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Much Is Happening in Port St. John

Fireworks for PSJ?

Good news for fireworks lovers in PSJ! A movement is on to bring fireworks back to Port St. John. The discussion is happening on Facebook on the Thunder Over the Indian River site. If you are interested in help-



ing to plan it, working on the day of the show, being a sponsor or otherwise providing help, please visit the site and join in. Also, you can email to toir.psj@aol.com or here to happenings1@att.net.

The last time we called for volunteers most of the response was from people who wanted to sit at their computers and direct others how to do the event. No trolls are needed for that. If you'd actually like to help and work on a show for our community, for your kids, neighbors and grandkids, all help is welcome. It takes a large crew to do the job right.

New Beef O'Brady's in PSJ

A new Beef O'Brady's restaurant will be opening on Curtis Blvd. just north of Fay Blvd. in early November, assuming the hurricane season doesn't cause delays. The Port St. John restaurant will not just be new, it will be a new prototype for the Beef O'Brady franchise, with an outdoor patio for service and bar access, and a meeting room that can be reserved for meetings and parties.

Of course, all the usual great food items on the Beef O'Brady's menu will be available and there is a full service bar. There will be lots of hi-def televisions if you need to gather to watch the game or another sporting event.

You can watch the restaurant being built in the meantime. Construction started in June and it's moving quickly, but there is still lots to get done to make it a restaurant.

The owners will be hiring a new manager, as well as cooks, servers and other staff. I'll try to have details on where to apply next month.

Atlantis Elementary Registration

Final registration dates are:

July 31: 8:00 - 11:30 and 12:30 - 2:30

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Mondays – Fridays

Summer Camp 7 a.m.- 6 p.m. (ends Aug. 9th) Seniors at Lunch, 10 am - 1 pm

Mondays

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

Tuesdays

Outside Basketball, 6-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesdays

Outside Basketball, 6.-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6-8 p.m.

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

Kenpo Karate 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. starting Aug. 16th

Thursdays

Country Heat, 6-7 p.m. Outside Basketball, 6 - 8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 6 - 8 p.m.

Fridays

Outside Basketball, 4-6 p.m.

Saturdays

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We arrived at Gatwick Airport in London. After a 9-hour flight, another 2-hour drive, we arrived in my hometown of Kettering. In that two-hour drive, we noticed the government was hiring a lot of people. I have never seen so many road renovations going on. Even in the countryside they were cutting back the overgrowth.

Roundabouts were a nightmare. Ask my husband. I found that my friends, who I have in the past sang in the pubs until midnight, no longer go out at night. Too old and too many aches and pains. Everyone wants out of the European Union. They feel they are losing their identity due to the number of immigrants (legal and illegal) that have come into the country. They also seem to think we need to stick it out in both Afghanistan and Iraq, as we can't invest that much in a problem and not carry out a resolution.

My grandson and his wife live in Bletchley, and we spent a couple of days there. We went to visit Bletchley Park, just a mile or so away from their home. Bletchley Park is home of the Codebreakers during World War II. It was so named as it housed the headquarters of Britain's

cryptoanalytic and signals intelligence organization, the Government Code and Cypher School (Enigma) between 1939 and 1946. Bletchley Park was considered the birthplace of modern computers.

Up to 10,000 people worked at Bletchley and surrounding outposts during the war. The Mansion housed the headquarters and recreation facilities. There are also several huts around the mansion containing various offices and equipment.



Bletchley mansion.



One of the many offices within the mansion.

The following photos are the front and back of a Bombe machine, which aided with decrypting the Enigma code. The standard three-rotor Enigma was capable of 159,000,000,000,000,000,000 possible combinations. Later versions had four rotors, and there was also the Lorenz with 12 wheels.

The complexities the Germans were coming up with made it virtually impossible to break the codes manually, and in January, 1944, Britain had the first computer, named "Colossus." A second

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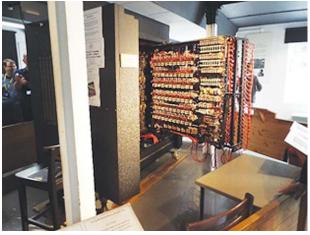
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Colossus was added in June, 1944, which assisted with the deception plan for D-Day. There were eventually 10 Colossi computers at Bletchley Park.



Maureen looking at the Bombe Machine.

When Winston Churchill made his official visit to Bletchley Park to thank the codebreakers for their invaluable work, he called them his "... geese that laid the golden eggs and never cackled." Everyone working in the agency was sworn to silence. A tour guide told me and swore it was true, if a member working on a code was not trusted, they were transported to a remote spot such as the Isle of Syke, Scotland, and were decrypts played a significant role in ending.' never heard of again.



Back of the Bombe Machine.

A poster at Bletchley Park has the following: 'General, later President, Eisenhower said after the war "The intelligence... from you (Bletchley Park)... has been of priceless value. It has saved thousands of British and American lives and, in no small way, contributed to the speed with which the enemy was routed and eventually forced to surrender... (It was a) very decisive contribution to the Allied war effort." A war costing 10 million lives a year and which Bletchley Park's Lorenz

Some of Kettering's and Desborough's interesting locations, like their 12th century churches and other historical and ancient sites, were places that as a child I had taken no note of, as they are not exactly Disneyworld. But now I appreciate

A Saxon village was found in Desborough Village when building a new subdivision. Many artifacts in good condition were found at the site. Now they are in a London Museum.

A lot of sites were taken over by the government in the 1950's and are great tourist attractions. I will squeeze some in future Happenings. We don't get home until July 25th, but I'm writing this for the Happenings deadline.

You might enjoy visiting the British website with more history of Bletchley Park and the Codebreakers. You can read it at www.bbc.co.uk/ history/places/bletchley_park.

> Cheerio, Maureen rupe32927@earthlink.net

And of course, there's the Benedict Cumberbatch movie. - Ed.

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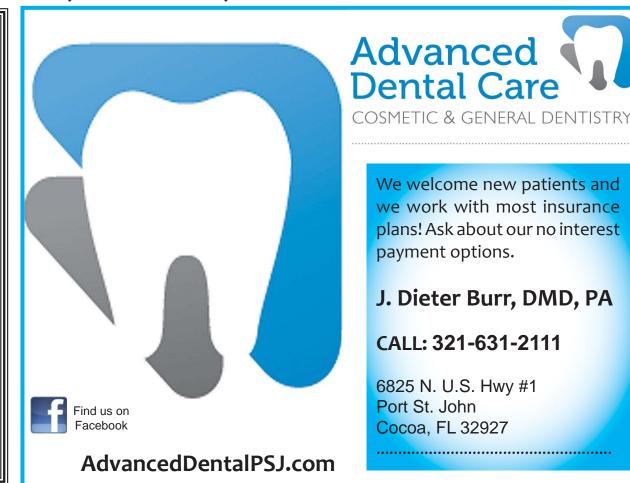
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PSJ Boat Ramp Update

The engineering plans for the restoration of the PSJ boat ramp are in the permit and approval stage. It's not a quick process as permits will likely be needed from Brevard County, St. Johns Water Management, Department of Environmental Protection, (DEP), and possibly others.

The plans will have to be approved by each agency to obtain the permits. Also, the plans will have to be approved by FEMA, who will, at least in part, be covering the cost of restoration since it was destroyed by Hurricane Matthew. The plans are subject to changes by any of these agencies.

Here is a summary of the planned restoration: Repair washout under concrete and pavement. Replace/repair washed out bank (North side). Repair 1 Dock. (South Dock).

Replace 2 Docks. (Center & North Dock). Add Ramp.

Repair Seawall (North & South sides).

Replace all stringers on all Docks.

Vinyl Corrugated Sheet Pile Sea Wall. (East side and corners, to replace wood seawall).

The footprint will remain the same. There is no timeline when the actual work will begin since it will hinge around the approval and acquisition of permits. More to come!

For the moment, the boat ramp is open but keep a close eye on your children. There is a lot of damaged wood and exposed pipe around the edges of the seawall.

A Writing Class Just For You

Have you ever thought about puitting down on paper your thoughts, your memories or your family stories, but didn't know quite how to get started? Have you tried, but struggled with how to pull out memories, or how to

get the words from your brain to the paper?

If so, join us for a twelve week session of learning how

to do just that. We will meet at the Port St. John Library beginning on Monday, August 28th and continue each Monday through November 20th. The class will start at 2:00 pm and end at 4:00 pm. There is no fee. Just bring yourself, a notebook litter, please visit www. and a pen or pencil.

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USSSA Comes to Viera

If you've been wondering what was happening with Space Coast Stadium since their baseball

team announced they were moving out, the United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) is moving its national headquarters to the stadium in Viera. Renovations are already underway.

USSSA is the world's largest multi-sport athletic organization

14 nationally sanctioned sports including baseball, fastpitch softball, slow pitch softball, karate, basketball, soccer and more.

Improvements to the stadium and sports complex will include 15 all-turf fields and outfitting the aged lights at all fields with the latest lighting technology. There will also be upgrades to media and broadcasting capabilities. The goal is to make

> the USSSA Athletic Complex in Viera the premier amateur sports complex in the nation.

> Renovations are partially funded by the county's 5 percent rooms and other short-term rentals. USSSA's guaranteed room nights

with over 4.5 million participants competing in would generate \$500,000 a year in added tourist tax revenue, based on an average room rate of \$100 a night.

> USSSA will be responsible for operations and routine maintenance of all buildings, fields and facilities.

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, August tourist development tax on hotel 27th, 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. 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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Back to School Fun Day

Frontenac Baptist Church will be hosting a Back to School event on Saturday, August 8th from 10:00 until 2:00 at the church. They will have games, inflatables, food and prizes for the kids. Admission is FREE!

For more information, call 321-636-7134.

Indian River Lagoon Update

The first revenues collected from the new half-cent sales tax for the lagoon - started countywide on Jan. 1, 2017 - have been deposited in the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Trust Fund. \$3,059,013.31 arrived in March. In April, the County received \$3,158,216.50 from February sales. So far, collections are on track for funding the 10-year, \$303 million Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan.

County staff reached out to municipalities and other community partners to find shovel-ready projects that could proceed during the current fiscal year to speed up the project. Public input was gathered during the Committee's public meetings. Seventeen of those projects will begin construction before Oct. 1st and include 10 stormwater treatment projects, 5 neighborhoods that will be hooked-up to sewer system expansions, 1 septic drainfield upgrade project and 1 project that will strip nutrients from lagoon water during muck dredging.

In total, 42 were approved. Projects are located in Mims, Cocoa, Merritt Island, Cape Canaveral, Rockledge, Indian Harbour Beach, Palm Bay, the South Beaches and Micco. The projects are expected to reduce thousands of pounds of annual pollutant loading to the lagoon

Four additional projects are receiving funding this year for engineering that must occur so that construction can begin next year. Many more projects are scheduled to begin construction next year.

Our Lagoon has been suffering for a long time. Help from everyone is needed to prevent continued damage. The summer ban on use of fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorus is an important part of reducing excess pollution. Try to keep your use of lawn chemicals to a minimum. You might think your little bit of effort isn't much, but when we all do a little, we get a lot done. Let's make a difference.



August Is Back To School

Hello neighbors! I hope you survived the hoopla of the Fourth and its fury of fireworks! Now it's time to turn our attention to school zones and children and buses...

oh, my!

For all of you speed demons, this is going to be a nightmare, so maybe you should just leave for your destination early like the rest of us law abiding citizens who care about our children and other drivers. An ounce of safety can go a long way. AND just because the speed limit says a number, it doesn't always mean you should travel around the curve in a road at the maximum speed! Common sense and courtesy travel faster than any speedster.

AND don't forget to put those kids in an enrichment program or two for discipline and to keep them busy in a positive way. We have an arts academy, a dojo and fields for them to get all of that restless energy out, as well as after school programs at area schools.

As always, keep an avid eye out for each other, and please, for God's sake, watch out for children starting Aug 10th! School traffic is back.

-Neighbor Nell

Martin Andersen Senior Center Dances

Martin Andersen Senior Center will host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday, August 12th. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and



dancing begins at 7:00 p.m., ends at 10:00 p.m. Free snacks, BYOB. Music will be provided by Janice and Rene. The cost is \$6; \$5 for members.

MASC will also host a dance on August 26th. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dancing begins at 7:00 p.m., ends at 10:00 p.m. Free snacks, BYOB. Music will be provided by Steve. 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.



Out On The Town

This month's restaurant review takes place at the Old Florida Grill & Oyster House, located at 5370 US Highway 1, just south of Port St. John on the east side of the highway. The place doesn't look like much from the front and you could drive right past it if you're not on the lookout, but Old Florida Grill is quite large and goes all the way back to the river. It's kind of rustic and has that old Florida feel.

I have been there a few times for drinks with friends, but have never eaten there and thought about doing a review on them for this month's edition. Speaking of drinks, Old Florida Grill has 3 bars; one inside in the A/C, another outside adjacent to a covered dining area and a Tiki type bar down by the river which seems to be very popular on weekends. And it's not unusual to see some local live performers playing on weekends.

But I'm here to do a review on the food, so, since this a seafood place, my wife and I decided to order some seafood. My wife ordered the fried shrimp basket with a side salad. I got the Fish and Chips basket which was fried Alaskan Pollock. Both the shrimp and Pollock had a very light corn meal batter, and perfectly seasoned. My basket came with fries that were beer battered, which was somewhat of a disappointment. I prefer regular traditional French fries, not the seasoned or battered variety. I want to taste the potato, not index rises, so does your risk of heat-related all the other stuff.

All in all, the service was fantastic, and the fish was cooked perfectly and we enjoyed it immensely. Old Florida grill is a great place to grab some seafood or meet some friends for drinks and the Old Florida rustic ambiance is just plain cool.

I couldn't find a menu online or even a web site, but they do have a Facebook page (but still no menu). We do plan on returning soon to try the wings and oysters I hear so much about. Hopefully they'll have regular French fries by then, just a suggestion.

- Ken Carson

No Golf Disruption

Orlando-based Integrity Golf Co. will cease operations of Brevard County's three public golf courses effective July 30th, but the Board of County Commissioners has taken immediate action in an effort



to keep the courses operational and open to the public indefinitely. Integrity, which operates golf courses throughout Central Florida, was contracted in January 2016 to operate Brevard County's golf courses – The Savannahs on Merritt Island: The Habitat in Grant-Valkaria: and Spessard Holland in Melbourne Beach.

On Thursday, Commissioners OK'd a plan to begin immediate negotiations with Cypress Golf Management and International Golf Maintenance on a temporary management agreement, likely no more than six months. Commissioners have also directed County staff to bring back proposals to the Board for lease or management for the operations of the 18-hole courses. At that time, the Board will then evaluate options on how to proceed for the long term.

Courses are open daily at 7 a.m. until dark. All courses will continue to operate normally. If you have questions regarding the courses, please contact Brevard County Parks and Recreation at (321) 633-2046.

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Monthly Tax Update

This month I'm going to cover some off the wall thoughts. Let's start with the beginning of another school year fast approaching. You'll need your transcript, so let's review how to obtain a tax transcript. Go to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at irs.gov and click on "Get a tax transcript" or do a search using the same phrase. There are various transcripts available online, along with viewing your tax account. You will need your social security number, date of birth, filing status and mailing address reflected on your latest tax return. You'll also need one of your personal account numbers from a credit card, mortgage, home equity loan, home equity line of credit and a mobile phone with your name on the account. Once you have obtained this information, you'll click on the "Get Transcript Online."

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Since I've been talking about irs.gov, if you look around the website you'll find all sorts of information you may find interesting; subjects covering scams, filing questions, recordkeeping instructions, how to fix mistakes on your returns, important individual and business topics explained, how to check on your refund, how to check on your amended return, news, events, and other issues you may have.

My final discussion leads me to the "Office of Professional Responsibility" within the IRS. This is the office where a taxpayer may file a complaint on an IRS division employee, attorney, Certified Public Accountant, Enrolled Agent, unlicensed or unenrolled tax preparers. All these tax representatives are required to follow the

the regulations and gives guidance as to who has the authority to practice tax preparation and representation, duties and restrictions relating to the practice, applicable sanctions and violations, and what disciplinary procedures will be taken if the tax representative fails to follow what is expected of them. I would recommend all tax filers to review Circular 230. The information in this Circular may help you make an educated decision as to who will help you file your taxes.

This is just a brief overview. Further details and specific questions may be obtained 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, August 10th, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Brevard Room at 518 South Palm Avenue in Titusville. The public is invited to attend.

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

For questions call Jeff Davis at 264-5105.



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Hurricane Preparedness Lunch & Learn

The Sunflower House, a service of Aging Matters in Brevard, announces a guest speaker from Brevard Emergency Management. Brevard Emergency Management will present a Hurricane Preparedness lunch and learn. Information provided will include ways to prepare yourself and your home for severe weather and what to do in an emergency situation, and more. Lunch will also be provided.

The presentation will be held at the Sunflower House on Thursday, August 3, 12:00-1:00. The Sunflower House is located in the Merritt Square Mall at 777 E Merritt Island Causeway, Suite 201, Merritt Island. Please call (321) 452-4341 to RSVP.

Established in 1965, Aging Matters in Brevard is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote and maintain independence and maximize quality of life for the citizens of Brevard County, particularly the elderly and disabled.

Brevard County Fire Rescue Offers Hurricane Tips

Brevard County Fire Rescue reminds residents that Monday, June 1st was the official start to the hurricane season. Hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30. BCFR offers the following safety tips to ensure that your family is prepared before a hurricane strikes, during the storm and in the aftermath of the event.

Before a storm:

Understand how hurricanes can affect where you live and work, and how the weather could impact you and your family.

Develop an emergency plan and practice how and where you will evacuate if instructed by local emergency management officials.

Create and maintain a disaster supply kit complete with enough water, non-perishable food and medications to last several days.

Learn how to properly secure your home against hurricanes. If your home is equipped with hurricane shutters, ensure that they are in proper working order before a storm threatens to strike.

Monitor local weather forecasts and obtain a NOAA Weather Radio.

During a storm:

Stay inside your home away from windows and glass doors. Find a safe area inside your home such as an interior room, a closet or bathroom on a lower level.

electricity at the main breaker.

If your home loses power, turn off major appliances such as the air conditioner and water heater to reduce damage.

Do not go outside. Weather conditions can change rapidly with lightning, wind and a multitude of other hazards exist.

After a storm:

Remain indoors until an official "all clear" is given.

Do not touch fallen or low-hanging wires of any kind under any circumstances. Call police or utility companies immediately to report hazards such as downed power lines, broken water or gas mains and overturned gas tanks.

Once power is restored, ensure refrigerated food has not spoiled. Spoiled food is the cause of much sickness two days to a week after the storm.

Do not operate charcoal grills, propane camping stoves or generators indoors for any reason. This includes inside garages, screened enclosures, or near open doors and/or windows.



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When it is safe to do so, remove hurricane shutters from windows and doors. These should not be left in place for any reason. Doing so may prevent early detection of the presence of a fire, hinder firefighting efforts or prevent your family from escaping the home in the event of a fire.

More information and ideas on how you If flooding threatens your home, turn off can be a Force of Nature can be found at www. embrevard.com or www.ready.gov/hurricanes. Information on the different types of severe weather such as tornadoes, severe thunderstorms and floods is available at www.weather. gov and www.ready.gov/hurricanes or the Spanish-language website, www.listo.gov.

> You can also go to http://www.floridadisaster.org/family/ and create your own family disaster plan, print it out and save it.

Diabetes Education Has Moved

Parrish's Outpatient Diabetes Education and Nutrition Services has moved from the Parrish Medical Offices in Port St. John to the North Building at Parrish Medical Center in Titusville. Individual patients are seen by appointment on Tuesday through Thursday.

The Diabetes Education program is on Mondays and Fridays at various locations in the community. For details or for more information, call 321-268-6699.

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days at 5 p.m. and Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at a pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of an infant. 4797 Curtis Boulevard (St. Patrick's Church). Overeaters Anonymous meets in PSJ on Sat-

urdays 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.

8-1 Compassionate Friends Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. 8-11 Brevard Women's Connection meets at in Cocoa Beach at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 525 Minuteman Cswy. west of A1A, Fellowship Hall. Call 610-7875 for info.

8-2 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.

8-4 International Beer Day

8-6 National Sister Day

8-9 'Remembering Through Sharing' - a sup-

Important Phone Numbers

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

Alcoholics Anonymous meets in PSJ on Sun- port group for families that have experienced Meetings are 7 - 8:30 pm, 2nd Wednesday of each month at Cape Canaveral Medical Plaza. Call April or Jamie at 321-799-7151 for more information.

> 8-10 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.

> the 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.

8-12 International Youth Day

8-13 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, at the Cocoa Li-

8-13 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.

8-13 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.

8-16 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.

8-18 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.

8-12 National Aviation Day

8-21 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.

8-23 Parents Day

8-22 Moonlight Quilters Guild meets at the North Brevard Library in Titusville, 2121 Hopkins Ave. on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Meet and greet & refreshments at 6:15, meeting at 6:30 usually followed by a program or guest speaker. Call 321-567-5424 for more info.

8-26 National Dog Day

Congratulations to:

Wayne Weathers turns crazier this month! Jamie Hagar turns 26 on the 3rd.

Chase Turner turns **16** on the 4th.

Amber Santoso turns **20** on the 4th. **Cher Turman** turns more lovely on the 7th.

Nicholas Moore turns wilder on the 8th

Laura Davis turns 12 on the 9th! **Toyia Nguyen** turns prettier on the 10th.

Mason McGann turns 11 on the 11th!

Brittany Osburn turns hotter on the 12th. **Dillon DeVane** turns **16** on the 12th.

Angie Anthony is more beautiful on the 12th.

Marty Grinstead turns 55 on the 15th.

Sally Blum turns 24 on the 16th.

Austin Travis turns **35** on the 16th.

Chase & Alex Turman turn 19 on the 18th. **Terri & Tera Nguyen** party wild on the 20th.

Marty Kline turns cooler on the 24th.

Tommy Nguyen just chills on the 27th.

Ashley Mae turns **13TEEN** on the 31st.

Randy & Cathy Rodriguez celebrate 41 years on the 1st.

Sam & Sharon Brown celebrate the beginning of another wonderful year together on the 12th.

Charlie and Debbie DiMaria celebrate 32 years on the 19th!

Eric (Rick) and Phyllis Dearborn will celebrate our **50th** anniversary on the 26th.

Trisha and Scott Orend celebrate 24 years on the 28th.

Brett and Patty Benoff celebrate their 19th on the 30th.

We have lots of room for more good news. Fax your inputs to 633-4313 or email to happenings1@att.net.



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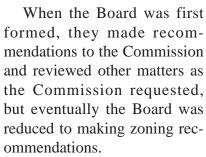
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A Blast From the Past

These photos include members of the Port St. John Home Owner's Association in the 80's, once a powerful lob-bying group to represent our community to the County Commission and bring improvements to Port St. John, and the early members of the Port St. John Special District Advisory Board.



All members are residents of Port St. John and work to keep the community safe from being over-run with sleazy businesses.









In the Heart of the Community

The Arts Are ALIVE in PSJ! Brevard Arts Academy is going on its 12th year in PSJ! Thank you to our many students, parents and sponsors for making it possible. We simply couldn't do what we do and keep our costs down without your wonderful help and support! We are a proud sponsor of Happenings events and other community events.

Because of our aerial program, we have become a destination for parents and "thrill seekers". Affordable programs and scholarships, along with community support, have enabled us to flourish and support the community and beyond! Thanks again!

Jackie Jordan, Owner/ Director, Brevard Arts Academy





Medical Services Now Available at Port Canaveral

Parrish Healthcare Center at Port Canaveral opened on Monday, July 17th. KSC workers will no longer have to lose half a day's work for nonemergency medical issues.

The center is located at 390 Challenger Road (just off George King Blvd., across from cruise terminal one). It includes examination rooms, xray, doctors offices, conference rooms, a lab and rehabilitation center. New patients and current Parrish patients are welcome.

For more information, visit Parrish Medical Center's website.

To schedule an appointment, call 321-633-8640.

New PMC Healthcare Port Canaveral Medical Director

Parrish Medical Group, a multi-specialty physician group with offices in Titusville, Port St. John, Melbourne and now Port Canaveral, welcomes Nitin Haté. MD, DIM, a board-certified Occupational Medicine physician. Dr. Haté serves as the Medical Director of the newest Parrish Healthcare Center located in Port Canaveral.

Dr. Haté is board certified in both Occupational and Environ-

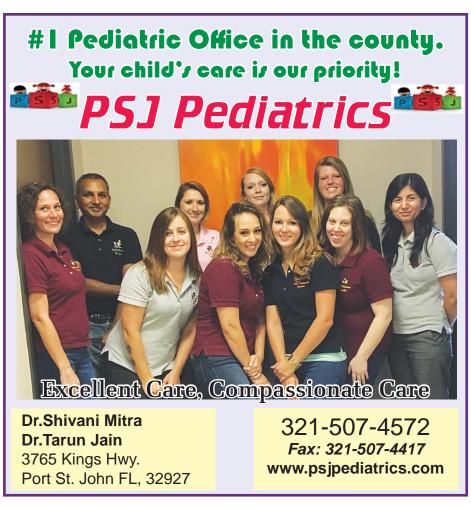
mental Medicine and has more than 40 years' experience in the field. He studied Occupational Medicine at Mount Sinai Medical Center and School of Medicine in New York under worldasbestos-related lung disease.

He then joined the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention as an epidemic intelligence service officer, and served in the Health Hazard Evaluation and Technical Assistance Branch of the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health.

Dr. Haté received his medical degree from Grant Medical College at the University of Bombay, India. He earned a post-graduate Diploma in Industrial Medicine from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Bombay, India while serving as the medical director of the largest Indian shipping company. He is proficient in OSHA regula-

tions and has helped businesses comply with their requirements, mandatory training and periodic medical surveillance.

The Parrish Healthcare Center at Port Carenowned Dr. Irving Selikoff, who discovered naveral offers a full-service occupational health program, including workers compensation care. The center also offers primary and walk-in medical care, diagnostic services and physical therapy. New patients welcome. Most insurance accepted. Call 321-633-8640 for more information.





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Rose's Room

Maybe because myself and all the kids in my neighborhood grew up fairly wild and free, spending large portions of summers in, under, floating on or getting sprayed by water, that summer heat always makes me nostalgic.

To this day, while watering my roses I have to fight the impulse (OK... so maybe once I didn't win the fight...or it could have been twice... maybe) of turning the hose on myself and doing the 'Oh heck, that's cold!' toe tapping dance. Anyone who is old/lucky enough to compare will attest city water just doesn't do head-hosing justice. Ya gotta' have sulphur water.

Any time I'm pulling weeds, planting tomatoes or spreading mulch in our hundred-degree heat I have flashbacks of finally finishing a chore (done in my bathing suit to save time) and sprinting barefoot across the street, through the sandspur patch, across the boat dry dock and landing in the river with such a whoop that other kids came running to do the same. We would stay in the water way past the wrinkle stage. Besides unhappy moms, the only reason we hit dry land again was the everyday Florida thunderstorms.

we were the brightest peaches in the barrel) we would gather in the shallow water and watch as the rain came across the river and right at the last moment dive under one of the fishermen's upturned rowboats until it stopped raining, or until someone dared you to stand still while getting pelted by rain and count to one hundred.

It only took one time of lighting a small fire to warm us while we waited for the rain to stop to learn fire in a small confined area causes much more smoke than we could handle.

While most of the time we can only compare stories and smile as we remember, I had the immense pleasure of revisiting my childhood recently; not inside my head — as my children accuse me of doing on a regular basis — but in the physical sense. When I received an invitation to my old church celebrating founding families with an Angel City Day, I jumped at the opportunity to relive old memories.

Angel City was a working class area of Merritt Island, inhabited now as it was then by many generations of the founding families. Most made their living by rowing small boats loaded with

Ignoring lightning and thunder (I never said hundreds of pounds of gill nets, setting the nets by hand, then reversing the process later -pulling the net back into the boat loaded with mullet and other fish. When gill netting was outlawed, times got real hard for most families but they persevered, getting jobs on shrimp or ocean fishing boats.

> When pressed, I will admit to causing my fair share of childhood mischief, (not nearly as much as my brothers), but I assumed the statute of limitations ran out by the time there was more salt than pepper in your hair.

I assumed wrong.

Delighting in the abundance of no less than three generations representing each of the original families, I was happily absorbing story after story being told and teased by everyone, seemingly all at once.

Then I heard these words: "Never did find out which young'un was dumb enough to start a fire under an overturned rowboat."

My head whipped around on its own accord and I found myself staring straight into the steely blue eyes of the same fisherman who depended on that boat for his living so many years ago.

Ever cool under pressure, I stared right back and ... folded like a bad poker hand!

"I didn't mean to do it! Steve started it!" I couldn't stop the babbling "We put it out before it burned through!"

His laughter bounced off the walls.

"There weren't no harm done to that old boat," he said between giggles. "And, judging by the speed of those two smoking bodies that hightailed past me that dark night, I knew us fisherman would not have to worry about our boats catching fire again. I was certain those kids would be spending nights in their own beds instead of roaming the riverbank!"

Assuring him this certain kid certainly did, I edged my way toward the table groaning under the weight of mullet, greens, cheese grits, and much more.

Good food, great old friends, and getting in trouble for something my brother did... Sums up my childhood pretty well.

I can't wait for the next reunion. Only this time, I'll make sure Steve gets there first.

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~ Rose Padrick

Handmade Items for Pediatric Patients

Local Care Wear volunteers presented Jess Parrish Medical Foundation (JPMF) with more than 50 handmade blankets, toys and baby clothes for pediatric patients at Parrish Medical Center (PMC). "We wanted to give back to our community by supporting families and children entering the hospital. Care Wear is a nationwide group of volunteers who knit, crochet, and/or sew, providing handmade baby items directly to hospitals. When we heard about the pediatric programs and services provided by PMC, we knew that this was the right organization to receive the donation," said Linda Stuck, Care Wear Volunteer.

Several volunteers from the local Care Wear chapter presented the items to Melinda Hodges, Manager PMC Women's Services; and Misty Wilson, Director of Jess Parrish Medical Foundation. "We really appreciate the time it took to make the handmade items, which will be so comforting to the children who are admitted to our pediatric unit and new families that are deliv-

ering at our hospital. We are very thankful for this generous and heartfelt donation," said Hodges.

For more information, please contact Jess Parrish Medical Foundation at 321-269-4066 or visit parrishmedfoundation.com.

A Dog Can Teach

One common method parents use to teach children responsibility is pet ownership, where kids help feed, clean and generally look after pets. As important as instilling a sense of responsibility is for children, there are many more lessons our pets can teach us, says Cheryl Smith, a rescue animal advocate who founded a small non-profit that assists pets in need. Smith, a public defender, has cared for rescue animals since childhood and believes rescue animals can help humanity as much as many caretakers help them.

Her six rescue dog pack features the perfect characters for teaching the following life lessons:

• Acceptance of others, despite arbitrary differences: Humanity has bred dogs to suit a wide variety of purposes, resulting in an enormous diversity of physical and character traits. Despite the differences, most dogs have an innate ability to assemble into a pack.

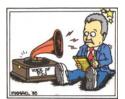
- Overcoming fear, together: Dogs who are scared are reassured, which is a great example for children who may fear the next grade level or moving to a new town.
- The regular expression of gratitude: Anyone who has ever rescued an animal has probably experienced the gift of gratitude in return. These rescue animals are less likely to take what's given to them love, food, shelter and company for granted. It's a great reminder for children to keep in mind as they mature.
- Now is a good time to have fun: Dog owners are constantly reminded of at least one thing the time, and the time is always now. Much of the time, the now-time means it's time to play catch, enjoy a treat or simply bask in the com-

pany of companions. Remembering that the time is now, and that now may be a good time to enjoy fun, is a lesson children may not want to lose as they grow older and take on more responsibility.



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Upcoming Functions

Come out on August 12th for our Kickoff Classic / Jamboree and see our stars put on a show to kick off the season, and set the tone for the season ahead. We will have more details listed on our website and social media as they become available.

Board Meetings

Space Coast Panthers general board meetings are currently held weekly every Tuesday at 8:30 pm. Tentative dates for our meetings in August are 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th. Everyone is welcome to come out and attend our meetings to add input and help shape our league. Make sure to check our website for updated dates and times for all meetings and upcoming functions.

Registration

Registration is still happening and can be completed online or at the field. We are currently registering our athletes and it only costs \$75. For Football, that \$75 pays for rental of the shoulder pads, pants and a helmet. In addition, registration also includes a Space Coast Panthers jersey that is yours to keep.

For our younger guys and girls who want to compete and learn Flag Football, the cost is

only \$60.

Cheerleaders ages 3-5 are also charged at a rate of \$60 for the season.

Check out all of our divisions and additional information on our website or social media sites.

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 Joshua Skorude via email for more information at joushuascpanthers@hotmail.com.

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Hospice of St. Francis will be offering Caregiving Education and Resource classes for current and future caregivers, their



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at:

* Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 2309 Holder Road, Mims. Mondays and Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. starting August 21 and concluding September 7, 2017.

* Suntree United Methodist Church, 7400 N. Wickham Rd., Melbourne. Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. starting August 22 and concluding September 8, 2017.

NE, Palm Bay. Tuesdays and Fridays from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. starting August 22 and concluding September 8, 2017.

To register, please contact Barbara Borman, RN at 321-269-4240 x3452, toll free at 866-269-4240 or e-mail her at caregiving@hospiceofstfrancis.com.

Hospice of St. Francis was founded in 1977 and serves all of Brevard County with offices in Titusville and Melbourne. It is an independent, non-profit hospice serving the pain relief and symptom management needs of terminally ill patients. Hospice of St. Francis provides support programs to assist with the many needs of families with ill loved ones. For more information about patient services and support programs, please call 321-269-4240, toll free 866-269-4240 or visit www.hospiceofstfrancis.com.

Brevard Delegation Meeting

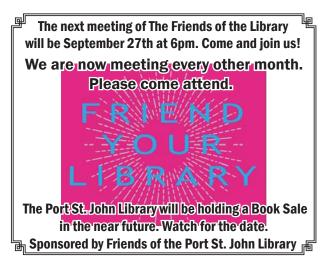
Florida State Senator Debbie Mayfield will host the 2017 Brevard Delegation Meeting on September 21st in the Brevard County Commission Chambers in the Government Center, Viera 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way (Building C). The meeting will start at 1 p.m. and end at 6 p.m.

"It is important for our constituents to have an opportunity to communicate directly with their elected officials," said Mayfield. "I encourage everyone to save this date and participate in this meeting, as it gives local governments, businesses, organizations and citizens the chance to share with the delegation issues that are of the most importance to them."

The Brevard Delegation consists of six members of the Florida Legislature: Senator Debbie Mayfield (R-District 17), Senator Dorothy Hukill (R-District 14), Representative Thad Altman (R-District 52), Representative Randy Fine (R-August/September 2017 classes will be held District 53), Representative Tom Goodson (R-District 51), and Representative Rene Plasencia (R-District 50).

> Mayfield was elected to the Florida State Senate in 2016 to represent District 17, which included portions of Indian River and Brevard Counties. Prior to the Senate, Mayfield served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2008-2016.

More information regarding participation * RiverView Senior Resort, 3490 Gran Ave. specifics will be released in the near future.



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

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

SHINE - Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders: Tues., Noon-3:00 and Weds, 1-4:00pm. Counselors assist seniors and the disabled with Medicare and Medicaid questions. Call for an appointment time 321-222-7981.

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

Meetings and Events:

Aug. 2, 5:30pm Adult coloring club Aug. 9, 6:00pm PSJ Special District

Advisory Board Meeting

Aug. 12, 10-Noon Port St. John Pokémon Club

Aug. 14, 5:30pm Port St. John Public Library Advisory Board meeting

Aug. 16, 1-3:00pm Bookworms Adult Book Discussion Group

Aug. 16, 6-7:45pm Sunrise Village

Aug. 18, 11:45am Titusville Chamber of Commerce

Aug. 26, 10-1:45pm Port St. John Pokémon Club

Aug. 23, 6:00pm Friends of the Library Craft Program

Medical Reminders to Help You Prepare for a Hurricane

Get a 30-day supply of necessary medications! If you are taking prescription medications and normally purchase them from your local pharmacy, try to have a 30-day supply on hand. This is not as easy as it sounds — many insurance companies will not authorize the filling of additional days or months worth of a medication unless ordered by the state to do so in emergency situations, such as natural disasters.

Make your medication plan now. This plan should include speaking with a health insurance representative, pharmacist or your physician about options to acquire extra medications, one of which may include paying cash for your 30-day supply.

If you are on dialysis, call your dialysis center to make a plan of action for your care. Don't count on them being open. Power outages may happen. Do not miss a treatment prior to bad weather and make sure to follow your doctorordered diet very closely. Read the patient care information provided to you by your doctor. It includes medical information to assist you and phone numbers to the End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Network. Only your doctor can recommend if it is medically safe for you to miss treatments and can advise you on whether or not you should be admitted to a hospital during a hurricane. Special needs shelters do not offer dialysis and some centers may be closed during a hurricane. When the storm passes, contact your dialysis center for further instructions or go to your hospital for short-term care if your center is closed.

The hospital is not a county shelter. County shelters are designated throughout the county, mostly in elementary schools. The hospital is not a designated shelter and does not take evacuees. In North Brevard, the designated shelters are located at Mims, Apollo, and Imperial Estates elementary schools.

Make shelter arrangements if you are oxygen dependent.

You may be eligible for care at a special needs shelter, based on your medical needs and availability. If you are an oxygen-dependent person, be sure to get your oxygen tanks filled. You should try to have two days worth of oxygen on hand. Also make shelter arrangements now.

If you do not plan to evacuate, contact the Brevard County Office of Emergency Management at 321-637-6670 for more information on how to register for special needs shelter. If you wait until a hurricane hits to make shelter arrangements, it will be too late.

Mosquito Control GIS Map and **Schedule**

The Information Technology department partnered with the Natural Resources department to develop a mapping application that displays where Mosquito Control is scheduled to spray next and what method of spraying they will use. Citizens can zoom into exact locations they are interested in and find out the last time it was sprayed or when it is scheduled next. The Mosquito Control GIS Map and Schedule replaces the old spray map and schedule system and is available to citizens on their desktop computer or mobile devices.

Through the existing BOCC GIS enterprise licensing, the updated GIS app for mosquito control can maintain the schedule with one person and make updates in real-time. Before, the mosquito control spray schedule and map were separate, and involved at least three people in two departments to update and publish the schedule. A consolidated, streamlined workflow was created to help county employees manage the spray schedule process and make information easier for the public to access.

Check out the new schedule and map app by going to: www.arcg.is/1R0gSgM

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The Lamp Stand

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Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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

Brevard Zen Center

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

Calvary Baptist Church, 321-636-8056

1 1/2 miles south of 528 overpass, east side of US 1 Pastor Jay Frazier www.calvarybaptistincocoa.org Sunday Morning Svc. - 10 a.m. (nursery provided) Sunday Eve. Service - 6 pm, Wed. Evening - 7 pm

Christ Central Church, 321-636-7671 2010 N. Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa ChristCentral51@gmail.com www.cocoachurch.org

Bible Class: 9:00 – 9:45 AM

Worship Service: 10:15 – 11:30 AM Christian Church at PSJ, 4645 Fay Blvd.,

Pastor Larry Sparrow, ccatpsj.org ccatpsj.org -- email: ccatpsj@rocketmail.com Sunday - Bible Study 8:30 a.m. Worship at 9:30. Wednesdays - Youth Group, 7:00 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

3000 South Street, Titusville

Two Wards meet in this meetinghouse:

Cocoa Ward... Bishop Kline

Cocoa Ward Sacrament Meeting, 12:00 PM

Titusville Ward... Bishop Newman

Titusville Ward Sacrament Meeting, 9:00 AM

Coastal Community Church,

639-7346

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

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Cocoa Presbyterian Church, 321-631-3956 1404 Dixon Blvd., Cocoa, cocoapc@att.net Sunday: Church school 9:15 pm/Worship 10:30 am

Nurseries and Children's church

Cocoa 7th Day Adventist Church & School 1500 Cox Rd, Cocoa, Pastor Amado Luzbet

Church 632-0640 Sch 636-2551; www.cocoasda. org

Saturday Sabbath School classes all ages, 9:45 am. Worship at 11:30 am; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 pm.

Community Alliance Church

321-639-1717. 4855 Fay Blvd., PSJ Sunday School (all ages), 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm. Wednesday Youth, 7 pm.

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

Covenant Life Fellowship (321) 639-7734 Non-Denominational - Pastor Jamie McIlwain 3770 Curtis Blvd., PSJ.

Sunday Service, 10:30 am Wednesday Worship, 6:30 pm

Day Spring Church, (407) 516-5767 4725 Fay Blvd.,

Kid's Service: Wednesday, 6:30 pm

Service: Sunday, 10:30 am Prayer Time: Sunday, 6:30 pm

Discovery Christian Church (321) 636-0316 3925 Grissom Parkway, Canaveral Groves

Bill Thompson - Preaching Minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Classes for all ages.

Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.

First Assembly of God (321) 632-5228

3757 N. US Hwy. 1 Pastor Les Ray Sunday School, 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 and 6:30 pm

Wednesday, 7 pm, Bible Study: Rainbows (3-4), Royal Rangers (boys 5-12), Missionettes (girls 5-12).

Wednesday, 7 pm, Youth Group Fellowship.

First Baptist Church of Port St. John (321)636-5455

3900 Fay Blvd., www.firstbaptistpsj.com 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/cocoafbc

First Free Will Baptist Church

Pastor Darrell "D" Miller, 795-4780. 5311 Barna Ave. Titusville 269-4033, 268-1705 Sunday School 9:00 am, Morning Worship 10:00 am Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm

First United Methodist Church, (321) 631-0183

Rev. David Charlton at 1165 Fay Blvd.

Contemporary service - 9:00 am

Sunday School - 10 am; Traditionaly Service, 11 am Wonderful Wednesday Worship, at 7 pm Senior (High) Youth & Jr. (High) Youth at 3 pm, Sun.

Kingdom Kids, K - 5, meet at 3 pm. Sunday Frontenac Baptist Church (321)636-1369

5500 N. US Hwy 1 Pastor Michael Franzone

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:27 a.m.

Pastor Bible Study, 6:00 pm

Wednesday Evening Services, 6:30 pm weekly.

Glory of God Anglican Church (321)632-6812 3735 N. Indian River Dr., Reverend Paul W. Young Sunday 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 at 10:30

Sunday evening Evangelistic Service, 6 pm

Redeemer Presbyterian Church 264-0035

Meeting at 5005 Barna Ave., Titusville Worship Celebration - Sundays at 10 am

Christian Education - Sundays, 11:15 am www.myredeemer.cc

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, 321-267-2545

414 Pine St., Titusville www.stgabs.org

The Rev. Rob Goodridge, Rector

Sat's: 5:30pm Rite II (Contemplative)

Sun's: 7:30am Rite I (Historical), 9:30am Rite II (Traditional), 11:30am Rite III (Contemporary)

Wed's: 6pm Taize Mediational Service Thur's: 11am Healing Service St. Patrick's Anglican Catholic Church, 632-7634 4797 Curtis Blvd. Bishop John Vaughan, Rector Mass Sunday at 8, 10 & 5:30 and Friday noon Mass Wednesday Mass, 6:30 pm, then Pot Luck Supper Alcoholics Anonymous, Sun., 5 and Tues., 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Mondays, 8 - 10 pm. Sun Valley Christian Church, 321-264-1337 4825 S. Barna Ave., Titusville, Minister Reggie Reed Sunday School at 9 am, Worship at 10 am & 6 pm Ladies Group each Tuesday and Thursday Surfside Community Fellowship, 321-607-2111 thesurfsidefellowship.com Pastor Dr. Erick Brookins Meeting at the Port St. John Community Center, Sunday Services at 9:00 & 10:30 am. Saturday night at 6:00 pm at 1st Baptist of PSJ Titusville Church of Seventh-day Adventist Pastor Amado Luzbet. ALL are welcomed. 5005 Barna Ave. 267-8893. Saturday Worship, 11 am. Sabbath School, 9:15 am. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer, 7:30 pm. **Trinity Community Church** Tim Merwin, Sr. Pastor 6750 South U.S. 1 (3 miles north of Fay Blvd.) Sunday Celebration at 10 am www.sgcfla.org sgcoffice@sgcfla.org 268-8004 Trinity Lutheran Church & School - LCMS 1330 S. Fiske Blvd., Rockledge, 636-5431 Michael Hageman, Pastor Worship: 10:30 am **Trinity Lutheran Church-LCMC** Pastor David Trexler | Dial-A-Story, 607-6742 3671 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville, FL 32780 Sunday Worship Service 9:30am **Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Cocoa** 1261 Range Road, Cocoa. www.uucocoa.org Sunday Service 11:00am Unity of Merritt Island, 321-452-2625 4725 N. Courtenay Pkwy, Merritt Island Reverend Rose Whitham Practical Christianity. Sunday Services at 10 am www.unitymerrittisland.org. We are on Facebook. Victory Baptist Church, Pastor Raymond Hall 632-6148 at 242 Capron Road, PSJ. www.victorythroughjesus.org Sunday Bible Study at 9:30 am. Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am and 6 pm. Children's clubs and teen groups Prayer Service, Wednesday, 6:45 pm. Victory Worship Center, 431-7964 Pastors Jeff & Nancy Kleinman Meeting Sundays, 10AM Wednesday Mid-Week Manna & Prayer, 7-8 PM Community Center, 4201 US Hwy 1, Cocoa

\$65,000 Raised for The Children's Center

Local residents came together for the Jess Parrish Medical Foundation (JPMF) "Fran Gerrett Memorial Golf Classic" at La Cita Golf & Country Club and The Great Outdoors Golf Club. The event was presented by the law firm of Zumpano Patricios & Winker, P.A. and raised more than \$65,000 for The Children's Center (TCC) in Titusville.

More than 220 golfers and volunteers participated in the two-course tournament with all proceeds benefiting TCC, a service of Parrish Healthcare, which provides families with special needs and/or typically developing children with numerous health, therapy, education and child development programs in a single location. The annual tournament lives on as a tribute to Fran Gerrett's longtime dedication to our community and his favorite charity. Fran, a former Parrish Medical Center Materials Management director, was famous for saying, "It's all about the kids!"

The committee secured 53 sponsorships from numerous community members and organizations. Gold sponsors include Susan Morse, Senior body temperature reaches 104 F or higher. Vice President and Steve Soltesz, Financial Advisor, Indian River Wealth Management Group. Silver sponsors include Berkeley Research ica's finest healing environments®.

Group, LLC; Boggs Gases; Medline Industries, Inc.; RUSH Construction, Inc.; and The Watauga Company.

The golf classic is organized by community leaders and volunteers. Event co-chairs are Kathy Myer and Greg Sparkman. Other members of the golf committee include Santi Bulnes, Amy Craddock, Anita Currie, Lori Duester, Amy Lord, Esther Porta, Leigh Spradling, Misty Wilson and Suzanne Yarbrough.

For more information about Jess Parrish Medical Foundation, please call (321) 269-4066 or visit www.parrishmedfoundation.com.

Safeguard Your Summer

When the summer heat index rises, so does your risk of heat-related illnesses such as dehydration, heat exhaustion and heatstroke.

Pay attention to your body, stay cool, drink plenty of fluids, wear sunscreen, and time your outdoor activities for early in the day. If you feel hot but develop chills, that's a sign you need to seek cool air and drink water.

Seek immediate medical attention if your

This public service announcement is brought to you by Parrish Medical Center, one of Amer-



The Ultimate Guide To **Common Poisonous Plants**

This article is for all pet owners who may not know of the poisonous plants lurking in their gardens or homes. Even if you don't have any pets, your family, friends and neighbors might, so share this article with them. Take this weekend to go through your yard and pinpoint and eliminate any questionable plants.

We've put together the ultimate guide to some of the common poisonous plants that we either plant in our landscapes, grow as houseplants or find growing in our yards:

Azaleas (Rhodoendron spp.): all parts of this shrub are toxic.

Caladiums (Caladium spp.): all parts of this colorful ornamental foliage plant are poisonous, but especially the corms.

Castor bean (Ricinus communis): birds may bring this weed to your yard. Ingestion of the seeds can cause death.

Coontie (Zamia floridana): this native ornamental produces poisonous seeds that can kill a dog! Because this plant is low growing and the brightly colored seeds are at ground level, they pose a special hazard because both young children and small pets can easily get to the seeds. To render this plant harmless in the landscape, simply harvest all of the seeds.

Daylily (Hemerocallis spp.): all parts, but especially the leaves, of this ornamental ground cover are toxic to cats!

Dracaena (Dracaena marginata 'Tricolor' and all species): consider this a poisonous plant for dogs! This plant is used as a houseplant and an ornamental in the landscape.

Easter lily (Lilium longiforum): this popular Easter plant can cause kidney failure in cats if just a small amount of leaves or pollen are eaten!

English & Algerian ivy (Hedera helix & H. canariensis): all parts of this houseplant are toxic, but especially the leaves and berries.

Fairy ring (Chlorophyllum molybdites): this mushroom is commonly found growing in the lawn. It is also the number one cause of human mushroom poisoning deaths in both the state of Florida and the U.S.

Golden dewdrop (Duranta repens): this ornamental shrub produces toxic berries and the foliage is also thought to be toxic.

this ornamental plant are toxic to dogs, cats and horses! Ingestion of any part of this plant can cause death due to kidney failure.

King sago (Cycas revoluta): all parts of this ornamental plant are toxic, but especially the seeds. Two seeds are enough to kill a dog, and the ingestion of any of the plant parts will harm the liver.

Queen sago (Cycas circinalis): like the King sago, all portions of this ornamental plant are toxic, including the seeds.

Lantana (Lantana camara): all parts of this invasive shrub are poisonous but especially the leaves and green berries. This plant can be fatal to children, dogs and horses.

Oleander (Nerium oleander): this entire shrub is poisonous, even the smoke. Children may even be poisoned by just carrying the flowers in their mouth.

Peace lily (Spathiphyllum spp.): this common houseplant or ornamental are toxic to both dogs and cats.

this weed are poisonous, but especially the berries and roots. Ingestion can cause vomiting, spasms, and severe convulsions, which can result in death.

Rosary pea (Abrus precatorius): this weed grows as a woody vine and produces seeds that are extremely poisonous when the seed coat is crushed or broken.

Be aware that there is a mulch that is made out of shredded cocoa husks and called Cocoa Mulch. Many dog owners are aware that chocolate is toxic to dogs, and the same ingredients in chocolate - theobromine and caffeine - are also present in this mulch. I have read that when this mulch is first spread it gives off the aroma of chocolate, but this aroma could attract dogs and cats to eat it.

What to do if your pet eats a poisonous plant: If you ever discover that your dog or cat has ingested a poisonous plant, immediately induce vomiting by giving them hydrogen peroxide. If you own a large dog, you can pour some hydrogen peroxide in a cup and then pour it down their throat. For small dogs, a syringe filled with hydrogen peroxide can be squirted down the throat.

You may need to administer the hydrogen peroxide more than once to induce vomiting. It's

Gloriosa lily (Gloriosa superba): all parts of not a bad idea to ask your vet how much hydrogen peroxide your pet might need just in case. The only way to protect your pet from this is to make sure that you have no poisonous plants in your yard or house and to only let your pet out when you are out there watching them.

> If you do identify any toxic plants, you can either remove the plant or place it in a location where your pet can't get to it. This works for both inside and outside of the house.

> Helpful websites: solutionsforyourlife.ufl.edu/hot_topics/agriculture/toxic_plants.shtml aspca.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control/toxicand-non-toxic-plants

- Sally Scalera, For FL Today, August 22, 2016

Experimental Aircraft Meeting

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 724, Merritt Island (EAA724) will hold their next meeting on August 9th in the club house on Merritt Island Airport at 7:30pm.

If you have a passion or interest in aviation, Pokeweed (Phytolacca americana): all parts of then EAA 724 will bring you closer to the action. You don't have to be a pilot or aircraft owner to enjoy our group. Our chapter is a mixture of pilots, wannabe pilots and non-pilots. If you like aircraft and aviation, you are welcome. Each month we have an interesting speaker and lots of hangar flying.

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

For more information, contact President Don White at don@eaa724.org ot 321-266-7410, or visit their website at www.eaa724.org.

Morris, an 82 year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical. A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm.

A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, "You're really doing great, aren't you?"

Morris replied, "Just doing what you said, Doc. Get a hot mamma and be cheerful."

The doctor said, "I didn't say that... I said, 'You've got a heart murmur; be careful."

Walter Butler Community Center - August, 2017

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

The center is open Monday–Thursday from 10 - 8 pm, Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Schedule is subject to change. Call 433-4448 for latest information.

Mondays - Fridays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m.- 6 p.m. (ends August 9th)
17 and up Basketball Leagues, 6-8 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

Tuesdays

4-H Gardener Program, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Boy Scouts, 3:30-4:30 p.m. 17 and up Basketball Leagues, 6-8 p.m. Open Gym, 6-8 pm Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 p.m.

Wednesdays

Pickleball 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 pm

Thursdays

4-H Gardener Program, 3:30-4:30 p.m Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm Zumba, 6-7 pm Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m. **Fridays** Open Computer Lab, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Pickleball, 12 am-2 pm

Saturdays

Basketball League 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Zumba Classes - Zumba is an adult dance-based fitness class that uses a fusion of Latin and International rhythms with easy-to-follow moves. It includes both cardio and resistance training components designed to tone and sculpt the entire body. Zumba is designed for adults of all ages and fitness levels. Class participants exercise in a healthy, fun, party-like environment. Classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 6-7 p.m., \$5 per class (discount punch cards available). Contact Debbie Kowaleuski at (321) 403-6918 for more information.

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

Brevard County 4-H Junior Master Gardener

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

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



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

Be Prepared for the Peak of Hurricane Season

The peak of hurricane season is upon us once again. It's always a good reminder to know your risks, build a kit, make a plan and stay informed.

Know Your Risks - Do you live in an evacuation zone or a flood-prone area? Do you live in a mobile or manufactured home? If any of those are the case, ensure that you have a plan in place for yourself and your family.

Preparedness - Does a friend or family member have special medical needs, including electricity? Have them register for a special needs shelter at http://web.brevardcounty.us/Special-Needs/Registration.aspx.

Build a Kit - Your kit should contain enough non-perishable food, water, and medications to support yourself, your family and your pets for at least three days. Don't forget a solar, portable or automotive cell phone charger in case your home loses power; gas for your car and generator; and cash.

Make a Plan - Create your personal disaster plan at www.floridadisaster.org/family/. Don't wait until an emergency is occurring, and you are under pressure.

Stay informed - Follow @BrevardEOC on Twitter, like "Brevard County Emergency Management" on Facebook, and/or sign up for text messages (Text Follow BrevardEOC to 40404).

Visit the Brevard County Emergency Management website - www.brevardcounty.us/EmergencyManagement - for more information.

- Courtesy of Parrish Medical Center

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

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Won't you come join us? We meet on the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Discovery Church at 3925 Grissom Pkwy. at 7:00 pm. Contact wcandei@aol.com

SLEEPY Hollow



Fruit From The Groves

AUGUST, 2017 - 8/4, COAST GUARD 8/21, SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

August has arrived and schools will be back in session. For further information, contact the Brevard County Schools for start dates and times for your student.

I would like to wish Centi Thomson a HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY. Centi has been a long time resident of the Groves and a valued member of CGHOA. We wish her many more productive years and as always, thank you for your advice on CGHOA matters.

I am still healing from my broken shoulder and as we get older, things tend to heal much slower. Thanks to all who sent cards and called. Hopefully, I will be able to get back into the thick of things soon.

Thanks again to VPEd Silva for taking charge of our meetings in my absence. Looks like we are going to have to make a change in our meeting schedule at next month's meeting, so be prepared to have some input for that important decision.

The following is the latest e-mail from the county about the WEST CANAVERAL GROVES WATER PROJECT...

We had the Pre-Qualification meeting this morning regarding the West Canaveral Groves Waterline project. The award was made to DP Development of the Treasure Coast, LLC. They have a local office in Cocoa and had excellent references. We should get to contract within the next 7-10 days, and then there will be some pre-construction meetings, (due to the multiple regulatory bodies involved), and then hopefully break ground in late July or early August. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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- Ed. note: The contract was signed just before we went to press. - RR

We continue to have our speeding situations BIRTHDAY - 8/10, CGHOA MEETING, 7:00 - and I guess nothing will change until something tragic happens. Some of you may have noticed a car upside down in the ditch on Coconut. No reckless driving or speeding was involved. The steering mechanism snapped sending the car in to the ditch. Thankfully, there were no serious injuries but the '57 Chevy. What can I say? I Mon, 9-12 and Fri, 1-4, Free one-on-one Medihope all are recovering.

>A Parting Shot From The Cannon...... The Break Out -

A man escaped jail by digging a hole from his jail cell to the outside world. When finally his work was done, he emerged in the middle of a preschool playground. "I'm free, I'm free!" he shouted.

"So what," said a little girl. "I'm four." Sunday Drive -

Two elderly women were out for a Sunday drive in a large car and both could barely see over the dashboard. As they were cruising along, they came to an intersection. The stoplight was red, but they just went on through. The woman in the passenger seat thought to herself "I must be losing it, I could have sworn we just went ing meditation to help reduce your daily stress through a red light."

After a few more minutes, they came to another intersection and the light was red again, and again they went right through. This time the woman in the passenger seat was almost sure that the light had been red but was really concerned that she was losing it. She decided to pay very close attention to the road and the next intersection to see what was going on.

was definitely red and they went right through. She turned to the other woman and said, "Mildred! Did you know we just ran through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us!"

Mildred turned to her and said, "Oh, am I driving?"

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

- Bill Cannon

Central Brevard Library & Reference Center 633-1792

August 2017 Adult Programs

care and insurance counseling for elders by trained SHINE experts. Walk-ins are welcome; appointments available by calling 321 252-9005. Mon, 4-5pm, NEW! Learn Conversational Spanish in a fun, new class with Dolly, \$5. Call 321 633-1792 for info or to pre-register. Walkins welcome!

Tues, 10am-12pm, Watercolor Techniques for all levels w/Pearl Ollie. \$10 fee includes supplies. Thurs, 8/3, 1pm, At the age of 12, Alex Dixon suffered a stroke while undergoing brain surgery. Now several years later, Dr. Juli Dixon and her daughters recount their anguish and triumphs as they struggled to overcome medical and familial challenges. FREE.

Thurs, 8/3, 6:30-7:30pm, Enjoy a guided breathand anxiety and a short teaching on how to use meditation practice to live with more peace, compassion and wisdom. \$5.

Thurs, 8/10, 2pm, Popcorn & A Movie – Three lifelong buddies, including Morgan Freeman, step off the straight and narrow when their corporate retirement fund goes broke (PG-13). FREE. Thurs, 8/17, 12:30-2pm, Love mysteries? Join "It's A Mystery" book group for a discussion At the next intersection, sure enough, the light of mysteries about your favorite "whodunit" FREE!

> Thurs, 8/24, 1-3pm, Craft a "Metaphysical Colors Bracelet" in this unique jewelry-making class. All materials (including an explanation of chakra colors) included! \$15. Call 225-1394 to reserve a spot.

2017 Brings Changes To "Full Retirement Age"

By Blanca Taylor Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

Every worker's dream is having a secure retirement to enjoy the fruits of their labor. Social Security is here to help you secure today and tomorrow. Part of that commitment is ensuring you have the most up-to-date information when you make your retirement decisions.

"Full retirement age" refers to the age when a person can claim their Social Security benefits when you're thinking about retirement. without any reduction, even if they are still working part or full time. In other words, you don't actually need to retire from your work to claim your full benefits. Also note that waiting until you're 70, if you can, will bring you a higher monthly benefit. The choices you make may affect benefits your spouse or children can receive on your record, too.

As the bells rang in a new year, they also rang in changes in 2017 for people considering claiming Social Security retirement benefits. For ing your benefits until after your full retirement people who attain age 62 in 2017 (i.e., those born between January 2, 1955 and January 1, 1956), full retirement age is 66 and two months.

However, due to a law passed by Congress in 1983, it has been gradually increasing, beginning with people born in 1938 or later, until it reaches 67 for people born after 1959. You can learn more about the full retirement age and find out how to look up your own at www.socialsecurity.gov/ planners/retire/retirechart.html.

There are some things you should remember

You may start receiving Social Security benefits as early as age 62 or as late as age 70. The longer you wait, the higher your monthly benefit will be. Your monthly benefits will be reduced permanently if you start them any time before full retirement age. For example, if you start receiving benefits in 2017 at age 62, your monthly benefit amount will be reduced permanently by about 26 percent.

On the other hand, if you wait to start receivage, then your monthly benefits will be permanently increased. The amount of this increase is two-thirds of one percent for each month — or

Full retirement age was age 65 for many years. eight percent for each year — that you delay receiving them until you reach age 70.

> If you decide to receive benefits before you reach full retirement age, you should also understand how continuing to work can affect your benefits. We may withhold or reduce your benefits if your annual earnings exceed a certain amount. However, every month we withhold or reduce increases your future benefits. That's because at your full retirement age we will recalculate your benefit amount to give you credit for the months in which we reduced or withheld benefits due to your excess earnings. In effect, it's as if you hadn't filed for those months. You can learn more at www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/ retire/whileworking.html.

> If you pass away, your retirement date can affect the benefit amount your surviving loved ones receive. If you started receiving retirement benefits before full retirement age, we cannot pay the full amount to your survivors. Their benefit amount will be based on your reduced benefits.

> Learn more by visiting our Retirement Planner at www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/retire.



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