects made by Polk County children during summer 2013.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Putnam

Putnam County Proclamation number 2013-21, recognizing and proclaiming 2013 as Florida's 500 year anniversary.

Material: Paper

County: Santa Rosa County

A photo of the items placed in the local time capsule at the Santa Rosa County time capsule sealing ceremony. The ceremony was held at the Jay Historical Society and Museum in Jay on September 19, 2013.

Santa Rosa County is a diverse county with rivers, forests, and beaches and an equally diverse population. Each community was represented in the time capsule to allow future citizens to view their county through the eyes of its current citizens. The items included from the communities are as follows:

Gulf Breeze: Menu items from local restaurants, excerpts from a book about GB, and a flash drive containing photos of the GB/Navarre area

Jay: Cotton bolls to represent agriculture, a piece of metered mail, a flash drive containing photos of the area

Milton: A replica of a canoe representing Milton as the Canoe Capital of Florida, a coin depicting the county seal on one side and Veteran's Memorial on the other, brochures from Blackwater River State Park

Navarre: A small turtle to represent the focus on turtle conservation, a vial of white sand, and photos of the butterfly house located in Navarre

Pace: A lanyard from an elementary school to emphasize the importance of Pace schools, Patches from the Pace Patriots to highlight athletic pride, and a helicopter to represent the military presence in the community

Library Administration: A Santa Rosa County library card, a county directory, a thumb drive containing the items in the collection.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Sarasota

Sarasota County Library staff worked all year with members of the County's Historical Commission on the Viva Florida Time Capsule committee. The conclusion of their hard work came with the ceremony and interment of two Time Capsules (one specifically for flat documents) on Saturday December 14, 2013, at the Historic Spanish Point Visitors Center in Osprey. The program included bagpipers (paying homage to the county's Scottish ancestors) and featured speaker Delilah Wallenda, aerialist, who spoke of the Wallenda family's legacy in the county. Her son, Sarasota county resident Nik Wallenda, captured the world's attention with his crossing of the Grand Canyon in 2013. Nik graciously provided a piece of the cable used in the crossing to be included in the Time Capsule. Pictures from the ceremony included are: Bagpipers, Delilah Wallenda, Time Capsule Capstone, Time Capsule committee members, and a copy of the program from the ceremony.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Seminole

Copy of the book, "Happy Birthday, Florida! (1513-2013)" by writer/illustrator Mary Dall. This book was also chosen to be put in the Seminole County (East Branch) Library Time Capsule in April 2013. This book of fun poetry for children and adults presents much of Florida's flora, fauna, symbols, and attractions in a delightful, refreshing way meant to educate and entertain.

Also included is a digital photograph of an original 18" x 24" oil painting created "en plein air" or on location, by artist Brenda Hofreiter. This painting depicts the last working orange grove on Maitland Boulevard in Seminole County. It shows the vanishing agricultural past of Seminole County's citrus industry and its last vestige.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: St Johns

St Augustine - El Galeon was a unique replica of the 16th Century Spanish galleons. The Viva Florida 500 Voyage brought the breathtaking majesty of a replica Spanish sailing vessel used in early Colonial times to four ports on Florida's east coast in 2013. With information about 16th century European sailing techniques and technology, as well as important Florida history exhibits from the Florida Department of State, El Galeón told the 500 year story since the arrival of Juan Ponce de León on the eastern shore of Florida.

Photographs show:

- 1) Secretary of State Ken Detzner admires the official ship name at the St. Augustine Marina.
- 2) (L-R) Secretary of State Ken Detzner; Representative Ronald "Doc" Renuart (district 17, R); Enrique Torres, Fundación Nao Victoria; Glenn Hastings, Executive Director of the St. Johns Tourism Development Council; St. Augustine Mayor Joseph Boles; Dana Ste. Claire, Director of Heritage Tourism and Historic Preservation for the City of St. Augustine; City Manager John Reagan. Aboard El Galeón May 31, 2013.

Photographs from the Ponce de León Celebration from April 6, 2013. Puerto Rican Dancers in the Historic District of St. Augustine.

Photographs from April 2 and 3, 2013 - the official commemoration for "Viva Florida 500 Week:"

- 1) Early morning cannon firing ceremony at Castillo San Marcos (L-R) Attorney General Pam Bondi, Governor Rick Scott, Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater and Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam with reenactors.
- 2) Landing of reenactors, led by Chad Light as Juan Ponce de León.
- 3) Unveiling of the La Florida Stamp (L-R) Florida Secretary of State Ken Detzner, Chad Light (appearing as Ponce de León), United States Postal Service Representative Evelyn Fleming, United States Senator Bill Nelson, Mayor of St. Augustine Joseph Boles, President of Flagler College William Abarre.

Material: Digital photographs

County: St. Lucie

1) Iconic image of Royal Poinsettia tree by Florida Highwayman James Gibson (digital photograph) and information about about entire group of artists included in the canon (paper). The "Florida Highwaymen" is the collective name given to a small group of African American painters from Ft. Pierce, who began painting Florida landscapes in the late 1950s.

2) Commemorative coin from the St. Lucie Centennial in 2005.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs/ metal

County: Sumter

Information about the ribbon cutting ceremony on November 26, 2013 for the Sumter County Historic Courthouse interior and exterior renovation. Beginning in January 2014, the Sumter Board of County Commissioners board meetings will relocate from the Sumter County Government Offices to the historic courtroom. The first meeting to be held at the new location will be January 14, 2014.

Material: Paper

County: Suwannee

Photograph of the Bellamy Road, Charles Spring, which is thought to be a part of the Old Spanish Mission Trail. Also a photograph showing the placemat used during a dinner held for Suwannee County Commissioners in honor of Viva Florida 500.

Material: Digital photograph/ Photographic paper

County: Taylor

Memento from the successful Taylor County Public Library Viva Florida project.

1) A key chain with "Open a Book, Open a Mind, and Open a Future." written on it.

Material: Plastic/ metal

County: The Seminole Tribe of Florida

A challenge coin forged to commemorate the first reenactment of the escape of Polly Parker from a steamship bound for Indian territory in present day Oklahoma. Polly Parker got away from her captors on May 5, 1858, and walked back to Okeechobee where she became a progenitor of some of The Tribe's most important leaders in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. The coin was submitted by Secretary of State Ken Detzner.

Material: Metal

County: Union

Event program and program insert showing time capsule contents for Viva Florida 500 time capsule celebration in Union County on October 1, 2013.

Photographs showing:

- 1) Cakes from Viva Florida 500 celebration, celebrated on Union County's 92nd anniversary
- 2) A display case at Union County Public Library showing time capsule in place and local historical pieces on loan from the Union County Museum.

Material: Paper/ digital photographs

County: Volusia

Four commemorative envelopes affixed with the La Florida Stamp, cancelled on Lighthouse day (April 20, 2013) with a special hand stamp for Ponce Inlet Lighthouse, and a Volusia County lapel pin

Material: Paper/ metal

County: Wakulla

During 2013, a special visit was made by members of The Seminole Tribe of Florida to the San Marcos de Apalache State Park in St. Marks, Wakulla County. The photograph shows Tribal members with State and local officials (L-R) Willie Johns, Tribal Historian; Norman "Skeeter" Bowers, Special Assistant to Chairman James E. Billie; Bobby Henry, Medicine Man; Secretary of State Ken Detzner; Mayor of St. Marks Charles "Chuck" Shields; Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Paul Backhouse; Edna Bowers, Director of Florida State Parks Donald Forgione; Tara Backhouse, Collections Manager for the Ah-Tah-Thi-ki Seminole Indian Museum; Florida Deputy Secretary of State Kerri Post, District Park Manager Rob Lacy; City of St. Marks Manager Zoe Mansfield. Photo by Rachel Basan Porter.

Material: Digital photograph

County: Walton

Resolution 2013-18 from the Walton County Board of County Commissioners designating 2013 as the 500th anniversary of the European discovery of Florida.

Material: Paper

County: Washington

Images showing demolition of the water tower in Chipley on May 21, 2013.

Material: Paper
