

# World Wetlands Day -2012

- <sup>•</sup> Celebrated on 2nd Feb every year.
- <sup>•</sup> 2012 theme : Wetlands and Tourism.
- Marks the adoption of Ramsar Convention on Wetlands- 2 Feb 1971.
- The treaty now covers 474 million acres of wetlands in 160 countries
- Seems to get overshadowed in the U.S. by Groundhog Day!







### **SEEP Educational tour**

Monday, 30 Jan Attended by 90 school children.





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<sup>•</sup> Six stations with 2-3 volunteers at each station.

- · Soils
- Aquatic life
- · Mega Fauna
- Wetland Vegetation
- Water quality
- Wetland walk!
- <sup>.</sup> NATL committee members participated
- Collaboration with wildlife club could mean we could have a live alligator for future tours!



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## **Upcoming Activities**

Spring Clean up – Tumblin Creek <sup>.</sup> Date – Feb 25

**Invited Speaker – Mar 1** 

 Chris Bird, Director, Alachua County Environmental Protection Dept.

**Maintenance Day – SEEP maintenance** 

Date – Mar 24



# **Upcoming Activities**

Field Trips – Camping trip to O' Leno State park

<sup>.</sup> Date – Mar 30-31

Volunteering with Alachua County Environmental
Protection Department during Spring Festival

Spring Fund raiser – Earth Day, 22 April - 2012

- · Cypress Sale
- <sup>.</sup> Fundraiser committee

Tentative

**Tree planting activity** 

- <sup>.</sup> Cedar Key Living shoreline project
- <sup>·</sup> Current Problems Inc. Plant a pond