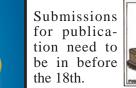
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#### **SERVING PORT ST. JOHN & CANAVERAL GROVES**

INTRODUCING THE SPACE COAST PANTHERS

The Port St. John Rockets are now the Space Coast Panthers! Our new colors are Electric Green, Black and White. Only the name and colors have changed. We are growing bigger and better each year, providing youth football and cheerleading to all of our surrounding neighbors, families and friends since 1993. We have changed our name to represent all of the families within our league. Our athletes come from many cities, our fields are not in Port St. John and they are named "Space Coast Communities Sports Complex." We renamed because we wanted to show we are united as a league from the Space Coast and not just one specific neighborhood/ city. Please join us for this upcoming season of Space Coast Panthers Football & Cheerleading and become one of the family!

**NFL Coed Flag:** Our Spring season has come to an end and what an amazing season it was! We had some very talented athletes participate and shine during the past three months. Our registration grew from 2015, which required us to add



on four more teams - just under 200 players on 20 teams and a ton of volunteers to make it all work. We couldn't do it without the support of all the parents, grandparents, neighbors and other fans that came out to our practices and games. Hats off to the coaches, too – not only for taking on a team (or two), but also for refereeing games throughout the season, too. Keep your eyes open for another season of NFL Coed Flag Football in the Spring of 2017.

**2016 Fall Season:** Registration is underway for our fall season! This season is for tackle football (ages 6-14), flag football (ages 4-6) and cheerleading (ages 3-15). We will not be holding as many live dates as in previous years, but they

will be advertised on our Facebook page – so be sure you are a "friend" so you stay updated on all the details. We are encouraging as many as possible to register online as it is offers a streamlined process for everyone involved. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to any member of our Board of Directors. Current registration fees are \$60 for flag football and cheerleading - this division does not travel - and \$90 for our tackle football and cheerleading. There are multi-child discounts offered and payment plans, too. Register today before the late registration fees are assessed. Coaches will reach out mid- to late June. Practices will begin in July. Games will begin in August.

**Volunteers Needed:** We are accepting applications for volunteers looking to make the difference in the life of a child. If you are interested in coaching or supporting a team in any capacity, now is the time to speak with a board member and get your completed application in.

~ continued after Good Day



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## **PSJ Community Center Schedule - June, 2016**

The center is open Mondays–Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Schedule is subject to change. For latest information or to register, call 633-1904.

#### **Mondays** – Fridays

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#### Mondays

Outside Basketball, 4-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6-8 p.m. Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m.

#### **Tuesdays**

Outside Basketball, 4-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6-8 p.m. Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m.

#### Wednesdays

Senior Billiards, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Outside Basketball, 1-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6-8 p.m. Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m. Kenpo Karate, 7–8 p.m.

#### Thursdays

Outside Basketball, 1-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 4-8 p.m.

### Fridays

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**Good Day!** by Maureen Rupe **Right to clean air and water, and lands free of pollutants.** 

The Brevard County Charter is basically our county's constitution. It is the rules that will guide the county on how government is run in our county. It takes precedence as long as it doesn't conflict with the Florida or United States Constitution. I am on the 2016/2017 Brevard County Charter Commission; a 15-member body tasked with looking at possible changes to improve the Brevard Charter brought forth by citizens of Brevard County.

As mentioned last month, I proposed a charter amendment on the right of Brevard citizens to clean air and water, and lands free of pollutants. The Brevard County Commission, for the past 30 years, have ignored the warning signs; they should have banned septic and fertilizers with nitrogen and phosphorus near water bodies. It would have been relatively easy.

As it is, we are facing a dying lagoon. During discussion, I stated I was open to word changes



if the message was the same. It was not meant for the Brevard County Commission to bear any monetary burden, but for the County Commission to become a champion for the Lagoon, involved in saving it's life; something we have never had, a champion to discuss with our legislators the fact they have responsibilities. For example, our legislature passed an inspection for septic tanks and repealed it 2 years later. The legislature six years ago passed a law that septic tank sludge could no longer just dump on the land, but allowed six years to arrange new process. Six years later there is still no process in place and the septic pump out industry spent the last six years trying to repeal that law.

It's not like this is a new subject. Orange County's Charter states in section 704, "(2) protecting the environment by prohibiting or regulating air or water pollution, ..." Volusia County Charter states in Section 202.2, Security of Citizens' Property Rights "(3) Abuse the environment. The county shall not permit the development or use of land or the commission of other acts by persons,



partnerships or corporations which will tend to destroy or have a substantially adverse effect on the environment of the county. Such destruction or adverse effects may include any or all of the following. (a) Pollution of the air, land or water by foreign substances, including noxious liquids, gases or solid wastes. (b) Pollution of the air, land or water by the creation of potentially harmful conditions therein, including the creation of unnecessarily injurious heat, noise or odor. What is wrong with either of these approaches?

The right of Brevard Citizens to clean air and water, and lands free of pollutants - It's a simple statement that everyone agrees with. As for my suggested amendment to the Charter, the proposal failed 14 to 1. I was the one. Is this an extension of some people's concern, not for the lagoon, but for business and economic reasons? Everyone who is thinking of their own affairs are not really concerned about the river. You cannot be politically right, if it is morally wrong. I guarantee if this was on the ballot, it would have passed. ICh.70-966, Laws of Florida (Sp. Acts) Art. II, '





202; Res. No. 86-136, Amend. No. 1, 9-18-86) Land Purchased with MSTU Funds

The next amendment I submitted was the "Sale or Transfer of Ownership of Land Purchased with MSTU Funds." This amendment had Port St. John and Canaveral Groves' future in mind, as discussions on fixing our roads have suggested the county sell or lease properties. This amendment would have prevented that from happening. Their discussing on selling/ leasing county property could lead to selling our Community Center, Fay Lake Park and the Space Coast Sports Complex. Besides continuing to pay funding for the North Brevard Parks and Recreation, we chose to tax ourselves to purchases these properties and continue to do so, paying to maintain those properties. The County Attorney states this is completely legal.

Environmentally Endangered Lands were purchased with MSTU funds. Brevard County residents voted twice to keep EELs purchases going. Selling EEL property has been discussed at the Brevard County Commission, but was dropped





as the majority of the properties are co-owned by the state of Florida, so besides coordination, the county would not receive all sale funds.

During discussion, it was mentioned my amendment didn't mention limitations on how votes would be conducted, and I stated I could amend it to ensure the area voting to purchase the property would vote on the property's sale or lease. This amendment was turned down by the majority of the Commission. The primary argument, which was ridiculous, was what if we have an emergency. The County Commission had to have ways to raise funds. If the county commission needed to raise funds in an emergency, selling property would be the least beneficial, as the County Commission could only raise pennies on the dollar on any property in an emergency situation.

Another reason brought up was that the county owns too much property now, but if getting rid of property, why land already receiving funds to pay for maintenance? It would make more sense to sell the County Commission Chambers instead



of any of our parks.

"It is not enough to do your best; you must succeed in the necessary. "– Winston Churchill Reference:

http://www.brevardcounty.us/CountyCommission/CountyCharter/ReviewCommission

## Florida proposing more Benzene in our water

According to the thinkprogress.org website May 16, 2016 article by Natasha Geiling, titled "Florida Proposes Tripling Amount Of Benzene That Can Be Polluted Into State Waters," Florida is proposing raising the limit on the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to triple the amount of benzene allowed in our rivers and lakes. According to the article, "The DEP's proposal to raise allowable levels of benzene -- often found in fracking waste water -- has led some environmentalists to accuse the DEP of revising the standards to help make Florida a more attractive location for fracking companies." The article said Fracking has been debated a lot lately,

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#### Good Day, cont.

with Brevard County even banning fracking. This year, the Florida Legislature tried to pass a bill allowing fracking any place in Florida as early as 2017, and would have prevented any local bans on fracking. Luckily, the bill was killed by the Florida Senate.

The article quoted the following at a recent public hearing on the subject: "The DEP should be pushing for even more stringent criteria than what we have now rather than trying to weaken them," Dr. Ron Saff, a Tallahassee allergist and immunologist, said during the workshop. "Your job is to protect Floridians, not to poison us."

Reference:

http://thinkprogress.org/climate/2016/05/16/3778625/florida-toxic-waterstandards/

#### **Illegal Gopher Tortoise Burial**

Titusville who was extremely upset. He lived near some new construction and had watched the developer bury alive some Gopher Tortoises, then place a house on it. Even the land next to the house had Gopher Tortoises buried on it. He said Fish and Wildlife told him they would meet

him at the site. Someone had told him to call me.

I called the City of Titusville Council members and they told the City Planner to attend at the site. Fish & Wildlife told the man if he saw such a thing again to immediately call the police, as it is illegal. The suffering of these tortoises is immense, as it takes up to six months for them to suffocate.

If anyone sees construction starting on sandy scrub near you, please call Fish & Wildlife. Some developers do not want to pay to relocate tortoises, which can be hefty if a lot of tortoises are on the property as each tortoise has a burrow of its own. The Gopher Tortoise is also a Keystone Species, which means during times of wildfires or hurricanes, other species will use their burrows to survive, including snakes, mice and some endangered animals.

Sorry, but my article this month is not as long. Last week, I had a call from a gentleman in I fell and broke my arm and my nose. Not good. It has given me a new admiration for the disabled. Some are a lot more afflicted than myself and I am healing.

> Cheerio. Maureen rupe32927@earthlink.net

#### **Space Coast Panthers, cont.**

That way you will be approved and ready to go when our season begins in July.

Also, we still have a few open positions on our Board of Directors. If you want to have a vote on how things are decided for the league, we invite you to GET INVOLVED!!

Business Partners Wanted: Need to receive substantial exposure for your business? Want to make a positive impact on the youth in our community? Could you benefit from a tax deduction? We love our sponsors and the continued support they give our league. Without our sponsors, what we continue to do for our community wouldn't be possible. We are always accepting new Business Partners and we have a plan to meet your needs! We also have some new opportunities this year – so inquire today! Sponsorship forms are available online, www.spacecoastpanthers. org. Contact Kenneth Dean via email for more information; sponsors@spacecoastpanthers.org.

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#### **Progress For Port St.** John Neighborhood **Crime Watch**

Neighborhood Watch has merged its Facebook pages. We have combined our efforts to provide accurate reports that affect our area. We have

added a public site to inform the general public who are not active members of the official watch group, who meets monthly.

The appointed admins of the original page have allowed the page owner back on the page due to pressure by active members. However, since they won't agree to put the owner and National Chair of their group page as admin, as requested, you'll find there are still two Watch pages in our area. They have no excuse not to add her back on as admin at this point. Other cells may be cropping up, but we ask the public to utilize our site to consolidate its members to get an accurate count of members and areas of concern.

We have a National Chairperson, BCSO Liaison, Secretary, Public Spokesperson, and News



Reporter. For more information or to become an active member, join us on Facebook or email us at psjnhc@gmail.com.

Don't forget the sunscreen on outings, and safeguard your swimming pool, if you have one. We urge everyone to LOCK IT OR LOSE IT! -Neighbor Nell



Support the Space Coast High School Vipers Marching Band by doing something terrific: Eat a pizza from Troy's Pizzeria on Tuesday night. Here's how it works:

Every Tuesday Troy's will donate 15% of the total sales that have Vipers Marching Band on them. You can eat in or take it home. Please make sure to say Vipers Marching Band. Without that, they will not add your order as part of the donation.

Troy's Pizzeria is at 3720 Curtis Blvd. Their phone number is 321-877-4601.



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## **Martin Anderson Senior Center Dances**



Martin Andersen Senior Center, 1025 S. Florida Ave., Rockledge, will host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday, May 14th. Doors

open at 7 p.m. and dancing begins at 7:30 p.m., ends at 10:30 p.m. Free snacks, BYOB. Music will be provided by Janice and Rene. The cost is \$6; \$5 for members.

Martin Andersen Senior Center will host a Singles/Couples Dance on Saturday, May 28th. Doors open at 7 p.m. and dancing begins at 7:30 p.m., ends at 10:30 p.m. Free snacks, BYOB. Music will be provided by Janice and Rene. The cost is \$6; \$5 for members. Call Martin Andersen Senior Center at 321-631-7556 for more information.

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#### Monthly Tax Update

You may be tempted to forget all about your taxes since you've filed your tax return. But, you now need to start thinking about your taxes for return and supporting records in a safe place. If this year. If you start your tax planning now, you may avoid a tax surprise. Here are some IRS tips to give you a leg up on next year's taxes:

Take action when life changes occur. Some life events can change the amount of tax you pay. This would include a change in jobs, marital status, birth of a child, family members move in with you, retirement or possibly disability. If it happens, you may need to change the amount of tax withheld from your pay. To do that, file a new Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, with your employer or if self employed, make adjustments to your estimated tax payments.

You may also need to report changes in circumstances to the Health Insurance Marketplace. If you enrolled for insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace in 2016, you should report these changes in circumstances when they happen. Report life events such as the ones previously mentioned to help you avoid

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getting too much or too little financial assistance in advance.

Keep your records safe. Put your 2015 tax you ever need your tax return or records, it will be easy for you to get them. For example, you may need a copy of your tax return if you apply for a home loan or financial aid. You should also use your tax return as a guide when you do your taxes next year.

Stay organized. Make tax time easier. Have your family put tax records in the same place during the year. That way, you won't have to search for misplaced records when you file next year. Also, start shopping for a tax preparer and hire a tax preparer to help you with tax planning. Be sure to choose your tax preparer wisely. Use the Directory of Tax Return Preparers tool on IRS.gov to find tax preparers in your area with the credentials and qualifications that you prefer.

Evaluate if you're able to itemize your deductions or not. If you claim a standard deduction on your tax return, you may be able to lower your taxes if you itemize deductions instead.

Always stay informed. Subscribe to IRS Tax Tips to get emails about tax law changes, how to save money and much more. You can also get Tax Tips on IRS.gov or IRS2Go, the IRS mobile

app to receive tax information that will broaden your tax knowledge. Early planning may pay off with savings when you file your taxes next year.

Now, let's give consideration to special tax rules that may apply to some children who receive investment income. The rules may affect the amount of tax and how to report the income. Here are five key points to keep in mind if your child has investment income: Investment income generally includes interest, dividends and capital gains. It also includes other unearned income, such as from a trust. There's a Parent's Tax Rate. If your child's total investment income is more than \$2,000, then your tax rate may apply to part of that income instead of your child's tax rate. See the instructions for Form 8615. Parent's Return may be affected.

You may be able to include your child's investment income on your tax return, if it was less than \$10,000 for the year. If you make this choice, then your child will not have to file his or her own return. See instructions for Form 8814. A Child's return may be required. If your child's investment income was \$10,000 or more in 2016, then the child must file their own return. File Form 8615 with the child's federal tax return.

Finally, your child may be subject to the Net Investment Income Tax and they must file Form



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8615. Use Form 8960, Net Investment Income Tax, to figure this tax.

details and specific assistance in applying the general information in this article may be attained by contacting your tax advisor or our office. Provided by Tracey C. Higginbotham, E.A., (321) 632-5726, a member of the National Society of 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Elks Lodge #1532, 315 Florida Accountants.

### **Parks & Recreation Meeting**

Recreation will hold its next monthly meeting on Federal Tax Code. The club is dedicated to pro-Thursday, June 9, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting moting the visibility and value of the accordion will be held in the Brevard Room at 518 South as a multi-cultural musical instrument in Central Palm Avenue in Titusville. The public is invited to Florida. For more information, contact Rod Hall, attend. For questions, call Jeff Davis at 264-5105. 866-455-2322.

### **Central FL Accordion Club**

The Brevard Chapter of the Central Florida This is a very brief overview. Additional Accordion Club (CFAC) holds its regular meeting the last Sunday of every month. Members and guests are invited to play accordions or other instruments.

> Shows will be held on Sunday, June 26th, Ave, Cocoa. The event is open to the public. Admission is free.

CFAC is a Not-for-Profit Florida Corporation, The North Brevard Commission on Parks and and is tax exempt under Section 501c4 of the



Post 359 - American Legion Riders presents **Bike Days** 

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Information: Jerry or Brenda 616-634-1212. Proceeds from these events benefit Veterans and Veteran's Families. Hop on your bike and come on out for a good time.

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#### Rose's Room

Graduation!! Oh My Gawd! It's finally happening! The day we have been dreaming about since that first day in Kindergarten.

The Big Guy has blessed me with five such ecstatic events in years past for my own offspring, and in recent times almost one a year for their offspring.

There were many recollections both wonderful and terrifying...The first born raising her diploma in a victory salute specifically made to encourage her younger siblings - tears all around... Second born hiking her gown just a tad to prove she had finally conceded to protocol (difficult for her) and wore a skirt under it - tears all around... The little hop-skip dance step third child just couldn't resist as she took that somber walk - tears all around... Almost perfect student fourth child hiding the thick mane of beautiful hair she is blessed with because she wanted people to look her in the eye and remember her for herself.

Then there was child number five...and the collective breath holding as he did a Jerry Lewis walk across the stage and we could see he actu-

ally did wear pants under the gown - tears all around.

This was the most memorable graduation of the lot, perhaps because it was the last and I felt I had truly done my job to the best of my ability and with just a few words the Brevard County, School Board would close the page on this most important chapter of my life. I also had the audacity to believe the hardest part of raising my brood was over!

Wandering around in my own memory garden waiting for the Dean to get to the P's so my final child could collect that most important piece of paper I tried my best to stifle my copious waterworks. I felt comfortable surrounded by sniffling parents, but I noticed that one lady was truly sobbing and a twinge of sadness hit me for her. I said a short silent prayer asking the Big Guy to ease whatever burden was causing the tears. Then they called her childs name and she stood up... I actually sucked my breath in when I noticed her huge baby bump! I quickly uttered another prayer-of thanks this time.

This month there will once again be many speeches made throughout the land.

Most will begin ,"Always remember ... "

The day my extraordinary granddaughters walked the stage, my own special dissertation began, "Please forget..."

Please forget when you were three weeks old your Gramma painted one of your tiny identical twin fingernails pink and the other twin's fingernail red so she could tell you apart... then forgot who was what color!

Please forget it was Gramma and Grampa who carried you kicking and screaming into the operating room to have tubes inserted in your ears after the doctor appeared in pre-op in full gear and scared the bijeebbers out of you.

Please forget I made you take medicine not believing when you told me it made you "fow up." Then you did.

Please forget the time we were admiring an antique dresser and I told you if you looked in the mirror hard enough, it seemed you might be able to see in the very soul of another little girl who might have stared into the same mirror so long ago, causing you to be so afraid of mirrors you wouldn't go into a room if there was one in sight for months.



Please forget everything anyone has ever done registration.brevardcounty.us. or said that hurt your soul or wounded your heart.

And finally, as life pushes and pulls you down its twisty and bumpy road, once in a while please forget you are a full grown responsible adult with a family, a mortgage and a successful practice. Play hooky once in a while. Head for the beach, spend the whole day building sand castles.

By that time I will be enjoying my twilight years, deemed by some doctor to be too elderly and decrepit to be allowed to live alone.

Please forget I am a crotchety old lady much too stove up and arthritic to be spending hours sitting in the sand, and stop by and pick me up on your way to the beach.

To all Grandparents; please allow this column to be a catalyst for "Please forget" conversations with your grandchildren, graduating or not. You will be pleasantly surprised at the remembrances.

#### **Red Cross Learn To Swim** Classes

Registration is open! Register at the North Brevard Parks & Recreation office, 475 North Williams Ave, Titusville or online at https://

\$45 Red Cross Swim Levels 1-5, 45 minute class (ages 3+); \$35 Parent & Child, 30 minute class (ages 6-36 months). Pricing is per session/5 different sessions.

#### **Session Dates & Time Slots**

May 31st - June 10th 11am, 12pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm

June 13th - June 24th 11am, 12pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm

June 27th - July 8th (No class on July 4th) 10am, 11am, 12pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm

July 11th - July 22nd 10am, 11am, 12pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm

July 25th - August 5th 10am, 11am, 12pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm

For more information or to register Please call 321-264-5105 or email Clifford.Lett@brevardcounty.us.

Also offering Open Swim at Titusville High School pool, 150 S. Terrier Trail, Titusville, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, 1pm-4pm.

June 4th - August 7th, \$2.00 admission.

Private swim lessons: \$25 for 30 minute sessions. Call for times and availability.



#### VBS 2016 - Submerged: Finding Truth Below The Surface

Sunday, June 26 - Thursday, June 30, 6-8:30 p.m., for children 3 years-old through completed 6th grade.

Family Night: Thursday, June 30, 6 pm (all parents need to attend). Hot dog supper provided.

Space is limited so register online now at www.firstbaptistpsj.org or call 321-636-5455 for more information



#### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Alcoholics Anonymous meets in PSJ on Sundays at 5 p.m. and Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at 4797 Curtis Boulevard (St. Patrick's Church). Overeaters Anonymous meets in PSJ on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. at the PSJ Library. Visit oaspacecoast.org for other meeting locations. Nar-Anon: Support group for those affected by someone else's addiction, meets on Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm at 1st United Methodist Church, 825 Forrest Ave., Cocoa www.naranonfl.org.

**Parents Network** meets **every Wednesday**, 10 - 11:30 am at Sunrise Lutheran Church, 4775 Fay Blvd. Call Carol, 633-6312, for info.

**6-1 American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 359,** General Membership Meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month, 7 pm at the Post Home, 7260 S. US 1, just north of PSJ. Call President Valorie Helmer at 321-693-6578.

**6-5 Word Weavers Space Coast**, a critique group for Christian writers, meets the 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at the Central Brevard Library in Cocoa. Visitors are always welcome. Email angelagardnerwrites@gmail.com for info.

#### Important Phone Numbers

| County Commissioner -              | 264-6750    |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sheriff: Non-Emergency -           | 633-7162    |
| Fire Station 26 (Port St. John)    | 633-2056    |
| <b>Emergency Operations Center</b> | 637-6670    |
| Waste Management -                 | 636-6894    |
| Roadway Maintenance -              | 264-5084    |
| SCAT Bus Information -             | 633-1878    |
| Port St. John Library              | 633-1867    |
| PSJ Community Center -             | 633-1904    |
| Florida Power & Light -            | 723-7795    |
| City of Cocoa Water Dept           | 433-8400    |
| Parrish Medical Center             |             |
| Port St. John -                    | 636-9393    |
| Titusville -                       | 268-6111    |
| Atlantis Elementary School -       | 633-6143    |
| Challenger 7 Elementary -          | 636-5801    |
| Enterprise Elementary School       | 633-3434    |
| Fairglen Elementary School -       | 631-1993    |
| Campus Charter School -            | 633-8234    |
| Space Coast Jr/Sr High School      | - 638-0750  |
| Sexual Offender Registry -         |             |
| www3.fdle.state.fl.us/sexual       | _predators/ |
|                                    | -           |

## 6-6 Ramadan Starts

6-7 Compassionate Friends Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. in Cocoa Beach at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 525 Minuteman Cswy. west of A1A, Fellowship Hall. Call 610-7875 for info. 6-8 'Remembering Through Sharing' - a support group for families that have experienced a pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of an infant. Meetings are 7 pm - 8:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Cape Canaveral Medical Plaza, Cape Canaveral Hospital. Call April or Jamie at 321-799-7151 for more info. 6-9 Canaveral Groves Homeowners, Inc. meets on the 2nd Thursday each month. The Board of Directors meets at 7:00, regular meeting at 7:30 PM at the Fellowship Room of Discovery Christian Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy. 6-10 Brevard Women's Connection meets at Rockledge Country Club from 11 am until 1 pm on the second Friday of each month. The program includes a luncheon plus an inspirational speaker. For information, call Mary at 636-4713 or e-mail her at mdean44@cfl.rr.com.

**6-12 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group** meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, at the Cocoa Library. Contact Kevin Kelly at 636-0235 for info.

#### 6-12,13 Shavuot 6-14 Flag Day

**6-15 American Legion Post 359** meets at the Post Home at 7260 S. US 1 in Bellwood, (2 miles north of PSJ), 6:00 PM. All Legionnaires and new members are welcome. The Post meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please contact the Post at 268-1632 for assistance with your membership or information.

**6-17 PSJ Business Connections Luncheon,** sponsored by the Titusville Chamber of Commerce, meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 12:00, PSJ Library on Carole Ave. Call Dennis Watkins at 267-3036.

#### 6-19 Father's Day

6-20 Moonport Modelers RC Club meets at 6:30 pm, 3rd Monday each month at the N. Brevard Library, 2121 S Hopkins Ave., Titusville. For more info, call Wayne Mendez, 505-2361.
6-28 Moonlight Quilters Guild meets at the

North Brevard Library in Titusville, 2121 Hopkins Ave. on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Meet and greet & refreshments at 6:15, meeting at 6:30 usually followed by a program or guest speaker. Call 321-567-5424 for more info.

According to Albert Einstein, if honey bees were to disappear from earth, humans would be dead within 4 years.

**Congratulations to:** Jordan Arthurs turns 30 on the 2nd. **Yvonne Scheiner** turns hotter on the 4th. Lauren Grinstead turns 19 on the 4th. Amy Cole turns 27 on the 6th. Rhonda Bradley turns prettier on the 7th. Jordan Ragan turns 19 on the 7th. Nathan Firth turns 1 on the 8th Kirra Orend turns LEGAL 18 on the 8th. **R.J. Arnone** turns **42** on the 9th. **Drae Robinson** turns **20** on the 10th. Jonathon Benoff turns 14 on the 10th. Robert Owens turns 24 on the 12th Jordan Moran turns 26 on the 13th. Pershing Tank turns 10 on the 14th. Stephen Crawford Jr. turns 12 on the 17th. Lisa Siegel, the blue-haired lady, turns 39 (again) on the 14th. DevonAnthony turns LEGAL18 on the 18th. Holly Strickler turns cuter on the 20th. **Chevenne Wiedman** turns **16** on the 20th. Charles Bertrand turns wilder on the 20th. Doug Robinson turns 39 (again) on the 21st. Archie Williams turns 39 on the 24th. Jasper Niehoff turns 9 on the 25th. Keli McCormack gets spanked on the 25th. Melanie Hannen parties wild on the 27th. Brett Benoff turns cooler on the 27th. Erika Lawhon dances all night on the 28th. Steven Barny turns crazier on the 28th. Trisha Orend is the Party Girl on the 29th. Krystal O'Neill turns more lovely on the 30th. Jill and Bill Hill celebrate 26 on the 2nd. Carl & Debbie Anderson celebrate 22 on the 18th.

Bob & Judie Petrowski celebrate 51 on 19th. We have lots of room for more good news. Fax your inputs to 633-4313 or email to happenings1@bellsouth.net.

### Safety Watchdog The LeapFrog Group Assigns 'A' Grade to Parrish Medical Center



which assign A, B, C, D and F letter grades to hospitals na-

tionwide and provide the most complete picture of patient safety in the U.S. healthcare system, were announced yesterday by The Leapfrog Group, a national patient safety watchdog. Parrish Medical Center (PMC) has again earned its 'A' grade. PMC has earned an 'A' grade for patient safety in every grading period since The LeapFrog initiated the grading system in 2012. This makes PMC one of only 133 hospitals (out of more than 5,000 hospitals) in the nation and one of 15 in the state of Florida to have consistently earned an "A" grade since 2012.

"This latest recognition of our impeccable patient safety record continues to be a reflection of our dedicated team and our unwavering commitment to placing quality and safe care above all else," said George Mikitarian, President/CEO, Parrish Medical Center.

"Avoidable deaths in hospitals should be the number one concern of our healthcare leaders.

Hospital Safety Scores, Hospitals that earn an 'A' from Leapfrog are leaders in saving lives and we commend them and urge their continued vigilance," said Leah Binder, President and CEO of The Leapfrog Group.

Developed under the guidance of Leapfrog's Blue Ribbon Expert Panel, the Hospital Safety Score uses 30 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign A, B, C, D and F grades to more than 2,500 U.S. hospitals twice per year. It is calculated by top patient safety experts, peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. For the first time, the Hospital Safety Score includes five measures of patient-reported experience with the hospital as well as two of the most common infections, Clostridium difficile (C. diff) and MRSA.

To see PMC's full score and to access consumer-friendly tips for patients and loved ones visiting the hospital, visit www.hospitalsafetyscore.org or follow The Hospital Safety Score on Twitter or Facebook. Consumers can also download the free Hospital Safety Score mobile app for Apple and Android devices.

#### **About The Leapfrog Group**

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey collects and transparently reports hospital performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. Hospital Safety Score, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

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The Hospital Safety Score is an elite designation from The Leapfrog Group, an independent nonprofit that sets the highest national standards for patient safety, quality and transparency in healthcare.

Healthcare is a calling—a calling to serve. Unlike any other profession, we are invited and privileged to share in the most profound moments in people's lives. It is this calling that guides our team of Care Partners (employees, physicians, volunteers, and Board of Directors) to earn impeccable patient care and safety results on behalf of the people we serve.



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### **PSJ Housewives Softball**

The Port St. John Housewives Softball League is gearing up for another fun season! Don't let the name fool you...women of all playing abilities are invited to join our league.

As of July 1st, you must be 19 years of age or older. Sign-ups will be on Saturdays and Sundays, May 14th and 15th, and May 21st and 22nd from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Fay Park, east parking lot. Player cost is \$50, which includes 20 softball games, team shirt and end of year party and awards.

The season starts in July and continues through mid-October. Games are on Tuesday and Thursday nights at Fay Park. This is a great way to make friends and get some exercise. You do not have to live in Port St. John to join our league.

We are also accepting applications for sponsors and experienced um-

pires. For more information, call: Shannon Freeland, President, at 321-543-5175; Veronica Ordner, Vice-President, at 321-698-3863; Angie Burris, Treasurer, at 321-480-1052; or Crystal Paul, Secretary, at 321-266-0925.

You can also find us on Facebook www.facebook. com/PSJHSL.





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## Space Coast High School Class of 2016 Project Graduation

On behalf of the entire class of 2016, the Project Graduation committee and members, we would like to thank everyone who volunteered and financially supported Project Graduation.

For those who don't know, Project Graduation is an event held the night of high school graduation to keep the class of 2016 safe. They arrive after their ceremony and participate in various fun activities until the early hours of the morning. We were fortunate enough this year to give away a lot of prizes and raised enough for everyone to go home with a bag of goodies. We could not have pulled off this event without the help of our amazing Port St. John Community. We would like to thank the following businesses that supported us throughout the year.

Ace Hardware Always by the Numbers **Bagel World** BJ's Wholesale Club **Carroll Distributors Chippies Frozen Yogurt** Cracker Barrel **Disney College Program** Dominos Pizza, PSJ Eastern Florida State College Elk's Club, Titusville **Fine Line Printing** First Baptist Church & Thrift Shop PSJ Florida Fresh Grill Gerald Bird Happenings of Port St. John Horizon Mini Storage Jabbers Restaurant Leland's Tree Service McDonald's, PSJ Panda Express Parrish Medical Center Perrine's Produce Publix, PSJ RST Service & Repair Inc. Salvation Army Thrift Store, Titusville Sam's Mart/Shell Shipping Depot Sonny's BBQ, Titusville Space Coast Eagles Aerie #3581 UCF Direct Connect Walter Butler Community Center

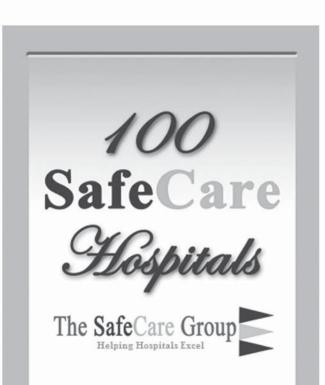
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St. Theresa's Thrift Shop Walgreens: Barna Ave., Titusville

Thank you again from the Space Coast Project Graduation Committee of 2016! We would like to wish the best of luck to the upcoming Project Graduation Class of 2017.

## Safety in numbers.

## Ranked #17 out of the top 100 SafeCare<sup>®</sup> hospitals in the nation.



## We have always put safety first.

The SafeCare Group's 2016 'Top 100 SafeCare Hospitals®' listing named Parrish Medical Center (PMC) — a Parrish Healthcare integrated care partner — one of the country's safest hospitals for the second straight year\*. In 2014, *Consumer Reports* named PMC Florida's safest hospital.

Ratings are based on 40 evidence-based metrics of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' value-based programs, readmissions reduction, and hospital acquired conditions programs.

According to The SafeCare Group, if all U.S. hospitals attained the 100 SafeCare Hospitals<sup>®</sup> level, there would be improvement in the more than 400,000 preventable patient deaths and millions of preventable complications that occur each year. That figure could translate to about 700 preventable deaths in Brevard County annually.

There truly is safety in the numbers.



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\*Based on 2014–2015 statistics

#### **Do I need a fishing license?**

In general, you need a freshwater license to take freshwater fish and a saltwater license to take saltwater fish, unless:

Seniors and children - Children under the age of 16 and FL resident seniors who are 65 or older are not required to purchase most recreational licenses. However, officers may ask exempt children and seniors for proof of age. Seniors should also be prepared to show proof of residency. Nonresident seniors need to have a Florida recreational fishing license and permits, unless fishing with a charter captain from a charter vessel or otherwise properly licensed vessel or from a licensed pier.

Food stamp, temporary cash assistance, or Medicaid recipients - The "food stamp" exemption only applies to Florida residents who are saltwater fishing from the shore or a structure attached to the shore. It does not apply to freshwater fishing or to saltwater fishing from a vessel or when swimming or diving.

Obviously if you are fishing in pure fresh water where no saltwater species live, you need a freshwater license and likewise if you are fishing in the ocean you need a saltwater license.

However, when you get into estuarine type areas where salt and fresh water commingle and fish of both types can be found the issue becomes less clear. The interpretation of the rule is:

1. You need either a freshwater, saltwater or combination license (or appropriate exemption) to take fish (take is legally defined as taking, attempting to take, pursuing, molesting, capturing, or killing any fish, or their nests or eggs by any means whether or not such actions result in



obtaining possession of such fish or their nests or eggs).

2. If you are using species specific gear, your license should be appropriate (e.g., freshwater or saltwater) to the species you are targeting, and

3. Annual recreational fishing licenses expire one year from the date issued. The expiration date is printed on all the licenses.

Otherwise you need an appropriate type license to keep your catch and must immediately release any species for which you are not licensed. License requirements follow the species of fish, regardless of where they are caught. In other words, if you only have a freshwater license and are primarily fishing for largemouth bass or bream (freshwater species) in a river, but happen to catch a red drum (a saltwater species), you must immediately release the red drum.

You can get more information on state requirements at myfwc.com, and lots of good information on fishing and boating at www.takemefishing.org. You can get a recreational fishing license online or at most bait shops or sporting goods stores and departments.

#### **Classified Ads**

**BE YOUR OWN BOSS!** Salon chair available for rent, 1-3 days a week. Call 321-302-1335. **16' CARGO TRAILER** - 7' wide, insulated walls, sink with exterior drain, water heater, cabinets and AC for camping. \$3,500. 321-863-7499. **Classified Section** - \$5.00 per line - approximately 45 characters per line (including spaces). All classified ads must be paid in advance. Ads must be submitted in writing no later than the 18<sup>th</sup> of the month for publication the following month. Happenings reserves the right to reject any advertisements not meeting its standards. Liability for errors shall not exceed the cost of the ad.

#### Children's Summer Reading Program

at Port St. John Library *"On Your Mark, Get Set....Read"* Thursdays, June 2nd through July 28th at

3:30 pm - 1st grade & up, special programs.
Crafts June 16th and 30th. Sign up 1 week prior for crafts.
Story time for preschoolers on Fridays, 10:30 am. Teens and adults - Summer Book Bingo

starts June 1st. See the Events Calendar for specifics.

Sponsored by the Friends of the PSJ Public Library

#### Port St. John Public Library June Calendar of Events (321) 633-1867

Mon., Tues., Fri., 9 am - 5 pm; Wed., 12 - 8 pm; Thurs., 10 am - 6 pm; Sat., 10 am - 2 pm **Yarning for a Cause:** Mondays, 10 am-1 pm. **Senior Games:** Tuesdays, 11:00-3:00 pm. Card games, Rummikub, Dominoes, etc. Bring your favorite game and lunch or a snack.

**SHINE** - Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders: Tues., Noon-3:00. Counselors assist seniors and the disabled with Medicare and Medicaid questions. Call for an appointment time 321-222-7981.

**Story Time:** Fridays, 10:30. All ages welcome. **Yarn Club:** Fridays, 2:00-4:00 pm. Knit, crochet and needle arts. Sit, talk and create. All ages and abilities welcome. Want to learn? We can help! **Over-Eaters Anonymous:** Saturdays, 9:30-10:30.

#### **Meetings and Events:**

| June 1, 5:30 pm                          | Adult Coloring Group,     |  |  |
|--|---------------------------|--|--|
| Ages 12 and up                           |                           |  |  |
| June 2, 3:30 pm                          | Turtle Hurtles.1st grade  |  |  |
| and up.                                  |                           |  |  |
| June 8, 6:00 pm                          | No-Sew T-Shirt Bag craft. |  |  |
| Registration Required. Ages 12+.         |                           |  |  |
| June 9, 3:30 pm                          | Recycling with Erin.      |  |  |
| 1st grade and up.                        |                           |  |  |
| June 11, 10-Noon                         | Port St. John Pokémon     |  |  |
| Club                                     |                           |  |  |
| · •                                      | Port St. John Public      |  |  |
| Library Advisory Board meeting           |                           |  |  |
| June 15, 6:30-7:45 pm Hundred Acre Woods |                           |  |  |
| HOA                                      |                           |  |  |
| -  | Bookworms Adult Book      |  |  |
| Discussion Group.                        |                           |  |  |
| June 15, 6-7:45 pm                       | Sunrise Village           |  |  |
| June 16, 3:30 pm                         | Dr. Dan the Magic Man.    |  |  |
| 1st grade and up.                        |                           |  |  |
| June 17, 11:45 am                        | Titusville Chamber of     |  |  |
| Commerce                                 |                           |  |  |
| -  | Friends of the Port St.   |  |  |
| John Public Library membership meeting   |                           |  |  |
| , <b>1</b>                               | Adventures of Super       |  |  |
|  | b. 1st grade and up.      |  |  |
| ,  | Port St. John Pokémon     |  |  |
| Club                                     |                           |  |  |
| · · ·                                    | Kaye Byrnes, Storyteller. |  |  |
| 1st grade and up.                        |                           |  |  |

#### **Vacation Planning**

Looking forward to the big trip you've been planning? Nothing puts a damper on vacation like not being able to take out cash, having your debit card stolen or some other monetary misfortune. A pleasant time can be turned into a nightmare in seconds. These steps will help make sure your dream vacation isn't derailed by a financial mishap.

Keep your cards in the clear. A week before your trip, call your bank and credit card company to inform them of your travel plans, including where you are going, as well as when and how you plan to use the cards. This will help avoid the companies flagging your cards for fraudulent use.

Transfer money from savings to checking. If you leave the money you saved for vacation in your savings account, you may struggle to access it from an ATM.

Traveling abroad? Take some foreign currency. Overseas, many businesses still rely on cash, making it difficult to pay without a few bills in local currency.

Have a list of the credit cards that you're taking with you, including the number and the international customer service phone number (800-numbers don't work outside the U.S.). This will come in handy if a card is lost or stolen. To safeguard the information on the list, write it out as if it's some information about some friends.

Lighten up your wallet. Only carry the credit cards you'll be using on your trip and leave the rest at home. Pack an ATM/debit card for withdrawing cash at ATMs. Remove any card with your Social Security number. For health insurance cards, make a copy of the card and remove the your Social Security number. Bring the photocopy with you. Leave the original at home.

Nothing in your room is truly private. There are too many people with keys to that room. Put your passport, backup credit cards, copies of financial information and extra cash in the safe in your hotel room. Be sure to lock up your laptop, camera and iPod whenever you aren't using them. Take the cash you need for the day and leave the rest in your hotel safe.

Protect your cash. Put some in a money belt under your clothes and some in the bottom of your shoe. Be extra alert in crowded situations and tourist hotspots. Thieves and pickpockets don't take vacations.



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## Cocoa Village BBQ & Blues

Cocoa Village's 6th Annual BBQ & Blues is coming up on June 3rd & 4th! They have been selected as the 2016 Florida State Championship this year! Which means more teams, more judges and more delicious BBQ than ever this year!

For more information or sponsorship, contact Allan Chapman at info@VisitCocoaVillage.com or call him at 321-631-9075.



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*Tuesday, June 14, 5-8 pm* Tell your server your are helping Relay for Life.

C'mon over and visit Village Inn. Experience delicious meals and their Passion to Serve, while helping a good cause that affects us all! Monies raised by Relay for Life are used in the area they are raised in, so please come help your neighbors.

Village Inn is a familyfriendly chain serving homestyle American foods such as chicken-fried steak & pot pie. 2925 S Washington Ave. Titusville (321) 267-6611

#### **The Lamp Stand**

A monthly Church Bulletin Board for the community. Attend a Church of Your Choice!

#### **Anchor Baptist Church**

1545 N. Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922 Dr. Donald M. Davis - Pastor 321-433-2033 Sunday Morning Worship 10 am (nursery provided) Sunday Evening Worship 6:30 pm (nursery provided)

Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study 7 PM.

#### **Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church**

5135 N. Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa, FL, 321-632-6333 www.blessedsacramentcocoa.org Saturday Mass, 4:30 pm. Sunday Masses at 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Reconciliation at 3:30 PM on

Saturdays

**Brevard Zen Center** 1261 Range Road, Cocoa, Fl Buddist Sunday Service 9:00am Meditation in the Zendo 7:00pm

Calvary Baptist Church, 321-636-8056 1 1/2 miles south of 528 overpass, east side of US 1 Pastor Jay Frazier www.calvarybaptistincocoa.org Sunday Morning Svc. - 10 a.m. (nursery provided) Sunday Eve. Service - 6 pm, Wed. Evening - 7 pm Calvary Chapel Space Coast, 321-745-1585 Pastor Shane Robinson, 4725 Fay Blvd., PSJ www.calvarychapelspacecoast.org Teaching the Bible line by line Sundays at 9:30 am, Wednesdays at 7 pm www.calvarychapelspacecoast.org Christ Central Church, 321-636-7671 2010 N. Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa, FL Email: ChristCentral51@gmail.com www.cocoachurch.org Bible Class: 9:00 - 9:45 AM Worship Service: 10:15 – 11:30 AM Christian Church at PSJ, 4645 Fay Blvd., Pastor Larry Sparrow, ccatpsj.org ccatpsj.org -- email: ccatpsj@rocketmail.com Sunday - Bible Study 8:30 a.m. Worship at 9:30. Wednesdays - Youth Group, 7:00 p.m. **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints** 3000 South Street, Titusville Two wards meet in this meetinghouse: Cocoa Ward Sacrament Meeting, 9:30 PM Titusville Ward Sacrament Meeting, 1:00 PM Coastal Community Church 639-7346 5795 Falcon Blvd., PSJ Services on Sunday, 9 & 10:45 am.

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#### Tolerance of other faiths imparts to us a truer understanding of our own.

Cocoa Presbyterian Church, 321-631-3956 1404 Dixon Blvd., Cocoa, cocoapc@att.net Sunday: Church school 9:15 pm/Worship 10:30 am Nurseries and Children's church Cocoa 7th Day Adventist Church & School State & County Certified Voluntary Pre-K 1500 Cox Rd, Cocoa, Pastor Amado Luzbet Church 632-0640 Sch 636-2551; www.cocoasda.org Saturday Sabbath School classes all ages, 9:45 am. Worship at 11:30 am; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 pm. **Community Alliance Church** 321-639-1717. 4855 Fay Blvd., PSJ Sunday School (all ages), 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm. Wednesday Youth, 7 pm. Covenant Life Fellowship (321) 639-7734 Non-Denominational - Pastor Jamie McIlwain 3770 Curtis Blvd., PSJ. Sunday Service, 10:30 am Wednesday Worship, 6:30 pm **Discovery Christian Church** (321) 636-0316 3925 Grissom Parkway, Canaveral Groves Bill Thompson - Preaching Minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Classes for all ages. Worship Service: 11:00 a.m. **First Assembly of God** (321) 632-5228 3757 N. US Hwy. 1 Pastor Les Ray Sunday School, 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 and 6:30 pm Wednesday, 7 pm, Bible Study: Rainbows (3-4), Royal Rangers (boys 5-12), Missionettes (girls 5-12). Wednesday, 7 pm, Youth Group Fellowship. First Baptist Church of Port St. John (321)636-5455 3900 Fay Blvd., www.firstbaptistpsj.com Sun. school 9:15; Worship & Kid's Church 10:30 am. Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m. Wednesday Wednesday: TeamKids & Youth, 6:30-8 pm. Thrift Store Hours: M,T,Th,F, 10 - 4. W&Sat, 10 - 2 Food Pantry Hours: M & W, 10 am - 1 pm First Baptist Church of Cocoa (321)636-2868 750 Brevard Ave. in Historic Cocoa Village Worship 11 am & 6 pm, Sunday School 9:30 am Wednesday Service/Youth Prayer & Share, 6:30 pm http://baptist1.com/church/fl/cocoafbc **First Free Will Baptist Church** Pastor Darrell "D" Miller, 795-4780. 5311 Barna Ave. Titusville 269-4033. 268-1705 Sunday School 9:00 am, Morning Worship 10:00 am Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm First United Methodist Church, (321) 631-0183 Rev. David Charlton at 1165 Fay Blvd.

Sunday Worship - 8:30, 10:55, Sunday School - 9:45

Wonderful Wednesday Worship, at 7 pm Senior (High) Youth & Jr. (High) Youth at 3 pm, Sun. Kingdom Kids, K - 5, meet at 3 pm. Sunday Frontenac Baptist Church (321)636-1369 5500 N. US Hwy 1 Pastor Michael Franzone Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:27 a.m. Pastor Bible Study, 6:00 pm Wednesday Evening Services, 6:30 pm weekly. Glory of God Anglican Church (321)632-6812 3735 N. Indian River Dr., Reverend Paul W. Young Sunday, Eucharist (Rite 1) at 8 am, (Rite 2) at 10:15 Children's Church, 10 am **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** 2073 Garden St., Titusville, 321-267-4323 Pastor Bruce Alberts; titusvillelutherans.org Traditional Worship, 8:30 am; Contemporary, 11:00 HOPE United Church of Christ, 636-0250 2555 Fiske Blvd., Pastor Clarice Mitchell Sunday School, 9 a.m. Children's Service - 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Service - 10 a.m. (w/nursery) http://www.hopeucc.com Ma'gen David Messianic Synagogue Rabbi Jem Golden (321) 213-2259 3815 N. US1, Suite 123 in Cocoa Commercial Ctr. Erev Shabbat Service - Friday, 6:30 pm Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church ELCA Pastor Tom Unrath, (321) 636-0777 400 Lucerne Dr. Cocoa Sunday Worship Service - 10:00 AM Bible Study - Wed. 6:00 PM Ministerio Un Nuevo Comienzo (A New Beginning Ministry) 2010 North Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa Miercoles (Wednesday); 7pm Domingo (Sunday); 7pm New Life Christian Fellowship 269-7578 Pastor Larry Linkous www.findnewlife.com Interdenominational Multi-Cultural Ministry for Entire Family 6755 S. Washington Ave. Sunday - 9:00 & 11:00, Wednesday - 7 pm Youth Church - Wed., 7 pm Nursery & Children's Church available all services Northwest Baptist Church, 1720 Cox Rd., Cocoa 321-638-0890; www.nwbcofcocoa.org Sunday School for all ages, 9:00 am Classic/Modern Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; Wed. Nights, 7 p.m. Pentecostals of Cocoa, 636-6560 1901 Michigan Ave., Cocoa Sunday Worship at 10am; Sunday School at 10:30 am

Sunday evening Evangelistic Service, 6 pm

#### **Redeemer Presbyterian Church** 264-0035

Meeting at 5005 Barna Ave., Titusville Worship Celebration - Sundays at 10 am Christian Education - Sundays, 11:15 am www.myredeemer.cc

**St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church,** 321-267-2545 414 Pine St., Titusville www.stgabs.org The Rev. Rob Goodridge, Rector

Sat. 5:30; Sun. 7:30 & 10:00; Wed. 7:30 Youth Rock **St. Patrick's Anglican Catholic Church**, 632-7634 4797 Curtis Blvd. Bishop John Vaughan, Rector Mass Sunday at 8, 10 & 5:30 and Friday noon Mass Wednesday Mass, 6:30 pm, then Pot Luck Supper Alcoholics Anonymous, Sunday, 5 pm; and Tuesdays, 7:30 pm

Narcotics Anonymous, Mondays, 8 - 10 pm. **Sun Valley Christian Church** 264-1337

4825 S. Barna Ave., Titusville, Minister Reggie Reed Sunday School at 9 am, Worship at 10 am & 6 pm Ladies Group each Tuesday and Thursday

#### Surfside Community Fellowship, 607-2111

thesurfsidefellowship.com

Pastor Dr. Erick Brookins

Meeting at the Port St. John Community Center, Sunday Services at 9:00 & 10:30 am.

Saturday night at 6:00 pm at 1st Baptist of PSJ Titusville Church of Seventh-day Adventist

Pastor Amado Luzbet. ALL are welcomed. 5005 Barna Ave. 267-8893.

Saturday Worship, 11 am. Sabbath School, 9:15 am. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer, 7:30 pm.

**Trinity Community Church** 

#### Tim Merwin, Sr. Pastor

6750 South U.S. 1 (3 miles north of Fay Blvd.) Sunday Celebration at 10 am www.sgcfla.org sgcoffice@sgcfla.org 268-8004 **Trinity Lutheran Church & School - LCMS** 1330 S. Fiske Blvd., Rockledge, 636-5431 Michael Hageman, Pastor

Worship: 10:30 am

#### Trinity Lutheran Church-LCMC

Pastor David Trexler | Dial-A-Story, 607-6742 3671 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville, FL 32780 Sunday Worship Service 9:30am **Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Cocoa** 1261 Range Road, Cocoa. <u>www.uucocoa.org</u> Sunday Service 11:00am **Unity of Merritt Island, 321-**452-2625 4725 N. Courtenay Pkwy, Merritt Island

Reverend Rose Whitham

Practical Christianity. Sunday Services at 10 am www.unitymerrittisland.org. We are on Facebook. **Victory Baptist Church,** Pastor Raymond Hall 632-6148 at 242 Capron Road, PSJ.
www.victorythroughjesus.org
Sunday Bible Study at 9:30 am.
Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am and 6 pm.
Children's clubs and teen groups
Prayer Service, Wednesday, 6:45 pm.
Victory Baptist Church of Titusville
Pastor Tracy Covel, 321.264.0665
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Sunday School 9 am, Sunday Morning 10 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm
www.victorybaptistchurchintitusville.org
Victory Worship Center, 431-7964
Pastors Jeff & Nancy Kleinman

Meeting Sundays, 10AM Wednesday Mid-Week Manna & Prayer, 7-8 PM Community Center, 4201 US Hwy 1, Cocoa

#### **First Friday Rosary**

First Friday Rosary will be held on June 3rd at 11:30 am. All faiths are welcome to attend. A Social Hour will be held in the Church Hall following prayer service.

**SPANISH MASS** - is held every Saturday at 5:30 pm. Come join us!

St. Patrick's Angelican Catholic Church is located at 4797 Curtis Blvd. in Port St. John.

People of all faiths are welcome to attend services.

## **Parent's Night Out**

Parent's Night Out is always held the last

Saturday of every month! AGES: Infant - 6th grade SPONSOR: First United Methodist Church



WHERE: 1165 Fay Blvd., PSJ - Fellowship Hall and Nursery

WHEN: June 25, 2016, 6:00 -9:00 pm

Contact the Church Office at 631-0183 for more information. Please visit the church's Facebook page @ https://www.facebook.com/ fumcpsj.

### Summer Host Families Needed!

Spanish and French teens are coming to Brevard June 23/25th-July 21st to practice English, experience American culture, and make new friends. They stay with local families and do NOT have to be driven to activities. They do not need their own bedroom, just a bed of their own, and bring their own spending money/insurance.

You can see photos of the students on Facebook: Florida Summer Exchange Students. For more information, call 321-604-6000 or email FloridaSummerExchangeStudents@gmail.com.



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#### Assistance for Seniors and Veterans through Hope And Sharing

#### By Don Pearsall CPC

John was founded by two Certified Professional Life Coaches; Don Pearsall and Jerri Osborne. They partnered to form the agency in 2015. The purpose is to give seniors and veterans the tools to make difficult decisions about their goals and issues. Sometimes they may not want to discuss what's on their minds with family or friends.

Over the years, Life Coaching has been very popular because of several factors. One, the cost. Most Physiologists charge by the hour and that can get quite expensive. At "Connections to a New Life," our rates are a quarter of the costs and we do not have a multiple hourly rate. We charge by the session. In other words, we only stop after you are satisfied with your own decisions, whether it be one hour or two hours, weekly or monthly sessions, whatever it takes. We won't cut you off in the middle of our discussion. We don't watch clocks.

Next, we have the life experience issue, which is something most senior citizens should really consider. Physiologists are trained from text books and give you generalizations that may or may not work for you. For example, as a senior, how can a young physiologist relate to many of your issues. At "Connections to a New Life," we take a different approach. Since we are both seniors ourselves, we use the "Been there, Done that" approach to better serve your needs. We have both a male and female Certified Life Coach. That factor alone automatically puts you into your comfort zone. Sometimes a woman would feel more comfortable talking to another woman about her issues or vice versa.

Sometimes a physiologist is needed, but most generally they tell you how it's supposed to be. We explain as to how it really is. You may ask, "What is a Life Coach?" Simply put, a Life Coach is someone who cares about your happiness and future. No matter what the issue, we will help you through based on our own lives' experiences. A Certified Life Coach has the expertise to help you make the transition to a happy future, regardless of your age or situation. We take any problems you may have one at a time and help you work them to a solution. Anyone can follow advise, but, is it the correct advice? It is a proven fact that if you come up with a plan or solution of your own design, you will stick to it. We give you the tools and empowerment to do just that.

"Connections to a New Life" based in Port St. be available in the major book stores. Both are available now on our website: www.connectionstoanewlife.com. The first is called, "Finding a Custom Fit In An Off The Rack World." It is a down to earth, no nonsense look into companionship for every generation.

> Our latest publication, "The Second Act" deals only with senior issues such as outliving your assets, dealing with families, loneliness and many other topics.

> We host monthly senior workshops at Aging Matters of Brevard. These are held at the Sunflower House next to Penney's at Merritt Square Mall. We cover a wide variety of topics such as; being single, divorced or widowed, the Nature of Hoarding, couples / married couples coaching, veteran and care giver coaching, singles dating coaching, how to cope with a relationship break up, home business and marketing, positive aging, overcoming loneliness, staying independent and any other issues in your life.

> We also address concerns with PTSD (posttraumatic stress disorder), which is defined as a mental disorder caused by experiencing or witnessing deeply traumatic events. Many people think PTSD affects only soldiers, but that is not the case. Anyone who has experienced or witnessed a deep trauma, such as war, extreme violence, sexual abuse, bullying at school or a natural disaster may develop Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

> PTSD is not what's wrong with you, It's what happened to you. Of course there is no total cure for it, however, there are ways to cope with it. Realizing that a caregiver of a PTSD victim has a form of suffering themselves, we soon are going to be forming a coalition with other agencies to

We recently published two books soon to assist victims and caregivers and are planning a fall release of a book that will relate to the issues people face when dealing with the effects of this affliction.

> At "Connections to a New Life," the male agent is a combat war veteran serving two tours in Vietnam, and certainly has a grip on how Post Traumatic Stress Disorder affects our military and more importantly, their caregivers, wives and significant others. Many combat veterans talk to physiologists, but again, can they really relate to someone who has never been there, done that?

> We work with people from all walks of life. We are partners with you in achieving your personal and business goals. We are a sounding board helping you find the choices that work best for you, because they are designed by you. We give you unconditional support in obtaining your life's plan and motivate you to push the envelope and yes, even be your beacon in stormy times.

#### **Pet Adoption Event**

In celebration of Father's Day, the Brevard Humane Society will be hosting a Pet Adoption Event on June 17th - 19th, at the Humane Society, 1020 Cox Road in Cocoa (opens at 11 a.m.) and their Merritt Island Adoption Center, located at 155 Pioneer Road on Merritt Island (opens at 10 a.m./closed Sunday).

During the 3-day event, the Humane Society will reduce the adoption fees for all adult cats (one year of age or older) to \$25. Price does not include rabies vaccine or county tag.

For more information, contact the Brevard Humane Society at (321) 636-3343 or visit www. brevardhumanesociety.com.



www.connectionstoanewlife.com

#### Walter Butler Community Center - June, 2016 Bernice G. Jackson Park, 4201 North US Hwy 1, Sharpes.

The center is open Monday–Thursday from 10 - 8 pm, Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and

Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Schedule is subject to change. Call 433-4448 for latest information.

#### **Mondays**

Summer Camp 7a.m.-6 p.m. Open Gym, 5-8 pm Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm

#### **Tuesdays**

Summer Camp 7a.m.-6 p.m. Pickleball, 5-8 pm Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 p.m.

Wednesdays

Summer Camp 7a.m.-6 p.m. Open Gym, 5-8 pm Pickleball, 11 am-2 pm Open Computer Lab, 12-2 pm & 6-8 pm Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm

Zumba, 6-7 pm

#### Thursdays

Summer Camp 7a.m.-6 p.m. Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 pm

#### **Fridays**

Summer Camp 7a.m.-6 p.m. Pickleball, 12:30 am-3:30 pm **Saturdays** Pickle-Ball, 11 am-2 pm Program Activities, 10 am - 2 pm

#### **Pickleball**

A paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels. A game for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-pace competitive game. Pickleball is a racquet sport that combines badminton, tennis and table tennis. Classes will be held Tuesdays 5-8 p.m., Wednesdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Fridays 12:30-3:30 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information contact the Walter Butler Community Center (321) 433-4448.

Basketball Fundamentals - A program designed for boys and girls ages 5 to 8. Each week the participants will learn/review basic basketball skills and apply them to a variety of drills. Games are played but the primary focus will be to build on and improve the skill sets of each participant. Practice will be held Monday and Tuesday, 3-4 p.m. For more information, contact Donovan Gilbert at (321) 433-4448.

Persons With Disabilities Dances are held every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 7-9 p.m. all ages welcome. For more information contact Andrea Chestnut 264-5058 or 264-5105.

Zumba Classes - Zumba is an adult dancebased fitness class that uses a fusion of Latin and International rhythms with easy-to-follow moves. It includes both cardio and resistance training components designed to tone and sculpt the entire body.

Zumba is designed for adults of all ages and fitness levels. Class participants exercise in a healthy, fun, party-like environment. Classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 6-7 p.m., \$5 per class (discount punch cards available). Contact Debbie Kowaleuski at (321) 403-6918 for more information.

teaches proper playing techniques and teamwork. This class focuses on teaching beginners how to properly bump, set, spike and more. Classes will be held on Wednesdays & Thursdays 5-8 p.m. For more information contact Donovan Gilbert at Walter Butler Community Center, 321-433-4448.

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## **Hospice Seeking Volunteers**

Hospice of St. Francis is seeking caring people to become hospice volunteers. We are in need of assistance for the following: respite care for families, making friendly visits to hospice patients and military services. Volunteer opportunities are also available in other capacities throughout Brevard County. No previous experience is needed. Training is provided at no cost to the participants. Volunteers must attend all training classes.

North Brevard Volunteer Training will be held at 1250-B Grumman Place, Titusville 32780 on Tuesday, June 14; Tuesday, June 21 and Tuesday, June 28, 2016 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

South Brevard Volunteer Training will be held at 4875 N. Wickham Rd., St. 108, Melbourne 32940 on Wednesday, June 22; Friday, June 24 and Wednesday, June 29, 2016 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information and to register for the volunteer training classes, please call Vicky Volleyball Fundamentals is a class which Hamilton, North County Volunteer Coordinator, or Mary Larson, South County Volunteer Coordinator, at 321-269-4240 or 866-269-4240 (toll free).

Hospice of St. Francis is a local, independent, non-profit organization. Established in 1977, Hospice of St. Francis is Brevard County's first hospice. HOSF continues to provide care for terminally ill patients and support for their families. All Hospice of St. Francis programs are free of charge to Brevard County residents.

For more information on programs and services, call 321-269-4240, toll free at 866-269-4240 or visit the website at www.hospiceofstfrancis. com.

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#### **Are Your Passwords Hack-Proof?**

According to a 2015 study from CrossMatch, 75 percent of all account hacks are due to weak or stolen credentials. This poses the important question, are you doing enough to lessen your password risk? How Are The Crooks Doing It?

**1. Online Guessing -** One of the top ways that a criminal is able to obtain your passwords is by simple online guessing. There is a short list of commonly used passwords that crooks use to gain access to consumer accounts. These easily guessable passwords include:

123456, password, 12345, 12345678, qwerty, 123456789, 1234, baseball, dragon, football, 1234567, monkey, letmein, abc123, 111111, mustang, access, shadow, master, Michael, superman, 696969, 123123, batman and trustno1.

The most common username was "admin."

2. Offline Cracking - In some instances hackers are able to steal databases of passwords from poorly secured websites. This is why it is very important to ensure that you do not create accounts on websites that are not encrypted. A safe, encrypted website will read https://, rather than http://. In addition, there is usually a little lock icon right before the URL within your browser. 3. Structural Patterns - Research has found that the majority of passwords follow one of 13 password structures. For example, when a person is required to include a number as part of his or her password, they usually put two to four digits at the end of the password. These numbers typically relate to the previous year, or the year of their high school or college graduation.

Use a name, place, or common word such as baseball, football, love, etc.

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First United Methodist Church of Port St John 1165 Fay Blvd, Port St. John 32927 321,631,0183 Capitalize the first letter of the word. For instance "Football," "Love," etc. Add a single number, usually 1 or 2, to the end of the word. For example, Love1 or Baseball2. Substitute vowels with special characters or numbers. For instance B% seb% ll2!

Keep in mind that you should utilize symbols in your password, however, when common symbols are utilized at the end of a common word password, guessing is easier for hackers.

**3. Social Engineering -** Many hackers skip guess work and go right to human sources. It is much easier for a hacker to get you to simply tell them your password or show them. For instance, phishing attacks are utilized to imitate legit websites, and redirect users to a phony site via a link in an email. Users are then tricked into entering their username and password information, giving the hacker access to his or her actual account.

Your credentials can also be stolen by someone simply looking over your shoulder while you are typing in your username and password.

**4. Malware -** Malware is by far the largest contributor to stolen credentials. Malware installs malicious software into computers via credential stealing software such as key loggers that record type strokes.

#### How To Protect Yourself

1. Do not use common words for your passwords.

2. Capitalize random letters within your password, rather than just the first letter.

3. Utilize symbols in your password, but try to not substitute obvious symbols such as @ for an a.

4. Change your passwords at least every 30 days.

5. Do not use anything that would be easy for someone to guess, such as a child's name, pet's name, current year, your graduation year, anniversary date, etc. Also try to stay away from the most common passwords mentioned in number one of the first section.

6. Before you create an account on a website, make sure that it is encrypted and secure by checking the URL. Ensure the URL reads https:// instead of http://. In addition, look for the little lock next to the URL.

#### How the FBI really did it...



7. Do not give your passwords to anyone. Make sure that if you write down your passwords you keep them in a locked drawer. Do not keep your passwords on your computer.

8. Before entering your username and password, check to make sure nobody is around looking over your shoulder.

9. Create a different password for every online account you have. This way if someone is able to hack into one of your accounts, all of your accounts do not become compromised.

10. If you get a suspicious email from a company or your financial institution advising you to login to avoid freezing your account, do not click on any links within the email. Contact your financial institution or the company

#### **Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 724, Merritt Island**

The EAA 724 next meeting will be June 8th in the club house on Merritt Island Airport at 7:30 pm. If you have a passion or interest in aviation, then EAA 724 will bring you closer to the action. You don't have to be a pilot or aircraft owner to enjoy our group. Our chapter is a mixture of pilots, wannabe pilots and non-pilots. If you like aircraft and aviation, you are welcome. Each month we have an interesting speaker and lots of hangar flying.

The airport is approximately 2 miles south of SR 520 on Courtney Parkway. Turn off Courtney onto the airport and then bear right. Across from the Fire House is the club house with the EAA logo on the end of the building.

#### **National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Meeting**

NARFE Apollo Chapter 1137 meets monthly on the second Monday of each month at Kay's BBQ Restaurant, SR 520 in Cocoa. You are invited to join us for lunch at 11:30 and an interesting speaker at 12:15.

The June meeting will on the 13th. Our speakers will be from The Rolling Readers Program and the Take Stock in Children Scholarship Program to tell us how these important programs help the students in Brevard County. No reservations required. Our website address is www. NARFE.org/Chapter1137.

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#### Fruit From the Groves, Cont.

outstanding educator herself and an active member of our CGHI Community. Thank you Sue!

#### **ALL ABOARD FLORIDA OR NOT!**

The following is a letter from the Army Corps of Engineers to Kolleen Cobb with All Aboard Florida/Bright line in Coral Gables:

SAJ-2012-01564(SP-AWP) All Aboard Florida - Operations, LLC Attn: Kolleen Cobb 2855 Le Jeune Road, 4th Floor Coral Gables, Florida 33134 Ms. Cobb:

Reference is made to the Department of the Army permit application you submitted to construct an intercity passenger railroad between Orlando International Airport and West Palm Beach, Florida utilizing as much of the existing Florida East Coast Railroad right-of-way as feasible.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) circulated a public notice for the proposed action on April 11, 2016. The comments received during the public notice period are enclosed. In addition to the numerous letters of objection received, Indian River and Martin Counties have identified data gaps in the dredge and fill plans and wetland delineation maps provided in your Department of Army (DA) application. Several objectors are disputing the Alternatives Analysis defined in the All Aboard Florida (AAF) Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) as well as the public interest of the proposed action. Some objectors have sited increased noise, increased vibration, reduction in public safety and property value reduction as their primary objection.

During the review of the initial DA permit application, the Corps identified discrepancies in the impact assessment figures, functional assessments, indirect impact analysis and compensatory mitigation. These discrepancies were coordinated with Alex Gonzalez of your staff and consultants during a face to face meeting on April 18, 2016.

As you are aware, the Corps must complete its public interest review defined in 33 CFR 320.4. To clarify what documentation is appropriate in certain areas of the public interest review and balancing process, the Corps developed Regulatory Guidance Letter (RGL) 84-09. This RGL clarifies documentation required for public interest review including cumulative impacts, practicable alternatives, water dependency and important

wetlands. RGL 84-09 is included as enclosure 1. The Corps acknowledges the expiration date of the RGL; however, unless superseded by specific provisions of subsequently issued regulations or RGL's, the guidance provided in the RGL generally remains valid after the expiration date.

Please provide a detailed and extensive discussion of the following items:

a. Provide the revised functional assessments and figures discussed in the April 18, 2016 meeting.

b. To the extent practicable, please address the enclosed comments received in response to the public notice.

c. Provide whatever specific scientific and factual information you may believe is relevant year old recipe. 1 cup butter, 1/2 cup cocoa, 2 to clearly demonstrate that the project meets the 404(b)(1) guidelines (40 CFR 230.10(a)) and how your preferred alternative is the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative when compared to the CSX alternative identified by Indian River and Martin Counties. The 404(b)(1) guidelines state, "An alternative is practicable if it is available and capable of being done after taking into consideration cost, existing technology and logistics in light of overall project purpose."

d. After considering RGL 84-09, provide whatever specific scientific and factual information you may believe is relevant to supplement your Evaluation of Public Interest letter dated March 31, 2015 included in the AAF FEIS.

Any other information you feel may be helpful to fully justify the proposed action should also recommend the ATM in the lobby." be submitted at this time. Your application will be held in abeyance for 30 days pending receipt of your response. If we do not hear from you within the 30 days, we will initiate final action without your response. Final action may be issuance, denial or deactivation of your Department of the Army permit application. Any questions concerning the application should be directed to Andrew Phillips at the letterhead address, by telephone at 321-504-3771 ex. 14, or e-mail andrew.w.phillips@usace.army.mil. - end.

I hope that there is something positive and beneficial to our residents somewhere in this project, but AAF is certainly not letting the cat out of the bag and our local officials are certainly not opposing this project. To my knowledge, Indian River, St. Lucie and Martin Counties are the only counties who have taken a definite stance oppos-

ing this rail project. What are we missing here?

I had the pleasure of being a judge at the Sharing Center's first Annual Backyard Bar-B-Q Contest held at Burton Smith Park. What an exciting event with 13 participating teams submitting their best chicken, pulled pork and brisket. All the teams did an outstanding job and the Sharing Center was able to raise over \$22,000.00 for their Feed the Children Summer Program. Thanks to all the Sharing Center Team and everyone who came out and enjoyed the great Bar-B-Q, the great music and all the activities. This is an event that you won't want to miss next year.

#### **Summer Cook's Corner**

Best darn Brownies: Lunchroom Ladies 50 cups flower, 2 cups sugar, 4 eggs, 4 tsp. vanilla, 1 cup chopped pecans.

Mix all ingredients and pour in 9x13 pan, bake 20-25 mins on 350. Check at 20 minutes.

\*Icing\* - 1/4 cup softened butter, 1/4 cup can milk (regular milk is fine), 1/4 cup cocoa, 3 cups powdered sugar, a dash of salt. Mix all together & frost as desired.

To really set it off, add a scoop of vanilla ice cream on top of each serving and enjoy!

.....A Parting Shot From The Cannon...... Advice for old guys...

I was working out at the gym when I spotted a sweet young thing walking in. I asked the trainer standing next to me, "What machine should I use to impress that lady over there?"

The trainer looked me over and said, "I would

As always, thank you to all who make our "Groves" an outstanding place to live. Don't forget that school is out and all the youngins' are out and about without a care in the world, so be on the lookout and please, please slow down. Thanks also to our ladies and gentlemen who work our highways and by ways with the Sheriff's Department to keep us all safe. And our Guardians of the Groves at Station 29 with BCFR who look out for our safety as well. Thanks to all for your service. Be sure to read "Good Day" and Rose's Room for more of what is happening in our Canaveral Groves/ Port St. John area.

If you have any comments to anything in my article, feel free to contact me at wcandei@aol. com.

Until next month, I remain your servant, - Bill Cannon



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June is back and so is the start of "Hurricane" Season." We have quite a few residents who are new to the area and have never had to experience the fury of a major hurricane. Even those of us who are long time residents have grown complacent. Fortunately, we have not had a major storm in over 10 years and we tend to forget how life threatening one of these events can be.

It is always good to stock up on non-perishable foods and plenty of bottled water. Now is the time to fire up those generators and get them

I am sure you have seen the county doing extensive work on cleaning the major ditches in our area to promote good flow to the St. Johns, but if we get a major rain event, the water will have no place to go. I have seen water from our house to our neighbors across the way completely covering Pine St. in the past. Hopefully, this won't happen again. Be sure to comply with all warnings from the National Weather Service and the local Law Enforcement Agencies to ensure you and your families' safety.

Great to see so many new faces at our May CGIHOA meeting. We were pleased to have Officer Frazier from the Department of Forestry speak to us about fire safety and fire proofing the

fire season. Thanks again to Ed Sylva for setting up this informative speaker. Our June meeting will be on Thursday, June 9th. Hope to see you there.

I am pleased to announce the winners of this year's Canaveral Groves Homeowner's Association Outstanding Citizenship Awards; Master Justin Meenach and Mistress Ryan Sturgill. They were selected by their 6th grade team teachers at Fairglen Elementary for their outstanding community involvement as well as their scholastic achievement. Justin and Ryan will receive a Citizenship Medal plus a \$50.00 gift card in recognition of their achievements. We wish them all the best and continued success as they enter the middle school segment of their education.

We would like to thank Ms. Sue Bradin, who exterior of our homes as we enter the summer coordinates this activity for us each year. She is an cont. on pg. 28

