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Tax Time, Road Work & Easter, Oh My!

Detour On Grissom Pkwy.

The county will be repairing/replacing the moment. failing drainage pipe that connects the ditch under Grissom between Greenhill St. and Curtis Blvd. It's expected to end on March 10th if the weather and other variables cooperate. If you have to travel that area regularly, here are some alternate routes:

If you come from the south on Grissom, turn left on Corto (before Greenhill), then right on Curtis to get back to Grissom.

If you're coming from the north, turn right on Curtis, then left on Corto to get back to Grissom.

If you're coming from west Port St. John on Fay, turn left on Ember, then right on Curtis. You can proceed north on Grissom from there. Coming back from the north, just reverse the path.

For reference, (and when your friends ask), the drainage pipes between Bridge Rd. and Kings Hwy. were placed before there was a Grissom Pkwy. The road was named Tulsa and it ended at Bridge Rd. in the south and Kings Hwy. in the north.

Another Not-Bomb for PSJ

So the big scare that closed I-95 and the Fay Blvd. overpass on February 20th turned out to be another Not-Bomb, but rather a mirror that seems to have fallen off a passing vehicle on the overpass. The robot team got some practice, so that's a good thing. For me, it was a reminder of the Not- Bomb that was left in front of the OUC power plant in 2001 after Thunder Over Indian River, which turned out to be some intoxicated men who thought the flashing lights were a BCSO traffic stop, so they ditched the beer cooler.

Free Tax Preparation

An AARP Tax-Aide will be doing free tax preparation at the Port St. John library on the following days: Wednesday, March 8, Wednesday, March 15 and Wednesday, March 22. The hours are from 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

Appointments may be made on Wednesday

There are no further closures planned at the and Friday afternoons at the Titusville Library. Walk-ins are welcome, time permitting.

> You must have the Social Security card for everyone on your return and the taxpayer/spouse must have photo ID. For Married Filing Jointly returns, both spouses must be present.

> Be sure you have all your paperwork from employers, retirement accounts, banks and brokers. If you want your refund directly deposited to your bank, you must have a check to determine the routing number and account number.

Helen Dezendorf, District Coordinator AARP Tax-Aide, Brevard County





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PSJ Community Center Schedule - March, 2017

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**

Seniors at Lunch, 10 am - 1 pm Senior Billiards 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Mondays

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

Tuesdays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Senior Billiards 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Girl Scouts Troop 1902, 4:00-5:30 pm Youth Dodge Ball 4:30-6 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesdays

Senior Billiards, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Dream Weavers 1:30-3:30 p.m. Teen Billiards, 4-8 p.m. Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m. 1st & 15th Cub Pack 704 6-7:30 p.m. Kenpo Karate 7-8 p.m.

Thursdays

Senior Billiards 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Outside Basketball, 10 a.m. 8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 4-8 p.m. 2nd & 16th Girl Scouts Troop 835, 6-7 p.m. 10th & 24th Girl Scouts Troop 210, 6 7:30 p.m.

Fridays

Senior Billiards 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Outside Basketball 4-6 p.m.

Saturdays

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American Kenpo Karate - Learn the art of self-defense, classical form and sparring dojo sessions by 8th Degree Grandmaster Sharon Fox. Experience all the skills that promote flexibility, confidence, and discipline in a weekly, structured course. Wednesdays 7-8 p.m., \$30 per month, ages 6 years and older.

Dream Weavers – Knitting Club

This group of middle to senior ages that meets on Wednesdays 1-3 p.m. to knit, crochet, and cross-stitch by socializing, and involving the seniors that are attending the center. The club is looking to re-spark interest for those that may have once did this type of skill, and be looking to join the group to donate any completed project to area non-profit agency. For more information contact moderator Karen Maureen Cooper at (321) 987-5750 or dreamweaverspsj@gmail.com or contact the Port St. John Community Center at (321) 633-1904.





Good Day! by Maureen Rupe Human Waste or Fertilizer, Good or Bad? Depends on How it's Used or Mis-used!

In August I wrote an article titled, "Indian River Lagoon - State Picking our Poison," where I told you about a May 20th Florida Today story by Jim Waymer titled, "Is sludge also sickening the Lagoon? The story explained that every year, there are about 300,000 dry tons of biosolids that go out to lands around the state contributing 33 million pounds of nitrogen and 13 million pounds of phosphorus into all the state's watersheds. The cleanest level of treated sludge is Class AA, but still contains nutrients and pathogens that can migrate to water bodies and cause algae blooms. Brevard has just one AA plant in Titusville that produced 244.5 dry tons in 2013. It is this Class AA status that has started an investigation by TCPalm.com. Since Class AA is classified as fertilizer, the state doesn't track where it goes, which they agree seems to be a problem.

According to a story in TCPalm.com by Lucas Daprile, titled, "Investigation: Human waste fertilizes farms, but fuels toxic algae blooms, Deregulated "fertilizer" contains the

same nitrogen and phosphorus as regulated for pig, but you put lipstick on it, the pig is not a "sludge." The problem is terrible, even though class AA biosolids. According to the lawmakers making it a law that our human waste TCPalm's investigation, the Florida Legislature is okay to be dumped around our water doesn't attempted to ban waste dumping in the St. make it safe around our water. Another reason Lucie, Caloosahatchee and Lake Okeechobee why we need the EPA to protect us from our state. watersheds in 2007 under a unanimously You will see that story later. passed law called, "The Northern Everglades one committee rewrote the bill so it exempted Class AA waste, which contains less bacteria and heavy metals. They didn't think or ignored the bio-solid's nitrogen and phosphorus content. Since 2007, Class AA "fertilizer" falls under a on how to apply it, and no one tracks Class to dispose of 10,665 tons of waste. The smell, permit from the Department of Environmental Protection that controls the amount, how close it waste he used in 2015 alone would have lasted Florida Department of Environmental Protection. cost sometimes over \$500 per ton, while ever-

pig anymore. It's something else." Just Florida

Things wouldn't be bad if everyone applied and Estuaries Protection Program." However, fertilizer like it is recommended. Unfortunately, not everyone does. Dan Griffin Sod Co.'s 317acre farm in Palm Beach County wasn't one. Two feet deep of Class AA, and 12-foot mountains of muck, with wet pools of blue and green. Dan Griffin liked the free fertilizer from Hollywood Department of Agriculture voluntary program Public Utilities. The utilities liked being able AA bio-solids. Class B "sludge" has to have a however, was terrible. According to the article, "Even if his soil were depleted, the amount of can be to surface water, how long the public must him at least 20 years, according to TCPalm's stay away from the site, and bans Class B from calculations based on the state's recommended three watersheds. The article had a good quote pounds of phosphorus per acre per year for by Gary Roderick, a former administrator for the sod." TCpalm found normal chemical fertilizer It said, "If this is a pig and we got regulations growing communities charge \$50 to \$100 per

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ton if they even charge at all. It's terrible that noone actually tracks how much bio-solids are being spread, or where, and as the article quoted Charles Lee, Audubon Florida advocacy director, "Every nutrient that's dumped on the land, whether it's a yard fertilizer or sewage sludge ... is contributing to those algal blooms." Supposedly the legislature, when presented with their research, "expressed surprise when TCPalm provided examples of unfettered waste-dumping in sensitive watersheds." Governor Scott referred TCPalm questions to DEP.

According to a link in the article to carto.com, 824,370 pounds of Class AA waste ended up in Brevard County.

"Okeechobee watershed. No public records exist indicating where it was spread."

"22 farms in Miami-Dade County spread more than 1.2 million pounds near canals that drain into Florida Bay or Biscayne Bay, both of which the state deems "outstanding" waterways worthy of special environmental protection."

"Gator Grove dumped 54,680 pounds on its Hendry County farm, which drains into the Caloosahatchee River."

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The End of the Environmental Protection Agency?

by Maureen Rupe

According to a story in the Pensacola News Journal by Joseph Baucum, titled, "Obliterating EPA would create Chaos, experts say," US. Matt Another example of Florida politics in DEP is Gaetz, U.S. Representative from Fort Walton Beach, has Representatives from Kentucky, Georgia, and Mississippi on the Natural Resources Committee's support to eliminate the EPA. The committee's chairman (Rep. Rob Bishop, a Republican from Utah, decides if it goes to a vote. They say it will fall back to the states to enforce federally administrated regulations.

There's a host of reasons why this should not happen. There may be some regulations that hinder economic growth, but Florida has prime examples of what goes wrong when you put

politicians in charge of science. What about the recent story concerning Mosiac, where Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) was caught helping the Mosiac Fertilizer plant prevent public disclosure of the huge sinkhole where at least 200 million gallons of waste water went into the aquifer. Another is where the DEP is proposing higher levels of cancer-causing agents into the state's waterways, when the environmental member seats are vacant. There are lawsuits in the works, which Florida would love to go away if the state is put in charge. the recent announcement that the Department of Environmental Protection Secretary Jon Steverson is resigning to go work for one law firm he approved to bill Florida taxpayers for various lawsuits like Georgia and BP, so he can oversee the funds Florida is getting from BP for our share of the Gulf oil spill settlement. Florida has already spent 74 million to law firms on its lawsuit with Georgia, and Florida has received 3.25 billion for its share of the BP oil leak settlement. Big money attracts.

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Good Day, cont.

Besides Florida's examples of why we need to keep the EPA, what about the state of Michigan? I'm sure they would be eager to keep any words on lead poisoning in Flint, Michigan from reaching their citizens. The EPA ensures there is oversight to keep individual states honest and standardized when it comes to protecting the environment for all United States citizens. The EPA also ensures poorer states have availability to technical services to have the same protections for their air and water as the richer states.

Please ensure our U.S. Representatives and Senators takes this terrible idea off the table. We cannot afford inconsistent oversight for all states.

U.S. Representative Bill Posey

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Commissioner Tobia interview

When we voted to tax ourselves to clean up the Indian River Lagoon, I said I would let you know if there is any threat to the monies. Commissioner Tobia, District 3 was on a Matt Reed interview. He blazenly tells Reed that he could divert some of the monies to fix roads in his district. I sent the following email to the entire County Commission.

I've seen a video of Commissioner Tobia interviewed by Matt Reed on January 23rd.

http://www.floridatoday.com/videos/ opinion/columnists/matt-reed/2017/01/23/ seeking-policy-change-county-commission-

ethics/96970588/

At about 18 minutes into the interview, he discusses the IRL tax referendum and Save the Lagoon Plan.

Around 21 minutes into the interview, Tobia makes concerning comments, as Tobia seems to be advocating an illegal deviation of referendum funds to free up money from projects that were already in the budget before the referendum. They might contribute to lagoon restoration, but the tax referendum was abundantly clear that referendum funds were to do an incremental treatment of the Indian River Lagoon. So the alteration he promotes would not only be unlawful, but also negligent.

In the interview, it seems to be clear that Commissioner Tobia does not understand that hastening the lagoon restoration is the most fiscally responsible, since if we don't receive matching funds, we would have a conservative rate of return from 10% to 26%. Putting off implementation beyond 5 years will likely cost taxpayers more; not decrease costs as Tobia claims. Commissioner Tobia also challenges Natural Resources' claim that Brevard County



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6825 N. U.S. Hwy #1 Port St. John Cocoa, FL 32927 would likely get matching funds from either the state or federal governments.

We must be concerned and monitor Mr. Tobia as he is definitely not environmentally friendly. He advocates new ordinances on ethics, then makes these comments. We are watching you, Mr Tobia. Stay away from the Lagoon monies, we have voted to pay for with our taxes.

This is why the people do not trust government.

Cheerio, Maureen rupe32927@earthlink.net

Parks & Recreation Meeting

The North Brevard Commission on Parks and Recreation will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, March 9, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Brevard Room at 518 South Palm Avenue in Titusville. The public is invited to attend.

The Brevard Room is located in a building on the north side of the parking lot behind the Brevard County Government Center–North.

For questions call Jeff Davis at (321) 264-5105.



Every Wednesday, starting March 8th through April 5th, the North Brevard Methodist Churches have joined together to deliver an informative service for the community that will give insight into Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom of God. This will connect the Kingdom of God to Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection.

March 8 @ **6:30 PM** at FUMC PSJ, 1165 Fay Blvd., PSJ – Ofc: 321-631-0183

"Part 1 – The Kingdom of God is Like a Wedding Banquet" Chosen People Ministries will present "Christ in the Passover." The symbolic meanings of the various items of the Passover feast (also known as The Last Supper) will be explained and special emphasis will be given as to how they point to Jesus. A love offering will be taken.

March 15 @ 6:30 PM at Mims UMC, 3302 Green Street, Mims – Ofc: 321-267-6202 "Part 2 – The Kingdom of God is Like a Mustard Seed "

March 22 @ 6:30 PM at FUMC Titusville, 206 S. Hopkins Ave. – Ofc: 321-279-7631 "Part 3 – The Kingdom of God is Like a (TBD)" March 29 @ 6:30 PM at St. Andrew UMC, 3380 Dairy Rd., Titusville – Ofc: 321-269-7321 "Part 4 – The Kingdom of God is Like Payday" April 5 @ 6:30P PM at IRC UMC, 1355 Cheney Highway, Titusville – Ofc: 321-267-7922 "Part 5 – The Kingdom of God is Like (TBD)"



First United Methodist Church of Port St. John 1165 Fay Blvd, PSJ (behind CVS) March 1st at 7pm

Ash Wednesday is one of the most important holy days that takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday and begins the season of Lent. **ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND** this service.

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SC Vipers Cheerleaders

It is that time, the end of the cheer season! The cheerleaders from all squads did an amazing job supporting their Viper



teams! The girls had an eventful year between cheering for all their teams, supporting the local youngsters for Jr. Viper cheer night, cheering in the PSJ Christmas parade and some girls even participated in the Buffalo Wild Wings game on New Year's Eve!

We want to give a special shout out to the girls who were presented with special awards from the school. The 2016/2017 Viper Pride award was given to; middle school- Kaitlyn McGlashan, Junior Varsity- Courtney McAninch, and Varsity-Marissa Martin. The Most Valuable Player award was given to; middle school- Kaylei Palacios-Rubas, JV- Sa'Niya McKay, and Varsity-Emily Cisco. Congratulations to all!

February 21st at 6:00 in the SCHS cafeteria (a parent must be present at this meeting for the girls to try out). The actual try out clinic begins March 27th-31st.

Thank you to all who sponsored and supported our cheerleaders! We could not do it without you! Have a great year, everyone.

~ Kim Borden-Ferraro

Shred Event in PSJ

On Friday March 17th, 2017 between the hours of 8 am to 9:30 am, the Brevard County Sheriff's Office will be holding a Shred Event at our PSJ Sub Station that is by Fay Park, 4700 Fay Blvd.

Also, the next Shred Event will be on Friday, May 19th, 2017 from 8-9:30 am at our North Precinct Parking lot, 2290 Columbia Blvd., Titusville.

There is no limit on how much shredding that you can to bring. The Shred Truck will be there and all you have to do is drive up. The staff will take it from your vehicles and dump it into the bins to be shredded.

If you have any further questions you can call the BCSO Community Services Office at 321-264-7755.

March is Fraud Awareness Month!

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Happy March, everyone! Have you ever been a victim of theft or identity fraud? You may have heard some horror stories about hacked accounts and stolen credit card information.

Almost everyone will become a victim at least one time in

their life. If you use a computer, you are at risk of some kind of cyber-attack. Protect yourself against theft by frequently changing your passwords, and it's best to use different ones. Place your information in a safe place to retrieve your passwords, and it's best to hint at it enough for you to remember, rather than have the code easily accessible by a potential thief.

Before swiping your card at a gas station or giving your information to an unreliable source, do your homework. Card skimmers are at the pumps and everywhere. Once they get your in-Try outs are soon. The parent meeting is formation, they can leave a trail of destruction to your accounts. I had a \$5,000 cell phone bill last month. Turns out that someone got the information they needed to add 5 new phones and lines to my account online. The phone company was obliging, but it was an unwanted ordeal and painstaking process since they didn't detect it sooner, and I don't use the computer to check my phone account.

> I hope you find my articles helpful. Anyone having tips or woes may write to me at Happenings, and I'll be happy to include it if possible to help keep our neighbors aware and safe.

> > - Neighbor Nell



Post 359 - American Legion Riders presents

Bike Days at the Tiki

March 4th, 2017, 1 - 5:00 p.m. Spanx is performing at 1 p.m.

On The Grill: Burgers and dogs with fixin's - \$6.00.

Drawings, 50/50 and ALR t-shirt sales.

Come play Cornhole or throw some shoes in our New Horseshoe Pit.

Stargazer Embroidery will be set up with patches and sewing.

7260 S. US Hwy. 1 Bellwood (just north of Port St John), 321-268-1632.

"Can You Hear Me" scam

The Better Business Bureau issued a press release warning consumers that the old "Can You Hear Me" scam is back, but with a twist. Traditionally these scams used to target businesses by coercing owners into purchasing office supplies and directory ads they never actually ordered. Now the scam is back targeting individuals.

What You Need To Know:

1. How Do These Scam Calls Work?

You get a call from a scammer, who almost instantly asks, "Can you hear me?" The goal of started doing Port the scammer is to get you to answer "yes," which most of us would do by instinct. The scammer may even make fumbling noises, or state they are having trouble with their headset. However, the "person" may be a robocall recording your conversation. The "yes" answer that you provided can later be edited and used to make purchases you have not authorized.

2. What Are The Typical Calls About?

The BBB advises that most of the calls are about cruises, vehicle warranties, vacation packages, and other big purchase items.

3. Have There Been Any Reported Losses?

The BBB has not received reports of any money loss, but it is still unclear how the scammers will use this information in the future. 4. What Should I Do To Protect Myself?

The BBB has provided the following tips to help you protect yourself from falling victim to a "Can You Hear Me" scam.

Make sure to use your caller ID to screen calls. If you are unfamiliar with a number, consider not answering it, especially if this call comes from out of state. If the call is important, the person will more than likely leave a message.

If someone calls you and asks, "Can you hear me?", do not answer the question. Simply hang up. Keep in mind that as the public catches on to this scam, scammers will come up with new questions to ask to solicit a "Yes" response. Be highly skeptical of other questions designed to get you to answer, "yes."

If you get a call that you think is a scam, take down the number and report it to the BBB at bbb. org/scamtracker to help prevent others from falling victim. The BBB states that they share Scam Tracker information with government and law enforcement agencies.

As a rule of thumb, make it a habit to check your online banking accounts frequently. This will help you uncover any unauthorized charges. In addition, the BBB recommends that you check your phone and cell phone bills regularly, because scammers may use your "yes" recording to authorize charges on your phone. This tactic is called "cramming."

Out On The Town

When I first St. John Eatery reviews, I had no idea how many places we have to eat right here in our



own neighborhood. People who know I write this article will ask, hey have you tried "this or that place"? Well, it was brought to my attention that we have a frozen yogurt and smoothie place right here in the middle of Port St. John.

The place is called "Chippies Frozen Yogurt," located behind the Kangaroo off Fay Blvd in the plaza. When I walked in, I was greeted by a nice young lady who took the time to explain all they offered. There's a wall of self-serve soft yogurt machines with multiple flavors to choose from. So I tried the chocolate and the key lime and was amazed how good it was. Probably the best soft frozen yogurt I have ever had. I ate mine plain, but they also have a topping bar with multiple items to choose from. It's all self-serve, so when you're done assembling your concoction, they weigh it and charge accordingly.

They change out the flavors periodically and I was told the most popular flavor was cookie dough. If frozen yogurt is not healthy enough for you, they also have fresh made smoothies, made from plain or Greek yogurt and 100% fruit.

All in all, I was highly impressed. The staff is friendly and the place is impeccably neat and clean. They have a rewards card; with 9 purchases of \$4 or more, you get \$5.00 off on your 10th visit. They are open from 11:30-9 PM Monday-Thursday, 11:30-10 PM Friday and Saturday, and 12 to 7 PM on Sundays. They can be reached at 321-877-1764 or visit their Facebook page at: facebook.com/chippiesfrozenyogurt.

- Ken Carson



Monthly Tax Update

Tax season is in full swing and I've come upon a number of concerns dealing with filing status, who are dependents, the earned income credit, and the child tax credit. It is important to be aware of the regulations requiring your due diligence. Failure to exercise your due diligence may result in penalties starting at \$510 for incorrectly filing for the earned income credit, the child tax credit, and the education American Opportunity Tax Credit.

The first step to filing for these credits is to determine if you have a dependent. Be sure to start with Publication 501, Exemptions, Standard Deduction and Filing Information. You'll find flow charts, worksheets and explanations for assistance in determining who is a qualifying child or relative. In addition, you and your tax preparer are required to complete the Form 8867, Paid Preparer's Due Diligence Checklist, to avoid any penalties for filing these credits detailing your due diligence efforts. You should check out IRS EITC Central website for information regarding your due diligence requirement. You'll find more worksheets, toolkits and videos to help understand it further. I'd also suggest you review the Form 1040 instructions for the specific credit(s) and you can locate this by doing a search at irs.gov.

On to another subject, involving Personal Identifiable Information (PII). This is becoming an important issue for your tax preparer. The identity theft circumstances have been escalating from the banks to the credit card companies, and now the accounting offices are being told we are next. At our office, we have implemented 24 hour monitoring of our office, beefed up our fire wall protection, established passwords to our computers, servers, and individual files with PII, and established a security plan to protect our client's PII. I'm sure you have heard of friends where their tax return was rejected because someone else filed using their information. This is a direct result of their information being compromised. We are taking this threat very serious and recommend you discussing your PII protection with your tax advisor and anyone you're doing business with about your PII to stave off this prevailing threat.

Also, if you're a business owner, you're really exposed to the same threat we are. Think about it; in your computer you have PII on your clients and it's in your best interest to take the aggressive action, as we have, to protect yourself from the cost incurred when a compromise occurs. This cost is astronomical, like hundreds of thousands

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of dollars. Everyone has to be notified, credit protection provided to your clients, news damaging your creditability, loss of income, etc. If you think you want to take the action I recommend, give me a call. I'll give you a recommendation as to who to call for plan implementation and insurance protection.

Oh, one last thing; any entity required to file annual business reports or fictitious name renewals with the State of Florida needs to be aware of a scam where official looking documents are being mailed and emailed to you overcharging for services to file for you. Call your tax advisor before you file anything involving your business. It may save you a couple dollars.

This is a very brief overview. It is your responsibility to discuss any tax and financial changes with your professional advisor for assistance in evaluating your situation. For details and specific assistance in applying the general information in this article, call us at your earliest convenience or contact your tax advisor. Provided by Tracey C. Higginbotham, E.A., (321) 632-5726, a member of the National Society of Accountants.

Challenger 7 Golf Classic

The 2nd Annual Challenger 7 Elementary Charity Golf Classic will be held on Saturday, April 29th at Turtle Creek Golf Club. The cost is \$55 per person and includes greens fee, cart, lunch, range balls and on-course contests. Registration will begin at 7:00 am



with the tournament officially starting at 8:00 am.

Afterwards, please join us for lunch, awards and raffle at about 12:30pm. All proceeds benefit Challenger 7 Elementary School.

In addition to prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, there will be two "long drives," two "closest to the pin" challenges, and a putting contest.

A hole-in-one wins a Buick Verano sponsored by Ron Norris Buick/GMC.

Anyone who does not play golf can still participate by sponsoring a golf hole for \$100, or attend the awards luncheon for \$10.00.

For an application or more information, email challenger7golf@cfl.rr.com or visit http://c7golf. wix.com/challenger7. The deadline to register is April 21st.

Port St. John at 1165 Fay Blvd. hosts:

at 3pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays.

• Kingdom Krew (grades K-5th) meets monthly at 3pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays.

Passport to Wines Around the World

The 10th Annual Passport to Wines Around the World, hosted this year by B.W. "Bernie" and LaVonn Simpkins, will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2017. The event will be held from coaVillage.com or simply download an applica-6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Space Coast Convention Center (Holiday Inn, 520 & I-95), 301 Tucker Lane, Cocoa.

The evening promises to be filled with tempting hors d'oeuvres, distinctive wines, enjoyable entertainment, balloon pops, a live auction, and much more!

The event will feature a live auction with auctioneer Sheriff Wayne Ivey, culinary creations by The Kitchen, special guest chefs, entertainment by the Tree Frogs and wine curated by Florida Wine and Spirits.

on Wheels Program, Seniors at Lunch, In-home personal care, the Sunflower House, Caregiver Support and Respite Care, Transportation for seniors and veterans, minor home repair and volunteer recruitment; all services that help seniors remain living in their own homes and avoiding long-term care placement.

For over fifty years, Aging Matters in Brevard has served the citizens of Brevard County. As the Lead Agency for Senior Services in Brevard County, Aging Matters serves in excess of 5,000 seniors each year.

B.W. "Bernie" Simpkins shared, "LaVonn and I are excited to Host this year's Passport to Wines Around the World to benefit the programs of Aging Matters in Brevard. We want to invite you to help serve seniors in Brevard County by supporting our signature fundraiser. This event has become one of the leading and most anticipated fundraising events of the year in Brevard County."

If you would like to sponsor this signature event, please call Jeanne at (321) 806-3767 or email jhakkila@agingmattersbrevard.org for more information.

First United Methodist Church of Spring Fine Art & Craft Fair

Historic Cocoa Village Association will host · Youth Group (grades 6th-12th) meets monthly a Spring Fine Art & Craft Fair on March 4-5, with over \$6000 in cash and awards to competing artists.

> There are a few changes for 2017; some new stuff that includes changes in the registration process and how the Exhibitor spaces will be assigned, and a change in our event deposit requirements.

> You can apply online at http://www.VisitCotion you can mail in the traditional manner. They have added links on the Art & Craft Exhibitor Guidelines page and on the online application page that allow you to view a map of the Art & Craft Fair. The actual space assignments are not finalized until 72 hours prior to the Art & Craft Fair, at which time they will be posted on our website. For 2017 the reservation fee has increased to \$50 per space, although the cancellation fee remains at \$25 and booth fees also remain unchanged.

If you have any suggestions to make Historic Proceeds from the event support the Meals Cocoa Village Art & Craft Fairs even more successful, email us at info@visitcocoavillage.com.

> For Further Information: Allan Chapman info@VisitCocoaVillage.com VisitCocoaVillage.com 321-631-9075

Central FL Accordion Club

The Brevard Chapter of the Central Florida 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, March 26th, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Elks Lodge #1532, 315 Florida Ave, Cocoa. The event is open to the public. Admission is free.

CFAC is a Not-for-Profit Florida Corporation, and is tax exempt under Section 501c4 of the Federal Tax Code. The club is dedicated to promoting the visibility and value of the accordion as a multi-cultural musical instrument in Central Florida. For more information, contact Rod Hall, 866-455-2322.







Sunday, March 26th at First United Methodist Church in Port St. John, 1165 Fay Blvd., for both church services (9am and 11am), there will be "Good News and Better News," as told by the nationally known duo "Cring & Clazzy," dubbed the biggest two-piece band in America! The program offers humor, stories, song and music that is geared to all ages. It takes you on a journey working from the parable found in Matthew 11:16-20.

Everybody is welcome. For more information call the church office at 321-631-0183.

Exercise for Seniors

Most seniors never get enough exercise. In His wisdom God decreed that seniors become forgetful so they would have to search for their glasses, keys, and other things thus doing more walking. In His wisdom He made seniors lose coordination so they would drop things requiring them to bend, reach, & stretch.

Then God considered the function of bladders and decided seniors would have additional calls of nature requiring more trips to the bathroom, thus providing more exercise. God looked down and saw that it was good.

So if you find as you age, you are getting up and down more, remember its God's will. It is all in your best interest even though you mutter under your breath.



Rummage Sale & Bake Sale

Frontenac Baptist Church will be hosting their annual Rummage Sale and Bake Sale on March 17th &18th from 8:00 am-2:00 pm. Everone is invited to come out and find some treasure... perhaps the edible kind!

The church is located at 5500 N. US Hwy. 1, just south of Port St. John.

Call Lea Ann Dykema at 636-1369 or email frntenac@bellsouth.net for more information.



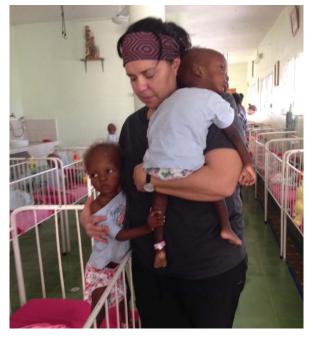
A Beautiful Challenge

Many Parrish Medical Center Care Partners, as part of their life of healing, have participated and served on many missions around the world. Alex Gutierrez, director, Medical/Surgical Nursing recently returned from one such mission. Alex shared her life-affecting experience and how it results in furthering her commitment to PMC's mission here in Brevard.

She writes: "I have just returned from Haiti after spending a week in Port-Au-Prince. Together with my daughter and three friends, our 'mission' was to assist in any and every way by holding and nurturing babies in an orphanage and assisting at a wound/open clinic. I thought to myself while on the plane ride over that this was right up my alley! I never thought it would be easy, but what was actually in store for me could not really be described ahead of time."

She goes on to describe the heat and living conditions on this beautiful and mountainous island and her experiences as a volunteer in a pediatric hospital and medical caregiver in one of the poorest sections of the city.

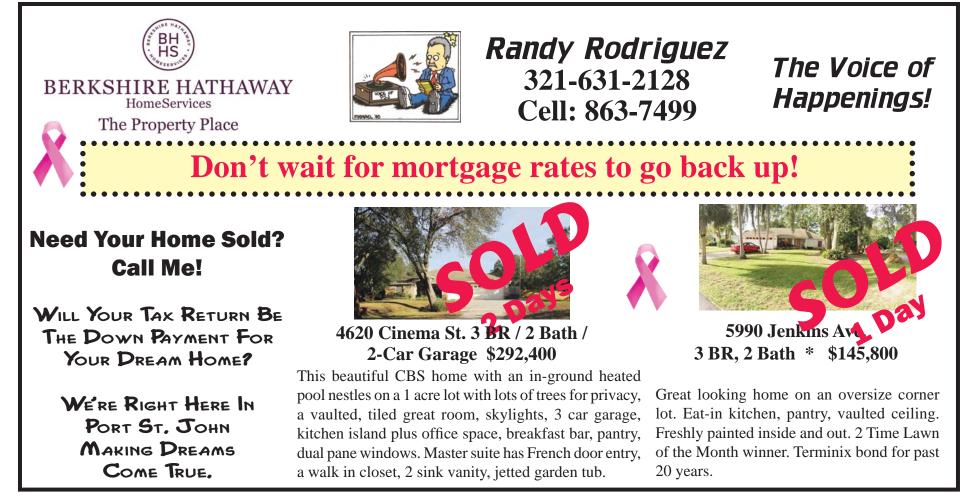
the orphanage], I was startled with how many babies there were," she said. "Every crib was occupied. Some babies were sitting up smiling, some were crying, some were sleeping, some were lying listlessly. Some were standing up with arms outstretched begging to be held... Some just



"At first, when I laid eyes on the room [in needed to be loved. I grabbed the first boy that held his arms out to me; he was crying so hard, but so many babies needed that same attention and love. As soon as I picked him up, he stopped crying and started to smile. I thought to myself, 'where do I start? How can I do this? There are so many!""

> She also describes how the Haitians lined up outside the clinic for hours to be assessed and treated for wounds and for every other type of ailment imaginable.

> Upon her departure, she reflected on her time in Haiti. "As I looked out the plane window upon departure, my heart was heavy," she wrote. "Every little bit helps. This country so devastated by natural disasters, but yet so beautiful with people who are equally loving, caring, smiling and so grateful for the assistance we provided—if only for one week. I return to the U.S. with a different perspective of 'the little things' and how meaningful our work is for every patient we touch. We all have servant hearts and are also doing amazing healing work every day, for every patient we touch. It is indeed a beautiful challenge."



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.

3-1 Ash Wednesday

3-1 American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 359, General Membership Meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month, 6 pm at the Post Home, 7260 S. US 1, just north of PSJ. Call President Dorothy O'Rourke at 321-268-1632.
3-7 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.

3-8 International Women's Day

Important Phone Numbers

County Commissioner -	264-6750
Sheriff: Non-Emergency -	633-7162
Fire Station 26 (Port St. John)	633-2056
Emergency Operations Center	
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 Schoo	1 - 638-0750
Sexual Offender Registry -	
www3.fdle.state.fl.us/sexua	I_predators/

3-8 '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.

3-9 Canaveral Groves Homeowners, Inc. meets on the 2nd Thursday each month, 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Room of Discovery Christian Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy.

3-10 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.

3-12 Daylight Savings Begins

3-12 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. 3-12 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.

3-12 Calling all Christian authors! Dynamic writers group in Cocoa, Fla. offers training, critiques, and paid writing opportunities (2nd Sundays 2-4:30pm at Cocoa library). Contact D.P. Clarke at 1royaldy@gmail.com for more information. Print "Writers Group" in Subject.

3-15 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.

3-17 St. Patrick's Day!

3-17 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.

3-20 Moonport Modelers RC Club meets at 6:30 pm, 3rd Monday each month at the N. Bre-

vard Library, 2121 S Hopkins Ave., Titusville. For more info, call Wayne Mendez, 505-2361. **3-29 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.

Congratulations to: Alexander Delida turns 11 on the 2nd. Landon Townley turns 11 on the 2nd. Patina Rutenber turns prettier on the 3rd. Mason Kremer turns 8 on the 3rd. Shawn Townsend turns 19 on the 4th. Kari Grinstead parties wild on the 5th Sam Brown turns wiser on the 5th. Doug Vick turns wilder on the 6th. Isaac Kois turns 27 on the 6th. Mandy Pannullo turns 24 on the 8th. Aiden Firth turns 7 on the 8th. David Rausch turns cooler on the 8th. Paris Ragan dances all night on the 9th. Jason Rockhill turns hotter on the 9th. Brett Messer turns 21 on the 10th. **Patty Benoff** ages like wine on the 10th. Timothy Rausch turns 35 on the 12th. Carol Kremer turns cuter on the 14th. Rhonda Rockhill gets spanked on the 15th. Ashley Moore turns more lovely on the 16th. Paige Burris rocks the night on the 17th. Tonya Dees remains beautiful on the 18th. Lucas Erickson turns 19 on the 18th. Amava Rockhill turns 11 on the 18th. Brent Bray turns 28 on the 21st. **Cheryl Rausch** turns **6-0** on the 23rd. Alexys Sladyk turns Sweet 16 on the 24th. Carter Niehoff turns 6 on the 27th. Jim Carnell has a spanking day on the 29th. Tommy Kenney breaks thru to 23 on the 31st.

Norm & Sue Blum celebrate their 34th Anniversary on the 4th.

Lisa & Cary Troxel celebrate the day Cary robbed the cradle on the 27th. Rock on! Dave and Valerie Hannen celebrate their 32nd wedding anniversary on March 30th.

We have lots of room for more good news. Email your inputs to happenings1@att.net.

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General Information

Please monitor our website for any future news and announcements on upcoming registration and events. Do not forget to look at our website for great gear and ways to support your Space Coast Panthers. We have gym bags, stuffed bears, apparel, and even pillows, most of which can be personalized.

Space Coast Panthers general board meetings are currently being held tentatively every 2 weeks on Tuesdays at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us and have a voice in the success of our league. Dates will be posted on our website and on our Facebook pages as they are scheduled.

Community Events

Live Registrations are being held throughout the month. Dates and times can be found on our website. **Registration**

Flag Football – Currently we are accepting online registration for the NFL Flag season. Flag football season practice will begin in March and games will begin in April continuing through May. The league is for boys and girls, ages 4-15. We will need volunteer coaches. If you are interested, please speak with someone at registration or





contact us through our website. The cost of the season is \$60, which includes a team jersey, set of flags, league insurance coverage, and other fees associated with the season. Skills clinics for the upcoming flag season will be held at the dates and times listed below. We look forward to seeing all of the Space Coast's premiere and up and coming flag football stars.

Tuesday, 02/28/17 6:00 - 8:00, Skills Clinic ages 9 - 15

Wednesday, 03/01/17 6:00 - 8:00, Skills Clinic ages 3 - 8

Volunteers Needed

The Space Coast Panthers have been a huge success and it could not have been done without the help from the coaches. All our coaches are volunteers and give their personal time up to train and help the boys and girls of our league. We are always in need of more volunteers for coaches and board members. We are currently seeking volunteers for the Spring and Fall Season. Please speak with a board member or contact us through our website. This is a great way to give back to your community and help make a difference.

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 are always accepting new sponsors and we have a plan to meet your needs!

Sponsorship forms are available online, www.SpaceCoastPanthers.org.

Contact Kenny Dean via email for more information: <u>knights4799@gmail.com</u>. For more information: www.spacecoastpanthers. org

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The Space Coast High School Baseball and Softball teams would like to thank the American Legion and American Legion Rider from Post 359. They came out and volunteered their time and resources to help get our fields and dugouts ready for our upcoming season. Our fields are the best in the area and we invite everyone out to catch a game!

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Mission accomplished! All painted!



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You, Women's History, And The Power Of Social Security

By Blanca Taylor

Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

March is Women's History Month — a time to focus not just on the past, but on the challenges women continue to face. Nearly 60 percent of the people receiving Social Security benefits are women, and in the 21st century, more women work, pay Social Security taxes, and earn credit toward monthly retirement income than at any other time in our nation's history. Knowing this, you can be the author of your own rich and independent history, with a little preparation.

Social Security has served a vital role in the lives of women for over 80 years. With longer life expectancies than men, women tend to live more years in retirement and have a greater chance of exhausting other sources of income. With the national average life expectancy for women in the United States rising, many women will have decades to enjoy retirement. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, a female born today can expect to live more than 80 years. As a result, experts generally agree that if women want to



ensure that their retirement years are comfortable, they need to plan early and wisely.

You can start with a visit to Social Security's Retirement Estimator. It gives you a personalized estimate of your retirement benefits. Plug in different retirement ages and projected earnings to get an idea of how such things might change your future benefit amounts. You can use this valuable tool at www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator.

You should also visit Social Security's financial planning website at www.socialsecurity. gov/planners. It provides detailed information about how marriage, widowhood, divorce, selfemployment, government service and other life

or career events can affect your Social Security.

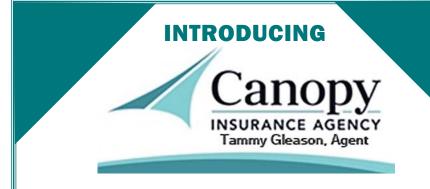
Your benefits are based on your earnings, so create your personal *my Social Security* account to verify your earnings were reported correctly. Your account also can provide estimates of your retirement, disability and survivors benefits.

If you want more information about how Social Security supports women through life's journey, Social Security has a booklet that you may find useful. It's called Social Security: What Every Woman Should Know. You can find it online at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10127.html.

Free Movie Night

Come and enjoy food, folks and fun at the Port St. John Free Movie Night at Community Alliance Church, 4855 Fay Blvd., Port St John. The event includes snacks! They will be featuring the movie Courageous on Sunday March 19th at 6:00 PM. All residents and families are welcome to attend.

For any other information, you can contact Rod at (321)242-3477.



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Rose's Room

It comes as no surprise to anyone who has ever met me that I am the world's biggest wimp. Despite raising five fairly self-destructive kids and a spouse who has kept the emergency department personnel, fire department and a certain family physician in Rockledge scratching their heads in disbelief that he is still at all mobile, removing a splinter in my very own finger sends me running for extra strength aspirin.

Putting off bunion surgery until I ran out of excuses was just a natural progression of my wimpism. My family did their best to calm my fears individually and en-masse, however I really don't think beginning each conversation with, "At least you only have a problem with one small part of one foot. When I had..." and ending with "Dad's going to be able to do the care and feeding for a couple of days...right?" was exactly the encouragement I needed at the moment.

I have the best doctor in the world, save for the one small caveat of treating me like an adult. "Your foot hurts and you have a problem walking, I can make it much better. Call me when you're ready." Not exactly wimp-speak, but it worked... eventually.

After much excuse-making and procrastinating, my husband and myself arrived at the surgery center at 0-dark-thirty, him much caffeinated and jovial, me not-caffeinated, thirsty and grumpy.

I'm sure there is a good reason that you have to be totally dehydrated for surgery, but it makes finding a vein to insert a huge needle with which to feed you the fluid you were not allowed to have much harder. I was beginning to feel sorry for the nurse who kept apologizing to me as she tried both wrists, both elbows and the back of my hand. She looked at me like she was ready to call security when she finally got the needle situated and taped, then all the fluid flowed onto the bed when she opened the valve and I giggled with the absurdity.

After becoming very fond of my anesthesiologist and gaining a new respect for nurses everywhere, the thing I had been dreading for so long was over and I was on my way home. Then the fun began...

I spent most of the afternoon dozing and whining in the big Lazy-Boy, my feline ghost writer leaving my lap for the litter box only. The wimp in me delayed a trip to the restroom as long as humanly possible, even though my husband kindly offered the use of his scooter. I have driven the scooter in the past so there shouldn't have been a problem... and there wouldn't have been, had I not attempted a sharp left then a sharp right in a very small alcove containing a glass topped table, two door jams and a cat... with a frightfully full bladder and a husband urging, "Sharp left! The other left!"

My blessed husband says he can sand and paint the door jam and wall... When I finally made it back to the chair, the cat leapt into my lap again, spending the better part of the next couple of hours alternately licking the tip of his tail and glaring at me.

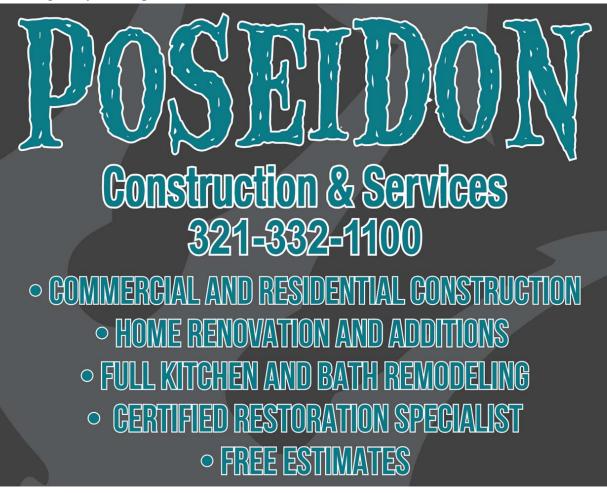
Every worker's dream of spending the entire day feet raised feasting on junk food and junk TV was not nearly as wonderful as imagined. My husband was at the ready to fetch and carry but I couldn't think of a single thing I wanted to be fetched or carried. Jerry Springer is not fun when your only company is still licking and glaring and chocolate donuts just ain't the same when you have given yourself permission to eat them.

By the third day of non-working bliss, my children stopped answering my e-mails and my fourth check in with co-workers resulted in a plea for me to go lay down and rest. Spending a couple of hours on an outing alone with my sister is always a special treat...even if we are asked once again who is older. (Medical person: if one lady says she's taking care of her little sister, she's the older one...even if she looks five years younger and never gets the senior discount at fast food joints when I do, but never corrects anyone's mistakes, just stands there and smiles while I insist on being charged the full amount.)

Easing myself back into the real world is much easier secure in the knowledge that my great boss, super co-workers and wonderful offspring are truly loving and caring humans that I know I can count on anytime. The soup, pot pie, cake, phone calls and visits are forever etched in my heart and soul.

The chocolate donuts settled elsewhere...

Try to make at least three people smile each day. And don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.





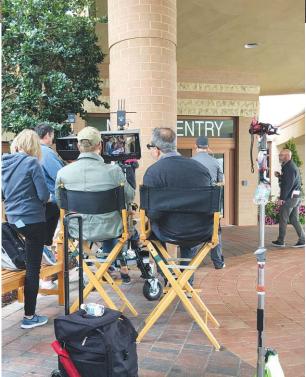


Lights! Cameras! Action!

On February 15th, Backyard Productions' cast and crew were on site at Parrish Medical Center to film a commercial using their nationally acclaimed healing environment as the 'model' hospital. If you haven't visited the hospital since the front changed, that was much, much more than a facelift. The entire hospital has been changed to an environment dedicated to healing.

At no time were patients, family, visitors or care partners interrupted or filmed as part of this production. All filming activity was limited to the front entrance, first floor lobby area, and the outdoor courtyard so that doctors and staff could continue taking care of patients without interruption or inconvenience.

Here's what the excitement and "glamour" looked like!







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PMC Scholarship Applications

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation (JPMF) and Parrish Medical Center (PMC) Auxiliary are now accepting scholarship applications from high school seniors who plan to pursue a career in a medical or healthcare field related to human health. The organizations have combined their scholarship programs and will announce scholarship recipients in May, 2017.

Scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors who reside in the Parrish Medical Center service area (SR 528 north to the Brevard/Volusia county line). Students must have a 3.0 grade point average or greater, based on a 4.0 scale. Students who have been awarded a JPMF and/or PMC Auxiliary scholarship in previous years may reapply provided they are continuing in a medical/healthcare field related to human health and have maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average. Graduate students are not eligible.

High school students who attend Astronaut High School, Space Coast Jr./Sr. High School and Titusville High School may obtain an application from the Guidance Office at their school. Others may obtain an application by calling the Jess Parrish Medical Foundation at 321-269-4066 or by visiting parrishmedfoundation.com/scholarships. The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, March 10, 2017.

Experimental Aircraft Assn. Chapter 724, Merritt Island

EAA 724's next meeting will be March 8th in the club house on Merritt Island Airport at 7:30 pm. If you have a passion or interest in aviation, then EAA724 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. Contact President Don White at 321-266-7410, visit www.eaa724. org, or email don@eaa724.org for information.

Brewmaster's Invitational

Florida's biggest beer festival just got bigger. The 3rd Annual Brewmaster's Invitational will be held on March 4, 2017, 2pm - 6pm at 670 Dave Nisbet Dr. in Cape Canaveral.

The stars of Brewmaster's Invitational are the unlimited tastings of 150 beers from 50 breweries. They will have local, national and international breweries showcasing their unique and delicious craft beers. Find a new favorite beer!

Along with unlimited tastings, this year's Brewmaster's Invitational will feature tons of food trucks, a bacon bar, live music and live local artists.

Sweet Cheesus is one of many food trucks at the festival. They will be serving up roasted, melted cheesy goodness. YUM!

Live music from local favorite Allan Wood, an acoustic wizard with a soulful voice. Funkle Fester will bring the funk with their supergroup packed with horns, percussion and guitar. Josh Whitaker will serenade the crowd with captivating original tracks.

Local artists will show off their art work and even create some live.

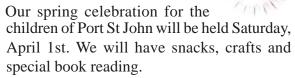
Vendors at Brewmaster's Invitational are unique, representing all of the best products in the area. Peli Surfboards will be showing off their super cool boards. CigarStrings will show off their gorgeous guitars crafted from cigar boxes.

There will be lawn games to keep you and your friends entertained all day long. Get immersed in local food and culture at the 3rd Annual Brewmaster's Invitational Beer Festival.

For more information, visit BrewmastersInvitational.com, contact Marley@9MileMedia. com or call 321-613-4805 with any questions!

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Please contact the library or obtain a flyer from the library for the time and more information.

Story time for preschoolers on Fridays, 10:30 am. **Sponsored by Friends of the** Port St. John Library

Port St. John Public Library March 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. Master Gardener's Garden Clinic: Monday, 2-4 pm. Our master gardener will answer your plant questions. Bring samples.

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 and Weds, 1-4:00pm. Counselors assist seniors and the disabled with Medicare and Medicaid questions. Call for an appointment time 321-222-7981.

AARP Tax-Aide: March 8, 15, 22, 12:30-4:30 pm. Appointments may be made in person at the site during site hours. Do not call the library for appointments or tax-aide information.

STIR: Story Time for Independent Readers: Thursdays, 3:30-4:30. 1st grade and up. Preregistration required.

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! Overeaters Anonymous: Saturdays, 9:30-10:30.

Meetings and Events:

	Mar. 1, 5:30pm	Adult coloring club				
	Mar. 8, 6:00pm	PSJ Special District				
	Advisory Board Meeting					
	Mar. 11, 10am-Noon	Port St. John Pokémon				
	Club					
	Mar., 13 5:30pm	Port St. John Public				
	Library Advisory Board meeting					
	Mar. 14, 9-10:30am	Risk Management				
	Mar. 15, 1-3:00pm	Bookworms Adult Book				
Discussion Group.						
	Mar. 15, 6:30-7:45pm Sunrise Village					
	Mar. 16, 10-Noon	North Brevard				
Homeschool Co-op						
	Mar 17, 6-7:45pm	Sunrise Village				
	Mar. 17, 11:45am	Titusville Chamber of				
	Commerce					
	Mar. 22, 5:30pm	Friends of the Port St.				
John Public Library membership meeting						

Parrish Medical Center Earns Top 100 SafeCare Hospitals®

Parrish Medical Center (PMC) has earned the Top 100 SafeCare Hospitals® distinction from The SafeCare Group, based in Lexington, Kentucky. According to the SafeCare Group, this distinction is not an award that hospitals receive but one that is earned based upon performance in the comprehensive, evidence-based metrics of the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) hospital value-based program (HVBP), readmissions reduction program (HRRP), and acquired complications reduction program (HACRP).

"These 100 hospitals are the top two (2) percent of all U.S. hospitals, representing the nation's top performing hospitals in 40 evidencebased metrics of CMS HVBP, HRRP, and HACRP...This is truly an accomplishment for your hospital, its staff, and medical staff," wrote Yisrael M. Safeek, MD, MBA, CPE, FACPE, CEO & chairman, The SafeCare Group, in his congratulatory email to Parrish.

"This is the latest evidence that our network of healthcare professionals is providing the patients we are honored to serve with superior levels of quality, safety and healing patient experiences, while also lowering overall healthcare costs," said George Mikitarian, PMC president and Chief Executive Officer. "We are proud of our care partners [employees, physicians and volunteers] who share a commitment to placing the health and well-being of patients above all else."

Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library March 2017 * 321-264-5080

The Mims-Scottsmoor Library is located at 3615 Lionel Rd, 2.8 miles north of State Road 46 and one block east of US #1. Programs are free unless a fee is noted.

Beginning Computer Classes are available. Please call for details. Fee is \$5/session.

Thursday, March 2, 1:30 pm. Please join the Mims-Scottsmoor Library Book Club for a discussion of A Trick of the Light by Louise Penny. Copies of the book are available at the Reference Desk.

Thursday, March 2, 6:00 pm. Acrylic Painting Class taught by Pat Urbano. All materials will be provided. Cost: \$10. Please register early as space is limited.

Wed., March 8 & Fri., March 10, 9am-5pm and Thurs., March 9 noon- 8 p.m. Friends of the Library BIG Spring Book & Bake Sale. Great deals on hard covered Science Fiction/Fantasy & Mysteries. Blow-out bag sale. Videotapes, DVDs and audiobooks.

Thursday, March 16, 6 pm "COOK THE BOOK" Book Club will meet to discuss and enjoy dishes prepared from recipes found in this month's selected cookbook: Five-Ingredient Recipes by Philia Kelnhofer.

Tuesday, March 21, 2-3pm Coloring Club for Grownups. Indulge your inner artist. All materials provided. Free!

Monday, March 27, 1-3 pm, Beaded Jewelry Class – Make a charm bracelet with the Bead Ladies. Please call to register. \$15/craft.

Archaeology Along the St. Johns River

What have archaeologists learned from work in and along the St Johns River? The St. Johns River has played an ever-changing role in the lives of Floridians for thousands of years. Prehistorically, the river provided food, transportation and a geographic connection between cultures living from the source to the mouth. Historically, the river supported missions, plantations and military outposts.

Exploration is not limited to land; famous archaeological sites on the river's bottom add to our knowledge of Florida's past.

The presentation will be on Thursday, March 23, 6:30pm at the Mims/Scottsmoor Library, 3615 Lionel Rd., Mims.





Vipers Project Graduation

Save the dates!

March 4, 2017 - Vipers Bowl-a-thon at River- ees Association (NARFE). lanes, Titusville

Mcdonalds

March 12, 2017 - Kelly's BBQ all day dining -Port St John

March 18, 2017 - Creative Juice Vipers Paint Day - Dayspring Church

The last chance to purchase your BRICK to be included in the "Pathway of Memories" at SCHS has been extended to March 15! All bricks purchased will be laid in time for the 2016-2017 graduation season! Email: Project-GradSCHS17@gmail.com

There is still time to order your personalized yard sign..... Call 321-458-4337 to get your order form today!

Thank you for supporting the Class of 2017

Jana Emen 2017 Project Graduation 321-458-4337

Indialantic Art Festival

Art lovers throughout the Melbourne area can celebrate with the return of the 24th Annual Indialantic Art Festival taking place in Nance Park March 18 – 19. The beautiful seaside park will be filled with gallery-style booths featuring thousands of works from visiting artists. Residents and visitors are invited to stroll amidst life-size sculptures, spectacular paintings, one-of-a-kind jewels, photography, ceramics and more during the free, outdoor event which takes place from 10 am to 5 pm both days.

The 24th Annual Indialantic Art Festival represents original artwork, handmade in America. A wide array of mediums and price ranges will be offered during the Festival. Visitors will have the chance to meet with the artists and discover the process and inspiration behind each work of art. Family friendly, the outdoor event also welcomes friendly pets on leashes.

James H. Nance Park is located at 201 N. Miramar Avenue, Indialantic. The event is free and open to the public. For additional information on the Art Festival and other Howard Alan Events art shows across the country, visit www. artfestival.com or call 561-746-6615.

Federal Employees Assn.

National Active and Retired Federal Employ-

NARFE Apollo Chapter 1137 meets monthly March 7, 2017 - McDonald's Viper Night - PSJ 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 to hear an

interesting speaker at 12:15. Just tell the hostess when you come in to meet with us.

On March 13th our speaker will be Kathi Ridner, the Director of One Senior Place in Viera. No reservations required.

For more information, the website address is www.NARFE.org/Chapter1137.

Viper Project Graduation Fundraising Golf Tournament

Prizes, Raffles, 50/50, Mulligans, Drive for \$5, longest drive, closest to the pin, food served after golf

Saturday April 8th 2017

Tee Time 12:45 Checkin Begins @ 11:30 Lacita Country Club

Titusville, FL

\$70.00 per person



All proceeds go to support **Viper Project Graduation 2017**

Make check payable to: VPGBC 728 West Avenue, #168 Cocoa, FL 32927

If you would like to Play or Sponsor a hole please Contact Bob Ramsey @ 321-720-0512 or psjrambo@gmail.com



Thank you for participating in our fundraising tournament, allowing our seniors to have a fun filled safe place to hang out after graduation

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 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, 1:00 PM Titusville Ward Sacrament Meeting, 9:30 AM Coastal Community Church 639-7346 5795 Falcon Blvd., PSJ Services on Sunday, 9 & 10:45 am. Relevant and practical for your everyday life! Web site at www.coastalcommunity.net. 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 1500 Cox Rd, Cocoa, Pastor Amado Luzbet Church 632-0640 Sch 636-2551; www.cocoasda.org

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

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 Day Spring Church, (407) 516-5767 4725 Fay Blvd., Kid's Service: Wednesday, 6:30 pm Service: Sunday, 10:30 am Prayer Time: Sunday, 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. Contemporary service - 9:00 am Sunday School - 10 am; Traditionaly Service, 11 am 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

Saturday Sabbath School classes all ages, 9:45 am. 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 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's: 5:30pm Rite II (Contemplative) Sun's: 7:30am Rite I (Historical), 9:30am Rite II (Traditional), 11:30am Rite III (Contemporary) Wed's: 6pm Taize Mediational Service Thur's: 11am Healing Service

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

the surfside fellow ship.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.



Saturday, March 4th

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. www.uucocoa.org 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
Services at Indian River Civic Ctr., 4220 S. Hopkins
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

St. Datrick's Day Dinner Dance

(Darch 18, 2017

All you can eat Corned beef and cabbage. Doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner starts at 6:30 pm. BYOB. Soda, coffee & dessert provided.

Tickets are available at \$15.00 per person, children 12 and under free. Reserved tables are available. Music by FRANKIE C.

Call Deacon Frank, 321 208 2356 St Patrick Anglican Catholic Church 4797 Curtis Blvd., Port St John.

OH!! Now Get it!!

Last month we talked about our need for The Holy Spirit to teach us from the Bible, and how God uses other Christians to help us understand these eternal lessons. Please take a moment to read the following from Acts Chapter 8 vrs 26-39:

Now an angel of The Lord spoke to Philip, saying "Arise and go toward the South along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great Authority under Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was **READING** Isaiah the prophet. Then The Holy Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." So Philip ran to him, and heard him **READING** the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you UNDERSTAND what you are reading?" And he said, "How can I, unless someone **GUIDES** me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. The place in the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He opened not His mouth. In His humiliation His justice was taken away, And who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth." So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or some other man?" Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, **PREACHED** Jesus to him. Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is much water. What hinders me from being baptized?" Then Philip said, "IF YOU BELIEVE WITH ALL YOUR HEART YOU MAY" And he answered and said, "I BELIEVE THAT JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD." So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. Now when they came up out of the water, The Spirit of The Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing!!!!!

Join us for Bible study Sunday, 10:30 Prayer Sunday, 6:30



Central Brevard Library

308 Forrest Avenue, Cocoa - 321-633-1792 **ADULT PROGRAMS**

Mon, 9-12 and Fri, 1-4, Free one-on-one Medicare and insurance counseling for elders by trained SHINE experts. Walk-ins are welcome; appointments available by calling 321 252-9005. Tues, 10am-12pm, Watercolor Techniques for all levels w/Pearl Ollie. \$10 fee includes supplies. Thurs, 10-11am, Restorative Yoga – Certified yoga instructor Ashley Archambault teaches a gentle flow of yoga postures designed to relieve tension throughout the body. This class welcomes all ages and all levels of practitioners. Bring a mat or towel and wear comfortable shoes. \$5. Sat, 10-11am, New Time! Learn English in a fun, small group environment focusing on improving your speaking, reading, writing and listening skills, and how to use these skills in everyday situations. \$5 cost includes all materials.

Thurs, 3/2, 6:30-7:30 pm, Enjoy a guided breathing meditation to help reduce your daily stress and anxiety and a short teaching on how to use meditation practice to live with more peace, compassion and wisdom. \$5.

Mon, 3/6, 9:30 -11 am. Mouse and Keyboard Skills class, \$5. Call 633-1792 to register.

Mon, 3/6, 10:30am-12pm, Discover for yourself the simple, joyful pleasures of the Adult Coloring Zone. All materials freely provided, no special skills required. Call 633-1792 or just drop in! Thurs, 3/9, 2pm, Popcorn & A Movie – Playing chess offers Ugandan girl a way out of poverty. (PG). FREE.

Mon, 3/13, 10:30am-12pm, Discover for yourself the simple, joyful pleasures of the biweekly Adult Coloring Zone. All materials freely provided, no

special skills required. Call or just drop in! Mon, 3/13, 9:30 -11 am Windows Basics class, \$5. Call 633-1792 to register.

Mon, 3/13, 3:00 Enjoy a taste of Filipino cooking following a LIVE cooking demonstration. Free. Tues, 3/14, 4-6pm, Come celebrate Pi day with activities and crafts including Raspberry Pi.

Thurs, 3/16, 12:30-2pm. Love mysteries? Join "It's A Mystery" book group for a discussion of the March theme, "Asia, Africa, Australia and the Pacific Islands." FREE!

Sat, 3/18, 10am, Steve and Terri Cheal teach a new method for extreme couponing to save you time and money. Fun and free presentation!

Sun, 3/19, 2pm, FREE concert! Central Brevard Library presents the Jeriatric Jazz Group (playing more than jazz!) for your Sunday afternoon musical entertainment.

Mon, 3/20, 10:30am-12pm, Discover for yourself the simple, joyful pleasures of the Adult Coloring Zone. All materials freely provided, no special skills required. Call 633-1792 or just drop in! Mon, 3/20, 9:30 -11 am. Internet and Email class, \$5. Call 633-1792 to register.

Thurs, 3/23, 1pm, Environmental experts present the issues and solutions for cleaning up the Indian River Lagoon. Free.

Thurs, 3/23, 1-3pm, Craft a cuff bracelet in this fun jewelry making class. All materials and instruction included! \$15. Call 321-225-1394 or email thebeadladiesarehere@gmail.com to reserve your space.

Mon, 3/27, 9:30-11 am, New! Kindle Fire class, \$5. Call 633-1792 to register.

Mon, 3/27, 10:30am-12pm, Discover for yourself you can remember it?" she asks. the simple, joyful pleasures of the Adult Coloring Zone. All materials freely provided, no special



skills required. Call 633-1792 or just drop in! Tues, 3/28, 5-6pm, Join us at Creative Lab's Tech Tuesday. Call us for more information and to register. Spaces are limited (633-1792).

Tues, 3/28, 6-7:30pm, Facebook class, \$5. Call 633-1792 to register.

Thurs, 3/30, 1-3pm, Create a strand bracelet. All materials, instruction and fun included! \$15. Call 321-225-1394 or email thebeadladiesarehere@ gmail.com to reserve your space or for more information.

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Where's My Toast?

A couple in their nineties are both having problems remembering things. During a checkup, the doctor tells them that they're physically okay, but they might want to start writing things down to help them remember. That night while watching TV, the man gets up from his chair. "Want anything while I'm in the kitchen?" he asks.

"Will you get me a bowl of ice cream?" "Sure."

"Don't you think you should write it down so

"No, I can remember it."

"Well, I'd like some strawberries on top, too. Maybe you should write it down."

He says, "I can remember that. You want a bowl of ice cream with strawberries."

"I'd also like whipped cream. I'm certain you'll forget that. Write it down?" she asks.

Irritated, he says, "I don't need to write it down, I can remember it! Ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream - I got it!"

Then he toddles into the kitchen. After about 20 minutes, the old man returns from the kitchen and hands his wife a plate of bacon and eggs.

She stares at the plate for a moment. "Where's my toast?"

Walter Butler Community Center - March, 2017 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

Pickleball, 11 a.m- 2 p.m. Basketball Fundamentals 3-4 p.m. High School Basketball Leagues, 5-8 p.m. Open Gym, 5-8 pm Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm 6th & 20th Girl Scouts Troop 505, 5-7 p.m. 23rd Girl Scouts Troop 505, 5-7 p.m.

Tuesdays

Mommy-Plus Me, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Pickleball, 11 a.m- 2 p.m. Basketball Fundamentals 3-4 p.m. 4-H Gardener Program, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Boy Scouts, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Open Gym, 5-8 pm Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm Zumba 6-7 p.m. Wednesdays Pickleball, 11 am-2 pm Open Computer Lab, 12-2 & 6-8 pm Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 pm Thursdays Pickleball, 11 am-2 pm Open Computer Lab, 12 - 2 & 6-8 p.m. 4-H Gardener Program, 3:30-4:30 p.m Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 pm 2nd & 16th Girl Scouts #373, 6-7:30 p.m. **Fridays** Open Computer Lab, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Pickleball, 11 am-2 pm Art Club, 3-4 pm **Saturdays** High School Basketball Leagues 1-4 p.m. Program Activities, 10 am - 2 pm

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.

Mommy-Plus Me - is a program for mothers to come in and spend time with their preschool age children. Arts and crafts and other hands-on activities will be planned, and snacks will be served. 11a.m.-12 p.m. every Tuesday of the month.

Zumba Classes - Zumba is an adult dancebased fitness class that uses a fusion of Latin and International rhythms with easy-to-follow moves. every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 7-9 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.

Volleyball Fundamentals is a class which 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, 433-4448.

Brevard County 4-H Junior Master Gardener Program - The Junior Master Gardener Program engages participants in novel, hands-on group and individual learning experiences that promote a love of gardening, develop an appreciation for the environment, and cultivate the mind. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30-4:30 p.m. For more information contact Jan Jordan at (321) 433-4448.

Persons With Disabilities Dances - are held the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 7-9 p.m. All ages are welcome. For more information contact Andrea Chestnut at (321)-264-5058 or (321)-264-5105.

High School Basketball League - \$500.00 per team. The league is scheduled to start March 18th. All high school teams are welcome. For more information, contact Coach Tyree McGhee at Walter Butler Community Center, 433-4448.

Persons With Disabilities Dances are held p.m. all ages welcome. For more information contact Andrea Chestnut 264-5058 or 264-5105.

Kids Yoga Program

The Cape Canaveral Culture and Leisure Services department will be offering a kids yoga program on the second through last Fridays of the month, starting March 10, 2017. Cape Canaveral fitness instructor Rebecca Chapman will instruct specialized yoga sessions geared towards children ages 6-12 years old. This program is designed to engage children in poses and meditation exercises designed to enhance core stability and focus. Parents are encouraged to participate.

By incorporating music, games, and activities into the program, children learn to focus their minds and stretch their bodies, all while having loads of fun. Classes are held at 4:00 pm at the Nancy Hanson Recreation Complex located at 7300 N. Atlantic Avenue in Cape Canaveral. Families will pay \$10 per class for the first child and \$5 per class for each additional. For more information, please contact: Rebecca Chapman at (407) 620-5978 or via email at alittlelovechangeslives@gmail.com

Meet your neighbors and stay informed of Events & Community Happenings! CANAVERAL GROVES HOMEOWNERS INC. If you'd like to join and support our Homeowners' group, just cut out and fill out

this form and mail with a check for \$15 to cover the current year's membership dues. Mail to: CGHI, P.O. Box 675, Sharpes, FL 32959

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Won't you come join us? We meet on the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Discovery Church at 3925 Grissom Pkwy. at 7:00 pm. www.canaveralgroveshoa.org

May we include your phone number on our membership

Canaveral Groves

SLEEPY Hollow



Fruit From The Groves

MARCH 2017 - 3/1, ASH WEDNESDAY - 3/9; CGHOA MEETING AT 7:00 PM; 3/12, DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS; 3/17, ST. PATRICK'S DAY

March is here and what will it be? In like a lion and out like a lamb or just the reverse. I guess we will just have to wait and see. Hopefully we have seen the last of winter, but who knows? I bet Tom Terry does.

We had a great HOA meeting last month and we were pleased to welcome the new night shift supervisor, Lt. Toquanto of the Sheriff's Office. The Lieutenant said that the shift supervisors would be rotated every six months to give the officers more experience. Again, things seem to be be fairly quiet here in the Groves, but Lt. To-

quanto reminded everyone to keep doors locked the intersection, where the car collided head-on and always be on the lookout for suspicious activity. If you see anything, please call 911 and let the professionals handle the situation.

There was some concern raised about the discharge of firearms here in the Groves. The Lieutenant said that as long as it was being done in a safe manner, it was not illegal to discharge a firearm in the county as per Florida Law.

Tragedy struck the Groves again in the early hours of Wednesday, February 15 at Canaveral Grove Blvd. and Grissom. As a result of a two car car collision, Ryan Dolan, 27 of Cocoa and William Schuster, 31 of Rockledge were killed. The Ford Explorer, driven by Dolan, veered around a vehicle stopped at a red light, drove through

with a Jeep driven by Ms. Cheyenne Garrett, 18 of Cocoa, who suffered serious injuries according to investigators. Neither Dolan nor Schuster were wearing their seat belts.

The Onions Are Coming! CGHOA will be selling those delicious Vidalia Onions again this year. Conley was just up in Georgia and said that the onions would be ready at the end of April or the beginning of May, so stay tuned for more information. The funds received from this sale go toward the benevolent work for our community.

Commissioner Rita Pritchett has moved her office. Her new address is 2000 Washington Ave., Titusville. This is the Chamber of Commerce Bldg. on US 1 in Titusville. Her new number is



321-607-6901.

Hopefully, bids will go out this month for the West Canaveral Groves Waterline Project if everything goes to plan. There are still many questions that have not been answered to the satisfaction of some of the residents in the Satellite Blvd. area. Hopefully, most will be resolved and things can move ahead. What is a few more days when it has only been 20 years since this all started?

Citizens Against the Train

CALL TO ACTION- PLEASE SEND A THANK YOU EMAIL TO YOUR LEGISLA-TORS.

Reininger's dishonesty is highlighted to the highest degree in his statement (paraphrasing), "Safety is our greatest priority." The proposed Florida High-Speed Passenger Rail Safety Act would give the Florida Department of Transportation the authority to regulate railroad companies, establish minimum safety standards for high-speed passenger rail and pay for costs leen." associated with rail corridor upgrades and safety measures.

We applaud Florida State Sen. Debbie Mayfield and the other lawmakers in the Senate and the House for their courageous leadership in creating this proposed legislation.

.....A Parting Shot From The Cannon......

This month I want to send this out to friend John Armalini, his relative Bryan Flannery and his golf crew in Bel Aire, MD, who are ready to get back to the game they love.

Two priests decided to go on a golfing vacation in Hawaii.....

They were determined to make this a real vacation by not wearing anything that would identify them as clergy. As soon as the plane landed they headed for a store and bought some really outrageous shorts, shirts, sunglasses, etc.

The next morning they went to the golf club dressed in their 'tourist' garb. They were sitting at the patio lounge, enjoying a drink, the sunshine and the scenery when a 'drop dead gorgeous' blonde in a topless bikini came walking straight towards them. They couldn't help but stare.

As the blonde passed them, she smiled and said "Good Morning, Father ~ Good Morning, Father," nodding and addressing each of them individually, then she passed on by. They were

both stunned. How in the world did she know they were priests? So the next day, they went back to the store and bought even more outrageous outfits. These were so loud you could hear them before you even saw them!

Once again, in their new attire, they settled down in their chairs to enjoy an umbrella drink and the sunshine before their tee time. After a little while, the same gorgeous blonde, wearing a different colored topless bikini, taking her sweet time, came walking toward them. Again she nodded at each of them, and said "Good morning, Father ~ Good morning, Father," and started to walk away.

One of the priests couldn't stand it any longer and said, "Just a minute, young lady."

"Yes. Father?"

"We are priests and proud of it, but I have to know, how in the world do you know we are priests, dressed as we are?"

She replied, "Father, it's me, - Sister Kath-

Uncle John says that ya'll are always welcome to come golf here in Florida, just look out for those blondes. Just remember our state motto "KEEP FLORIDA GREEN, BRING MORE Brevard County Sherriff Wayne Ivey. Tickets MONEY."

As always, thanks to our readers and check out our advertisers and their services. Also, be sure to check out our other staff writers. They always have great information and helpful hints.

Until next month, Lord willin' and the creek don't rise, I remain your humble servant,

- Bill Cannon

Martin Andersen Senior Center Dances

Please note there is only one dance in March, on the 25th. Also, the time has changed.

Martin Andersen Senior Center will host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday, March 25th. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dancing begins at 7:00 p.m., ends at 10:00 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.

Amateur Backyard BBQ Contest

The Sharing Center of Central Brevard is proud to announce the 2nd An-



nual Amateur Backyard BBQ Contest. On April 1st, come out to F. Burton Smith Park in Cocoa to sample some of the best local BBQ around. Amateur BBQ Teams from across the county will vie for the title of Amateur Champion Griller in three categories: beef, pork, and chicken. Each team will be providing samples of their delicious BBQ for you, the public that will be voting for the People's Choice Champion Griller. While serious competitors are sweating it out, we will be soaking up the rays with great food and live entertainment.

The event's proceeds will benefit the Sharing Center's Children's Weekend Feeding Program, a program designed to empower families with children by providing access to healthy food on the weekends during the school year.

Last year's BBQ raised over \$36,000 to feed hungry kids and was well attended by nearly 1,000 people. Kicking off this year's event is for the event are \$15.00. This includes entry to the event, 1 BBQ dinner and samples from the BBQ teams. Come enjoy live music by the CocoLoco's Band, vendors, 50/50 raffles including a Yeti cooler and gun raffle, just to name a few.

Don't wait until the last moment to get your tickets! Tickets can be purchased at:

Sharing Center Thrift Store at 113 Aurora Street, Cocoa

West Cocoa Pharmacy at 2711 Clearlake Rd, Cocoa

Jennifer Neuman Dicandio Allstate Insurance, 950 Fay Blvd., Port St. John

Jabbers Restaurant, 4365 Grissom Pkwy, Cocoa

Sharing Center Thrift Store at 172 E. Merritt Island Causeway, Merritt Island

Fideltiy Bank of Florida at 1380 N Courtenay Pkwy, Merritt Island

Cocoa Beach Area Chamber of Commerce 400 Fortenberry Rd, Merritt Island

Tickets are also available the day of the event. Come join us for some great BBQ and help feed Adults of all ages are welcome to our dances. hungry kids here in our own community.



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