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## Alpha Theta-Chapter DKG Announces 2017 Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the Ruth E. Bailey Teacher of Tomorrow Scholarship awarded on April 29, 2017, at the regular chapter meeting held at Casa Coquina Bed and Breakfast, Titusville. President Theresa McDonald presented each recipient with \$1,000 to further their education at the college or university of her choice.



*Pictured left to right: President Theresa McDonald; Lilly Melzer with Mom; Haley with Mom, Trina Cannon; Alexis with Mom, Kim Armstrong.*

Alexis Armstrong of Space Coast Jr/Sr High School plans to attend the University of North Florida in Jacksonville, FL and major in Special Education. She is a member of ATEPS Academy, FEA, NHS, Mu Alpha Theta, SGA, Viper Buddies, and Varsity Swimming and Track. Community activities include Special Olympics, Relay for Life and volunteering for the Sharing Center and Brevard Zoo. Alexis is employed as a lifeguard at YMCA, Cocoa.

Haley Cannon of Space Coast Jr/Sr High School plans to attend University of South Florida and major in music. She is a member of the Drama Club, and Varsity Track, Basketball, and Volleyball. She is dual enrolled at EFSC. Community activities include SPCA, Titusville Playhouse, Relay for Life, SCJ/SHS Drama and Disney races. She is employed at Jersey Mike's Subs.

Lillie Milzer of Titusville High School plans to attend the University of Central Florida and major in elementary education. She is a member of NHS, Mu Alpha Theta, Varsity Cross Country, and Track and Field. Community activities include SPCA and volunteering at Mila and Cambridge Elementary Schools. Lillie is presently employed at Publix Super Market.

The scholarship is awarded in memory of one of the founding members of the Titusville Alpha Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma (DKG), which began in 1959. This is a professional honorary society of women educators which promotes professional and personal growth of its members and excellence in education.

Congratulations to all the winners, and best wishes for your teaching careers!



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- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath



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- Serious burns
- Seizures
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# PSJ Community Center Schedule - June, 2017

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## Mondays – Fridays

Summer Camp 7 a.m.- 6 p.m.  
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, 10 a.m.-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 7-8 p.m.

## 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

Outside Basketball, Billiards & Ping pong 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

**Zumba Classes** - Zumbia 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. Ages 12 years to adults. Classes are Mondays and Wednesdays at 6-7 p.m. \$5 per class. Call 321-633-1904.  
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**Summer Camps North Area Parks 2017**  
Traditional Summer Camps Offered May 25th - August 9th

Community Center Camps are for children who have completed kindergarten through completed 6th grade. Children will participate in indoor and outdoor games, arts & crafts, swimming, and field trips.

**Camp Hours & Fees**  
Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm \$90.00 per week or \$30.00 per day  
Additional fee for camp meals & water

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Cogler Park Community Center 2025 H&W, Titusville, FL 32780 321-254-6242	Pavel St. John Community Center 6000 Coats Road, Port St. John 321-433-1904	Walker Center Community Center 4011 N. Cocoa Blvd, Sharps 321-423-4444

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701 South Street, Titusville  
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Seaside Community Center  
585 North Singleton Avenue, Titusville  
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Specialty Camps	Future Leader Program
<b>Camp Hours &amp; Fees</b> Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm \$50.00 per week Additional fee for camp meals & water	Teens who have completed 7th grade through 12th grade will have the opportunity to take a leadership role by serving as a monitor in training. This program is offered at all Traditional Camp sites Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm.
<b>Camp Inspiration</b> Mandarin Innbrook Park Activity Hall 7275 US Highway 1, Titusville 321-254-6242 For Exceptional Education: Tues-April 11-20 Week 1: June 12-15 Week 2: July 1-4 Week 3: June 19-22 Week 4: July 11-14 Week 5: June 26-29 Week 6: July 11-14	<b>Teen Camp</b> Walker Center Community Center 4011 N. Cocoa Blvd, Sharps 321-423-4444 For Teens completed 7th grade through completed 12th grade Camp Dates: May 28-August 01

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## **Good Day!** by Maureen Rupe **Brevard County Budget Meeting**

On May 23rd, 1 p.m., the Brevard County Commissioners held a Budget Workshop to receive public comment on several items, including Parks and Recreation (number 8 on the agenda). I must submit to Happenings by the 18th prior to the meeting, so an update will come next month.

The actual meeting with the final vote on the entire budget will be held in July. That meeting will also take public comment. Commissioner Tobia has said he wants to shave \$2 million plus from the budget. At one meeting, he wanted to cut the 211 number that helps many with problems including the suicide hotline and Meals On Wheels, so nothing is below some members of the Commission on what they seem to be calling a waste of money.

Commissioner Tobia also wants to cut spending from Parks & Recreation. I will go to the meeting just to remind the Commissioners, Port St. John/Canaveral Groves have a set of parks (Fay Lake Wilderness Park, PSJ Community Center, and the Space Coast Communities Sports Complex in Canaveral Groves). We voted to pay

an extra tax for our quality of life, along with a lot of other residents in other areas of the county. The number of referendums the County has for parks and for Environmentally Protected Lands should show that county recreation is a high priority to our quality of life.

Reference:

[http://brevardcountyfl.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail\\_Meeting.aspx?ID=1463](http://brevardcountyfl.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=1463)

### **Education House Bill 7069**

By the time this Happenings is published, we will either know whether HB7069 became law or was vetoed. With what I've read, we all have to hope for a veto. According to a May 8th Orlando Weekly story by Brandon Larrabee titled, "Major Education Bill Makes Late Appearance In Florida Legislature," the 278-page House Bill 7069 went to the Senate at 4 pm on the last day of the legislative chamber. It passed on a 20-18 vote. There seems to be some things positive, as well as a lot of things negative concerning this bill.

Reference a May 10, 2017 Tampa Bay Times article by Jeffery Solocheck titled, "Nine Ways Florida Schools Would Change if the Legislature Gets Its Way," the bill mandates 20 minutes of

mandatory recess in Elementary Schools, but exempts charter schools. Not sure why, as they didn't seem to ask for the exemption. Another good change is the expansion of the Bright Futures Scholarship Program for Florida resident students who decide to attend a public or private college in Florida. Another small change was removing Algebra II testing and a PE test, and limits state testing from May 1st and length of testing to two weeks. They also straighten out some teacher contract complaints concerning a controversial "value-added model."

The bad parts of this monster bill, which a lot of articles were stating they were hoping Governor Scott would veto. [www.Fundeducationnow.org](http://www.Fundeducationnow.org)'s "FL Checklist: The bad policies in HB 7069/Conforming Bill," seems to have the best list of the bad parts of this bill. There seems to be many.

1. The bill allows charter schools to grade school district's performance, but doesn't allow school districts to do the same for charter schools.

2. The bill dilutes Title I funds currently used by districts for schools with high percentages of low income students, and the bill eliminates

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programs now funded with Title I funds, such as AVID and mentorship programs.

3. Charter schools will be able to bypass any land use or zoning requirements of local jurisdictions; overrides local rules, and doesn't allow the public to protest these zoning decisions.

4. Mandates school districts to share school property tax with charter schools.

5. Gives charter school systems governing board designation as a local educational agency, and allows charters to bypass local control, allowing charters to remain unaccountable to the public, even though they will be getting a large amount of taxpayer funding.

6. Makes a "Schools of Hope" program for out of state charters to take over schools that are low performance, even though they may have no proof that they can turn around the schools. At the same time allows these Schools of Hope to bring in non-certified administrators and teachers.

These are not all the bad things I've found at a number of sites complaining about this rush of educational policies through the legislature. If you voted, you need to at least try to find out why did they mix so many bad policies in with

the good. There's no excuse for it.

Reference:

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### Florida in Debt 9.9 Billion?

A Florida Podcast called "The Rotunda Podcast" stated in its advert, "The wait continues as Gov. Rick Scott reviews the Legislature's \$82.4 billion state spending plan. Despite passing a balanced budget, why is Florida still \$9.9 billion in debt?"

### Water Quality in Florida Among Worst in United States

According to a May 2, 2017 Miami Herald story by Jenny Staletovich, titled "Florida Drink-

ing Water Ranks Among Nation's Worst, Study Finds" a lot of Floridians are exposed to hazardous drinking water, more than in most areas of the United States. The article stated "The state ranked second in the number of people impacted by violations under the Safe Drinking Water Act based on the most recent data available from 2015, the Natural Resources Defense Council said."

In the report, it stated "For more than 25 years, NRDC has been documenting serious problems with our outdated and deteriorating water infrastructure and the inadequate implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act. These problems include poor EPA and state enforcement, serious underreporting of violations, and weaknesses in the EPA's drinking water standards for contaminants like arsenic and lead."

I was skeptical, as I thought Florida Department of Environmental Protection or Florida's Department of Health was watching our drinking water, so I decided to do some more digging.

A Feb. 3rd, 2011 NBC News article by Douglas McIntyre, titled "10 U.S. cities with the worst drinking water," where one of Florida's cities

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was number 10, Jacksonville, Florida. According to the article, “23 different toxic chemicals were found in Jacksonville's water supply. The chemicals most frequently discovered in high volumes were trihalomethanes, which consist of four different cleaning byproducts — one of which is chloroform. Many trihalomethanes are believed to be carcinogenic. Over the five-year testing period, unsafe levels of trihalomethanes were detected during each of the 32 months of testing, and levels deemed illegal by the EPA were detected in 12 of those months.” The worst city in the country was Pensacola, Florida: The article stated: “Of the 101 chemicals tested for over five years, 45 were discovered. Of them, 21 were discovered in unhealthy amounts. The worst of these were radium-228 and trichloroethylene, tetrachloroethylene, alpha particles, benzene and lead. Pensacola's water was also found to contain cyanide and chloroform.”

Another July 29, 2016 article in the Miami Herald by Mary Ellen Klas, titled, “Do new rules make Florida water safer or more toxic? It's debatable.” The article questioned the

Florida Department of Environmental Protection. According to the article, “Under the new rules, at least 10 chemicals will now be allowed to be discharged into drinking water sources in amounts that exceed current drinking water standards.” DEP and soon the EPA will not be protecting our drinking water. “If the federal Environmental Protection Agency approves the new rules, chemicals such as benzene, beryllium, trichloroethane, dichloroethylene and at least six other toxins will be allowed into water in rivers, streams and aquifers at levels that are higher than the state currently considers safe for drinking water, agency records show.

The original article referenced also pointed out that the Trump Administration has recommended substantial cuts in the Environmental Protection Agency, which is responsible to enforce drinking water protections. With the EPA and DEP folding to industries, I hope someone will save us before it affects our children and grandchildren.

Reference:

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<https://www.nrdc.org/sites/default/files/threats-on-tap-water-infrastructure-protections-report.pdf>

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<http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/environment/article92709492.html>

## Unspoiled Tribe

I read in a science magazine that in Central Africa, a tribe had been found that had no idea anyone else existed. I said out loud but to myself, “Bloody well leave them alone.” They had no notion of the world and life must not have changed for centuries, maybe longer.

Why would anyone want to drag them into this world? Maybe they have their own practices, but are they worse than ours? Apparently, the tribe was friendly and openhearted. I repeat to myself, “Bloody well leave them alone.”

Cheerio,

Maureen

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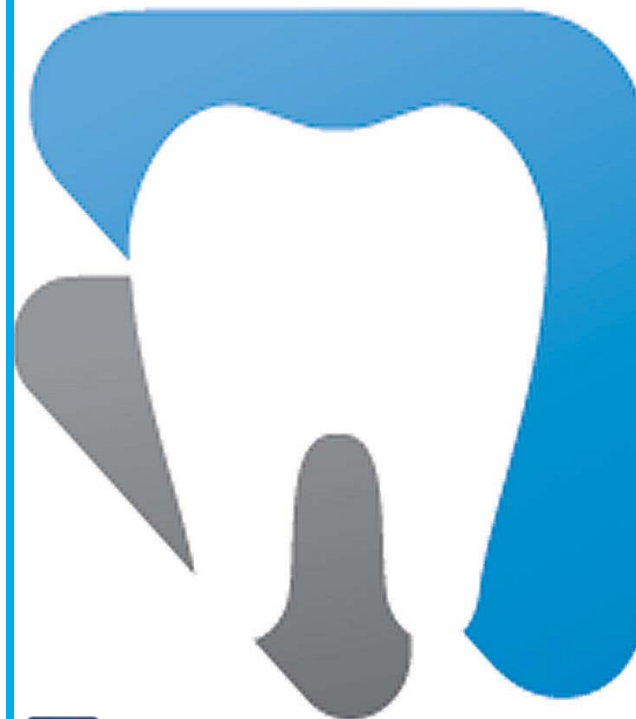
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## Space Coast Basketball Camp

Dates: May 25th – 26th

Time: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Who: Boys and Girls entering Grades K-8th

Location: Space Coast  
Jr/Sr High School Gym

Attire: Basketball  
Shorts, T-shirt and Athletic  
Shoes.



Cost: \$50 (Includes camp T-shirt if registered two weeks before camp start date). Discount rate of \$10 off (\$50 first camper and \$40 each additional family member) are available for multiple family members attending camp. All funds will go directly to help the Boys and Girls High School Basketball programs at Space Coast! Thank you for your support!

Come join the fun! Campers will work on the fundamental skills of basketball – passing, dribbling, shooting, defense and team work. Campers will participate in individual drills as well as team drills, compete in contests and scrimmage games.

Space Coast High School coaches and members of the Boys and Girls basketball program will teach the skills and provide excellent su-

pervision of campers. Campers will receive an official SCHS Camp shirt! The fashionable shirt also allows campers free admission to home High School (middle school excluded) Boys' AND Girls' games during the 2017-18 season! (with adult admission to game)

Discounted rates are available for multiple family members attending camp. For further information or questions, please contact:

Camp Director Michael Pommier- Varsity  
Head Coach Boys' Basketball  
(321) 446-9191  
scbasketball@yahoo.com

## Atlantis Golf Tournament

The Atlantis Elementary School Inaugural Golf Tournament on May 7th was a swinging success! 72 golfers met at Sherwood Golf Club in Titusville for this event, which raised \$2,400 for new computers and P.E. equipment for student use. Dennis Serridge (computer tech),



Andy Hanson (P.E. teacher), volunteers and the Atlantis PTO coordinated the tournament. Special thanks to Scott Schuler with Ron Norris Buick/GMC/Honda for being the main sponsor including offering a free car to any player who hit a hole in one!

Also, huge thanks to Kelly's Smokin' Barbecue for providing the lunch for all to enjoy as well as sponsoring a hole. Many thanks as well to the following businesses who also gave generous donations, including: VA Paving Inc., Country Cookin' Diner, Heard Construction, Our Land Environmental, Dean Stewart Photography, Ground Control Landscape Maintenance, Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Co. and Chicago Title Insurance, Community Credit Union and Advanced Auto Parts.

The Atlantis Administration, PTO, Faculty members, family members and our Dedicated Atlantis Dudes group worked hand in hand to make this first event a memorable one. The winning group of golfers, including: A.J. Starkey, Jesse Starkey, Steve Hendren and Mike Couch received certificates and Arctic stainless steel cups for their efforts.

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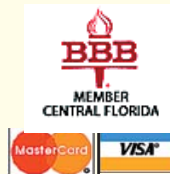
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## Outstanding Young Adult Scholarship Winner!

Alexis Armstrong from Space Coast Jr./Sr. High School has been chosen to receive the \$1000.00 Outstanding Young Adult scholarship from the Titusville Chamber of Commerce for the 2016-17 school year. Each year 6 seniors are chosen from north Brevard high schools. Alexis was chosen from among the 18 qualifying North Brevard seniors, each of whom received a certificate of recognition for their performance academically and in the community. The scholarship can be used toward secondary education expenses.



Photo: DSP

The Outstanding Young Adult program is sponsored by Community Credit Union and Jess Parrish Medical Foundation. The scholarship was awarded to Alexis at the May 10th luncheon at LaCita Country Club.

### More Outstanding Young Adult Winners:

**Daniel Bowen** is involved in Student Government, holding the positions of Treasurer, Class Treasurer (2 years) and Secretary. He is President of Mu Alpha Theta, VP of National Honor Society, Treasurer and Secretary of BETA Club and Senator in Model Student Senate. Daniel has become an unofficial organizer for Viper Accelerated Program. A few of his awards are; AP Scholar with Distinction 2016, Yale Science & Engineering – Most outstanding exhibit and is an Eagle Scout.



Photo: DSP

**Erica Delhagen** has been a class representative, class historian and is currently senior class vice president. Since 2014, she has been involved with the National Honor Society, Beta Club and Mu Alpha Theta. Erica's sports activities include varsity basketball; she has been a varsity letterman for 4 years and earned the Viper Pride Award. She is very involved in the Art program and has been recognized for numerous honors.



Photo: DSP

**Michaela McKelvin** is involved in Student Government, holding the positions of Senior Class Secretary for 2016-2017. She was just inducted into the National Honor Society. Michaela is the color guard captain for the marching band, and has been very active in the Drama Club. She received an Avid Media Certification and will be going on a mission trip to Haiti during Spring Break.



Photo: DSP

**Aliyah Messick** has been President of the speech and debate team for 2 years. She also participates on the Academic Team and Model Student Senate. She volunteers for the Relay for Life, Brevard Humane Society and has held many positions for the co-ed branch of the boy scouts called Venture Crew. Aliyah has received an AP Scholar Award and 1st place in speech and debate competition and currently works at Sears.

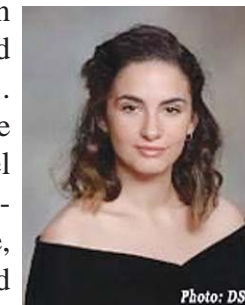


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And last, but certainly not least, **Mikayla Woltman** has been involved in: Mu Alpha Theta (vice president), National Honor Society, Beta Club and National Junior Honor Society. She plays clarinet for marching band, concert band and was chosen for all-county band. She is a member of the Viper Accelerated Program and is a Cadet Lieutenant Colonel in the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps. Stay strong, Mikayla, my last name is in the back of the alphabet, too!



Photo: DSP

## Parks & Recreation Meeting

The North Brevard Commission on Parks and Recreation will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, June 8, 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.





### Space Coast Panthers Registration

Registration for the upcoming 2017 Fall Tackle\Cheer season has arrived. Make it easy on yourself and register your football or cheer star from the comfort of your home by going to [Spacecoastpanthers.org](http://Spacecoastpanthers.org). Monitor our website for dates and times of live registrations being held near you. While you're on the site checking out the registration, go ahead and check out our volunteer information. We are always in need of more volunteers to help with the league. Without volunteers, we have no league.

### General Information

Please monitor our website for any future news and announcements on upcoming registration and events. Do not forget to look at our website for great gear and ways to support your Space Coast Panthers.

Space Coast Panthers general board meetings are currently being held tentatively every 2 weeks



on Tuesdays at 8:00pm. Everyone is welcome to join us and have a voice in the success of our league. Dates will be posted on our website and on our Facebook pages as they are scheduled.

### Volunteers Needed

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

### Business Partners Wanted -

Check out our website for a list of sponsor packages to help get the word out about your business and help the community at the same time. Need to receive substantial exposure for your business? Want to make a positive impact on the youth in our community? Could you benefit from a tax deduction? We are always accepting new sponsors and we have a plan to meet your needs!! Sponsorship forms are available online, [www.SpaceCoastPanthers.org](http://www.SpaceCoastPanthers.org). Contact Joshua Skorude via email for more information @ [joushuascpanters@hotmail.com](mailto:joushuascpanters@hotmail.com).

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## Monthly Tax Update

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

- Take action when life changes occur. Some life events can change the amount of tax you pay. This would include a change in jobs, marital status, birth of a child, family members move in with you, retirement or possibly disability. If it happens, you may need to change the amount of tax withheld from your pay. To do that, file a new Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate with your employer, or if self employed, make adjustments to your estimated tax payments. You may also need to report changes in circumstances to the Health Insurance Marketplace. If you enrolled for insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace in 2016, you should report these changes in circumstances when they happen. Report life events such as the ones previously mentioned to help you avoid getting too much or too little financial assistance in advance.

- Keep your records safe. Remember, hurricane

season is upon us and protecting these records are important. If you ever need your tax return or records, it will be easy for you to get them. For example, you may need a copy of your tax return if you apply for a home loan or financial aid. You should also use your tax return as a guide when you do your taxes next year.

- Stay organized. Make tax time easier. Have your family put tax records in the same place during the year. That way, you won't have to search for misplaced records when you file next year.

- Also, start shopping for a tax preparer and hire a tax preparer to help you with tax planning. Be sure to choose your tax preparer wisely. Use the Directory of Tax Return Preparers tool on IRS.gov to find tax preparers in your area with the credentials and qualifications that you prefer. Evaluate if you're able to itemize your deductions or not. If you claim a standard deduction on your tax return, you may be able to lower your taxes if you itemize deductions instead.

- Always stay informed. Subscribe to IRS Tax Tips to get emails about tax law changes, how to save money and much more. You can also get Tax Tips on IRS.gov or IRS2Go, the IRS mobile app to receive tax information that will broaden your tax knowledge. Early planning may pay off with savings when you file your taxes next year.

Now, let's give consideration to special tax rules that may apply to some children who receive invest-

ment income. The rules may affect the amount of tax and how to report the income. Here are five key points to keep in mind if your child has investment income: Investment income generally includes interest, dividends and capital gains. It also includes other unearned income, such as from a trust. There's a Parent's Tax Rate. If your child's total investment income is more than \$2,000, then your tax rate may apply to part of that income instead of your child's tax rate. See the instructions for Form 8615. Parent's return may be affected. You may be able to include your child's investment income on your tax return, if it was less than \$10,000 for the year. If you make this choice, then your child will not have to file his or her own return. See instructions for Form 8814.

A Child's return may be required. If your child's investment income was \$10,000 or more, in 2016, then the child must file their own return. File Form 8615 with the child's federal tax return. Finally, your child may be subject to the Net Investment Income Tax and they must file Form 8615. Use Form 8960, Net Investment Income Tax, to figure this tax.

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.



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## Out On The Town

This month's Out On the Town restaurant review is "Jimmie's US-1" located at 5601 N. US1 right next to the Frontenac Flea Market. We tried to eat at Jimmie's on a Saturday evening only to find out they are only open from 5am to 2 pm daily, serving breakfast all day and lunch starting at 10 AM.

So the next Friday we showed up at noon to try their lunch. They have a nice outdoor Tiki type eating area in the front. Or you can eat inside as we chose to do. As we entered, we were greeted by the very friendly staff who seated us right away, gave us a menu and took our drink orders.

We both ordered iced tea, which I must say was freshly brewed and very good. The waitress was very attentive and friendly. She brought our tea right away. Our meals came out freshly cooked with very little wait. She checked on us to see how everything was at just the right amount of time, but not so much to be annoying.

My wife ordered the hamburger and tater tots. The hamburger was large and appeared to be handmade. She said the burger was very good as were the tater tots. I ordered the Pollock fish dinner with fries. The fish was cooked to perfection, but the fries were not to my liking. When I ordered the fries, I asked if they were traditional fries or the battered coated type. The waitress said they were the traditional type, but when they arrived I noticed they were battered fries.

Except for the fries, the service, the tea, the quality and amount of food are all, in my opinion, above standard. Our next visit to Jimmie's will be to try their breakfast that we hear is superb. Just wish these restaurants would go back to serving traditional fries.

- Ken Carson

## JPMF Announces Karla Foster, RN, Scholarship Recipient



Jess Parrish Medical Foundation awarded the 2016 Karla Foster, RN, Memorial Scholarship of \$3,000 to Amy Gullikson. The scholarship was established by Doug Foster in loving memory of his wife, Karla, who was a nurse at Parrish Medical Center for more than 22 years.

"I am so honored to receive this scholarship and carry on the legacy of Karla Foster, my grandfather, grandmother and aunt who all provided healing care in our community. I'm passionate about helping people through difficult times and providing them compassion and respect as they heal. I'm sincerely grateful to Jess Parrish Medical Foundation for awarding me this scholarship, which will help me pay for tuition and achieve my goal of becoming a Registered Nurse," stated Gullikson, bachelor's degree student at University of Central Florida.

For more information, please contact Jess Parrish Medical Foundation at 321-269-4066 or visit [parrishmedfoundation.com](http://parrishmedfoundation.com).

**Frame every so-called disaster with these words: "In five years, will this matter?"**



The Higginbotham Scholarship Foundation, Inc., a tax deductible scholarship foundation, provided a \$500 scholarship to Ms. Kaila Williams, pictured here with Mr. Higginbotham, President and Trustee of the Foundation, and her proud mother, Brenda, and father, Jeffrey.

Kaila is a graduating student from Space Coast Jr./Sr. High School participating in many programs. She is a member of the National Honor Society, achieved the Principal Scholars Award, and volunteers as a Bible School assistant, Port St. John Library assistant and a teacher's assistant at the school. She holds a 3.93 grade average at Eastern Florida State College and expects to complete her Bachelor's degree from Florida Atlantic University in Business Administration.

We congratulate her and wish her well in fulfilling her dreams. If interested in knowing more about the Higginbotham Scholarship Foundation, Inc., please contact Tracey C. Higginbotham, President and Trustee, at 321-632-5726.

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## Titusville Sea Turtle Festival

It's Turtle Time! The 7th Annual Titusville Sea Turtle Festival will be held on Friday, June 9th from 6 to 9 pm and Saturday, June 10, from 10 am to 4 pm on S. Washington Avenue in downtown Titusville. Help us celebrate the sea turtles who nest on local seashores and learn more about them and how to protect the coastal areas and lagoons necessary for their survival.

Join this free, family fun event on S. Washington Ave. in downtown Titusville for a Friday night street party with live "island music," hula dancing, local food, educational displays and turtle talks, vendors and artisans,



and the Turtle Crawl hunt for turtles hidden downtown.

Saturday morning from 8 to 11 am, the Canaveral National Seashore will have a beach clean up, Junior Ranger activities and kayak demos at Eddy Creek, Playalinda Beach. Then join us downtown for a full day of activities; all the Friday night fun plus food trucks, Kid Zone fun, the judging of the children's turtle art contest and even a live mermaid.

For more information check out the Titusville Sea Turtle Festival website or Facebook page or call 321-268-0122.

### Children's Sea Turtle Art Contest

The Downtown Art Gallery in Titusville will be headquarters for a children's art contest held

in conjunction with the 7th Annual Titusville Sea Turtle Festival. Children in grades K-8 are invited to submit art work on the theme "Protecting Sea Turtle Habitat."

Students may submit one entry per person to the Downtown Art Gallery, 335 S. Washington Avenue, Titusville by Monday June 5, 2017. The art will be on display from June 9-17 with an Opening Reception and Awards Presentation at 6 pm on June 9th. Awards include 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention in 4 age groups, plus a "Best Depiction of Theme" and "People's Choice Award."

For complete rules including size and hanging requirements, contact the Downtown Art Gallery at 321-268-0122 or visit the festival website [www.titusvilleseaturtlefestival.com](http://www.titusvilleseaturtlefestival.com).



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## New Patriots Cheerleader

Former Space Coast HS/MS cheerleader Khamare Farrar has made the team to become a New England Patriots cheerleader. We have reached out to the Patriots for more information and requested photos. It's a little too early in the season, but we'll certainly be publishing more information about our home town girl as soon as it comes in.



In the meantime, Khamare is very excited about her new job. Life will be different in Boston and she may need some better coats than we keep in Florida.

Of course, with all the training and shows, she has had to give up two of her favorite dishes: sushi and hot dogs. It's a small sacrifice for greatness. Congratulations, Khamare! We're all cheering for you.

Photo by Robert Hare



## June is YARD MONTH!

Keep the critters you want IN and those you don't want OUT! Get rid of access holes along fences and check gates often for securing them right. My German Shepherd won't stop digging, so I fixed him by putting his recently deposited poo piles where he digs. It works well! And critters don't like it, either.

Don't forget to secure the pool and shed, and secure those garbage cans. Recycle grass cuttings and yard waste by placing them in a pile. Sift it often to break it down into good soil.

Rain barrels make a haven for mosquitoes so keep them covered when it's not raining. You can save money on watering your plants and have a spare supply of water in the summer.

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**Overeaters Anonymous** meets in PSJ on **Saturdays** at 9:30 a.m. at the PSJ Library. Visit [oaspacecoast.org](http://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](http://www.naranonfl.org).

### 6-2 National Doughnut Day

### 6-4 Pentecost

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

**6-7 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.

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**6-8 Canaveral Groves Homeowners, Inc.** meets on the 2nd Thursday each month, 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Room of Discovery Christian Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy.

**6-9 Brevard Women's Connection** meets at Rockledge Country Club from 11 am until 1 pm on the second Friday of each month. The program includes a luncheon plus an inspirational speaker. For information, call Mary at 636-4713 or e-mail her at [mdean44@cfl.rr.com](mailto:mdean44@cfl.rr.com).

**6-11 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group** meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, at the Cocoa Library.

**6-11 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](mailto:angelagardnerwrites@gmail.com) for info.

**6-11 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](mailto:1royaldy@gmail.com) for more information. Print "Writers Group" in Subject.

**6-14 'Remembering Through Sharing'** - a support group for families that have experienced a pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of an infant. 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 info.

### 6-14 Flag Day

### 6-15 Father's Day

**6-16 PSJ Business Connections Luncheon,** sponsored by the Titusville Chamber of Commerce, meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 12:00, PSJ Library on Carole Ave. Call Dennis Watkins at 267-3036.

**6-19 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.

**6-21 American Legion Post 359** meets at the Post Home at 7260 S. US 1 in Bellwood, (2 miles north of PSJ), 6:00 PM. All Legionnaires and new members are welcome. The Post meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please

contact the Post at 268-1632 for assistance with your membership or information.

### 6-20 World Refugee Day

### 6-21 Summer Solstice

### 6-24 Ramadan Ends

### 6-25 Eid al Fitr

**6-27 Moonlight Quilters Guild** meets at the North Brevard Library in Titusville, 2121 Hopkins Ave. on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Meet and greet & refreshments at 6:15, meeting at 6:30 usually followed by a program or guest speaker. Call 321-567-5424 for more info.

### Congratulations to:

**Jordan Arthurs** turns **31** on the 2nd.  
**Yvonne Scheiner** parties wild on the 4th.  
**Lauren Grinstead** turns **20** on the 4th.  
**Rhonda Bradley** is more lovely on the 7th.  
**Jordan Ragan** turns **20** on the 7th.  
**Nathan Firth** turns **2** on the 8th  
**Kirra Orend** turns **19** on the 8th.  
**R.J. Arnone** turns **43** on the 9th.  
**Drae Robinson** turns **21** on the 10th.  
**Jonathon Benoff** turns **15** on the 10th.  
**Robert Owens** turns **25** on the 12th  
**Stephen Crawford Jr.** turns **13** on the 17th.  
**Lisa Siegel**, the blue-haired lady, turns 39 (again) on the 14th.  
**Devon Anthony** turns **19** on the 18th.  
**Holly Strickler** is the Party Girl on the 20th.  
**Cheyenne Wiedman** turns **17** on the 20th.  
**Charles Bertrand** turns cooler on the 20th.  
**Archie Williams** turns **40** on the 24th.  
**Jasper Niehoff** turns **11** on the 25th.  
**Keli McCormack** dances all night on the 25th.  
**Melanie Hannen** prettier on the 27th.  
**Brett Benoff** turns wilder on the 27th.  
**Don Crouse** turns crazier on the 28th.  
**Trisha Orend** turns cuter on the 29th.  
**Krystal O'Neill** turns more lovely on the 30th.  
**Jill and Bill Hill** celebrate **27** on the 2nd.  
**Carl & Debbie Anderson** celebrate **23** on the 18th.

**Bob & Judie Petrowski** celebrate **52** on 19th.

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# CAR SHOW at 1st Baptist Church of PSJ

*Last month we covered the cars at the Car Show at First Baptist Church. The car show was hosted by a Boy Scout Troop 355 in Sharpes. The boys spent many, many hours getting this car show ready; from getting donations, creating the trophies, cooking and serving food and setup and tear down. This month we present more cars AND the hard-working Scouts who cooked, served and put the show on. Enjoy!*



## T-Shirt Design Contest

Looking for a way to show off your artistic ability? The Brevard Humane Society is looking to create a new volunteer shirt logo. What better way to design a shirt for the community than to have the community design the shirt?

In celebration of their 65th year, the Brevard Humane Society is holding a t-shirt design contest, open to youth in Brevard County.

The theme is "What Does The Shelter Mean

To Me?" Entries must be submitted by June 16th 2017, 5pm. June 20th-22nd the staff will pick the top 10. June 23rd- June 30th there will be a Facebook survey and the top pick wins.

The winner will be announced on July 6th.

You'll receive your own copy of the shirt and recognition - plus, your design will be seen by the whole community as a badge of honor for those who give time and service to helping the

homeless animals of Brevard County.

Email or drop off all designs to Volunteer coordinator@brevardhumanesociety.com or the Merritt Island Adoption Center.

Please include: Your name, your age, your school, and a brief description of what the shelter means to you.

If emailing, please put "t-shirt contest" in the subject line.



# SCHS Softball District 5A Champs!

The Space Coast High School varsity softball team won their home playoff game against Mulberry on May 3rd by a score of 5-3. The game was a part of the "2017 FHSAA Softball Championships - 2017 5A Softball Championship" tournament.



## MoMuscle Fighting Championships

MoMuscle Championship will be held on June 17th, 8pm-11pm at Cocoa Expo. The Cocoa Expo is a 40 million dollar facility that that is rivaled by none in the area! There will be food catered by the facility's chefs, there is a full arcade for the kids to play, cull service VIP sections with cage side seat availability, and a night off great fights!!

MFC is a local Kickboxing, Boxing, and MMA Promotions based in Brevard County. Muhammed DeReese (Professional MMA fighter and mateur fight promoter) started the MFC to bring the great sport of MMA, kick boxing and



boxing to Brevard County.

They promote local talent from the area to showcase the great athletes from and traveling to the county. They believe that by having an event of this nature we can keep people entertained in a positive, classy, respectable environment. All ages are allowed.

Food and beverage will be sold. All alcoholic beverages will be sold by a licensed contractor and will be present at event.

This is the third installment in the area. For more info on previous shows please visit [www.facebook.com/momusclegc](http://www.facebook.com/momusclegc). For info on VIP ticket prices , call 321-362-9066 or email: [Mo-musclegc@gmail.com](mailto:Mo-musclegc@gmail.com).





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# Historic COCOA VILLAGE'S BBQ & BLUES

The 7th Annual Historic Cocoa Village's BBQ & Blues is going to be even bigger and better this year with a \$5000 Prize Grant from Smokin' with Smithfield, bringing the total cash prize package to \$15,000! "This really ups the game," says Event Coordinator, Emma Kirkpatrick. "The more prize money we can offer, the more teams we can attract to compete, and the more visitors we bring to Cocoa Village! Bringing people here is the reason we do this. People who visit our town fall in love and come back year after year!" With a top prize of \$5000 for the Grand Champion, BBQ & Blues expects to attract 50 of the best BBQ teams from all over the Southeast.

BBQ & Blues, presented by Craig Technologies, is set to go on Friday and Saturday, June 2nd and 3rd. The seventh annual BBQ & Blues event in Cocoa Village is FBA Sanctioned, a World Food Championship BBQ Qualifier as well as an American Royal Invitational, a Sonny's Smokin' Showdown Invitational and a Jack Daniel's World Championship qualifier. Admission to this event is free to the public and partial proceeds go toward supporting the great community services provided by Aging Matters of Brevard.

BBQ & Blues kicks off the weekend's entertainment Friday night with Big Blues Machine followed by Friday night headliner, Joey Gilmore and TCB Express featuring Dottie Kelly.

On Saturday, Riverfront Park will be smokin' with hot BBQ in the park & cool blues on stage! The line-up for Saturday features Matt Rosman, Bird Dog Bobby and the Honey Hounds, Daniel Heitz Band, Josh Miller's Blues Revue, and rounding out the weekend, The Tommy Z Band!

Also not to be missed are the People's Choice judging at 11am Saturday, various street entertainers, a vendor village showcasing the work of talented local artists and crafters, and especially the 5:00 PM awards ceremony to honor the very tastiest in Florida BBQ! Did we mention the food? Vendors will be on hand to delight you with their culinary wares!

The Historic Cocoa Village Association represents the majority of the merchants in Cocoa Village. The HCVA's mandate is to help promote and encourage growth of the Historic Cocoa Village community and the City of Cocoa in general by organizing and hosting community events and activities in the Village. Funds raised support various promotions, general advertising and tourism development. The HCVA's most prominent events include four annual Art and Craft shows, the Spring and Fall Central Florida Car Shows, four annual Sip & Strolls and now coming up, BBQ & Blues. The HCVA also partners with the City of Cocoa and Cocoa Main Street in the presentation of various other community supportive events and activities throughout the year.

For further information, email [info@VisitCocoaVillage.com](mailto:info@VisitCocoaVillage.com), go to [VisitCocoaVillage.com](http://VisitCocoaVillage.com) or call 321-631-9075.

## Child Passenger Safety Seminars

The UF/Brevard Extension Service invites you to learn about correct selection, installation and use of child restraints, plus how child restraints work to protect children. This class is REQUIRED of expectant moms/dads in need of a seat. Pre-registration is also required. If you are in need of replacing an existing seat for an older child, you can call (321)

633-1702, Ext. 0 to schedule an appointment for a child seat check. Mothers in need of a seat will be able to purchase a convertible seat at a reduced cost at the end of the class.

Multiple dates and locations are being offered. Please visit our Eventbrite website to register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/child-passenger-safety-seminar-cocoa-tickets-33666055077> and use the pull-down menu at the top of the page to select dates for the location in Cocoa.

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The museum hosts Appraisal Days and Charity Auctions throughout the year. These events are made possible by individuals who choose to consign their memorabilia through us. All memorabilia is carefully handled and stored in

a limited entry, secure space. Please contact the Executive Director or Deputy Director if you have any questions.

Most space memorabilia has value — even manuals, visitor passes, posters and other items that seem, at first glance, to be “throw aways.” The best way to know for certain is to let someone who understands the memorabilia market take a look at it. The museum's appraiser, Chuck Jeffrey, will be happy to discuss the value of your collection with you.

Please note that the Museum is not selling any of its permanent collection. All items included in the auction have been donated or consigned to the auction through the generosity of space workers, collectors and astronauts. Consigners only pay a 15% auction fee.

The American Space Museum is located at 308 Pine Street, Titusville. Call 321-264-0434 or visit the website at [www.americanspacemuseum.org](http://www.americanspacemuseum.org) for more information.

## “Healing Hues Art Camp”

North Star, Child Grief Program, will be hosting “Healing Hues Art Camp” on Monday, June

19 through Friday, June 23, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The camp will be held at Hospice of St. Francis' office, 1250-B Grumman Place, Titusville, just north of Port St. John along Grissom Pkwy.

“Healing Hues Art Camp” welcomes children ages 9 to 12, who have experienced a loss in their family. A fun-filled week at camp will help them heal and grow through expressive arts. Participants can share their feelings, recognize their loss and begin to heal with other children close in age. Activities will include getting acquainted, yoga and mindfulness activities, expressive arts and crafts, and lunch.

Camp will be lead by Hilary Farnum, MSW, North Star Coordinator, and Jill Noel, Brevard County School Art Teacher.

All participants must be registered to attend by June 9, 2017. For registration and more information, call Hilary Farnum at 321-269-4240.

North Star, Child Grief Program, is a program of Hospice of St. Francis. Hospice of St. Francis (HOSF) is the first hospice established in Brevard County and will celebrate its 40th anniversary in November, 2017.

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## Teen Art Camp

North Star, Child Grief Support Program, will be hosting a Teen Art Camp at Foosaner Art Museum in the Eau Gallie Art District from Tuesday, June 27 through Friday, June 30, 2017. The camp will be held in the mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

This special Teen Art Camp will offer teens, ages 13 to 18, an uplifting week, during which they will learn to make fused glass art as a means of expressing feelings associated with their loss. Daily activities will include peer support, personal journaling and education about the grief process. Camp will be lead by professional grief counselors Christy Taylor, MSW, and Hilary Farnum, MSW, along with professional glass artist Sky McDouagh.

The Teen Art Camp is offered free of charge to teens in Brevard County. Space is limited. Early registration is advised. To register, call Hilary Farnum at 321-269-4240, toll free 866-269-4240 or e-mail hfarnum@hospiceofstfrancis.com.

North Star, Child Grief Support Program is a program of Hospice of St. Francis. Any Brevard County resident is welcome to utilize the Hospice

of St. Francis support programs free of charge, whether hospice services are used or not. Grief support programs are available for children starting at age 3, young adults from 19 to 31 and older adults. For more information about services and programs, visit [www.hospiceofstfrancis.com](http://www.hospiceofstfrancis.com).

## 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, June 25th, 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.

## Martin Andersen Senior Center Dances

Martin Andersen Senior Center will host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday, June 10th. 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 June 24th. 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.

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## Habitat Restoration at the St. Johns National Wildlife Refuge

The US Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) has outlined a strategy to begin addressing safety concerns and habitat restoration at the St. Johns National Wildlife Refuge. The Service will be rebuilding the boundary fence, reinstalling appropriate signs, and increasing Law Enforcement presence. Law Enforcement saturation patrols have already begun and will continue before, during and following the fencing operations. Law Enforcement goals are to protect the public, Refuge staff, and contractors. Preventing the new fence from being destroyed, stopping vehicle trespass and trash dumping, and ending target shooting onto the Refuge are additional objectives.

The St. Johns National Wildlife Refuge (SJNWR/ Refuge) is managed by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. The SJNWR-Beeline Unit is closed to the public but recent activities have led to a series of safety concerns for Refuge employees and local residents. An increase in off-road vehicle trespass on the Beeline Unit has caused significant damage to natural resource by creating numerous new trails through wetlands. The south and southeast boundary fenceline has been torn down and boundary signs destroyed. Illegal shooting ranges are located adjacent to and on Refuge property which is dangerous for Refuge staff, local residents and wildland firefighters. Recent wildfires in the area increase the safety concerns for the public and wildland firefighters.

A habitat management tool often used within the Service is cattle grazing. Refuge staff plans to evaluate cattle grazing as a management tool to maintain cordgrass marsh, to reduce woody vegetation and exotic vegetation. The Service has partnered with United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) - Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), and will monitor cattle grazing under best use practices to evaluate its effective use. The presence of cattle on the Refuge is expected to have both an ecological and practical application. Cattle grazing will facilitate management efforts to reduce impacts of recreational activities on native vegetation by becoming a visual barrier. Cattle grazing will assist the Audubon's crested caracara (*Polyborus plancus audubonii*) which is a Florida population and is a threatened species. A properly managed 'Prescribed Cattle Grazing Plan' will improve native plant communities and improve habitat for native wildlife by assisting where controlled burning or mechanical treatment is unavailable.

During the recent wildfire on the SJNWR-Beeline Unit, there were several safety concerns with individuals trespassing. There will be some heavy equipment work to restore habitat and to rebuild the south and southeast fenceline. We are asking for your situational awareness to ensure safety with wildfire, heavy equipment, and barbed wire fenceline and to ensure reduced trespass.

For more information, please see the St. Johns National Wildlife Refuge website at [www.fws.gov/refuge/st\\_johns](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/st_johns) or you may send comments to [sjnwr\\_beelineunit@fws.gov](mailto:sjnwr_beelineunit@fws.gov).

The poster is framed by a thick, hand-drawn rope border. At the top left, it says 'HARMONY FARMS PRESENTS'. The main title 'BUCKAROO BALL' is in large, red, outlined letters. Below that, it says 'SATURDAY - JUNE 10, 2017' and 'SUNTREE COUNTRY CLUB'. The address is '1 Country Club Dr., Suntree, FL 32940'. Ticket information includes '\$50 PER PERSON' and '6:00 PM \*\* Cocktails \*\* CASH BAR \*\* 7:30 PM Buffet'. A section titled 'WILD WEST RACE' features 'RACE ANNOUNCER: SHERIFF WAYNE IVEY!' and 'Come meet the Sheriff's new "Posse"!'. A 'BE A SPONSOR!' table lists items like 'GOLD NUGGET' for \$5,000 and 'WRANGLER' for \$100. The bottom of the poster includes contact information for tickets and a note about the event benefiting a therapeutic riding program.

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## Rose's Room

I'm sorry school is out as we're reading this... (It is, isn't it?) I would like to take a moment to set the record straight and squash some of my snickering friends and family. To said Snickers... I certainly haven't been purposely avoiding anyone who may be in any way connected to a certain school student pick up loop, I just found another way to get where I need to be. While the new roads may be a tad longer, they are much more scenic... and aren't we supposed to stop and smell the roses – so to speak? Despite your rumors, I'm not hiding the beautiful and unusual name tag on my bright red car, it was just dirty and I'll replace it after I have time to wash it... in a month or so.

I have to admit while I'm more than happy to be of assistance when I'm needed, I just don't do well with rules and regulations. School pick up rules, regulations and their enforcers are truly the sand in my grits. Had my babies not ridden the bus to school, I would have dropped them off a mile away and wished them luck.

When my kids began asking for a favor or twenty, I happily fed, burped, changed, bathed and transported. As my grandchildren aged, after school snacks and help with homework (pre-fourth grade) was forthcoming as long as the little ones were deposited at my doorstep.

Since some of my offspring have had the audacity to take classes leading to upswings in their economies and others have taken positions with more responsibility, (AKA longer hours), I reluctantly rescinded my rule and took on pick up duty...twice

The first time I joined the elephant march obediently snailing down the side of pod A and turning left at pod B, I spotted my grandsons and honked to get their attention - causing the nice lady in front of me to slam on her brakes (at .2 MPH) and yell at me in her rear view mirror.

Finally stopping, (it was hard to tell), I opened my door to stand and wave at my grandsons, immediately marveling at the 'matronly' lady's ability to clear a small child and the hood of my car in one leap. She had hardly landed at my door when the old gentleman (geezer) behind me hit his horn and his vocabulary. I'm pretty sure The Big Guy will have words for me when the time

comes, but I could not stop myself from cupping my ear and saying, "What?" until the gentleman (geezer) was apoplectic and my grandsons threatened to tell their dad.

I thought it strange that they liked to ride all the way home on the floor of the vehicle, but they insisted they love it and their parents never let them...

While I'm always eager to learn new things, I must admit some teacher's methods are a tad puzzling.

Pulling my time at this year's loop I learned getting out of line to grab a parking spot is a Cardinal Sin. The lesson brought home by a seemingly nice lady who coaxed math into third grade heads from 8 am to 2:30 pm, then became 'Super Whistle Wave Lady.' Yelling at me from her position on the sidewalk that I should have kept moving, she deftly corralled the little ones who knew the rules and patiently waited for their cars to be next in line. Rolling the windows down and opening the back doors brought another whistle and the very loud order that we can't have people loitering in wide open cars in the presence of so many small children. (I'm assuming my matronly appearance and the fact if I did something wrong I was totally unable to move an inch didn't deter her protectiveness).

Slowly rolling up the windows and closing the doors, I started the car and turned on the air conditioning. The whistle and words were so shrill I later checked to make sure I still had a full coat of paint on the right side of my car. It seems a running car produces carbon monoxide and we can't have that in the midst of small children.

Spotting my grandsons I exited the car, watching as S.W.W.L. turned a peculiar shade of red while windmilling her arms at warp speed, whistle making inhuman noises. I was finally able to discern that 4th grade children cannot walk 14 feet to their car alone, they have to be escorted. I also learned cars cannot be left unlocked at any time.

It was after I locked my car, walked 14 feet, grasped my grandsons hands, walked back to the very warm car and attempted to leave the parking space that I saw my

one chance.

I knew it was wrong, and would have hung my head in shame had it not been busy pointing my eyes in several directions while backing out and pulling alongside a large SUV. But all of my attention was on the tiny amount of open space just ahead. Throwing caution to the wind and glancing at S.W.W.L. I hit the gas and **TOOK THAT ROAD!**... at .4 MPH. I heard the whistle but the road was open and freedom was in sight!

I thought it very strange that a second set of grandsons also like to ride on the floor, but, to each his own, I guess.

P.S.

While neither of these schools or ladies are in Port Saint John I would like to offer a huge **THANK YOU** for all teachers and school workers, not only spending a large part of your life making our children better people but keeping them safe.

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## Golf Tournament For Children's Center

Sherwood Golf Club hosted a charity golf tournament in March, raising more than \$2,600 for early education and childhood development. More than 80 golfers and volunteers participated in the tournament with all proceeds benefiting The Children's Center (TCC), a service of Parrish Healthcare. The Children's Center provides children with developmental delays and other disabilities a safe and healing environment to learn and grow.

"After taking a tour of the center, I learned that no family is turned away because they can't afford services. I wanted to ensure these vital programs are available so decided to give back through a charity tournament. The community was supportive and the event was a huge success," said Andy Ali, owner of Sherwood Golf Club.

Through collaboration and coordination of specialized services, TCC is located in south Titusville and houses eight partner agencies, including Nemours Children's Specialty Care. TCC annually serves more than 2,000 families.

The center offers a continuum of care to all children, regardless of ability or socioeconomic status. Families with special needs children and/or typically developing children can receive numerous health, therapy, education and child development services in a single location.

"We'd like to thank all the sponsors, golfers, volunteers and a special thank you to Sherwood Golf Club. The tournament was a huge success due to the efforts of their staff and volunteer coordinators: Andreano Ali, Mike and Epiphany Lipphardt. We're extremely grateful for their support and commitment to the children and families in our community. The gift from Sherwood Golf Club is a great contribution to our vision of building strong families for life," said Lori Duester, manager at The Children's Center.

For more information about The Children's Center, contact 321-264-0855 or visit [parrishchildrenscenter.com](http://parrishchildrenscenter.com).

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation (JPMF) raises funds to support healthcare initiatives, such as TCC. For more information about how you can get involved, contact JPMF at 321-269-4066 or visit [parrishmedfoundation.com](http://parrishmedfoundation.com).

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

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

**Yarning for a Cause:** Mondays, 10 am-1 pm.  
**Senior Games:** Tuesdays, 11:00-3:00 pm. Card games, Rummikub, Dominoes, etc. Bring your favorite game and lunch or a snack.

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

**Special Summer Activities:** Thursdays, 3:30 pm. 1st grade and up. Flyers available in the Children's Library.

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

**Story Time:** Fridays, 10:30. All ages welcome.

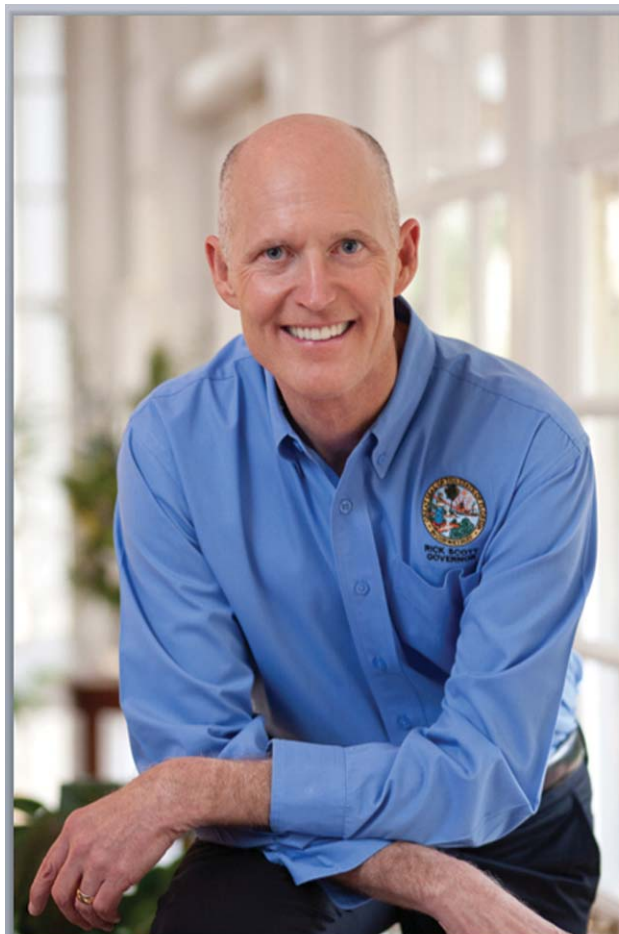
**Yarn Club:** Fridays, 2:00-4:00 pm. Knit, crochet and needle arts. Sit, talk and create. All ages and abilities welcome. Want to learn? We can help!

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

### Meetings and Events:

- June 7, 5:30pm Adult coloring club
- June 10, 10:00-Noon PSJ Pokémon Club
- June 12, 5:30pm Port St. John Public Library Advisory Board meeting
- June 14, 6:30-7:45 Hundred Acre Woods
- June 15, 10am-Noon North Brevard Homeschool Co-op
- June 16, 11:45am Titusville Chamber of Commerce
- June 21, 1-3:00pm Bookworms Adult Book Discussion Group.
- June 21, 6-7:45pm Sunrise Village
- June 24, 10-1:45pm Port St. John Pokémon Club
- June 28, 5:30pm Adult/teen craft. Decorate a jar and make a sugar scrub to fill it. Call reference for info and to registration. Free.

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June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm  
at **The Great Outdoors**  
Plantation Manor  
145 Plantation Dr. Titusville  
(west off of I-95 at the SR 50 exit)

This event is **FREE & Hosted by the**  
North Brevard Republican Club

Get your free ticket at Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/meet-governor-rick-scott-tickets-34310564823>

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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](http://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](http://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](mailto:ChristCentral51@gmail.com)

[www.cocoachurch.org](http://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](http://ccatpsj.org)

[ccatpsj.org](mailto:ccatpsj@rocketmail.com) -- email: [ccatpsj@rocketmail.com](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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/cocoaifbc>

### First Free Will Baptist Church

Pastor Darrell "D" Miller, 795-4780.

5311 Barna Ave. Titusville 269-4033, 268-1705

Sunday School 9:00 am, Morning Worship 10:00 am

Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm

### First United Methodist Church, (321) 631-0183

Rev. David Charlton at 1165 Fay Blvd.

Contemporary service - 9:00 am

Sunday School - 10 am; Traditional Service, 11 am

Wonderful Wednesday Worship, at 7 pm

Senior (High) Youth & Jr. (High) Youth at 3 pm, Sun.

Kingdom Kids, K - 5, meet at 3 pm. Sunday

### Frontenac Baptist Church (321)636-1369

5500 N. US Hwy 1 Pastor 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.nwbcofcocoa.org)

Sunday School for all ages, 9:00 am

Classic/Modern Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; Wed. Nights, 7 p.m.

### Pentecostals of Cocoa, 636-6560

1901 Michigan Ave., Cocoa

Sunday Worship at 10am; Sunday School at 10:30

am

Sunday evening Evangelistic Service, 6 pm

### Redeemer Presbyterian Church 264-0035

Meeting at 5005 Barna Ave., Titusville

Worship Celebration - Sundays at 10 am

Christian Education - Sundays, 11:15 am

[www.myredeemer.cc](http://www.myredeemer.cc)

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

414 Pine St., Titusville [www.stgabs.org](http://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)









# Walter Butler Community Center - May, 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

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

## Wednesdays

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 pm  
Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm  
Zumba, 6-7 pm

## Thursdays

Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.  
4-H Gardener Program, 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm  
Zumba, 6-7 pm

## 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.

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

**Zumba Classes** - Zumba is an adult 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 Kowalewski 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.

## World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Event

The Department of Children and Families and Brevard Commission on Aging will be hosting the 8th annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (W.E.A.A.D.) event to benefit Brevard Alzheimer's Foundation. The event will be held on Friday, June 16th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Melbourne Auditorium, 625 E. Hibiscus Blvd., Melbourne. Admission, parking and breakfast and lunch are free to all attendees.

This year's Brevard County event will provide the community with information on resources available to assist them. Exhibitors will include: memory screenings, caregiver information, local law enforcement and public safety providers, community service resource providers, local pharmacies, meal providers and transportation providers with options and solutions.

Every year, nearly five million older persons are abused, neglected and exploited. In addition, elders throughout the United States lose more than \$2.6 billion annually due to elder financial abuse and exploitation, funds that could have been used to pay for their basic needs.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) was launched on June 15, 2006 by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations. For more information, visit [www.IN-PEA.net](http://www.IN-PEA.net).



**Summer Camps**  
North Area Parks  
Traditional Summer Camps  
Offered May 25th - August 9th  
2017

Community Center Camps are for children who have completed Kindergarten through completed 6th grade. Children will participate in indoor and outdoor games, arts & crafts, swimming, and field trips.

**Camp Hours & Fees**  
Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm \$90.00 per week or \$30.00 per day  
Additional fee for camp t-shirt \$10.00

**Titusville/Melrose**  
Capelet Park Community Center  
2323 Hwy 1, Titusville/Melrose, Melrose  
321-266-6848

**Port St. John**  
Paw 91, John Community Center  
6000 Cooks Road, Port St. John  
321-933-1564

**Sharpes**  
Walter Butler Community Center  
4201 N. Cocoa Blvd, Sharpes  
321-433-4448

**Irona: Cassel Park Community Center**  
302 South Street, Titusville  
321-266-6848

**Seebill Community Center**  
585 North Cassel Avenue, Titusville  
321-266-6848

**Register in person or online at**  
<https://registration.brevardcounty.us>

**Specialty Camps**  
Camp Hours & Fees  
Monday-Friday 8:00am-6:00pm  
\$30.00 per week  
Additional fee for camp t-shirt \$10.00

**Camp Inspiration**  
Marshall Park Activity Hall  
7235 US Highway 1, Titusville  
321-264-5259  
For Exceptional Elements: Thursdays 8:30-11:30  
CAMP \$10.00  
Week 1: June 15-17 Week 2: June 19-21  
Week 3: June 23-25 Week 4: July 1-3

**Teen Camp**  
Walter Butler Community Center  
4201 N. Cocoa Blvd, Sharpes  
321-433-4448  
For Teen completion: grade through 6th grade  
CAMP \$10.00  
May 29th-August 1st

**Future Leader Program**  
Teens who have completed 7th grade through 12th grade will have the opportunity to take a leadership role by serving as a counselor in camp. This program is held at all Traditional Camp sites Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm.  
Please contact the community center site and interested in an application. Cost for this program is \$45 per week. Additional fee for t-shirt \$10.00.

Discounts are available to those who qualify.  
Registration will begin May 1, 2017  
\*\*Camp Programs are Subject to Change\*\*

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

## CANAVERAL GROVES HOMEOWNERS INC.

If you'd like to join and support our Homeowners' group, just cut out and fill out this form and mail with a check for \$15 to cover the current year's membership dues. Mail to: CGHI, P.O. Box 675, Sharpes, FL 32959



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ May we include your phone number on our membership roster to CGHI members? Yes  No

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](mailto:wcandei@aol.com)



# SLEEPY HOLLOW



## Fruit From The Groves

June, 2017 - 6/6 Jefferson Davis Birthday; 6/4 Pentecost; 6/6 D-Day; 6/14 Army Birthday & Flag Day; 6/18 Father's Day; 6/19 Juneteenth; 6/20 American Eagle Day; 6/21 Lail Al-Quadr; 6/21 June Solstice; 6/26 Eid Al Fitr

We want to give well wishes to our graduating high school seniors, the Class of 2017. Your future lies ahead of you and you have so much to accomplish. Some of you are going on to college, some to the military and some of you will be entering the labor force. All of these vocations are important. We need doctors, nurses, teachers, construction trade members, musicians/artist, lawyers, farmers, sales and promotional personnel, equipment operators, technicians, truck and bus drivers, scientists, law enforcement, firefighters, entrepreneurs and so many others. These vocations are not listed in any order because they are all important for us to maintain the greatest country in the world, the United States of America.

The GREAT VIDALIA SALE is over for another year, thanks to Conley Jordan. We sold 1,000 lbs. of Premium Vidalias this year thanks to his efforts. I would like all those who stopped by "The Canaveral Groves Country Club" AKA Jabbers, to visit and help with the sale. A big thank you from Conley and me to all our friends who purchased and helped sell the Vidalias this year. Thanks to Barry & Becky Stormes, Sue Bradin and Fairglen Elementary, Jenny Rhodes, Gail Kennedy, Mary Hise, John & Diane San Pedro, Gary Wademan, Jack & Lauri Binkley, Shawn & Jackie Fisher and Don & Larry Jordan for delivering our onions free of charge from south Georgia. Next up is the "GREAT NUT SALE" scheduled for this fall. We will again be featuring pecans and cashews from the South Georgia Pecan Company. This fall's crop will be here in time for your "Holiday Baking." Remember, all proceeds go to our Scholarship Benevolent Fund, which supports our Canaveral Groves community.

Congratulations to Mr. Michael Grigsby. Mi-

chael received his Eagle Scout Award at his Eagle Court of Honor held on March 18th. Michael landscaped various areas around his church so the grounds were safe and secure for children. Michael was able to fund most of his project through a generous donation from Lockheed Martin. Young Michael's father, Mike, is a former student of mine and I am so proud of what his son has accomplished, being a former Boy Scout. All the best to Mike and his lovely family and being a positive influence on our beloved Canaveral Groves community.

From Ms. Melanie Bailey: I wanted to bring to your attention that there are two residents in Canaveral Groves who, on May 29, 2017, will be celebrating their 63rd wedding anniversary. Bill and Jean Bailey were married in 1954 and moved to the Groves in 1969 with their children, CW and Melanie (both residents of the Groves too). Additionally, Mother will celebrate her 80th birthday on May 3rd. Belated congratulations from all of us here in the Groves.

I would like to wish a very Happy Belated Birthday to Ms. Sue Bradin. Sue serves as the treasurer of CGHI and does a wonderful job. It is a pleasure to have you and your Mom as residents here in the Groves. Many more Birthdays, my friend.

Congratulations to Matt Houchens as he has joined the ranks of Cocoa P.D. Matthew, 27, grew up in Canaveral Groves. He graduated from the Criminal Justice Academy at Eastern Florida State College in December 2016. He began his career in the medical field with certifications in dialysis and phlebotomy. Matt said he was drawn to the Cocoa Police Department because of its community outreach and proactive policing approach. "This is my community and Cocoa PD is very involved in the community and I want to be a part of that," Houchens said. "I was in the medical field for a while and enjoyed helping people. I just want to help people in a different aspect and this is where it went." Matt was one of my dialysis techs when I started that new phase

of my life. All the best and be safe, Matthew.

News from Viera for our West, By Gosh, Canaveral Groves residents. This issue has been dragging on for over two decades but thanks to the persistence of Mr. Lynn Bucket and other residents of the Satellite Blvd. area, hopefully, we are finally getting some movement.

From: wcandei@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 9:05 AM

To: Golden, Ian J

Subject: West Cocoa Water Project/ AKA Satellite Blvd. Water Project

Dear Ian,

Here it is May 2nd and no word from your office about bid letting for this project that has been going on for at least 20+ years. I am beginning to understand the frustration of the residents of the Satellite Blvd. area. If the City of Cocoa is causing the hold up, who should I contact?

Respectfully,  
Bill Cannon

Mr. Cannon,

I apologize for the delay in responding, but we have been inundated with issues related to the County budget. In short, the bid for the waterline project will be issued on 5/11/17 and due back on 6/8/17. All documents have been given to the Public Works Department (who bids our projects).

We were hoping to make a 4/21 time frame and were prepared to put the bid out without permitting approvals. If we had gone that route, we would have made revisions to the documents if necessary and it would have delayed the process on the back end. It turned out that we received approvals from the 2 agencies (Cocoa and DEP) that we were concerned about much quicker than anticipated, and the decision was made to incorporate the permitting requirements instead of making revisions in order to have as complete a package as possible.

If you have any other questions please let me know,

Ian

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## **Fruit From the Groves, cont.**

Speaking of movement, I want to wish my brother by another mother, Jerry Wall, a very Happy Birthday on Tuesday, June 20th. Turning 80, he is officially an Olde Phart. Many more, Brother!

Sorry to see that Radio Shack is closing their store at Publix Plaza on 524. They will be missed. Always helpful and knowledgeable staff to help out us old folks who are technically challenged. While on the West end of the Plaza, a new World Buffet and Italian grill will be opening soon. We wish them success and good luck. Always room for a good place to eat, especially in Cocoa.

### **The Choo Choo is still coming, just not quite as fast...**

Still waiting: Senators get non-answer from FDFC on All Aboard Florida bonding  
Post from FaceBook.....

A pair of Republican lawmakers have yet to receive an adequate explanation from the Florida Development Finance Corporation about its approval of a \$600 million private equity bond application for All Aboard Florida.

The rail project is seeking to offer passenger service from Miami to West Palm Beach with the possibility of future service to Orlando. In 2015, the FDFC approved the issuance of \$1.75 billion in bonds for All Aboard Florida, a move that led Martin and Indian River counties to sue, alleging the project violated the National Environmental Policy Act.

Questions arose after the first request for \$1.75 billion in bonds was withdrawn, replaced by a new application for \$600 million from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

In February, Miami Sen. Anitere Flores sent a letter to FDFC Director William Spivey to clarify the FDFC's role in the approval of the new bond. Sen. Debbie Mayfield of Melbourne reaffirmed the request with a separate letter asking Spivey for elucidation on the process by April 10.

An April 6 letter to Flores from Donna Blanton of the Tallahassee-based Radey law firm – who serves as outside counsel for the FDFC — was less than enlightening.

“As I am sure you realize,” she writes, “the FDFC is a collegial body that is governed by a board of directors.”

Blanton added that Spivey cannot provide “the position” of the FDFC, since the board makes its positions known “through formal action of its board of directors” by way of public meetings.

“Moreover, an application for Private Activity Bond allocation is a separate and distinct process from an application for financing requiring consideration by the board of directors.”

All Aboard Florida, the attorney writes, has “not submitted any request or proposal for consideration by FDFC since FDFC approved its original Resolution relating to Private Activity Bonds on Aug. 5, 2015.” Blanton concludes that “it would be improper to speculate on what AAF may or may not ask of FDFC’s board of directors and how the Board may respond.”

Not much of an answer.

Similarly, a letter to Mayfield dated April 14 echoed the explanation given to Flores.

The gist of the letters – which, in essence, say nothing – suggest that instead of acting as a public instrument, FDFC insists on conducting work in the dark.

After two ranking lawmakers questioned the process, instead of answers, lawyers respond with a veritable word salad. How better to describe such verbal gymnastics like “it would improper to speculate on what AAF may or may not ask of the FDFC’s board of directors and how the Board may respond?”

AAF publicly stated in November 2016, before a final ruling on the legality of the USDOT \$1.75 billion bond allocation, that both the DOT and AAF filed motions announcing the withdrawal of the allocation, first granted December 2014.

Then, AAF applied — and DOT had approved — a “new” \$600 million bond allocation financing only Phase I of the project (the part running from Miami to West Palm Beach).

So again, Flores and Mayfield have (rightfully) asked the FDFC to explain. Both senators seek a better understanding of the process, and ensure AAF and the FDFC are following all best practices in the re-issuance of \$600 million in bonds. And both are still waiting.

The following is another post on fb from the Orlando Sentinel's contact reporter, Mr. Kevin Spear....

The eye-catching train station being built at Orlando’s airport soars monumentally in height, flaunts curved rooftops that overlap and conjures modern romance for rail travel.

For an indefinite time, however, the \$221 million station might be more railroad museum than bustling transportation hub.

The new train station at Orlando International Airport will open in the fall of 2017.

The Inter-Modal Terminal Facility will open

this fall for taxis, buses and airport shuttles. But it may be years before trains arrive from Central Florida counties, Orlando’s tourist corridor and South Florida.

Asked to predict when rail service might begin, Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer said: “I’m not going to hazard a guess just yet.”

The station adjoins a new terminal under construction at the south end of the airport’s campus.

The Florida Department of Transportation has provided \$159 million in grants and \$52 million in loans for the station. One of the three train systems anticipating service to the station, Brightline, is adding another \$10 million for construction.

The airport’s south entrance offers a view of the new train station.

A blow came this month for the railroad that Dyer calls the “backbone” of Central Florida’s emerging transportation network.

Florida transportation officials disclosed that linking the SunRail commuter train in Volusia, Seminole, Orange and Osceola counties with the airport stands to cost more than twice as much as previously projected.

The Department of Transportation’s director for SunRail operations, Nicola Liquori, told local officials a detailed study determined that a 5.5-mile airport spur would cost about \$250 million. Early estimates had put the figure at \$100 million, Liquori said.

Whatever the price, there is no money secured for connecting SunRail and the airport. The commuter train already faces financial revolt from Volusia County over the federal government’s continued refusal to help pay for extending tracks within the county from an existing station in DeBary to a planned station in DeLand.

“I think we are at the point where we need to really reassess what is the best way to provide service from SunRail to the airport,” said Orange County Mayor Teresa Jacobs.

A very different model for service to the airport station is a proposal for a magnetically-levitated train. The private venture by American Maglev Technology, Inc. would link the airport with the Orange County Convention Center and International Drive. Maglev has tantalized and perplexed local officials; although the airport promotes its new station as including Maglev, the airport also hedges its outlook for the train as “possibly” arriving at the station.

Concerned about too little progress by Maglev, the Florida Department of Transportation has



given the company until July to meet financial requirements for the train's use of state right-of-way. But Maglev president and CEO, Tony Morris, said last week that his company's goal is to start train service in late 2019 for the fall convention season. The train would have 12 miles of track, with stops at the airport, SunRail and one or two stations near the convention center, he said.

Morris said the project's cost is private but that previous reports of \$400 million are "approximately" accurate.

"In truth, and despite good faith and hard work by all, this coordination process took a lot longer than we allowed for in our schedule," Morris said. "Getting the route right, serving and balancing the needs of the traveling public, the local governmental agencies and the activity centers has been quite complicated."

Drawing much attention recently has been the Brightline private train, gearing up for a summer start of 60-minute service between Miami and West Palm Beach.

A proposed second phase to the Orlando airport has been ensnared in lawsuits, unfriendly legislation and permitting.

The company, which would not provide an ex-

ecutive for comment, said that after establishing South Florida service it will announce a timeline as long as 24 months for construction to get to Orlando. Of that 168-mile extension, the 35 miles from Cocoa to Orlando would require new track.

In an emailed statement, Mike Reininger, director of Florida East Coast Industries, the parent company of Brightline, said: "We are fully committed to bringing Brightline service" to Orlando.

Airport director Phil Brown said Brightline has spent about \$60 million on track right of way from Cocoa to Orlando. The company, he said, also has provided a \$10 million letter of credit to cover loan payments beginning in 2020 if Brightline is unable to make them.

"They have made some financial commitments to get here," Brown said. "In my best ballpark estimate, which is not much of a ballpark, I would expect them to be operational about the time we open the south terminal in three years."

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

Three sons left home, went out on their own and prospered. Getting back together, they discussed the gifts they were able to give their elderly mother. The first said, "I built a big house for our mother."

The second said, "I sent her a Mercedes with a driver."

The third smiled and said, "I've got you both beat. Remember how mom enjoyed reading the Bible? And you know she can't see very well. I sent her a remarkable parrot that recites the entire Bible. It took elders in the church 12 years to teach him. He's one of a kind. Mama just has to name the chapter and verse, and the parrot recites it."

Soon thereafter, mom sent a letter to each son. "Milton," she wrote one son, "the house you built is so huge. I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house."

"Gerald," she wrote to another, "I am too old to travel. I stay most of the time at home, so I rarely use the Mercedes. And the driver is so rude!"

"Dearest Donald," she wrote to her third son, "you have the good sense to know what your mother likes. The chicken was delicious."

As always, I wish everyone a great month. Be sure and read all of our other staff contributors. They all have good information and our advertisers are locally based for your convenience.

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

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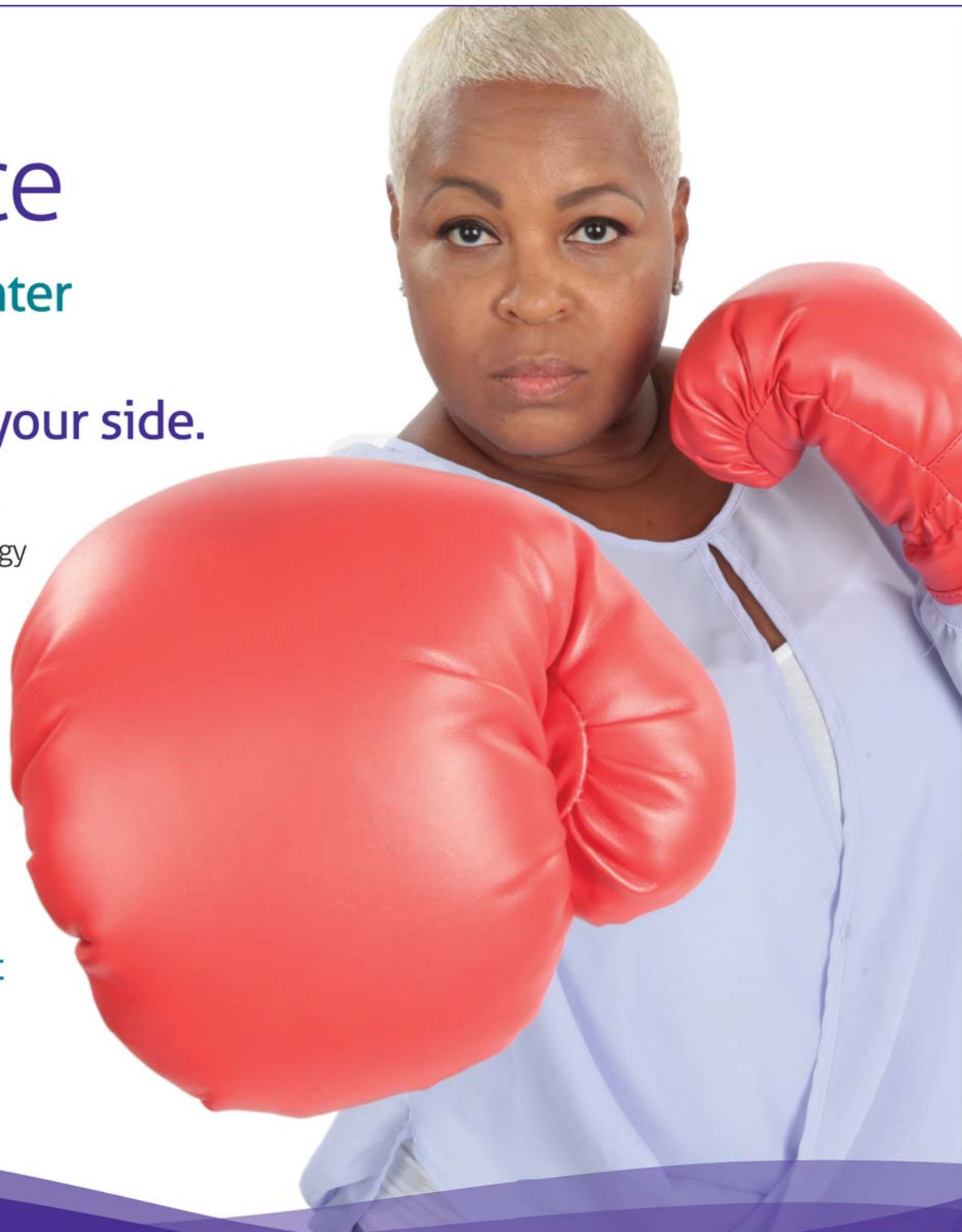
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