

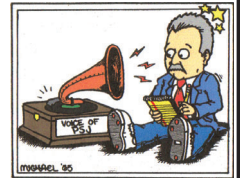
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July 6th -Thunder Over the Indian River is Back!

Thunder Over the Indian River is back at last and will be held on Saturday, July 6th at the OUC Canaveral plant, corner of Kings Hwy. and US1, again this year. The gates will open at 2:00 pm with music and fun events, starting with Third Generation followed by Mid Life Crisis.

Entertainment continues with the Patriotic Pooch Parade, a Thunder Over the Indian River first. Participating pooches will be judged on the following: Patriotism, cuteness, creativity and overall effect (Wow factor!). If you'd like to enter your pet in the PPP, sign up at Brigdawg's at 6239 US-1, Port St John, during business hours or call (321) 432-2952. Check in time starts at 3:30. Your pet must be current on shots.

This year's event will have a full day with food and cold drinks available to purchase, and a terrific slate of games, live entertainment, demonstrations and music leading up to the fireworks show at dark (usually about 9:30). Weather conditions may cause the fireworks to be a little early to avoid rain.

No fireworks or alcohol are allowed on the plant property. You are encouraged to bring blankets or lawn chairs to sit on, insect repellent and sun block. It's Florida in July!

The gate to the compound where all the shows, demonstrations and food will be is on Kings Hwy., right across from Capron Rd. (Port

St. John Auto Repair is on the corner) and you'll make an immediate right turn toward the river to get through the second gate. We'll have people inside to help you park in an order that will help fit many cars and make it much easier to exit after the fireworks show. We will have some spaces designated for handicap parking, but the entire compound is unpaved. Plan accordingly. And those spaces tend to fill up early with spectators who come early to see the entertainment.

Vendor space may still be available. Email Coastcoach@aol.com.

For more information on Thunder Over the Indian River, visit our Facebook site - Thunder Over the Indian River - or go to www.portstjohncommunityfoundation.com for the entire entertainment schedule.

We still need volunteers to help the day of the event and the Friday before. Please email to happenings1@att.net if you are willing to help.

There is no city to do our show and the county doesn't do fireworks shows. Thunder Over the Indian River is put on by hard work of local volunteers and many fabulous sponsors, plus some generous donations. Thank you to all of our sponsors, especially Parrish Medical Center, Freedom Heat and Air, and Higginbotham Companies, Inc.



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

Mondays – Fridays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
Seniors at Lunch, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Mondays

Outside Basketball, 6-8 p.m.
Game Room/Computers, 6-8 p.m.
Billiards, 6-8 p.m.
Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m.

Tuesdays

Outside Basketball, 6-8 p.m.
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Wednesdays

Outside Basketball, 6-8 p.m.
Game Room/Computers, 6-8 p.m.
Billiards, 6-8 p.m.
Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m.

Thursdays

Center closed July 4th Independence Day Holiday
Outside Basketball, 6 -8 p.m.
Billiards, 6-8 p.m.
Game Room/Computers, 6-8 p.m.

Fridays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Saturdays

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

Zumba Classes - Zumba incorporates rhythms of Latin and international music to high energy aerobic/fitness dance movements. Zumba tones the body by integrating basic principles of movement and resistance training. Dancers and long-

time exercisers thoroughly enjoy exercising in a healthy, fun environment. Ages 12 years and up. Classes will be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m. \$5 per class. For more information, contact the PSJ Community Center at 633-1904.

New At the Beach

An inspiring concept of community toy-sharing boxes at the beach is taking off on Florida's Space Coast, all thanks to a young Eagle Scout hopeful! This simple but genius idea was initiated by a Brevard County Life Scout, Pierson Mauldin, 13, who used his Eagle Scout project to create a solution for one major beach-going dilemma: no toys! For anyone who has ever lugged bulky toys to and from the beach, or who has come from out of town sans toys in tow- Mauldin's community toy boxes are THE economical and earth friendly solution.

For his project to attain the rank of Eagle Scout, thirteen-year-old Pierson developed the idea, secured the funds and gathered the materials to build innovative "community-sharing" toy boxes to put on the beach.

Cape Canaveral, one of just two known beaches with a community toy-share program, recently adopted the idea under the fun guise of "the mermaid's lost toys." The program allows beachgoers to borrow and/or leave a toy(s) in open-air, unlocked boxes for others to enjoy. It's a perfect way for people to play while also helping to keep the beach clean.

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Good Day! by Maureen Rupe Happy July 4, 2019!

Hope to see you at the great fireworks display on July 6th. Many thanks to all the volunteers who have made this day possible. See you there!
Florida Legislature All Talk, No Action on Bio-Solids

Senate Bill 1278: Biosolids Management introduced by Senator Mayfield would have required the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to establish a real-time water quality monitoring program concerning lands used for spreading "biosolids" and prohibited land application of biosolids on certain sites. This bill and its sister bill House Bill 405 introduced by Representatives Byrd and Stevenson both died on May 5, 2019.

The House had already showed its cards that it really wasn't interested as the HB 405 had already been modified by a House Committee from banning bio-solids from being spread in the upper St. Johns to just making requirements for spreading biosolids being specified statewide. That was before anyone decided to let it die without bothering more about the issue.

There was a good reason for the biosolid

ills. According to a November 18, 2018 article in Florida Trends by Jason Garcia titled, "Biosolids: Waste to fertilizer to - pollution?", ten years ago biosolids were found to be the cause of Lake Okeechobee's algae problem. When the Legislature stopped permits in that area, the problem only moved north. The upper St. Johns River basin counties (Indian River, Osceola and Brevard Counties) being spread with biosolids increased significantly. DEP approved spreading over 70,000 tons of class B biosolids just in 2016, and these three counties accounted for 75% of the total of all the class B biosolids approved statewide.

Besides the legislature ignoring the problem, there's a new health problem that may be caused by allowing human excrement to be spread across our state as fertilizer. According to an April 17th Treasure Coast story by Tyler Treadway titled, "Hepatitis A outbreak: Is there a link to biosolids that farms spread to fertilize fields?", there could be a link between the two.

In the story, Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection spokeswoman Dee Ann Miller states DEP isn't aware of any connection between biosolids and the number of Hepatitis A in Florida.

"I think there's plenty of data to support a theory that there could be a connection," said Edith "Edie" Widder, founder and lead scientist at the Ocean Research and Conservation Association in Fort Pierce. "I think it's important that people be aware that there's a potential link, anyway."

A story in Planet Natural by E. Vinje titled, "Is your Compost Made of Sewage Sludge?" tells you exactly the danger of what politically everyone now calls "Biosolids" instead of "crap" or "S**t". The article states, "Truth is, 'biosolids' is a marketing term, a euphemism for sewage sludge. Sewage sludge is what remains of everything flushed down the sewers — human and animal feces, industrial chemicals, medical waste, oil products, pesticides, home cleaners — after the water is removed."

Sewage is big business and convincing you that using "Biosolids" is a good thing and blaming septic tanks for all the bad things for terrible water quality keeps government expansion of sewers moving where they want us to go. But the Planet Natural article tells us: "What's wrong with using compost made from sewage in your garden? After all, it's been treated and tested, right? Guess again. Allowing sewage to "cure"

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for a period of time does not remove its toxins. Heavy metals, including lead and mercury, as well as such industrial compounds as flame retardants persist, even concentrate, during the cure (some biosolids are treated to remove a small number of heavy metals). Compost may be heat-treated to kill some pathogens. But heat treating doesn't kill them all. And how do you know the compost was treated in the first place?"

Florida Department of Environmental Protection says we have nothing to fear from sewage sludge. But DEP follows the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, and that agency is increasingly criticized for not thinking of protecting the American people.

An 11/15/18 Bloomberg article by Jennifer Diouhy, titled, "EPA Watchdog Questions Safety of Sewage Used as Fertilizer," stated, "According to the probe, the risks of at least 352 pollutants found in biosolids haven't been fully assessed by the EPA. And at least 61 of them have already been deemed hazardous by another federal agency or program."

Why would agencies that are supposed to protect us do the opposite? Florida Phoenix's 06/12/19 article by Alison White titled "For-

mer EPA bosses – 3 dating back to Reagan and Bush – say the agency is deeply troubled under Trump," shows these former agency heads are concerned where the agency is going, being run by former oil and coal lobbyists. According to the article, "The former EPA chiefs — who led the agency under Presidents Reagan, George H.W. Bush, George W. Bush and Obama — all raised concerns about the Trump EPA. They warned that EPA officials are abandoning the agency's mission, ignoring science, pushing out career employees and silencing information about climate change." Later it also said, "This week, the former EPA administrators called on Congress to assert its oversight authority and try to return EPA to its mission to protect public health and the environment."

With politics the way they are today, how do we trust those who are supposed to protect us? I say we don't. Protecting our water, air and environment around us should be a right we are not willing to give up. Why should we give up our health for the profits of industries? Why should we allow our government to bow to those same people for our diminished quality of life or shortened length of our life?

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Titusville Jay Jay Road Development Approved

On June 11, 2019, the Titusville City Council approved having 162 homes on 71.76 acres located approximately 1,500 feet east of U.S. Highway 1 on the north side of Jay Jay Road. Why does this matter to you? This development is only 0.4 miles from the Indian River Lagoon (IRL). The increased runoff from this development has to flow east into the lagoon.

Back in the early 1980's, each county and city had to set up a comprehensive plan to show

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how many homes could be built in their area of control. From agricultural lands that had zoning of one home per acre or more, down to how many dwellings per acre for apartment buildings based on how high they wanted their buildings, such as setbacks for public areas, how close to allow buildings to be to each other, etc. All of this showed how many roads and other infrastructure we needed for all areas of the county or cities. Even if we did not increase density on what was in the comprehensive plan at the time, the IRL would probably be in trouble, but as areas add the number of homes that can be built (increased density), it adds more pressure on the lagoon.

Under our previous Governor Scott, all this preplanning was considered overkill and developers gave large sums of money to the get the right people elected, and now the primary purpose is to have the most homes to pay for new roads, new sewer systems, law enforcement, fire departments, etc.

The trouble is, for every pro, there is a con, and if we increase homes, it is bad for the lagoon, and cleaning the lagoon becomes harder and harder, especially if we keep pushing more

nitrogen and phosphorus into the lagoon. Any time any city or county increases density at one location, they should decide how it will decrease density somewhere else. The bottom line is you, as a taxpayer, are having to subsidize development not only with your property taxes, but even the self-imposed cleanup of the Indian River Lagoon, and we shouldn't put up with it!

On a similar note, Florida House Bill 7103 is trying to make it easier for developers and harder for us as taxpayers to fight increased densities. The 1000 Friends of Florida, www.1000friendsofflorida.org/veto-hb-7103/, states "House Bill 7103 was passed on the 60th day of the session amid a crush of last-minute legislating. One day before, HB 7103 was amended on the Senate floor with a provision that would gut the ability of Floridians to challenge decisions on growth in their communities." The following also is on the referenced website.

"Supporters of the amendment to HB 7103 said it would deter frivolous lawsuits. But Florida law already gives judges the discretion to order challengers to pay legal fees when they file nuisance challenges to development decisions. This thoughtful, case-by-case approach from judges

makes sense. The amendment's sweeping change in law does not.

Because of this amendment, HB 7103 would make local governments unaccountable for their land use decisions. That outcome would be disastrous for landowners, developers and any other citizens who care about planning in their communities. It would mark the death knell for growth management in Florida, even as the state's population is projected to grow by more than 12 million people over the next half century. The timing couldn't be much worse."

As stated before, we as taxpayers are being asked to subsidize development, taking money out of our pockets to line developer's pockets. I hope the governor vetoes this bill as it will cost every one of us dearly.

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www.titusville.com/Agendas.asp?AMID=2695&Display=Agenda

www.1000friendsofflorida.org/veto-hb-7103/
Another Point To His Irresponsible Development Versus The Indian River Lagoon

Fact: The more development we have in floodplains and wetlands increases the odds that someone will get flooded; maybe not the



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development itself, but the displaced water must go somewhere. Heavy rain with high winds and hurricanes will be getting more intense with the ocean temperature rising.

These homes that are built in these conditions, does the developer give a guarantee to these homes or homes around their development that their homes will not be flooded? No. Yet, the Brevard County Comprehensive Plan and a County Ordinance states you cannot flood your neighbor.

Then why does the homeowner have to spend so much money for flood insurance? And it will get more expensive. We can get guarantees on our cars, appliances, garden tools, almost anything except your house, especially if they were built in floodplains or wetlands. Is it because the developer knows the odds are the home will be flooded? Florida is a natural swamp. Be prepared.

U.S. House of Representatives Passes Red Tide Study

According to an article in the Bradenton news, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill to spend \$6.25 million for the study of health effects of Red Tide and other algae blooms on humans. There have been lots of studies completed in the last 30 – 40 years and nothing ever seems to be done about it. Guess it's easier to throw a few million at it every so often instead of spending the hundreds of millions to actually fix the problem.

Reference:

www.bradenton.com/news/local/article231511448.html

A Disgrace To Our County

District 2 County Commissioner Bryan Lober is bringing notoriety to our county with his hateful, unacceptable insults towards anyone who

does not agree with him. What he writes about our residents has nothing to do with any government issue, but is personal, and is hard to argue when there are no facts or points included.

Commissioner Lober's attacks are not free speech. It is as dangerous as yelling fire in a theater. It disrupts normal discourse and incites anger on all sides, not over important governmental issues, but nothing except hateful, childlike rhetoric.

Mr. Lober is a public servant, whereas he imagines the opposite. This problem has no party affiliation, it is a matter of human decency and respect, which is woefully missing in Commissioner Lober.

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Woody's BarBQ is back and open for business. Woody's closed down because of a kitchen fire back in May of 2017. I asked our waitress why they were closed for so long. She said the fire had caused extensive damage to the kitchen area and they also changed ownership. To see it now, you'd never know they had a fire. The place is very clean and looks all new inside.

We decided to have a late lunch/early dinner to avoid any crowds, but the place was still busy with about half the tables taken. We sat near the bar on the north side of the restaurant. The waitress mentioned that they were still waiting on their liquor license and the Miller/Coors distributor, but they were well stocked on Anheuser-Bush products and currently had 6 different beers on tap.

My wife ordered the mesquite grilled chicken breast wrap and fries. Besides the chicken, the wrap was stuffed with corn, black beans, olives, red onion, tomatoes, cheddar jack cheese and chipotle sauce, all wrapped in a flour tortilla. She said the wrap was good but needed a little more meat and a fewer black olives. She said the crinkle cut fries were cooked to absolute perfection and had no greasy taste whatsoever.

I ordered the Carolina pulled pork dinner with fries and BBQ beans. And since they didn't have any Coors light, I ordered a draft Stella. The pulled pork was fantastic. Since I ordered the dinner instead of a sandwich, it was just a nice heaping helping of shredded pork. The pork had a really nice flavor, All lean meat with no fat or gristle. The best part was, it didn't have that overly fake smoke taste that other BBQ chains have in their meat. The beans were a little lack-

ing in flavor, but still good, and like my wife said, the French fries were fantastic. Traditional crinkle cut fries have always been my favorite.

Besides the pulled pork and chicken wrap, Woody's has all the traditional BBQ items on their menu, like: ribs, sliced pork, chicken, beef brisket, burgers and catfish. If you don't want the BBQ beans or fries, you can also get mashed potatoes, baked potatoes, slaw or country vegetables.

Woody's is located on US1 just south of Port St. John in Sharpes. They're open Sunday thru Thursday 11 am to 9 pm, and Fridays and Saturdays from 11 am to 10 pm. I think I'll order the Black Angus bacon cheddar burger on my next visit. Hopefully they'll have Coors Light in stock by then.

- Ken Carson



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Parrish Healthcare is a proud sponsor of Who We Play For and believes in eliminating preventable sudden cardiac death in youth through affordable heart screenings. In joining the Who We Play For program, the Parrish Medical Group Athletic Training Program within the Parrish Healthcare Network will provide more student athletes with access to affordable athletic physicals and electrocardiogram testing in the North Brevard community.

"This is an opportunity to ensure our young people are physically able to participate in sports for the upcoming school year," said PMG physician Anthony Allotta, DO. "If an individual has a physical condition that would prevent or prohibit his or her participation in sports and other activities, we can identify that early on."

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SCHS Soccer Hosts Camp

While the first days of summer break usually finds teenagers sleeping in or heading to the beach, the Space Coast High School Soccer program kicked off the summer season by hosting a two day youth camp on June 6th and 7th. The camp was attended by children ranging from Kindergarten to 8th grade. The Viper coaching staff of Dennis Barry, Pete Monismith, Dwayne Davis and Philip Garza ran the young players through individual drills and team activities, ending the days with scrimmages and goal scoring competitions.



While the coaches handled the planning and overall supervision, the Camp Leaders were the current Viper Soccer players from the Men's and Ladies' squads. These outstanding young athletes volunteered their own time to help ensure that the campers were given a great experience. The Viper players helped run drills, provided examples of correct soccer maneuvers and competed with and against the campers to provide an overall great experience.

Day one of the camp saw the athletes brave balmy conditions on the main soccer field. Athletes ran through individual dribbling skills, followed by one on one battles which evolved into two versus two games and eventually small sided scrimmages. Although the athletes' red faces and soaked shirts showed the wear of a long day in the heat, they left with smiles and a desire to compete again the following day.

Day two started with a change in plans as the main field was shut down and the camp moved indoors to the gymnasium. The campers showed a great attitude as they adapted and embraced the different challenges presented by playing indoors. Both days saw a high level of competition and boundless energy from the campers.

Although all of the campers showed an excellent ability and superb sportsmanship, the performance of a few players were highlighted



at the conclusion of the camp. Hayden LaMaster and Hailey Thibodeau took home the honors of best Male and Female Player, respectively. Their overall skills were evident in individual and team drills. Bentley Hanson earned the Viper Spirit Award for her contagious positive behavior and her willingness to help assist with camp cleanup. Jaydin Godzinski won the Dedicated Viper Award for an endless supply of energy and positive attitude. Although he had to ride his bike almost 4 miles to the camp, Jaydin arrived before most, if not all, campers on both days and still performed with a high intensity throughout the camp.

All campers earned a camp t-shirt which will allow them free entry to any of the home games played by the Viper Soccer teams in the 2019-20 season. The event could be judged a success by many measures, however the best measure may be the happy faces on the campers and the number of kids who asked when the next camp would be scheduled and asked for information about registering with a community soccer club.

The event would not have been a success without the support of local business partners Beef 'O'Brady's, Luna Blu Pizza, Scoops Old Fashioned Ice Cream and Chippies Frozen Yogurt. Their help in promoting the event, providing prizes and feeding the players is deeply appreciated.

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Monthly Tax Update

Last month I discussed the circumstances involving inherited retirement accounts. This month I'm going to discuss the circumstances involving inherited real property, mutual funds, individual stocks and bonds, outside of any retirement plan.

When one of our loved ones pass away and they have these investments, the beneficiaries will receive the "stepped-up basis" for each type of investment. "Stepped-up basis" is defined as the fair market value of the investment on the day of passing. This stepped-up basis is the value the beneficiary will use to determine if there is a capital gain or loss upon disposing of the investment.

Okay, easy, right, and it actually is. Take for example, if you inherit 100 shares of Ford stock and on the day your loved one passed away, they were worth \$10.00 per share, your basis would be \$1,000 (100 times \$10.00). Then, a month later you decided to dispose/sell, the shares at \$12.50 a share, you would have a long-term capital gain of \$2.50 per share, or a total long-term capital gain of \$250.00 (\$12.50 times 100 equaling \$1,250 minus the \$1,000 basis).

This same concept is applied to any other investment or asset of the estate and it is always long-term capital gain tax treated, since the trans-

fer of the investment or asset was due to death. Therefore, it is important for the Personal Representative/Successor Trustee of the estate to obtain some type of documentation on the value of the investment or asset on the day of passing. Real estate would have a comparative market analysis (CMA) or an appraisal completed. Stocks, bonds and mutual funds would be the closing day value. Collectibles would have a non-related, expert evaluation statement.

Here's another example with real estate. If you inherit the real estate and you know the stepped-up basis, then any additional major improvements or major repairs will be added to the stepped-up basis to arrive at your new adjusted basis. The new adjusted basis will then be subtracted from the selling price, along with the closing cost to arrive at your capital gain or loss.

Here's another scenario involving a married couple. If the married couple owns a piece of real estate and one of them passes away, then the new adjusted basis is determined by the following: take the stepped-up basis, divided by two, plus their original basis, divided by two, and add the two results to arrive at the surviving spouses' new adjusted basis. And this goes for jointly owned stocks, bonds, mutual funds and any other investment or asset.

Another reason for obtaining the stepped basis deals with determining the Estate's inventory. The inventory of the Estate is a requirement imposed on the Successor Trustee/Personal Representative for probate or accounting to the beneficiaries. So, it's in your best interest to obtain the appropriate documentation as soon as possible following the passing of your loved one.

This is a very brief overview. Additional details and specific assistance in applying the general information in this article may be attained by contacting your tax advisor or our office. Provided by Tracey C. Higginbotham, E.A., (321) 632-5726, a member of the National Society of Accountants.

Parks & Recreation Meeting

The North Brevard Commission on Parks and Recreation will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, July 11th, 2019, 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.

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Tackle Football (6-14) & Cheerleading (6-15) \$105.00.

Flag Football & Cheerleading (3-6) \$80.00.

Payment plans are available.

LIVE Registration -

Visit our booth at Thunder Over the Indian River on Saturday, July 6th from 2:00 to 8:00 pm.

Practices Begin - All teams should be starting practices within the month of July. It is a staggered start for our season tackle football the first week, cheerleading the second and flag football the following week.

Volunteers Needed - Get your volunteer applications in so we can start building our teams; coach, assistant coach, team support - we will be voting in volunteers for the fall at our general board meetings, every other Tuesday.

General Board Meetings are open to the public - If you want to know more about what is going on with our league, how money is raised and spent, how schedules are created and volunteers chosen, etc....please know that all of our General Board Meetings are open to the public and we invite you to get involved. If you wish to nominate, be nominated or vote in our annual election in December, you may pay a \$5.00 fee prior to October 1st.

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Thunder Over the Indian River Pet Contest

Brigdawg's will be sponsoring a Pet Contest at Thunder Over the Indian River. The contest will start early so pets who are nervous around the noise and light can get back home early. Brigdawg's is working to put together some give away bags for pets entered into the contest. More details will be released when available.

For now, this is the plan:

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Project Graduation

Project Graduation 2019 was a HUGE SUCCESS! The Space Coast seniors enjoyed a wonderful final night with their classmates celebrating their graduation. We are extremely thankful for the amazing support of this community. Thank you to the businesses, organizations and community members who donated food, money, prizes and your services. Without your support this event would not have been possible. The students who attended were very appreciative of all that was given by our community for this event.

The Project Graduation Board and Class of 2019 would like to say a big thank you to the following sponsors for helping make this years Project Graduation a success!

Thank you to American Legion Post 359, Fun Time, All Air & Heat, Brevard Zoo, Rack Room, Chick-Fil-A, Orlando Aquarium/Madame Tussauds, Skyzone, Wonderwork, Winn Dixie, Aldi, Keep Me Safe, Chick Fil A, ICON Orlando, Solar Bears, Disney, WAWA, Clevens Face & Body Specialist, State Farm – Robin L. Fisher Insurance Agency, Flawless Finish, Hair by Wanda @ Hair Therapy, Clevens Face & Body Specialist,



AMC Movies, Panera Bread, Beef O Brady's, Humpavellis Pizza, Hyacinth with Cruises Inc., Nascar Hall of Fame, Doterra & Senegence by Kristi Shifflet & Amy Handley, Billards of Merritt Island, Fairfield In Titusville, 4 Rivers BBQ, Complete Care Family Medicine, Scott Little at Connection, Jenna's Pedicure, Brevard County Teacher Association, and Nails & Spa Salon LLC in PSJ.

Thank you to these vendors that came to most vendor events: Tammy McLachlan (or one of her girls) with Mary Kay, Kristi Shifflet with Pheonix Essentials, Jackie Whittington with Keep Me Safe, Jamie Hermes with Lila Rose, Amy Handley with Shifflet, Kelly's BBQ and Kona Ice. We appreciated all the vendors that came out to sup-

port the Project Graduation 2019 vendor events and the Port St. John Community that came to shop. Also, thank you to Four Communities Fire Department, United Methodist Church and Reaping the Harvest Ministries for letting us have the vending events at their place of business.

We also thank Kathy Camick & Shelley Riuz, the 5K Coordinators, for their hard work setting up the 5K, and Leah Lucas for organizing the volunteers for the race. We had amazing sponsors that do not go unappreciated! We thank the following 5K sponsors: Port Java, Parrish Medical Center, Kelsey's Running Zone, Coastal Community Church, Kona Ice, Pepsico Food Service, Sunny Concrete, Print Boy, Happenings and Benafe Fitness.

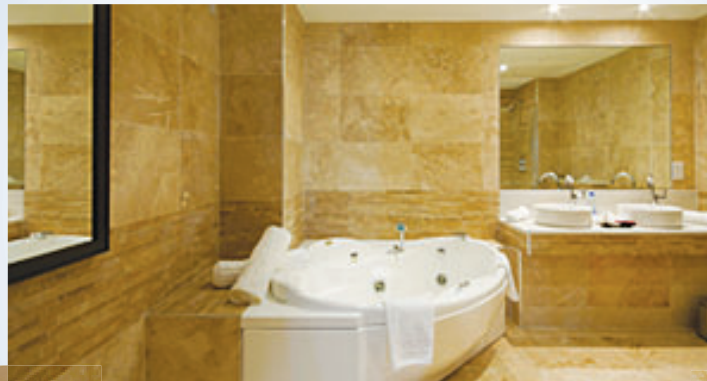
Jessica Zeller did an awesome job setting up the golf tournament at Indian Reserve Golf Club. It was a huge success and we thank the golf



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Our seniors did not go hungry thanks to these businesses that donated food for Project Graduation. The seniors enjoyed all the food so much! Thank you to Scoops Ice Cream, Troy's, Dogs 'R Us PSJ, Domino's, Port Java, Dunkin Donuts, Bagel 13, Chili's of M. I., Subway, Publix, Papa John's, Tijuana Flats of Merritt Island, Kelsey's

of PSJ, Beef O'Brady's, Chippie's, Pizza Gallery, El Leoncito's and Crazy Zack's Popcorn.

I would like to thank our many businesses that fundraised Project Graduation events throughout the year, Project Graduation would not have been a success without these fundraisers. Thank you: Jabbers, Chili's, Longhorn's Steakhouse, Panda Express, El Leoncito's, Luna Blu, Beef O'Brady's, Chippies, Scoops Ice Cream, Pizza @, Memory Book fundraiser coordinated by Wil Henzman, Chick-Fil-A, Domino's, Southern Tape & Label, Papa John's, Kelsey's of Port St. John, Discovery Learning Center and Ben's Barber Shop for collecting shoes, and Amie Randall for storing shoes in her garage all year.

I would like to thank Adventure HQ. They were a pleasure to work with and their workers were helpful and fun to work with the night of the event. We had several people come out and donate their time to entertain the seniors; Maria Pantioni doing Henna tattoos, Tammy McLachlan with Mary Kay doing facials, Pamela Henderson Massage Therapist doing massages and Joe Guarine taking photos. Also, I would like to thank the parents who volunteered the night of Project Graduation and came to set

up decorations, prizes, candy bar, run the cash cub, watching the kids in the casino, food area and running wherever asked to help the seniors have a night of fun! Please help me thank Will Henzmann, Monique Henzmann, Matt Morelli, Robert Hadley, Danielle Banwell, Amie Randal, Brooke Sutherland, Leasa Farrar-Spivey, Lori Frost, Christina Lawrence, Beatrice Weaver, Kathy Camick and Shelley Riuz.

Thank you to Randy at Happenings for posting our articles for Project Graduation all year long and all he does for the Port St. John community.

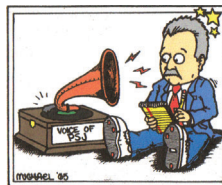
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Alcoholics Anonymous meets in PSJ on **Sundays** at 5 PM, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 PM at 4797 Curtis Blvd. (St. Patrick's Church). **Overeaters Anonymous** meets in PSJ on **Saturdays** at 9:30 AM 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.

7-2 Compassionate Friends Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6 PM in Cocoa Beach at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 525 Minuteman Cswy. west of A1A, Fellowship Hall. Call 610-7875 for info.

7-3 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 Valerie Helmer at 321-268-1632.

7-3 PSJ Startups & Founders Club, a group for new business owners and entrepreneurs, meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Port Java in Fay Plaza. We'll begin our program at 8 AM. The Port St. John internet site can be viewed at www.meetup.com/Port-St-John-PSJ-Startups-Founders-Club/.

7-4 Independence Day

7-6 Thunder Over the Indian

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Space Coast Jr/Sr High School -	638-0750

Rvr 7-11 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.

7-12 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.

7-14 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, Cocoa Library.

7-14 Word Weavers Space Coast, a critique group for Christian writers, meets the 2nd Sunday at 2:00 PM at the Central Brevard Library in Cocoa. Visitors are always welcome. Email angelagardnerwrites@gmail.com for info.

7-14 Calling all Christian authors! Dynamic writers group in Cocoa, Fla. offers training, critiques, and paid writing opportunities (2nd Sundays 2-4:30 PM at Cocoa library). Contact D.P. Clarke at 1royaldy@gmail.com for more information. Print "Writers Group" in Subject.

7-15 Moonport Modelers RC Club meets at 6:30 PM, 3rd Monday each month at the N. Brevard Library, 2121 S Hopkins Ave., Titusville. For more info, call Wayne Mendez, 505-2361.

7-17 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.

7-19 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.

7-23 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 show and tell or a guest speaker. Call 321-720-6232 or 321-720 1584 for more info.

Congratulations to:

Emma Grenet... Happy 3rd Birthday, Baby Girl! Love you, Gramma... on the 1st!
Allan Woerner turns **26** on the 2nd.
Rick Harmon turns buffer on the 3rd.
Talan Turner turns **12** on the 3rd.
Tyler VanSiclen turns **22** on the 4th.
Lori Ebbensgard turns cuter on the 4th!
Chris Fogarty likes Rum on the 6th.
Jim Smith turns **57** on the 6th.
Kim Brown turns prettier on the 7th.
Denise Brown is the queen on the 8th.
Jill Hill turns hotter on the 8th
James Bowen turns crazier on the 8th.
Brittani Davis turns **24** on the 9th.
Kelly Messer turns prettier on the 9th.
Nancy Taylor rocks the house on the 10th.
Nick Brown parties all night on the 10th.
Michael Turner turns **13TEEN** on the 10th.
Jonathan Benoff turns wiser on the 10th.
Brittany Harmon turns **28** on the 11th.
Jack LaPorte turns mellower on the 11th.
Logan Helms turns **16** on the 13th.
Charlotte Divine turns **2** on the 17th.
Connor Smith turns **16** on the 19th.
Isabella "Bella" Orvis turns **6** on the 20th!
Eamon Wright has a party day on the 23rd.
J.D. Carnell turns **24** on the 24th.
Savannah Bowen is **21** on the 24th.
Kathy LaPorte turns more lovely on the 25th.
Sarah Hannen turns **25** on the 26th.
Sydney McGann turns **15** on the 26th.
Conor Henderson turns **15** on the 26th.
Greg Messer turns cooler on the 26th.
Brett Benoff turns mo' better on the 27th.
Madi McGann turns **17** on the 28th.
Roger Brunet ...Happy Birthday, Honey! Love, Jennifer and girls on July 29th!!
Happy Anniversary to Kari & Marty Grinstead on the 1st.
David & Doreen Erickson celebrate their **26th** on the 2nd.
Jack and Kathy LaPorte celebrate **40** years of marriage on the 16th.
Donny Roberts and Linda Carlton celebrate their **8th** on the 20th.
Lori & Rich Ebbensgard celebrate their **8th** anniversary on the 23rd.
Tim and Karrson Unrue celebrate their **3rd** wedding anniversary on the 24th.
 Email your inputs to happenings1@att.net.

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation in Partnership with Hannah's Heroes, Inc. Award Hannah Cline Memorial Scholarships for Study in Mental Health Care

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation, in partnership with Hannah's Heroes, Inc. awarded \$5,500 in scholarships to three outstanding North Brevard graduating high school seniors who are pursuing studies in the field of mental health care. Distinguishing themselves through their accomplishments and dedication to their communities, the awardees are the first recipients of the Hannah Cline Memorial Scholarship.

This year's scholarship winners are, from Astronaut High School: Gabrielle Maggard; from Titusville High School: Emily Mezni; and from Space Coast Junior/Senior High School: Madelyne Andrade-Rodriguez.

The scholarship was established by Lyn Cline in loving memory of her daughter, Hannah. Hannah ended her young life through suicide in January, 2015.

Out of tragedy came the inspiration to form Hannah's Heroes – a non-profit 501(c) (3) grassroots organization with a passionate mission to draw attention to the struggling youth population and to prevent future losses.

"This scholarship honors Hannah and offers the opportunity to deserving students to further their educational dreams in mental health care and start the conversation with future generations," said Lyn Cline.

Initial funding for the scholarship was made possible by the Pilot Club of Titusville. Proceeds from the club's Pretty Woman Goes to Italy fashion show supported Hannah's Heroes and their mission of helping youth mental health in Brevard County.

JPMF's partnership with Hannah's Heroes in awarding the Hannah Cline Memorial Scholarship brings a focused collaboration to the mental health priority of both organizations in North Brevard. The two organizations joined forces to implement Sources of Strength, an evidence-based teen health and wellness program focused on preventing suicide, bullying, substance abuse

and self-harm, in all five North Brevard area middle and high schools.

Since the program inception in 2015, more than 350 peer leaders and adult advisors have been leveraging their social influence and leadership talents to spread strength-based messages across each of the schools.

The 2019 scholarship recipients were instrumental in the Sources of Strength program and were peer leaders at their respective high schools.

For more information about JPMF, call 321-269-4066 or visit www.parrishmedfoundation.com. Contact Hannah's Heroes at www.hannahs-heroes.org/.

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3:15-4:00 *Mid Life Crisis*

4:30-5:15 *East Side Rock*

5:45-6:15 *Soulmates*

6:15-7:00 *Black Moon Syndicate*

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Heroic New Summer Camp

Available For Grades 3-5

Three local agencies have joined together to create a summer camp concept that will not only inspire your child toward the study of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Math (STEAM), but will also acquaint them with the heroes of everyday life...and their own ability to be a hero!

Heroes of STEAM Summer Camp is a collaborative effort between the American Space Museum, the Titusville Fire Department and the American Police Hall of Fame. The camp will be offered over the summer from July 29-31, 1:30-4:30 p.m. and will serve children entering grades three through five. The cost is \$60 per child and this includes all the activities and materials offered during the three-day camp, as well as a camp t-shirt. The camp is limited to 16 students.

Each day of the three day camp will take place at a different venue, with day one being spent at the American Space Museum, 308 Pine St. in Titusville, day two at the Titusville Fire Department at 550 S. Washington Ave, and day

American Space Museum & Space Walk of Fame

are responsible for dropping off and picking up their children at each location.

The daily STEAM themes at each facility will tie together with the themes of the previous day and venue. Campers will tour each facility and then work together in teams to problem-solve with a hands-on learning approach. Activities will include rocket building and launching, fire science and fire hose demonstrations, finger print analysis and solving the mysteries of a mock crime scene.

"We are so excited to be partnering with these two fine organizations," said Chrissy Sokol, Museum Education Director at the American Police Hall of Fame. "We've put our heads together and developed a camp concept that will really challenge, educate and entertain the students. I think the teachers are looking forward to it as much as the students!"

three at the American Police Hall of Fame, 6350 Horizon Drive.

Transportation is not provided by the agencies. Caregivers

Space is limited. The registration deadline for the second camp session July 19. Cancellations can be made up until July 22nd.

To register your child, go to "Heroes of STEAM" on Facebook. If you have questions, call 321-264-0911, Ext. 134.

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.

The next show will be held on Sunday, July 28th, 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.



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July Calendar of Events

Mon., Tues., Fri., 9 am - 5 pm; Wed., 12 - 8 pm;
Thurs., 10 am - 6 pm; Sat., 10 am - 2 pm

Adult Programs:

Tues, 11am-3pm, Senior Games. Bring a friend, share a game.

Tues, 12-3pm & Weds, 1-4pm, SHINE. Call for appt: 321-222-7981

Fri, 2-4pm, Yarn & Needlecraft Club. All ages & abilities.

Sat, 9:30-10:30am, Overeaters Anonymous meeting.

7/10, 6:30-7:30pm, The Bookworms Book Club.

7/24, 6:00pm, Friends of the Library Membership Meeting.

7/31, 6:30-7:30pm, NASA Apollo Mission 50th Anniversary discussion series.

Children & Juvenile Programs:

Tues, 9:15am, Infant Laptime. Songs & Stories, Ages 3-24 months.

Tues, 3:30pm, Brick by Brick: LEGO free play. Ages 5-10.

Thurs, 3:30pm, Universe of Stories Summer Reading. Entertainers + Crafting. K-6 grade.

Fri, 10:30am, Storytime. Ages 2-5.

Port St. John Pokemon Club. 7/13 & 7/27, 10am-12pm, regulated game play. All ages.

"The Bookworms," the Book Club of the PSJ library loves getting new members! They read all kinds of books. In recent months they have read some excellent books including, "In the Sanctuary of Outcasts," "The Rent Collector," "The Water is Wide" and "The Lilac Girls."

Want to be Involved?

Come join the Bookworms, our Book Club! Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the library, 6:30 pm. The next meeting will be July 10th.



The next Friends of the Library meeting will be at 6 PM on Wednesday, July 24th at the library. Refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by Friends of the Port St. John Library

The coming months will include reading, "The Nest," "The Wife Between Us" and "Where the Crawdads Sing." Be assured that you and your opinions will be welcomed!



2019-2020 SCHS Vipers Cheer Teams

Space Coast Jr./Sr. High school held cheerleading tryouts April 12 for all squads for the 2019-2020 school year. We would like to congratulate the following girls for making Varsity, coached by Kara Shaffer: Aleja Aponte-Lovvorn, Ashanti Bailey, Mikayla Caplick, Stephanie Crabbs, Emma Doherty, Sydnee Dufresne, Alexa Ferreri, Ashley Fitzpatrick, Amaya Fooks, Alexis Fuller, Courtney McAninch, Kaitlyn McGlashan, Alexis Pignataro, Ciera Partridge, Kaylei Palacios-Rubas, Shay Ray, Marah Rath, Hannah Shoemaker, Emily Strickland and Leona Velasco.

We would like to congratulate the following girls for making JV, coached by Ashley Moore: Tiamya Alexander, Jayah Arthur, Alexis Bradford, Nicole Flynn, Stephanie Hammers, Eryn Hopwood, Kendall Hicks, Peyton Manning, Kaamerin Maxey, Jeanne Pate, Megan Reed, Madison Scott, Marissa Vargas, Brooke Wilson.

We would like to congratulate the following girls for making Middle School, coached by Dawn Cole: Samara Beck, Kayla Bissland, Victoria Bradford, Lucciana Camarda, Alondra Columbie, Maya DelCotto, Dixie Evanas, McKinsey Humphrey, Hailie Kahl, Tara Maggie, Brianna McGlashan, Ayanna Migdalski, April Morgan, Aubrey O'Quendo, Alanna Pridgen, Alynza Sladyk and Ellie Youngman.

Welcome to Viper Nation, ladies!!

The Boosters held elections for the upcoming 2019-2020 year. Congratulations to the following members: President Jacqueline McGlashan, Vice President Stacie Reed, Treasurer Meghan Maxey and Secretary Barbara Strickland.

Space Coast Cheer will be holding Jr. Viper Cheer Camp for ages 4 years old through 6th grade. The Jr. cheerleaders will be practicing with the varsity cheerleaders on 8/26 and 8/28 at SCHS, and cheering the first half of the game on 8/30/19 against Melbourne HS. The cost is \$30 per Jr. Viper which will include a t-shirt and a hair ribbon to be worn during the game.

We will have multiple opportunities for registration at the Thunder over Indian River on 7/6, Space Coast Communities Sports Complex on the Panther fields, 7/29 and 7/30, and Chip-pies, 7/31. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to Jacqueline at jacmc81@yahoo.com or Stacie at jsreed9101@hotmail.com.

Here is to a successful season!

Free Health Presentation

Parrish Medical Center and the Parrish Cancer Center are offering a free community health presentation about household items that improve your health as part of PMC's HealthBridge series. Health Boosting Secrets from Your Pantry is scheduled Tuesday, July 9 at La Cita Country Club in Titusville from 5-7 p.m.

The event is free, but space is limited. Dinner will be served. For more information, and to preregister, call 321-268-6156 or visit parrish-healthcare.com/events.

Parrish Cancer Center hematologist/oncologist Patricia Deisler, MD, will talk about simple changes you can make to improve your health with items found in your home pantry or at the local grocer.

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North Brevard District One Summer Update 2019

The full update is online and several pages long. This is an abbreviated version for space. - Ed.

2019 is proving to be a banner year for Brevard County. I am thankful for the opportunity to represent and serve North Brevard. It is encouraging to see the hope and life in our community. It's a great day in Brevard County and especially in District One.

Community Highlights -

Harry T. and Harriette V. Moore Memorial Park and Museum in Mims was added to the U.S. Civil Rights Trail this past January. Florida's Space Coast Office of Tourism sponsored the museum's inclusion in the trail. The museum is open to the public for tours, you can find more information at <https://www.harryharriette.moore.org/>. It is worth the visit.

The American Space Museum & Walk of Fame is located at 308 Pine Street in downtown Titusville. Inside you will discover many items that have been donated by individuals, astronauts, space workers and NASA. Some items have flown in space. The museum has a Space Shuttle Launch Control Center console, Air Force Launch Pad 36A consoles and a Pad 16 Launch Sequencer. You can visit them Monday through Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm.

North Brevard Libraries -

In North Brevard, the Titusville, Port St. John and Mims/Scottsmoor Libraries are open almost every day for our citizens convenience.

Community Projects: Citizen input opportunity -

A Small Area Study was approved by the County Commission and is underway in Port St. John. The study will provide a detailed analysis and planning for smart growth. If you are a resident in Port St. John and would like to serve on this committee please send me your application (resume). For more information call my District One office, (321) 607-6901.

Conex boxes/shipping containers have initial approval by the Board. Residents will be able to use them as storage in residential areas with the required permits. County staff is working on the wording for this ordinance.

A Shout out to our Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue -

With the responsibilities the Sheriff has in this

day, we are thankful that he is working towards resources needed to carry out our safety. Thanks Sheriff Ivey and his faithful Deputies!

Brevard County Fire Fighters have been busy battling fires. First a 300-acre fire in west Port St. John that threatened homes and horse stables, and then a few weeks later a 56-acre fire at Port St. John Parkway and I-95. They were able to contain these fires without loss to homes or animals. Thank you, Firefighters!

Economy- We are doing well!

In December 2018, the Space Coast was selected by SpaceNews to receive the "Award for Excellence and Innovation" for the Best Turn-around of the Year.

Last year Port Canaveral reported a record breaking \$103 million in total revenues. Port Canaveral is currently building a 190,000 square foot cruise terminal and an adjacent 1,800 square foot parking garage. The project has an estimated completion date for June, 2020. Port Canaveral is now ranked as the 2nd busiest cruise port in the world.

Orlando's Walt Disney World is no longer the top themed attraction when it comes to social media reviews in Florida. According to TripAdvisor, Yelp, Google and Facebook, our Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex, under the leadership of Delaware North, has become a prime tourist destination with over one million visitors annually.

Job opportunities

Merritt Precision Technologies, a manufacturing and tooling company, announced plans to build a new 15,000 square foot facility on a four-acre site in Titusville's Spaceport Commerce Park, manufacturing products for customers in the marine, aerospace, aviation and defense industries.

Moon Express, an American privately-owned commercial aerospace company, has acquired \$12.5 million in funding which will further their development of its spacecraft for commercial and government customers. There will be 50 new jobs created as this company plans to refurbish Launch Complex 17 at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and will be on track for a first lunar launch in 2020.

North Brevard is focused on job creation. If you are looking for employment or to hire employees, CareerSource Brevard is a great resource

to help connect employees with a job. For information, visit <https://careersourcebrevard.com/>.

Space Job Opportunities

If you are interested in employment, visit Blue Origin, visit: www.blueorigin.com/careers, SpaceX: www.spacex.com/careers/list, Lockheed Martin: www.lockheedmartinjobs.com/, NASA: nasajobs.nasa.gov/, Boeing: <https://jobs.boeing.com/>, United Launch Alliance: www.ulalaunch.com/careers, OneWeb: www.oneweb.world/careers-opportunities.

Housing

Numerous family home subdivisions in North Brevard are currently under construction. These include Panther Ridge in Sharpes, Summer Breeze in Canaveral Groves, Hickory Ridge in Cocoa, Maronda Homes on Grissom Parkway, South Carpenter Estates, Indian River Landings on Riveredge Drive, La Hacienda on Country Club Drive, Forest Trace on Sisson Road and Park Preserve on Knox McRae Drive.

Space

Firefly Aerospace confirmed plans to launch Alpha and Beta rockets from Launch Complex 20 at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Firefly will manufacture rockets at their 150,000 square foot facility at Kennedy Space Center's Exploration Park. These rockets will be designed to lift small satellites, and more than 200 new jobs will be created.

Blue Origin's New Glenn rocket won the fifth satellite launch contract. Canadian satellite operator Telesat announced a deal for multiple launches aboard Blue Origin's New Glenn, which will stand 313 feet tall with the first launch from Cape Canaveral in 2021. On March 22, 2019 Blue Origin announced plans to expand and create a "South Campus." The construction of the new facility will provide for the manufacture and provisioning of commercial space launch vehicles.

Manned Space Flight this year! The first crewed launch of SpaceX's Dragon 2 vehicle from Cape Canaveral will be the first launch of astronauts from the United States since the final Space Shuttle flight on July 8, 2011. On board will be NASA astronauts Bob Behnken and Douglas Hurley, both on their third spaceflight. We are also expecting a manned flight from Blue Origin at some point in late 2019.

This year we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo Program. The Apollo

rocket era which we celebrated the first man on the Moon Apollo 11, and the excitement of the entire Apollo missions is a milestone in our history. I remember it like it was yesterday. The Space Coast has a proud heritage, which includes those of us who grew up in the middle of space launches. We build rockets! I can only imagine what the next 50 years will open up for mankind as far as “to see new worlds, new civilizations and to boldly go where no man has gone before.”

Environment - Lagoon:

The Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee recommended a plan update that included 23 new projects proposed by the community and reprioritized wastewater, septic and muck removal projects. The 2019 Update includes a \$30 million increase for human waste related projects and a \$27 million increase for storm water projects. Funding for muck removal is reduced from two thirds to approximately half of the available funds while projects that treat human wastewater are increased by more than \$30 million.

Baffle box projects were recently completed at Isaac Campbell Park and US1 at Ojibway Avenue. Other baffle boxes under construction include La Paloma Lane, US1, State Road 405, and Wagner Avenue. These projects will reduce the amount of nitrogen and phosphorus that enter the lagoon by thousands of pounds each year.

Natural Resources is continuing efforts to remove abandoned boats in our waterways. Grant money received from the Florida Inland Navigation District will help supplement the Counties’ derelict vessel removal fund. In the future the hope is to determine an effective way to stop boat owners from neglecting their responsibility to dispose of unusable vessels correctly.

Our lagoon restoration has a way to go but it is making progress. Kayakers, fisherman and residents who use the river frequently are reporting clearer water, seagrass coming back and the return of fish. Another indicator of Lagoon health is the horseshoe crabs spawning on the southside of the Titusville Causeway. You can see the horseshoe crabs as they spawn in late spring/early summer on the causeway.

Individually, each of us can play an important part in the health of the Lagoon by adhering to the summer fertilizer ban which begins June 1st and runs through September 30th, pick up after dogs and do not wash grass clipping into storm drains.

Parks and Recreation

North Brevard Youth Softball has begun. Opening day was June 22nd at Chain of Lakes. I cannot thank you enough to all of you who volunteer your time for our children.

Renovations have been underway at Cocoa West Community Center and will reopen June 1st just in time for summer recreation programs to begin. Improvements include a renovated meeting room and bathrooms, new gym floor, tile flooring and new air conditioning units. A portico was added at the entrance and the building was repainted. Tennis courts resurfaced and the parking lot was refurbished.

Boat Ramps, Docks and Shoreline Repair

Thank you for your patience on dock repairs over the past few months. The Parrish Park, Mims, Scottsmoor and Port St. John boat ramps have been repaired and are ready to launch! The shoreline has been repaired at William J. Manzo, Nicol Park, Marina Park and Sandpoint Park. The catwalk, boardwalk and sidewalk are now back and open at William J. Manzo Park and the Titusville Veterans Memorial Pier.

Still under construction in the design and permitting phase are Tom Statham Park, Kennedy Point Park, Titusville Veterans Memorial, Rotary Park and Space View Park. We will keep you updated on the opening.

What’s New -

Hotels

Construction of the Hyatt Place hotel is underway at the corner of US1 and Riverfront Center Boulevard. The 5-story hotel has 118 rooms and is slated to open in Fall 2019. Extended Stay America has begun construction on the 124-room hotel located on Helen Hauser Boulevard. A new 152-room Courtyard by Marriott with a 5th floor observation deck will be built on the river front property across from the Police Hall of Fame.

Salsa’s Mexican Restaurant will be opening soon at Titus Landing and in Sharpes, Woody’s BBQ Grill and Bar has re-opened.

Upgrades and Improvements

Roads scheduled to be resurfaced and reconstructed in District One in 2019:

Canaveral Groves - Bahia Street, Fountain Palm Road and Peppertree Street. Cocoa - Ann Way, Hess Avenue from Ann Way to Phillis Way and Dalehurst Drive.

Port St. John - Ann Catherine Court, Bamboo Avenue, Barbara Road, Bartow Avenue, Caril-

lon Avenue, Carter Street, Cinema Street, Dill Avenue, Dodge Road, Doreen Road, Freeport Road, Frisco Street, Kimball Avenue, Mace Avenue, Mayflower Street, Melody Street, Milton Avenue, Miraflores Avenue, Patricia Street, Patrick Lane, Walton Avenue and Falcon Boulevard from Amesbury Avenue to Grissom Parkway.

Launches 2019

July 2019 | Space X Falcon 9 | Cape Canaveral AFS | Starlink network satellites.

July 8 | Space X Falcon 9 | Cape Canaveral | 20th Dragon space craft to deliver cargo to ISS.

July 25 | ULA Delta 4 | Cape Canaveral AFS | U.S Air Force navigation satellite for GPS.

July 25 | Space X Falcon 9 Crew Dragon | KSC | First test flight with astronauts on board.

August 17 | ULA Atlas V | Cape Canaveral AFS | Boeings first Starliner unpiloted Orbital test flight.

October 2019 | SpaceX Falcon 9 | Cape Canaveral | U.S Air Force navigation satellite.

November 2019 | ULA Atlas V | Cape Canaveral AFS | Boeings Starline Space Craft with Astronauts.

December 4 | Space X Falcon 9 | Cape Canaveral | 21st Dragon space craft to deliver cargo to ISS.

December 2019 | ULA Atlas V | Cape Canaveral AFS | Will carry Orbital Test Vehicle on 6th mission.

Brevard County is doing very well overall. We might not be where we are going, but we are not where we came from. Thank you to each of you who make this a great place to live and grow. I am very honored and blessed to serve you as your commissioner.

It is a Great Day in Brevard County!

Rita Pritchett,

Brevard County Commissioner
District One

Members Sought for PSJ Small Area Study Committee

District 1 Commissioner Rita Pritchett is looking for residents of Port St. John who would like to serve as a member of the Port St. John Small Area Study Committee.

If you are interested, please send your resume to d1.commissioner@brevardfl.gov. For questions or further information, please call the Commissioner’s office at (321) 607-6901.

Rose's Room

~ Rose Padrick

I hope everyone made special plans to enjoy Thunder Over the Indian River and the guys lighting the fuses put on such a wonderful show that next year is in the bag by nights' end. I also hope we all remember the reason for all the hubbub.

If you have ever read my column you know my mind has a tendency to travel various routes all on its own. Prompted by reading a grandchild's report on Independence Day, my thoughts turned to wondering what our founding fathers were really like and what the conversations may have been like when they weren't signing important documents.

Had there been a drone hovering and recording, would we have heard, "That's a great wig, Mr. Hancock. Did you take it to that little shoppe on Main Street?"

"Thank you, Mr. Adams, I do all styling myself. It's getting harder and harder to find the right starch to hold the curl, so I'm just hoping it holds until that portrait guy is finished."

"I know what you mean, I have more problems with the powder myself. And these stockings! I have not been able to find a way to keep them up. Mr. Franklin, yours are always so white and seem to cling to your legs. Care to share your secret?"

"I admit only to a few well-placed drops of sticky substance on each leg. Did anyone else hear thunder? Now where did I put those darn keys?"

Come to think of it, those words could also be uttered at a Ru Paul roundup...and also come to think of it, there would not be that much dif-

ference in appearances or the bravery they are showing just being themselves and looking for freedom.

The previous words were written in jest but I thank God every day for placing me in this wonderful country that these men - wigs, stockings and all - are responsible for making free, and for every mother's son and daughter who put their lives on the line to keep it that way.

T.V., radio and social media keep reminding us that our way of life is threatened in every way - every day, and how badly this country is being torn. There are those who compare the upset we are experiencing these days to what was going on when we, as a country united and moved forward.

I am certainly not smart enough to know what the answers are, but I know in my heart we did it once and can do it again. We still live in the greatest country in the world. No matter how separated we are and how badly evil has permeated our lives, if we would all try to compromise, perhaps our leaders would get caught up in the movement... One can hope.

So when the sky lights with many different colors, I will once again have tears of appreciation tracking down my cheeks.

I will also have in my hand what my kids and grandkids refer to as 'That Darn Camera.' My penchant for saving each moment results from not having anything connecting me with my relatives or ancestors and is the impetus for me to try to assure my future generations will have a foothold in their roots.

My own babies have told me their babies thought Grammy was born with a blue square and one eye in the middle of her face. They couldn't be more wrong... Grandchildren think

I was born with a chocolate chip cookie in my hand.

I do admit to having the statement, "Hold still, I want to get this one picture, then I won't bother you again." on permanent repeat. I also admit to lying through my teeth. They all know I will certainly be bothering them again, probably within ten minutes.

I catch all kinds of flak for using a CAMERA and listen politely to whomever is explaining for the hundredth time how easy it is to just use a handy dandy phone, and how you can save the pictures on the cloud (or some such nonsense) forever. At which time I less than politely explain I can take a picture and be on my way to bother someone else in the amount of time it takes them to find the camera on their phone. And not so nicely remind them how many times each of them has sat on my couch laughing at old childhood pictures and sharing stories of favorite aunts and uncles... something children of phone users will never experience.

Explaining that snuggling on the couch with a great grandchild, turning the fragile old pages of a real photo album and pointing out Grampa, Uncle Roy, Aunt Cindy and Cousin Alicia in their military uniforms brings them a sense of belonging and pride when we explain that Independence Day is more than hot dogs and fireworks usually shuts them up.

If it doesn't, my threat of showing the naked baby pictures does.

Martin Andersen Senior Center Dances



Martin Andersen Senior Center will host Singles/Couples Ballroom Dances on Saturday, July 13th and 27th. Music will be provided by Janice and Rene.

For both dances, doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dancing begins at 7:00 p.m., ends at 10:00 p.m. Free snacks, BYOB. Adults of all ages are welcome. The cost is \$6; \$5 for members.

Adults of all ages are welcome to our dances. MASC is located at 1025 S. Florida Ave., Rockledge. Call Martin Andersen Senior Center at 321-631-7556 for more information.

Meet your neighbors and stay informed of Events & Community Happenings!

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3925 Grissom Pkwy. at 7:00 PM. www.CanaveralGrovesHOA.com**

Walter Butler Community Center - July, 2019

Bernice G. Jackson Park, 4201 North US Hwy. 1, Sharpes

The center is open Monday–Thursday from 10 - 8 p.m., 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 Camp, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Open Gym, 6-8 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Tuesdays

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Open Gym, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesdays

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m.

Thursdays

Center closed July 4th Independence Day

Holiday

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

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m.

Fridays

Pickleball, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturdays

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

Persons With Disabilities Dances are held at WBCC every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 7-9 p.m. all ages welcome. Contact Andrea Chestnut, 321-264-5058 or 321-264-5105.

Volleyball Fundamentals

Teaching 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 Walter Butler Community Center (321) 433-4448.

Classified Ads

Moving Sale: 2 Craftsman table saws for cabinets and more, a tiller, an outdoor wrought iron furniture set with 6 chairs, a barbecue grill combo gas & charcoal, hardly used. Come see the items and make an offer. Call 321-501-3227 to make an appointment.

Classified Section - \$5.00 per line - approximately 45 characters per line (including spaces). All classified ads must be paid in advance. Ads must be submitted in writing no later than the 18th of the month for publication the following month. Happenings reserves the right to reject any advertisements not meeting its standards. Liability for errors shall not exceed the cost of the ad.

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summer Camp DAY program

31 MAY 2019 – 9 AUGUST 2019

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Mondays – Fridays 7:00am – 6:00pm

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Discounted Pre-Participation Sports Physicals

Parrish Medical Group physician Anthony Allotta, DO, along with certified athletic trainers Kellie Way, Cameron Street, Jason Pendergraph and Lindsay Minthorn, are offering \$10 sports physicals and electrocardiogram testing to local student athletes on Wednesday, July 27 from 8-11:30 a.m. The physicals and EKGs will be held at Parrish Healthcare Center located at 5005 Port St. John Parkway in Port St. John. All proceeds will be donated to the student athlete's school. Only cash and checks will be accepted.

Parrish Healthcare is a proud sponsor of Who We Play For and believes in eliminating preventable sudden cardiac death in the young through affordable heart screenings.

"This is an opportunity to ensure our young people are physically able to participate in sports for the upcoming school year," said Dr. Allotta. "If an individual has a physical condition that would prevent or prohibit their participation in sports and other activities, we can identify that early on. I'm excited to be further involved in the community and keep our youth healthy."

Student athletes must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. We also ask that the students wear a T-shirt and shorts. Please call 321-433-2247 or visit parrishhealthcare.com/events for more information.

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Fruit From The Groves

Due to people going on vacation and after checking attendance for these months in previous years, THERE WILL BE NO CANAVERAL GROVES HOMEOWNERS MEETING IN JULY AND AUGUST. Hope to see you in September.

We are in need of board members to assist the association and programs. Please contact me if you're available. Remember this association is here to help the Groves.

A Brevard County Sheriff's Deputy informed us that our crime rate is still low. However, they do need help with residents calling in suspicious activities or things that do not seem to be right. The Sheriff's Office has responded to calls pertaining to speeding, fireworks, loud parties and other items. Actions have been taken on most. Please remember that we do live in an area where people can shoot as long as they follow the state guidelines and do it safely.

Richard (one of our members) found out that Virgin Trains USA (was also known in the past as Brightline) has put their new plans out. They are no longer going to be using Florida East Coast Railroad tracks. They will be laying their own railroad tracks from Miami to Orlando. These tracks will be paralleling the Beachline Expressway. This will allow the trains to exceed 100 mph in places. They have also been approved to expand from Orlando to Tampa. Additional employees will be needed in order to complete the work within the time period they have decided on.

It was also brought up that years ago there was a plan to run trains from Port Canaveral to Orlando but that was defeated by the residents. However, with the Virgin train line that is going to be near the US 1 and SR 528 area, it may be brought up again to bring a track down 528 to intersect it there. Please keep informed as it could affect us all. These tracks, if approved, may help alleviate some of the traffic along the

Beachline but may cause other problems. We will all have to wait and see what happens.

Facts about Firewise that you need to know: Have 30' of space lean, clean and green around your house. This is a defense-able space to reduce wildfire threat. Lean means to cut back all branches and prune shrubs. Clean means to remove all dead plant materials, stacked firewood, leaves and other items that are burnable. Green means to plant fire resistant vegetation.

Now is the time for an emergency plan. Practice family fire drills. Maintain an adequate water supply. Remember, if everyone is using garden hoses there may not be enough water for the fire truck to use the hydrant. Have tools available like a rake, shovel, ax or chain saw and a bucket for carrying water. Decide where you will go and how you will get there as you may only have moments to decide. Make sure you always include your pets and animals in your plans.

If you decide to start a fire, make sure you are at least 25' from all wetlands or brush, 25' from your house and 150' from other occupied buildings, as well as 50' from a public road. Remember, you can only burn yard waste, not trash and household waste. Don't forget that you are legally responsible for any damages and fire fighting costs if you lose control of your fire and it causes damage. If you need any more information, please contact the Florida Forestry station on Grissom Parkway. Their phone number is 321-690-6465.

Now that we are in hurricane season, please prepare for the worst and make sure that you know all ways to evacuate your area. When cutting down brush, keep it back off the roadway and no larger than 4 feet in length.

Ed Silva
President
Canaveral Groves Homeowners
Association

Brevard Humane Society Seeks Picture Purr-Fect Pets

May was National Pet Month and to celebrate, the Brevard Humane Society is encouraging residents to show them just how picture "purr-fect" their pets can be with their annual "Best Pets of Brevard" Calendar Photo Contest. Now through July 13th, Brevard pet owners are encouraged to submit and share an original/creative photo of their pet(s) while helping to change the lives of lost, abandoned, and homeless animals in our community.

The Best Pets of Brevard photo contest is open to all creatures large and small. The top 13 pet photos will be the winners of the 2020 Calendar Contest and 12 will win a coveted spot on one of the monthly pages.

Calendars will be on sale, after being unveiled at the annual Tuxes & Tails Gala, at all Brevard Humane Society locations, online, and at featured events beginning September 16th. In addition, everyone who submits a photo is guaranteed to have their pet's photo printed in the calendar.

For an opportunity and a chance to win, simply submit your entry online at: www.BrevardHumaneSociety.org/contests or visit the Brevard Humane Society's Cocoa location (1020 Cox Rd., Cocoa), Merritt Island Adoption Center (155 Pioneer Rd., Merritt Island) or any of their Molly Mutt Thrift Shops (Merritt Island, Rockledge, Melbourne or Palm Bay) for an official entry form. The cost to enter is \$10 per photo (photos will become the property of the Humane Society for future use) while photos of a beloved pet who has passed may also be submitted and honored in a special "In Loving Memory" section for just \$50 per photo (these treasured photos will be returned to the owner).

Photos submitted should be in color and of pets only (no humans, please). There is also no limit as to how many photos one can submit, so please enter as many times as you may like!

Homeschooling: A Journey and an Adventure

Abraham Lincoln, Albert Einstein, Winston Churchill, Mark Twain, Booker T. Washington, the Wright brothers, Florence Nightingale, C.S. Lewis and Joan of Arc were all homeschooled and were all world-changers. Modern celebrities like Justin Timberlake, Christina Aguilera and Will Smith are homeschoolers. Homeschooling, once the primary form of education, was overshadowed for a while, but it's now back stronger than ever. The reasons for homeschooling are numerous. Here are a few.

Academic Performance – Homeschoolers are free to learn how to learn. Those learning through the classical method are taught using the time-tested and natural process of how the brain works. Using core subjects like math, science, history, language, geography and the arts, students gain an understanding of the essentials through logical conversations that lead them to truth and wisdom, allowing them to persuasively express themselves. All of this is done with-

out constant, stressful testing.

When homeschoolers do test, they routinely score higher on standardized grade-level and college entrance tests than other students (<https://www.nheri.org/HERR.pdf>). Upon graduation they are easily accepted by well-known colleges and universities (<https://members.classicalconversations.com/classical/academic-services/cc-college-students>). They receive degrees in fields like engineering, medicine, law, business, art, etc. Most importantly, they become lifelong learners and teachers themselves.

Identity – Homeschooling allows students to learn at their pace. While classical education is rigorous, it is also freeing. Classical students learn how to assimilate a lot of broad information in ways that allow them to go deeply into those areas that interest them. They can linger on studies where needed or wanted or they can outpace their grade level without fear of missing anything or not doing enough.

Homeschooling allows families to do life together. The world is our classroom. Business

trips can be adventures where geography, history, industry and culture come alive. There is no missed learning due to weather or illness. Moral convictions and tradition can be woven into school without fear or unwanted indoctrination. Special needs can be addressed quickly allowing students to thrive while enjoying learning. Curiosity can be fostered leading to innovation, a hallmark of the homeschoolers listed at the start of this article.

Socialization – Homeschooling follows the one-room schoolhouse model that places students of all ages together, unlike the public education model of age-segregation. Homeschoolers learn with and from each other and regularly engage with adults from multiple generations. They interact deeply with others through study groups, play dates, field trips, music and art lessons, sports, volunteering, church and life.

Community is very important. It is where homeschool students and parents find accountability, encouragement and equipping. Anyone who worries about lack of socialization for homeschoolers hasn't spent any time with us. And, homeschools do not require metal detectors.

Are you qualified to homeschool? Yes! Can you still work while homeschooling? Yes! Single parent? Yes!

To learn more, please contact us at www.classicalconversations.com. We have several local, K-12 homeschool communities full of families just like yours. We'd love to help you start your homeschooling journey.

BINGO

Bingo is played every Thursday at 6 pm at the VFW Post 4228 in Titusville, along with the best \$6 pizzas in town.

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Parrish Medical Center Offers Free Community Support Groups

Parrish Medical Center is offering free support groups for community members living with various health issues. See the upcoming July 2019 support groups listed below:

- AWAKE Sleep Disorders Support Group: Monday, July 8, 6-8 p.m., Parrish Healthcare Center, 5005 Port St. John Parkway, Port St. John.
- Caregiver Support Group: Thursday, July 18, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Heritage Hall, 931 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Caregiver Academy: Thursday, July 11, 10-11 a.m., Heritage Hall, 931 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Diabetes Support Group: Thursday, July 11, 3:30-5 p.m., Heritage Hall, 931 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Fearless Café: Wednesday, July 3, 10-11 a.m., Heritage Hall, 931 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- MAK Gathering (Moms and Kidz) Support Group: every Monday and Wednesday (July 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 and 31), 10-11:30 a.m., The Children's Center, 5650 S. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Parkinson's Support Group of North Brevard: Thursday, July 18, 2-4 p.m., Heritage Hall, 931 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Pulmonary Hypertension Support Group: Tuesday, July 9, 3-5 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, Merritt Island.
- Stroke-Heart Survivors Group: Tuesday, July 16, 2-4 p.m., Heritage Hall, 931 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Parrish Partners Cancer Support Group: Monday, July 15, 4-5:30 p.m., Parrish Medical Center, 951 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.

Parrish Medical Center, 951 N. Washington Ave., Titusville. The support groups are free, but space is limited. For more information and to preregister, visit parrishhealthcare.com/events.

Life Stories

A healing experience from diagnosis to recovery.

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Learn more about the healing experiences at Parrish Healthcare and watch Susan's story online at parrishhealthcare.com/susansstory

From left to right: Letha Neale RN, Women's Center; Carolyn Cowley, RN, Perioperative Services; Susan Patrizio; Keyleigh Cunningham, RN, Women's Center; Melinda Hodges, RN, Women's Center Manager



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