

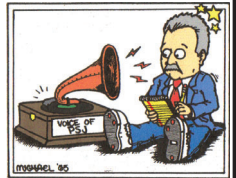
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Space Coast High School Graduation!

Congratulations to the 2018 graduating class of Space Coast High School. The class of 2018 will be graduating from Space Coast on Saturday, May 19th at 7:00 pm at the school football

stadium.

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The senior class will also be having a Baccalaureate on Sunday, May 6th at 2:00 pm at Coastal Community Church off the west end of Falcon Blvd. No tickets are needed to attend. Cameras are welcome.

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The day will include free admission, free lunch, health exhibits, free health information and free health screenings for memory, bone density, oral cancer, blood pressure and more. The day will also include a Lunch and Learn and an opioid and drug abuse forum.



This event is put on by the Doctors' Goodwill Foundation collaboration with Parrish Medical Center, Aging Matters in Brevard and Space Coast Daily. Visit www.doctorsfoundation.org for more information and updates.

Port St. John Housewives Softball League

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

As of July 1st, you must be 19 years of age or older. Sign-ups will be on Saturdays and Sundays, May 19th and 20th, and June 2nd and 3rd from 10:00AM to 2:00PM at Fay Park, east parking lot. Cost is \$50, which includes 20 softball games, team shirt and end of year party and awards.

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

We are also accepting applications for sponsors and experienced umpires.

For more information, call: Shannon Free-land, President, at 321-543-5175; Kim Myrick, Vice-President, at 321-536-1372; Angie Burris, Treasurer, at 321-480-1052; or Joan Sottoriva, Secretary, at 321-537-9605. You can also find us on Facebook, www.facebook.com/PSJHSL.

Bike Rodeo & Bike Giveaway!

Friends of the Port St. John Library will be hosting a Bicycle Rodeo for boys and girls on May 12, 10:30 am in the back parking lot of the library. There will also be a children's bicycle safety clinic. It's a great way for your youngster to increase both their riding skill and road awareness. Some of the skills that will be taught are rules of the road, stopping, vehicle scanning and hazard avoidance.

The program is through the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization. According to their pamphlet, it's a "one day safety clinic that is designed to teach children safety skills and the rules of the road."

And there will be a boy's and girl's bicycle giveaway by the Friends of the Library. You must be present to win.

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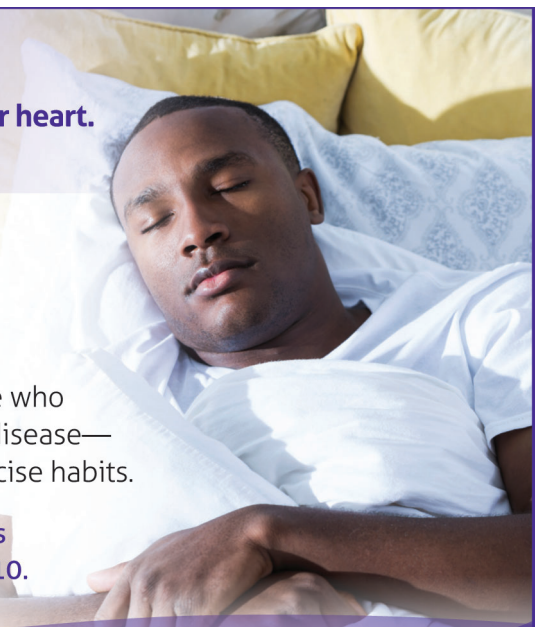
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PSJ Community Center Schedule - May, 2018

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

28th - Center Closed Memorial Day Holiday

Summer Day Camp May 24 thru August 9,

7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Seniors at Lunch, 10 am - 1 pm

Mondays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Youth Zone, 3-7 p.m.

Computer Lab, 3-8 p.m.

Teen Billiards, 3-8 p.m.

Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m.

Tuesdays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Youth Zone, 3-7 p.m.

Computer Lab, 3-8 p.m.

Teen Billiards, 3-8 p.m.

Wednesdays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

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Fridays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Game Room /Computers, 3 - 6 p.m.

Saturdays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Game Room/Computer, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Beginning April 16th, Port St. John Community Center be going through renovations and will be open from 9 am to 5 pm for business transactions only. Scheduled activities should resume May 21. We apologize for the inconvenience, for more information please contact the center at (321)633-1904.

Summer Day Camp

Summer Day Camp begins May 24 thru August 9, 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday thru Friday, \$90/week or \$30 daily. For more information, contact the Port St. John Community Center, 321-633-1904.

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Good Day! by Maureen Rupe
Indian River Lagoon Timeline: It is going to take a long time to fix it

I found a 2013 Treasure Coast article by Staff Report, titled "A timeline of the Indian River Lagoon crisis." It made me realize how long the problem has been with us, and it's not going to be fixed in a year or two. I'm not copying all of it, only what pertains to Brevard. On request, I will send the article in its entirety.

"1980s

April 17, 1985: About 100 gallons of processed sludge leaked into the Indian River Lagoon when a pump failed at the Fort Pierce Utilities Authority Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Dec. 3, 1986: Indian River Lagoon cleanup under study by various environmental agencies and municipalities.

July 22, 1989: One of Florida's leading environmentalists wrote to the state Department of Natural Resources to oppose a plan that would allow the construction of marinas over sea grass in part of the Indian River Lagoon.

Sept. 6, 1989: South Florida Water Management District officials said at a public hearing

they will develop long-range programs to monitor water quality and come up with proposals to save the lagoon.

1990s

April 21, 1990: President George H.W. Bush announces the Indian River Lagoon has been added to the National Estuary Program, marking a major victory for local environmentalists trying to preserve the estuary.

Aug. 17, 1990: A new state law promises to stop the discharge of treated sewage into the Indian River Lagoon basin by July 1, 1995. (This was legal for a number of cities in the lagoon).

Jan. 9, 1993: A malfunction at a Fort Pierce Utilities pump station causes 40,000 gallons of untreated sewage to pour into the Indian River Lagoon, but utilities officials say the spill created no health risks.

Jan 6, 1994: Designating the Indian River Lagoon off-limits for sewage discharge by boaters will help in cleanup and improvements of the waterway, said the management committee of the Indian River Lagoon of the National Estuary Program.

March 25, 1994: Florida House of Representa-

tives OKs waterway cleanup proposal because of sewage in Florida waters.

April 9, 1994: State officials approve a license plate that will show a snook and cost an extra \$15, which will pay for cleanup of the lagoon.

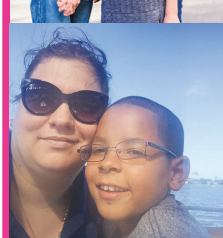
Aug 8, 1994: The Fort Pierce municipal sewage treatment plant is scheduled to stop pumping effluent into the river and instead begin pumping it into the city's deep well injection system.

July 16, 1995: River water quality is poor in Indian River County, possibly due to runoff from the land and creeks, use of septic tanks in some areas and stormwater runoff carrying grease, oil, heavy metals, pesticides and herbicides straight into the lagoon.

Aug. 29, 1996: Too much nitrogen is entering the Indian River Lagoon water because of fertilizers, dying vegetation and sewer discharge promoting algae growth.

Sept. 2, 1996: An algae bloom is suspected in fish kills in the Indian River Lagoon near Sebastian because residents reported dead fish in reddish-colored water.

Oct. 19, 1996: A kidney virus causes a species-specific fish kill; samples reveal hemorrhaged



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bins, inflamed kidneys, spleens, livers and lesions, but researchers do not know what caused the virus.

Dec. 12, 1996: The Corps advances a St. Lucie ooze study because muck depletes oxygen in water and may help restore the Indian River Lagoon.

April 6, 1998: River cleanup proves complex because responsibility flows through many agencies.

April 20, 1998: The Department of Environmental Protection investigates the fish kill in St. Lucie County; it isn't known whether it is related to the recent epidemic of sick fish in the St. Lucie River and the Indian River Lagoon.

Oct. 2, 1998: Lesion-covered fish continue to show up in area waters because of a combination of excess freshwater and low levels of light can severely damage marine life in the St. Lucie River and Indian River Lagoon.

2000s

June 3, 2000: Water samples taken from the Indian River Lagoon show the lowest levels of oxygen in the past 10 years, making conditions ripe for a massive fish kill, the director of the Marine Resources Council says.

Oct. 17, 2000: The Indian River Lagoon bounces back from previous damage caused by sewage effluent running into the waterway. Legislation outlawing sewage discharge was passed in 1994 and all public utilities were to be compliant by 1997.

a) It's only been about 20 years since we've been dumping at least treated sewage straight into the lagoon. Even now, state fines are minimal for spillage, which does not encourage anyone to fix the problem.

Aug 21, 2005: Fear grows that a sick river may drain the local economy because the waterways guide the formation, growth and survival of the region.

Dec 22, 2005: Money to clean up the Everglades, St. Lucie River, and Indian River Lagoon is still tied up in the Water Resources Development Act of 2005, which is mired somewhere in the logjam of bills, resolutions and other items on the calendar of the U.S. Senate.

a) According to the bill, it gives authority for ecosystem restoration, water supply in the flood control, and protection of water quality, Indian River Lagoon and South Florida, at a total

cost of \$1,210,608,000, with an estimated first federal cost of \$605,304,000, and an estimated first non-Federal cost of \$605,304,000. I'm told this was not directly for the IRL, but for work on Lake Okeechobee.

Mar 9, 2006: During the 25th anniversary of the first Florida Academy of Sciences symposium of the Indian River Lagoon at the Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, scientists discuss research that suggests they fight to protect and restore North America's most diverse waterway. While sewer plants have stopped discharging directly into the lagoon and public awareness of the issues is greater than ever, rapid development and population growth in the past 25 years have affected dolphins, turtles, fish and their salty habitat to such an extent that the damage may be irreversible, they said.

Jul. 28, 2007: Fish populations in the Indian River Lagoon are dwindling and hardly anyone is paying attention, says biologist Grant Gilmore, Jr. in a presentation during a meeting of the Rivers Coalition."

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Good Day!, cont.

to fix the Indian River Lagoon within the past year. The state is still handing our septic tank permits like candy. We are still using reclaimed water during the no fertilizer summer season and still spreading treated sewage within the Indian River Lagoon basin. Why would we think it will take any less time to fix than it did to create the problem? We all know the crisis we have currently with the Indian River Lagoon. We must thank the voters of Brevard for the tax to save the Lagoon, but as we have polluted the Indian River Lagoon for many years, we must now be patient. It will take time to restore this one of a kind ecosystem.

Reference:

Staff Report, A timeline of the Indian River Lagoon crisis, Treasure Coast Press, 2013.

Beach Access Denied to the Public?

The Beach Access Law, House Bill 631, signed by Rick Scott, has the attention of beachgoers, as it could give rights to property owners who built on the beach, limiting or even denying access to the public. First, what entity decided the beach could be bought? It doesn't make sense.

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I'm sure money was the basis of this stupidity. The Florida Constitution Article X, §11 reads: "Sovereignty lands. The title to lands under navigable waters, within the boundaries of the state, which have not been alienated, including beaches below mean high water lines, is held by the state, by virtue of its sovereignty, in trust for all the people. Sale of such lands may be authorized by law, but only when in the public interest. Private use of portions of such lands may be authorized by law, but only when not contrary to the public interest.

What does this mean? They say wet sand is public and dry sand belongs to the property owner. Local governments have permitted, collected impact fees and real estate taxes, so apparently this is now private property.

We also have the Bert Harris Act. This act may be cited as the "Private Property Rights Protection Act." The state determined that some laws, regulations and ordinances may burden, restrict or limit private property rights without amounting to a taking under the State Constitution or

the United States Constitution. The ordinance says if it can be shown, the property owner can ask for relief, or payment of compensation. Environmentalists have lost many battles when property owners have said an environmental rule has caused undue burden.

Under the current law, if a "beach owner" wanted to deny access to the public, it could be the courts giving the rights to be owner. If approved, how on earth would this be enforced? Would the owner call the police every time someone walked on the property? It's going to be a busy time for law enforcement. I guess they will have to hire beach cops.

In Britain, where I was born and raised, all beaches are owned by the Department of Defense and all have public access. Our forefathers didn't give out property rights to our beaches. They were a bit smarter than in our current times.

On the other side, should we be required to pay for sand renourishment? Should we be required to subsidize for beach property insurance? Or is the property owner going to sue us for not paying for either of these through the Bert Harris Act.

Commissioner Tobia an Environmentalist?

I reviewed Commissioner Tobia's record of Environmentalism while serving on the Florida House of Representatives. Commissioner Tobia voted for fracking in Florida. While with the County as a Commissioner, he wanted libraries and parks downsized to pay for his roads. This was during the same time they still had a ban on impact fees on developments, which has been in place since 2008. Since that time, infrastructure is paid for by county taxpayers.

Just reviewing his state and county record, it's easy to see Commissioner Tobia is not an environmentalist. The recent controversy on



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the Astroturf in Palm Bay and whether he could cancel the project to spend it on the IRL is nothing more than a Commissioner with an agenda. I have noticed Tobia is a very astute politician. I think he is trying to cast a negative face on Curt Smith, who is facing re-election.

It is obvious to me Tobia is trying to get Trudie Infantini re-elected into his position as District 3 Commissioner. If Tobia can get Infantini on the Commission, where now many of his votes are supported by Commissioner Isnardi, he can control the commission. Besides wanting to remove the Tourist Development Council, he has tried to even get rid of our Port St. John Advisory Board and Merritt Island Advisory Board on Planning and Zoning issues. Heaven forbid if we must give up our quality of life to pay for the bare basics.

Port St. John Business Community Meet Up

On May 2nd, there will be a breakfast meeting at 8 AM at Port St. Java on Fay Boulevard. There will be a quick roundtable discussion on everyone's activities, and some "hot topics" affecting the Port St. John business community. If there is time, there may be a 5-minute overview on how to use Ted Talk concepts when talking about one's business/enterprise.

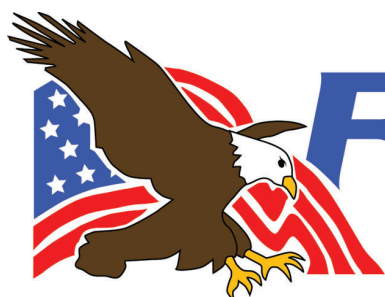
Observations

I saw on FaceBook that residents of Port St. John are more than just annoyed at speeders on the streets. I do not blame them and think the same. Most of our roads are just 20 feet wide. General Development, in the sixties, was intending to put sidewalks on our streets. When they went bankrupt, that fell through. Some people

have put blocks of concrete next to the roads. Again, I can't blame them, but this is not their property as the first 6 feet belongs to the county. If these barriers injure a car driver, whoever put the blocks in will be held responsible for injuries. There has to be room for cars to go onto the 6 feet of right of way legally. This isn't my opinion, it's the county's.

I will be visiting England for 3 weeks on April 27th, so there will be no "Good Day" in June. The Royal Wedding is on May 19th, the day after I return. I'm glad not to fight those crowds in London. I hope the weather is good, but it doesn't rain in pubs, so all is good.

Cheerio,
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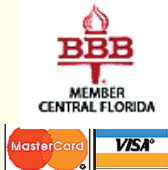
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Space Coast Panthers general board meetings are currently being held tentatively every 2 weeks on Tuesdays at 8:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us and have a voice in the success of our league. Dates will be posted on our website and on our Facebook pages as they are scheduled.

Football Camp

Whether you are a new player wanting to learn the game or a returning player, this camp will have something for everyone!

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Includes: T-shirt, lunch and drink also provided. Camp fees are due by June 2nd to guarantee a t-shirt.

Registration Information

Registration for the upcoming 2018 Fall Tackle\Cheer season has arrived. Make it easy on yourself and register your football or cheer star from the comfort of your home by going to Spacecoastpanthers.org. Monitor our website for dates and times of live registrations being held near you. While you're on the site checking out the registration go ahead and check out our volunteer information. We are always in need of more volunteers to help with the league. Without volunteers, we have no league.

Volunteers Needed

We are currently seeking volunteers and coaches for the upcoming Fall Tackle, Cheer,

and Flag Season. We are a non-profit, all volunteer organization and we are always in need of volunteers. Space Coast Panthers coaches and Board members are all volunteers and give their personal time up to train and help the boys and girls of our league. This is a great way to give back to your community and help make a difference in our community.

Business Partners Wanted -

Check out our website for a list of sponsor packages to help get the word out about your business and help the community at the same time. 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 Greg Murphy via email for more information at murphy4884@gmail.com.

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Community Spring Pep Rally

Space Coast High School is looking forward to helping the community of Port St. John celebrate bringing in the summer by inviting all community members to join in the Community Spring Pep Rally being held May 8th at Space Coast High School. The Community Pep Rally will celebrate the efforts of all involved in making Port St. John a great place to work and live, as well as celebrate those helping to influence the success of the school and its students.

The event will be held at 6pm at the Space Coast HS/MS Viper Football Stadium. It will include all winter and spring sport teams, as well as the Viper band and ROTC. Come out and meet the teams who represent Port St. John.

In appreciation for the efforts of all of its community business partners, Space Coast High School will be providing an opportunity for vendors to introduce themselves and their services, helping to bring the community closer together. Interested business partners should contact Matthew Barringer at 321-638-0750 or via email at: Barringer.matthew@brevardschools.org.

Space Coast Viper Pride Basketball Camp



Come join the fun! Campers will work on the fundamental skills of basketball – passing, dribbling, shooting, defense and team work. Camp will be on May 24th and 25th, (first two days of summer!), from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM each day in the Space Coast Junior/Senior High School gym.

Basketball Camp is for boys and girls entering grades K-8th. A signed - Parent Permission /Liability Waiver is required.

Campers will participate in individual drills as well as team drills, compete in contests and scrimmage games. Space Coast High School coaches and members of the Boys and Girls Basketball Program will teach the skills and provide excellent supervision of campers.

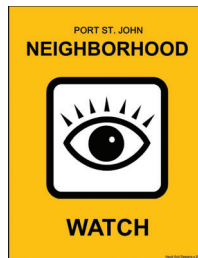
Campers will receive an official SCHS Camp shirt! The fashionable shirt also allows campers free admission to home high school (middle school excluded) Boys' AND Girls' games during the 2018-19 season (with adult admission to game).

Campers should wear basketball shorts, T-shirt and athletic shoes. The cost is \$55 (includes camp T-shirt if registered two weeks before camp start date and lunch for the two days). Discount rate of \$10 off (\$55 first camper and \$45 each additional family member) is available for multiple family members attending camp.

Basketballs will be available the last day of camp for \$10 each (which you can include with registration beforehand). All funds will go directly to help the Boys and Girls High School Basketball programs at Space Coast!! Thank you for your support!

To get a registration form and Waiver, further information or questions, please contact Camp Director Michael Pommier- Varsity Head Coach Boys' Basketball, at (321) 446-9191 or email, pommier.michael@brevardschools.org.

Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?



Children Will Play In The Month Of May

Ohhh, the dreaded time is here when the kiddos will be out of school! Mom's Day is ironically the same month. The bored ones will find ways to amuse themselves, and for some it will be their worst nightmare. Hopefully the smart ones will find smart ways of using their time wisely.

I highly suggest a good summer program for children. There are several local programs and for those who just want to chill for the summer, perhaps they will consider an earnings of some sort or chores. Better yet, how about volunteering their time for a worthy cause. All of these things help to build character and responsibility.

Instilling a sense of pride and ownership for one's actions and placing VALUE on the importance of working and the value of its worth is important. Attaching value to something and working hard for it teaches discipline and will hopefully deter the need to take someone else's things they work so hard for.

Devaluing something means it has little to no importance. The criminal mind has been devalued at one point in its infancy which leads to self-destructive behavior and often times indulgence and self-gratification, finding a quick means to a 'temporary fix.'

If you're going on vacation, please secure your home and belongings. Ask a trustworthy person to keep an eye out for you, since security systems can't always capture everything.

Vehicle thefts are on the rise, as well as meth labs. Residents are urged to be diligent in securing their vehicles in the garage or close to your home. Be aware of any unusual traffic at a home and if you see any strange activity or underage partying going on at our local parks, contact BCSO. Be safe!

Enjoy those May flowers and I hope you get out and meet or help your neighbors!

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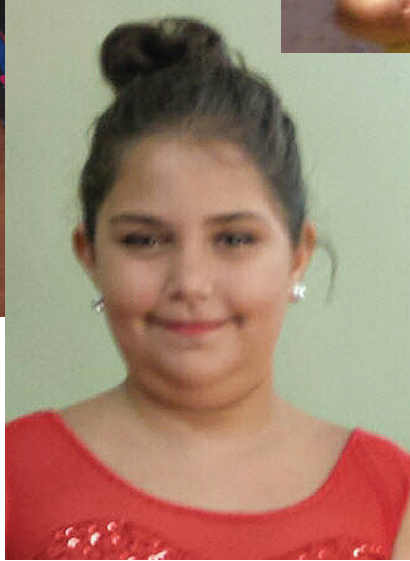
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Brevard Arts Academy's StarQuest Stars

Our hometown stars shone brightly as they took the stage in Lakeland, Florida in April! They competed against many studios from cities around the state, and brought home HIGH GOLD (highest score) in each routine choreographed by Miss Jackie Jordan. The beginning dancers took 5th place overall and to top it off, they brought home two specialty awards for 'Complete Confidence' and 'Great Teamwork.'

These young ladies have achieved a great deal physically, emotionally and spiritually in a very short time. They've transformed from the "I can't" to the "I can try." Now they fly.

Yes, they can! Each of them. They climb the 24' aerial silks and perform on the lyra (hoop). They have learned to compliment and complement each other in a nurturing and warm environment, free of 'cattitude' and full of grace. They have grown 'leaps and bounds.' Literally.

Congratulations to Ivy Moran, Kaylena Mack, Crystal Mack, and Emily May on your many accomplishments so far!

See them and many others perform "A Splash of Color" at Merritt Island Performing Arts Center on the MI High School campus on Saturday May 12, 3-5 pm! For anyone interested in seeing the show and supporting them, it features aerial dance

and video effects, acrobats, special chorus and more! Tickets are ON SALE and are available at www.mybrevardarts.com or call 321-403-4904. Get your presale prices now or pay at the door day of show. Public is welcome and encouraged!



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Monthly Tax Update

You either filed your taxes on time or filed an extension and owe taxes. It's not unusual for taxpayers who owe taxes to file an extension to prevent collections from beginning. However, it may be of interest that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) offers several payment options. Here are some key points to keep in mind.

Never send cash. Electronic payment options are the quickest and easiest way to pay your tax. Check out IRS Direct Pay or EFTPS to pay directly from your bank account. It's secure and free. You'll get instant confirmation that you have submitted your payment.

You can pay taxes electronically 24/7 on IRS.gov. Just click on the payments tab near the top left on the home page. If you filed an extension, you may be able to pay through your tax software when you file the return.

Another method is to choose the option to pay with a credit or debit card. This is accomplished by going to the irs.gov website and be advised that the company processing your payment will charge a processing fee. You may be able to deduct the credit or debit card processing fee on next year's return. It's claimed on Schedule A, Itemized Deductions.

You may enroll in the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS). The EFTPS method permits you to pay your federal taxes electronically. You have a choice to pay using the internet, or by phone using the EFTPS Voice Response System.

If you can't pay electronically, you can still pay by a personal check, cashier's check, or money order. Make it payable to the "United States Treasury." Be sure your name, address

and daytime phone number appear on the front of your payment. Also, write the tax year, Form 1040, and your Social Security number in the memo section of the check. Use the social security number shown first if it's a joint return payment.

You will also send a completed Form 1040-V payment voucher in the envelope with your payment or mail it with your tax return the IRS. Make sure you send them to the correct address listed in the instructions for the Form 1040-V. This will help the IRS process your payment and post it to your account correctly. You can get the form on IRS.gov/forms at any time.

If you can't pay your tax in full, the IRS urges you to still file your tax return on time. You should pay as much as you can with your tax return. This will help keep your penalty and interest costs down. If the amount you owe is more than you can pay in full, then establish an installment agreement which will allow you to pay the balance overtime. There will be a processing fee, charged by IRS, when you establish this arrangement. There is an Online Payment Agreement tool on IRS.gov that makes it a real easy way to apply if the amount due is under \$50,000.

Finally, if the amount is more than you can handle and you know there isn't any way that you'll ever pay it off, you may feel enticed to

call one of the scammer advertising entities that will charge you unbelievable fees and never settle the debt. I would advise you to determine if an Offer in Compromise is possible first. You can go to the website "http://irs.treasury.gov/oic_pre_qualifier/" to determine if an Offer in Compromise is possible. If you find you fall within the parameters, I recommend you to seek the assistance of a local Enrolled Agent, Certified Public Accountant, or an attorney to prepare the documentation and settle the debt. Steer away from the "We can reduce your tax liability" nationwide advertising solicitors due to excessive billing techniques.

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.

Monthly Business Roundtable

The Port St. John (PSJ) Startups & Founders Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month. Business owners and entrepreneurs are welcome to attend. There is no fee to attend. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 2nd, 8:00 AM at Port St. Java in Fay Plaza, 4795 Fay Blvd.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Alcoholics Anonymous meets in PSJ on **Sundays** at 5 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at 4797 Curtis Blvd. (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.

5-1 May Day

5-1 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.

5-2 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.

5-2 PSJ Startups & Founders Club, a group for new business owners and entrepreneurs, meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Port St. John Library. We'll begin our program at 5:30 PM, and wrap up before 7 PM. The Port St. John internet site can be viewed at www.meetup.com/Port-St-John-PSJ-Startups-

Founders-Club/.

5-5 Cinco De Mayo

5-10 Canaveral Groves Homeowners, Inc. meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Room of Discovery Christian Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy. in the Groves.

5-11 Brevard Women's Connection meets at Space Coast Convention Center (Holiday Inn Express) on Hwy. 520 from 11 am until 1 pm on the second Friday of each month. The program includes a luncheon plus an inspirational speaker. For more information, call Mary at 636-4713 or e-mail her at mdean44@cfl.rr.com.

5-13 Mother's Day

5-13 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, Cocoa Library.

5-13 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.

5-13 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.

5-16 Ramadan Starts

5-16 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.

5-18 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.

5-19 Armed Forces Day

5-20 Shavuot

5-21 Moonport Modelers RC Club meets at 6:30 pm, 3rd Monday each month at the N. Brevard Library, 2121 S Hopkins Ave., Titusville. For more info, call Wayne Mendez, 321-505-2361.

5-22 Moonlight Quilters Guild meets at the

First Christian Church in Titusville, 2880 Jay Jay Rd., on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Meet and greet & refreshments at 6:00, meeting at 6:30 usually followed by show and tell or a guest speaker. Call 321-720-6232 or 321 720 1584 for more info.

5-28 Memorial Day

Congratulations to:

Cathy Rodriguez is a party girl on the 11th.
Stephanie Fogarty turns 24 on the 1st.
Emily Waters turns 14 on May 1st.
Kaitlyn Davis turns 14 on the 4th.
Eric Bray turns 24 on the 4th.
Sarah Travis turns prettier on the 5th.
Finley Link turns 5 on the 9th.
Jacob Prentis turns 26 on the 10th.
Ryan Maxwell turns 14 on the 10th.
Brandy Lampton turns 25 on the 11th.
Jesse Jordan turns 22 on the 11th.
Christopher Pistilli is 17 on the 12th.
Anthony Nero turns 29 on the 14th.
Cathy Unrue turns more lovely on the 15th.
Tim Unrue rocks all night on the 15th.
Harry Weidman crackles more on the 16th.
Ruthe Middleton turns younger on the 18th.
Alynza Sladyk turns 13TEEN on the 19th.
Jake Wardlow turns 35 on the 20th.
Sandy Link turns mo' better on the 20th.
Ellie Grace Moore gains one on the 27
Delaney Hermes turns 7 on the 28th.
Madison Firth turns 7 on the 29th.
Brittany Benoff turns 12 on the 31st.
John Phipps turns better on the 31st.
Steve Prentis turns wilder on the 31st!
Diane Rivers parties wild on the 31st.
Carol Horsman turns cuter this month.
Christopher Spears turns 26 this month.
Irene Spears has a spanking day in May.
Joe & KC Casey celebrate their 53rd wedding anniversary on the 1st.
Beverly & John Applegate, Jr celebrate 16 on the 4th.
Paul & Kathi Hildebrandt celebrate 32 on the 10th.
Harry & Vickie Weidman celebrate 37 on the 17th.
Robert and Vonnie celebrate 64 on the 21st.
Joe & Leigh Waters celebrate 19 on May 30th.
 Email inputs to happenings1@att.net.

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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
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But along with that sobering statistic comes encouraging news: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that a quarter of deaths related to heart disease and stroke are preventable.

Knowing your risk factors and getting them under control, can play a major role in preventing heart disease. Yet even if you know that making lifestyle changes can improve your heart, taking action can feel overwhelming. We're here to help you improve heart health, one step at a time.

To do: **Daily**

Follow a healthy diet: A diet high in saturated fats and trans fats (common in fast food) has been linked to an increased incidence of heart disease.

“When you change your diet, you affect your blood sugar, cholesterol levels and blood pressure,” says Shelly Radford, clinical coordinator of Parrish Medical Center’s Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation. “If you’re eating too many high-carb, high-sugar foods, you also increase your risk of type 2 diabetes, which is a risk factor for heart disease.”

To reduce your risk, Radford suggests eating fruits, vegetables, whole grains and fish instead of processed foods, high-fat foods and sugar-sweetened drinks.

Avoid secondhand smoke: Smoking is a major risk factor for heart disease. If you’re still lighting up, talk to your doctor about smoking cessation programs to kick the habit. Secondhand smoke also puts you at risk. In fact, nonsmokers who are exposed to secondhand smoke are up to 30 percent more likely to develop heart disease.

Reduce stress: Stress levels in overdrive can affect your heart health.

Stress hormones increase inflammation, destabilize plaque in the arteries, damage blood vessels, increase blood pressure and, in extreme cases, trigger a heart attack, according to Radford.

“Chronic and acute stress are both bad for our bodies,” she says.

Find an effective stress management technique like deep breathing, exercise, yoga, meditation, reading or playing fetch with your dog.

To do: **Weekly**

Work up a sweat: Exercise is essential for reducing the risk of heart disease.

In addition to helping you maintain a healthy weight, exercise minimizes the likelihood of developing other conditions like high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes, which raise the risk of developing heart disease.

Experts recommend exercising for at least 30 minutes five days per week. Aim for moderate-intensity exercise, which Radford describes as “activity that increases your temperature, causes a bit of perspiration and makes it a bit difficult to carry on a conversation.”

Jogging, swimming, biking, brisk walking, and aerobics or dance classes are moderate-intensity activities. If squeezing in a 30-minute workout feels daunting, set a goal to do at least 10 minutes of heart-pumping exercise three times per day.

To do: **Monthly**

Check your blood pressure: High blood pressure damages the walls of the arteries, causing them to trap more plaque. The damage increases the risk of narrowing and hardening of the arteries, along with developing blood clots.

Your blood pressure reading consists of two numbers: the systolic pressure (the top number) and the diastolic pressure (the bottom number). A normal blood pressure reading is 119/79 or lower, while 140/90 or higher is considered high.

If you have high blood pressure or are at risk for heart disease, regular monitoring is essential.

Refill medications: If lifestyle changes are not enough to reduce your risk of heart disease, your doctor may prescribe medications. Radford says it’s important to be “consistent and compliant” about taking prescriptions, such as beta blockers, anticoagulant and antiplatelet medications, ACE inhibitors, and statins. “Drug therapy can play a critical role in reducing your risk,” Radford says.

Every month, check your medications and call the doctor or the pharmacy when it’s time for a refill.

To do: **Yearly**

Schedule an annual exam: Your healthcare team plays an important role in creating a treatment plan that reduces your risk of heart disease.

During an annual checkup, your doctor will ask about your family history, assess your risk factors for heart disease and perform a complete medical examination. In addition to blood pressure, your doctor may also measure your cholesterol and triglyceride levels. Medication and lifestyle changes can control elevated levels, helping to reduce your risk of heart disease.

Percent of U.S. ADULTS WITH THESE RISK FACTORS

Almost half of adults have at least one major risk factor for heart disease.

40	Inactivity
34	Obesity
31	High Blood Pressure
21	Smoking
16	High Cholesterol
10	Diabetes

Parrish Medical Center Cancer Program Reaccredited

Parrish Medical Center (PMC) has extended its streak as the area's longest continually accredited cancer program by again earning certification from the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer (CoC). The PMC program, first accredited in 1989, is one of only two CoC-recognized programs in Brevard County.

PMC's already-accredited cancer treatment program expanded to even broader patient care dimensions and services in 2016 when PMC and OMNI Healthcare, Brevard's only physician-owned and managed multispecialty group, partnered in Titusville to open the Parrish Cancer Center.

To earn CoC accreditation—denoting quality assurance based on American College of Surgeons' standards—a cancer program must voluntarily meet 34 CoC care quality standards, be evaluated every three years, and maintain levels of excellence in patient-centered care.

George Mikitarian, PMC president and CEO, said that accreditation sends to patients and families an important message about our commitment to quality care.

"They can have confidence – particularly in the demonstrated excellence over three decades – in the objective measurement, accomplishment, and results of PMC's cancer treatment program," Mikitarian said. "It's all part of our PMC vision: healing families, healing communities."

As members of a CoC-accredited program, PMC's team treats cancer in its various forms through the integrated care of surgeons, medical and radiation oncologists, diagnostic radiologists, pathologists and other cancer specialists.

PMC, a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network, also works with Mayo Clinic to bring Brevard County the nation's most advanced cancer care.

Parrish Cancer Center patients have access to the Mayo Clinic Care Network's information on clinical trials and new treatments, genetic counseling, and patient-centered services. Among these are psycho-social support, a patient navigation process, and a survivorship care plan that improves cancer survivors' quality of life.

"The CoC Accreditation Program is the framework through which PMC continuously

improves its patient care quality," said Edwin Loftin, senior vice president of Integrated and Acute Care Services and chief nursing officer.

"Our focus on healing includes prevention, early diagnosis, cancer staging, correct treatment, rehabilitation, life-long follow-up for recurrent disease and end-of-life care," Loftin added. "The work, resources, and cooperation among health-care providers and organizations add up to a better experience for patients and their families."

As a CoC-accredited program, PMC maintains a cancer registry and contributes data to the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB), a joint program of the CoC and American Cancer Society. Data enables CoC-accredited cancer programs like PMC's to share information and improve quality.

The American Cancer Society estimates that more than 1.7 million cases of cancer will be diagnosed in 2018. When cancer patients seek care locally at a CoC-accredited cancer program, they have access to advanced cancer care close to home. The CoC Hospital Locator provides the public with information on CoC-accredited programs: <https://www.facs.org/search/cancer->



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For more information about Parrish's Cancer Program, visit parrishhealthcare.com/cancer, or call the cancer care patient navigator at 321-268-6111, ext. 3544.

Parrish Medical Center And Omni Healthcare Announce Medical Group Management Agreement

Parrish Medical Center and OMNI Healthcare have entered into a management agreement whereby OMNI Healthcare will manage the day-to-day operations of the Parrish Medical Group (PMG), a large network of National Committee for Quality Assurance certified patient-centered medical homes and specialists.

"OMNI Healthcare looks forward to this partnership and offering our proven expertise to help Parrish Medical Group grow and extend the reach of its nationally-certified medical care as well as achieve greater patient and provider satisfaction through improved operational efficiencies," said Craig Deligdish, MD, president,

OMNI Healthcare.

"OMNI Healthcare is a valued partner within our nationally certified integrated care system that shares our unwavering commitment to providing the people and communities we have the honor to serve with access to the highest levels of quality medical care," said George Mikitarian, president/CEO, Parrish Medical Center. "This management agreement will result in fortifying and further improving upon the exceptional care and patient experience outcomes being achieved by our Parrish Medical Group care partners," added Mikitarian.

During the last two years, OMNI Healthcare has assisted Parrish Medical Center in the management of its Commission on Cancer (CoC) accredited inpatient cancer program and with managing a shared commitment to cancer patients through the development of the Parrish Cancer Center. Additionally, through collaboration on a Medicare Shared Savings ACO, Parrish and OMNI Healthcare are effectively creating systems of care to lower healthcare costs, while continuing to raise the bar on quality, safety and patient experiences.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

You are invited to attend The 9th Annual WEAAD Senior Festival on June 15th, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM at the Melbourne Auditorium, 625 E. Hibiscus Blvd. in Melbourne.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is celebrated around the world on June 15th. Come join us for free breakfast and lunch, with free giveaways and a chance to speak with community providers and businesses.

This event is recognized as one of the premier events showcasing services to Brevard County's seniors and disabled adults to age in their homes, safely and comfortably. As it has grown and improved, WEAAD continues to offer more local companies and provider agencies an opportunity to highlight what they do best, while at the same time bringing attention to the issue of elder abuse prevention.

This event is sponsored by State of Florida/Adult Protective Services; Brevard Alzheimer's Foundation; Brevard Commission of Aging; and the Brevard TRIAD.

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PSJ Soccer Registration

PSJ United Soccer 2018-19 Competitive tryouts are being held at the Space Coast Sports Complex soccer fields at 662 Canaveral Groves Blvd. on May 7-11 6 pm-7:30 pm.

Monday and Wednesday is for boys

Tuesday and Thursday is for girls

Friday is a make up day.

Tryouts are for players born 2000-2009.

2018/2019 Competitive Try-Outs Dates

May 7 through May 11, 2018

Monday - May 7	Boys	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Tuesday - May 8	Girls	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Wednesday - May 9	Boys	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Thursday - May 10	Girls	6:00 - 7:30 PM
Friday - May 11	Make-Up	6:00 - 7:30 PM

Please use the link at www.psjunitedsoccer.com to register for tryouts. There is no cost for registration and this is only to inform the Club of your player's intent to attend. Registration does not guarantee placement on a competitive team.

Recreational Soccer registration is now open. Recreational soccer is open for all children age 3 (before Aug 1st, 2018) and up. Please use the link at www.psjunitedsoccer.com. For questions, please email the registrar at Jenhaas.soccer@gmail.com.

And don't forget, the fall season runs late August/early September to mid November.

Fall 2018 Season	
	2015 LF*
	2014 U5
	2013 U6
B	2012 U7
	2011 U8
	2010 U9
	2009 U10
	2008 U11
Y	2007 U12
	2006 U13
	2005 U14
a	2004 U15
	2003 U16
	2002 U17
	2001 U18
	2000 U19

Registration Fees Until May 15th!

		Regular Registration Prices
Little Futbolers	\$55	\$55
6U without uniform	\$40	\$65
6U with uniform	\$55	\$80
8U without uniform	\$55	\$80
8U with uniform	\$70	\$95
10U without uniform	\$70	\$95
10U with uniform	\$85	\$110
12U/14U without uniform	\$85	\$110
12U/14U with uniform	\$100	\$125

If your child is moving from U8 to U9 or has never played with PSJ, you must purchase a uniform with registration.

Regular prices start May 16th!

*For Little Futbolers your child must have turned 3 before July 1st.

New this season: If you refer a friend who hasn't played with PSJ United within the last two seasons, you will receive a voucher for \$20 off registration for the Spring 2018 season! (One per player.)

Dear Happenings,

I thought I'd drop a line as I would appreciate a mention for a young man at Space Coast High School. We live on Fay Blvd.. It was around 8 am-ish on 4/12/18 when there was a knock on our door. My husband (who is large and can look very intimidating) answered the door. A young man was standing there. He explained he had hit our mailbox.

His car was parked 1 or 2 houses down. We know what kind and color, but that's irrelevant. He will handle things with his folks and his car himself.

To the point; my husband said, "Well... Let's go take a look at it." The young man apologized profusely and offered SO MANY TIMES to PAY FOR IT!

My husband said, "No worries. I can fix it with a few screws." They shook hands and parted ways.

There are soooo many BAD things we hear about the young people in our area. It's time for some positive actions to be recognized! He didn't have to stop, but you know what? He did! He is a fine decent young man! His parents should be proud of raising an honest young man with morals who has no problem stepping up to do the right thing! Kudos, young man, and kudos to the parent(s)!

- *It's nice to hear the good things about our youngsters, too! Thank you. -Ed.*



Project Graduation 2018

Project Graduation 2018 will be held on May 19th from 11 pm to 5 am at the Walter Butler Community Center. Project Graduation is a night that our seniors can celebrate with their friends in an alcohol and drug free environment.

In order to offer this night to our seniors we must raise money for the venue, activities and prizes. We are only 60% funded this year. If any business or member of our community would like to make a donation, we would appreciate any type of donation, such as monetary gifts, products, services or gift cards.

Project Graduation is funded solely by fundraising. We are a 501c so any donations are tax deductible. Please contact Erica McCombs at Mccombs_eric@yahoo.com for any questions or concerns.

Local Artist Wins Winter Park Art Festival Award



Heidi Thamert with her winning picture and ribbon with the Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation president David Odahowski

Titusville and the Space Coast's very own hometown artist won a prestigious award at the 59th Annual Winter Park Sidewalk Art Festival, March 16-18, 2018. The Winter Park Festival is one of the nation's oldest and most prestigious outdoor art festivals. More than 1,100 artists from around the world applied this year and an independent panel of judges selected 225 artists to exhibit their work. From the 225 top artists, Heidi Thamert was selected as this year's winner of the 2018 Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation Art of Philanthropy Award.

David Odahowski, president of the Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation, was delighted to present the award to Heidi and that her piece best represents the Art of Philanthropy. The piece titled, "Long After I'm Gone," is a black & white fine art photograph, and part of a series of working hands of well lived, hard working people.

Thamert is an award-winning photographer and co-owner of The Downtown Art Gallery in Titusville. Heidi received \$5,000 and an automatic entry into the 2019 Winter Park Sidewalk Art Festival.

Heidi's Hands of Time collection is on display at The Downtown Art Gallery, 335 S. Washington Ave. Titusville. and thedowntownartgallery.com.

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To get a Sponsorship Form, visit the Happenings website, www.happenings.net or contact Hyacinth Price, hprice13@gmail.com or Dana Tripp, flawless.finish@yahoo.com or Kimberly Stacer, psjcheermom@gmail.com.

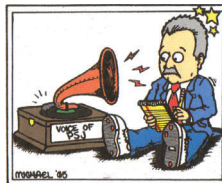
Law Enforcement Memorial Service

A Law Enforcement Memorial Service will be held on Friday, May 18th from 7:30 to 9 pm at the American Police Hall of Fame, 6350 Horizon Dr., Titusville. All are invited to join in supporting our law enforcement community and honor America's fallen heroes and their families.

Call 321-264-0911 or visit aphf.org for more information.



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Rose's Room

by Rose Padrick

ACTION AND REACTIONS

I have stumbled on a great discovery. Somehow, I seem to have developed a kind of mystical power wherein my personal actions and reactions have far-reaching effects. Great prophets once received this sort of information in the form of revelations on spectacular mountain peaks near the roof of the world. I obtained mine in a Nissan Altima while waiting for a train to pass.

I traverse this particular railroad crossing at various times every morning, and never had to wait for a train... except the one morning I absolutely, positively could not for any reason be a single minute late for a critical meeting. As I sat hoping each car would be the last, berating myself for not leaving the house until the last moment, I realized that this sort of thing actually happens to me all the time. Some examples...

If I put off pulling weeds out of the garden until Saturday, it will rain all weekend and Monday evening's weeds will have grown six-foot long root systems and multiplied like bunnies on fertility drugs.

If I plan a whole weekend of M.A.S.H. reruns and cereal for dinner, at least two of my offspring will need emergency childcare services. Emergency, as in: one of their children fell off a tree limb/his bike/ the top bunk/the face of the Earth. And childcare services, as in: please watch the rest of our brood so we can sit in the E.R. for twelve hours while their sibling gets his head/lip/knee/emergency-appendectomy-incision stitched up.

If I am stopped at a red light and reach into my purse for something, several things will happen at once:

- (1) The something will not be there.
- (2) The light will somehow turn green faster than the speed of light itself.
- (3) The man behind me, whose hand has been poised like Grasshopper trying to snatch the pebble from the Master's palm, slams down on his horn with inhuman speed.
- (4) I am startled into jamming on my brakes, just as other drivers—many chugging eighty-once coffees—spontaneously decide to join the car horn chorus.

If I get crazy during a buy-one-get-one-free sale and fill the freezer with two hundred dollars worth of pizza, ice cream and low-cal frozen dinners, a truck somewhere will hit a power line plunging the entire state into a blackout during what will inevitably turn out to be a record-breaking heat wave. In January.

I think you get the idea.

I was beginning to feel cursed with this power, but then it dawned on me how I could use my newfound ability for the betterment of mankind.

With this ulterior motive in mind, I prepared for our last hurricane, buying water, batteries and candles. Sure enough, before I even got home from the store, the storm—still well east of us—made a right angle turn due north. The next time I'm going to cover the whole Eastern Seaboard by sending supplies to my sister in New York.

Knowing that when I am insured for something, it never happens, I single-handedly keep our neighborhood safe by purchasing flood, fire and earthquake coverage. I also own life insurance, so I assume I am now immortal. I have tried to explain my supernatural altruism to certain neighbors who either do not take revelations very well, or are practicing to be on the Olympic door-slaming team. Oh, well, a prophet in his own housing division, and all that.

Of course, the doubters could be correct. Maybe, like most folks, I just fail to notice when the lights all turn green while I'm running late, or when the thing I'm searching for is right there in the first place I look. I might just be ignoring the positive, seeking out confirmation of my own negative biases. Accepting this sunnier view and practicing a little more gratitude for the breaks that do go my way could be the answer to the whole riddle. But where's the fun in that?

In conclusion, some say we write our own destiny by the choices we make, while others tout a higher power at work. I think whether we steer our own caboose, whether something bigger calls the shots or whether we just want to chalk it up to Murphy's Law, we certainly must utilize our sense of humor when fortune throws us curves. Learn to roll with the punches, help each other every chance we get, and never miss an opportunity to tell the ones we love how very much they mean to us.

I'm going to start with one of my grandsons. I don't know what he has been up to lately and the fact that an unexpected hug scares the truth out of him is just an added bonus.

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

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

No reservations required. Our website address is www.NARFE.org/Chapter1137.



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

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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, 9 am-12 pm.

Master Gardener Clinic: Monday, 2-4 pm.
Bring problem plant sample.

Senior Games: Tuesdays, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm.
Join other seniors for a variety of 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 pm.
Counselors assist seniors and the disabled with
Medicare and Medicaid questions. Call for an
appointment time 321-222-7981.

Story Time: May 18 & 25, 10:30 am. 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:

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| May 2, 5-7:00 pm | US Fish & Wildlife |
| May 3, 10:30-11 am | PPD/PPA Support Group |
| May 5, 11-1:00 pm | Delta Sigma |
| May 9, 5:30 pm | Port St. John Public
Library Advisory Board meeting |
| May 12, 10 am-Noon | Port St. John Pokémon
Club |
| May 12, 10:30 | Friends of the Library
Bicycle Safety Rodeo. Must bring your
own bike and helmet to participate. |
| May 14, 5:30 pm | Port St. John Public
Library Advisory Board Meeting |
| May 16, 1-3:00 pm | Bookworms Adult Book
Discussion Group |
| May 16, 6-7:45 pm | Sunrise Village |
| May 16, 6:30-7:45 pm | Hundred Acre Woods |
| May 18, 11:45 am | Titusville Chamber of
Commerce |
| May 23, 5:30 pm | Friends of the Library
Membership Meeting |
| May 26, 10 am-Noon | Port St. John Pokémon
Club |
| May 30, 5-7:00 pm | North Brevard Economic
Development |



and became an official federal holiday in 1971.

On April 5 of this year I had the honor of touring the American Cemetery which overlooks Omaha Beach in Normandy, France. On the green cliffs overlooking the beautiful beach, the German bunkers still remain with the remnants of their horrible cannons.

In the American Cemetery rest 9,387 American war dead. Another 1,557 names are inscribed on the memorial there. These are names of Americans whose remains were never found or identified. The American Cemetery in Normandy is just one of fifteen American cemeteries established overseas at the end of WWII.

I looked out at that sea of white crosses and placed a rose at the foot of our Stars and Stripes, and I was filled with both unutterable sadness and incredible pride.

As you enjoy your Memorial Day picnics with your loved ones, take some time to remember.

~ Carrie Chinaris

***Being "over the hill" is much better than
being under it!***

***Don't take life too seriously--no one gets
out alive.***

May 12, 10:30 am Bike Rodeo & Bike Giveaway!

The event includes a children's bicycle safety clinic. Also, Friends of the Port St. John Library is hosting a Bike Giveaway. Remember to bring your bike and helmet. See you there! The Rodeo will be in the back staff parking lot.

Next FOTL meeting will be held Wednesday, May 23rd, 6pm at the library. We'd love to see all of our members at this short meeting.



Out On The Town - Scoops Old Fashioned Ice Cream Shoppe

For this month's restaurant review, we decided on Scoops Old Fashion Ice Cream Shoppe, located on Curtis Blvd. I haven't been to Scoops since they were next to the Shell station. In fact, I forgot all about them until one day I was in a local business and saw the clerk eating a salad and asked where she got it. I said, "Scoops has Salads?"

She informed me that Scoops has salads, hot dogs, tacos and subs, besides ice cream. So, off to Scoops I go for a review.

As small as the place is, they have an extensive menu. The clerk was right. Not only do they have old fashioned hand dipped ice cream and sherbet, they have soft serve ice cream, hot dogs, salads, nachos, soups, subs, hot subs and wraps. They have over 30 flavors of hand dipped ice cream and all their subs are made with Boar's Head meats.

On two different visits we tried; a combo sub, a Cuban sub, 2 salads, one large grilled chicken salad and a taco salad, a few tacos and ice cream for desert (a hand dip and a soft serve cone).

The grilled chicken salad was large and had plenty of meat, but really nothing to brag about since it used iceberg lettuce. Maybe some romaine would have improved it considerably. The Taco salad came with what tasted like salsa out of the jar and the tacos came with salsa in condiment packs. Some freshly made salsa would be nice. Maybe the Mexican food should be left to the Mexican restaurants.

Now for the best part; their subs are fantastic! The combo sub was loaded with meat and so was the Cuban. In fact, The Cuban was one of the best Cuban subs I've ever had. It came pressed and warm with the traditional pickles.

The hand dipped ice cream is probably their other specialty besides subs, a good high-quality ice cream. The soft serve was good but tasted more like ice milk than ice cream. In my opinion, if you want hand dipped ice cream or a great sub, Scoops is the place.

Scoops is open 7 days a week from 11 am to 10 pm. You can eat in or call ahead, 321-638-0077, and your order will be ready for pickup in a few minutes.

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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
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. 2 Wards meet here.
Port St. John Ward... Bishop Marty Kline
Sacrament Meeting, 9:30 PM
Titusville Ward... Bishop George Newman
Sacrament Meeting... 12:00 pm
General, Stake & Ward information: www.lds.org
Port St. John full-time missionaries: 321-320-6395
Titusville full-time missionaries: 407-403-2973

Coastal Community Church, 321-639-7346

5795 Falcon Blvd., PSJ: coastalcommunity.net
Services on Sunday, 9 & 10:45 am.

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; School - 636-2551
www.cocoasda.org
Saturday Sabbath School classes all ages, 9:45 am.
Worship at 11:30 am; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 pm.

Community Alliance Church

321-639-1717. 4855 Fay Blvd., PSJ
Sunday School (all ages), 9:30 am
Sunday Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm.

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

Wednesday Youth, 7 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.

East Coast Christian Center Cocoa Campus

1855 Friday Rd., Cocoa. (321) 452 1060
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
Sunday 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/cocoa/bc>

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; Traditional 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

Frontenac Baptist Church (321)636-1369

5500 N. US Hwy 1 Pastor Bill McInnish
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Meal, 5:30 pm
Wednesday Bible Study, 6:00 pm weekly.

Glory of God Anglican Church (321)632-6812

3735 N. Indian River Dr., Reverend Paul W. Young

Sunday service at 9:30 a.m.

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.

Reverend Celestine Slater-Brooks

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, 10:30 am
Sunday evening Evangelistic Service, 6 pm

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

3580 S. Park Ave., Titusville, (321) - 264-0035
Pastor: Rev. Gary D. Ginn
Sunday Morning worship: 10:00 AM
Youth Group

Middle School: Sundays 5:00-7:00 PM (except the
last Sunday of the month)

High School: Sundays 6:00 - 8:00 PM (except the
last Sunday of the month)

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

Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Central Library and Reference

308 Forrest Ave. Cocoa
(321) 633-1792

May 2018 Calendar of Events

Enjoy an atmosphere of relaxation and creativity at Adult Coloring on Mondays from 10am 'til noon. Supplies are provided. FREE.

Participate in the Watercolor Techniques class with Pearl Ollie; all skill levels are welcome. Tuesdays from 10am 'til noon. Cost is \$10, supplies included.

Learn how to manage blood glucose levels naturally at the Diabetes Control Class. This is weeks 2-5 of a FREE six-week course on Saturdays, May 5- May 26, 9:30 am 'til noon. Course materials are provided. Pre-registration is required.

Take part in Hatha-style yoga with Emily on Thursdays at 10:30 am. Relax in this gentle, mindful class and improve your flexibility, strength and concentration. Bring yoga mat/towel. Cost is \$5 per session.

Want to learn Spanish? Adults can attend Spanish classes Mondays at 2:30 pm and Saturdays at 12:30 pm. All levels welcome. Cost is \$5.

Know anyone who wants to learn English? They can attend ESOL classes (English for Speakers of Other Languages) on Mondays at 1 pm and Saturdays at 11 am. Cost is \$5.

Learn computer basics at our class on Wednesday, May 2 at 10 am. Cost is \$5, pre-register.

Reduce daily stress and anxiety at the Guided Breathing Meditation class on May 3 at 6:30pm. Cost is \$5.

Join us for Popcorn and a Movie, showing the latest installment in the sci-fi series starring Mark Hamill on Thursday, May 3 at 2 pm. Rated PG-13. FREE.

Discover the health benefits and soothing effects of essential oils on Thursday, May 10 at 10 am. FREE.

Come out for Popcorn and a Movie on Thursday, May 10 at 2 pm, showing the historical political thriller film starring Meryl Streep, Rated PG-13, FREE.

Learn how to use Overdrive to get e-books for your devices on Wednesday, May 16 at 10

am. Cost is \$5, pre-register.

Join the monthly Mystery Book Club where everyone reads a different book on a common theme. May's theme is Reporters. The discussion will be on Thursday, May 17 from 12:30 pm-3 pm. Contact the Reference Desk for more information.

Join us for Popcorn & a Movie, featuring the British comedy film starring Helen Mirren on Thursday, May 17 at 2 pm, PG-13, FREE.

Hear the Markstein Quartet perform musical selections reminiscent of Spring at their concert on Sunday, May 20 at 3 pm. FREE.

Learn ways to raise your credit score in this part 2 of a 3-part financial seminar series on Thursday, May 22 at 6 pm. This event and all materials are free. Refreshments will be served.

Attend the next Jewelry Class with Normandie on Thursday, May 24 from 1-3 pm. May's class is Great Little Holiday Gifts for Special People, Cost is \$15, which includes supplies. Call 321-225-1394 or email: thebeadladiesarehere@gmail.com for more information or to register.

Dr. Duane DeFreese will give a lecture titled, Indian River Lagoon in Crisis: Pathway to Successful Restoration and the Role of the IRL National Estuary Program, on Thursday, May 24 at 6 pm. FREE.

Come out for Popcorn and a Movie showing a film based on the true story of P.T. Barnum's rise to prominence, starring Hugh Jackman on Thursday, May 24 at 2 pm. Rated PG. FREE.

Learn the basics of emailing at our technology class on Wednesday, May 30 at 10 am. Cost is \$5, pre-registration required.

Enjoy Popcorn and a Movie showing a recent World War 2 thriller starring Fionn Whitehead on Thursday, May 31 at 2 pm. Rated PG-13. FREE.

Classified Ads

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NovusAGENDA Provides Full Access to County Meeting Agendas

A new process implemented at the Brevard County Government Center will provide visitors to Board of County Commissioners' meetings full and in-depth access to meeting agendas and the supporting documents on items under consideration, debate and potential approval.

A four-member Lean Six Sigma Agenda Development Process team made up of County employees was chartered to significantly reduce the amount of paper, time and staff resources expended during the agenda development process. After months of preparation, the team selected the NovusAGENDA software solution, a cloud-based application and database.

Agendas, individual items, attachments and background documents are available to citizens online at www.BrevardFL.gov/OnlineAgendas.

Agendas can run anywhere from two to eight pages or more, but add to that the extensive background documents on particular items of legislation, along with maps, diagrams, photos and other data and it becomes the equivalent of lugging around a file cabinet. From a general public standpoint, printed agendas are made available to those who attend board meetings, yet those do not include the more extensive background items that Commissioners have at their fingertips. While BOCC agendas posted on the County website do include those background materials, until the redesign and implementation of NovusAGENDA, they were not readily accessible on mobile devices to those attending board meetings.

For citizens who attend BOCC meetings, a kiosk has been setup in the lobby outside Board Chambers, located on the First Floor of Building C at the Government Center in Viera, that will provide finger-touch opportunity to review the agenda and look up particular items and background materials. Additionally, the agenda can be downloaded to a mobile device to follow electronically during the meeting.

NovusAGENDA is an application that's being used or implemented in other counties and municipalities throughout Central Florida. It saves money; it saves paper; it saves trees.

Walter Butler Community Center - May, 2018

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 321-433-4448 for latest information.

Mondays - Fridays

Summer Day Camp May 24, thru August 9,
7 a.m.-6 p.m.

28th Center Closed Memorial Day Holiday

Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Open Gym, 6-8 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Tuesdays

Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Open Gym, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesdays

Pickleball, 11 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 12-2 & 6-8 p.m.

Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m.

Thursdays

3rd & 17th - Home School, 10 a.m.-12 p.m

Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 12-2 & 6-8 p.m.

Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m.

Open Gym, 6-8 p.m.

Fridays

Open Gym, 9 -11 a.m.

11th & 25th - Home School 9:30 a.m.- 11 a.m.

Open Computer Lab, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Saturdays

Open Gym, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Persons With Disabilities Dances are held every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 7-9 p.m. all ages welcome.

For more information contact Andrea Chestnut at 321-264-5058 or 321-264-5105.

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.

Kids in Motion - After school program that focuses on anti-bullying and educational hands on projects that helps to stimulate learning, and growth; such as the Choice Program, 4-H Club and Stem Programs to enhance learning. Monday-Friday 2-6 p.m. \$30 a week. Discounts do apply if you live in the target area and if the child is eligible for free or reduced lunch and if the household receives any assistance. For more information contact WBCC at (321)433-4448.

Brevard County 4-H Junior Master Gardner Program - The Junior Master Gardner 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 WBCC, (321)433-4448.

Basketball Fundamentals - 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 played but primary focus will be to build on and improve the skills 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.

Is it me, or does anyone else feel like we're stuck in a snow globe and some jerk keeps shaking it?

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Won't you come join us? We meet on April 12th & May 10th at Discovery Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy. at 7:00 pm. www.CanaveralGrovesHOA.com



You are invited to the third Bark Brew Fest presented by Tails at the Barkery and the Dirty Oar Beer Company on Saturday, 05/12/18, at the Dirty Oar Beer Company from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Cocoa Village. Bring your canine companion, sip your favorite libation, enjoy scrumptious food from Crydermans Barbecue, and join us for an evening of fun including raffle baskets and a 50/50 drawing.

All proceeds to benefit Cavalier Rescue of Florida, an all-volunteer, non-profit 501(c)(3) rescue, organized to benefit Cavalier King Charles Spaniels in need. First as Mid-Florida Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club Rescue (MFCKCSC Rescue), and now as Cavalier Rescue of Florida, Inc. (CRF), they have been saving Cavaliers since 2000, placing hundreds of Cavalier King Charles Spaniels. Cavaliers come from shelters, from owners who can no longer care for them, from vets, from puppy mill raids... Anywhere in Florida there is a Cavalier needing to find a forever home, CRF is there to help. CRF provides love, shelter, food, human companionship, medical care and spay/neuter services for Cavaliers until a placement in a pre-screened, suitable, permanent home in Florida is found.

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By Blanca Taylor

Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

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Our newest initiative, Journey to Success: Employment Tools for Veterans with Disabilities, is a five-part online guide that helps certain disabled veterans return to fulfilling employment in the American workforce. The guide highlights resources, such as career counseling, job training, employment services and more. You can access Journey to Success at www.ssa.gov/people/veterans/. We know some veterans suffered injuries so severe they cannot return to their previous work. However, for those veterans who are interested in testing their ability to find and maintain gainful employment, these resources can help. We thank all members of our military and veterans for their service and sacrifice.

To learn more about our programs and benefits, visit www.socialsecurity.gov.

Recreational Red Snapper Season

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and Gov. Rick Scott are excited to announce a 40-day recreational red snapper season for both Gulf state and federal waters.

“Florida is a premier fishing destination and saltwater fishing in the Gulf of Mexico has a

\$7.6 billion economic impact in our state every year,” said Gov. Rick Scott. “Adding additional opportunities for anglers to enjoy Florida’s world-class fishing not only benefits our visitors but also our Gulf Coast communities. I am pleased to announce this extension today, and encourage visitors and residents to start planning their summer fishing trips.”

Other Gulf states set longer seasons than what Florida had initially proposed. FWC worked collaboratively with NOAA Fisheries to come up with a season that would provide access to all of those that choose Florida as their fishing destination.

Florida will be setting the season in 2018 and 2019 in both state and federal waters through a fishery-management pilot program (also referred to as an Exempted Fishing Permit). The 2018 proposed season would open June 11 and close July 21.

This recreational season will include those fishing for red snapper from private recreational vessels. For-hire operations that do not have a federal reef fish permit are also included but are limited to targeting reef fish in Gulf state waters only. This Exempted Fishing Permit will not apply to commercial fishermen or for-hire operations with a valid federal reef fish permit.

Shred Event

On Friday May 18th, 2018 between the hours of 8 am to 9:30 am, the Brevard County Sheriff’s Office will be holding a Shred Event at our North Precinct Parking lot, 2290 Columbia Blvd., Titusville.

There is no limit on how much shredding that you want to bring. The Shred Truck will be there and all you have to do is drive up and we will take it from your vehicle and dump it into the bins to be shredded. If you have any further questions, you can call the Community Services Office @ 321-264-7755.

Wanda Mulcahy, Crime Prevention Officer

PLENTi Program Is Ending

The Plenti program will end on July 10, 2018. At that time, any unredeemed Plenti points will expire. You should use your Plenti points by July 10, 2018. Here are a few important things you should know:

Earning Plenti Points

- You can continue to earn points on eligible purchases at participating Exxon and Mobil gas stations and BI-LO, Fresco y Más, Harveys, and Winn-Dixie supermarkets through July 10, 2018.

Using Plenti Points

- You can use points for savings on eligible purchases at Macy’s and participating Chili’s restaurants through May 3, 2018.

- You can also use points for savings on eligible purchases at participating Exxon and Mobil gas stations, Rite Aid stores and BI-LO, Fresco y Más, Harveys and Winn-Dixie supermarkets through July 10, 2018.

- As always, you need to complete enrollment in Plenti and have at least 200 points to use points for savings. To check your points balance and for more information, see plenti.com.

New Loyalty Program Points

- Exxon and Mobil, and BI-LO, Fresco y Más, Harveys, and Winn-Dixie, are planning to enroll Plenti members who enrolled in Plenti through them or who have earned or redeemed points with them since July 10, 2017 in their new independently-run loyalty programs.

- They will replace, at a minimum, any unredeemed Plenti points earned at their respective locations between May 10, 2018 and July 10, 2018 with new points in their new programs. The issuance of replacement points may take two weeks or more once the Plenti program ends.

- Exxon, Mobil, BI-LO, Fresco y Más, Harveys, Winn-Dixie and other Plenti partners will provide more information about their new loyalty programs in the coming months. If you have questions about Plenti ending, please see the FAQs on plenti.com.

Student Art Show at Friday Fest

The Cape Canaveral Culture and Leisure Services department will be hosting its May Friday Fest street party in conjunction with its 19th annual Student Art Show on Friday, May 4th, at Taylor and Poinsetta Avenue in Cape Canaveral from 6-10 pm. Friday Fest is a free, family friendly community event that offers a little something for everyone. Festivities include craft vendors, local artists, food trucks and bounce houses. Live entertainment will be provided by Highway-1 and beer/wine sales will benefit the Viera Soccer Club.

The Student Art Show portion of the event will take place, rain or shine, in the Cape Canaveral Public Library from 6:00 - 7:30 pm, featuring artwork from 16 Brevard area schools, grades K - 12. Best in Show and Best of Grade awards will be presented on the main stage at 7:00 pm, weather permitting. Schools participating in this year's show include: Stevenson Elementary, Westside Elementary, Hoover Middle School, Bayside High School, Kennedy Middle, St.

Mark's Academy, Cape View Elementary, Space Coast Jr/Sr, Rockledge High, Enterprise Elementary, Roosevelt Elementary, Viera High School, Odyssey Charter (Lower), Jackson Middle, Tropical Elementary and Merritt Island High.

For more information, please contact the Culture and Leisure Services at (321) 868-1226.

A Parting Shot in Memory Of the Cannon...

My Last Motorcycle Ride

While riding my Harley, I swerved to avoid hitting a deer, lost control and landed in a ditch, severely banging my head. Dazed and confused, I crawled out of the ditch to the edge of the road when a shiny new convertible pulled up with a beautiful woman who asked, "Are you okay?"

As I looked up, I noticed she was wearing a low cut blouse. "I'm okay, I think," I replied as I pulled myself up to the side of the car to get a closer look.

She said, "Get in and I'll take you home so I can clean and bandage that nasty scrape on your

head."

"That's nice of you," I answered, "but I don't think my wife will like me doing that!"

"Oh, come now, I'm a nurse," she insisted. "I need to see if you have any more scrapes and then treat them properly."

Well, she was really pretty and very persuasive. Being sort of shaken and weak, I agreed, but repeated, "I'm sure my wife won't like this."

We arrived at her place, which was just a few miles away, and after a couple of cold beers and the bandaging, I thanked her and said, "I feel a lot better, but I know my wife is going to be really upset, so I'd better go now."

"Don't be silly!" she said with a smile. "Stay for a while. She won't know anything. By the way, where is she?"

"Still in the ditch with my Harley, I guess."

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