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Fall Is Here. Things are HAPPENING!

Boat Ramp Repair Update:

In light of not waiting for FEMA reimbursement, as last posted, which could take up to a year or longer, the County decided to take a loan from Risk Management funds to expedite boat ramp repairs.

Port St. John Boat Ramp status:

Survey work has been completed.

Purchase Order for design has been issued to Coastal Tec.

Design phase is expected to take 2-4 months.

Permitting could take up to 6 months.

Construction is expected to take 3-6 months.

Construction will be done by Canaveral Construction.

Parrish Park Boat Ramp:

Survey work has been completed.

Purchase Order for design issues to Morgan and Associates.

Design phase is expected to take 2-4 months.

Permitting could take up to 6 months.

Construction is expected to take 3-6 months.

Construction will be done by Canaveral Con-

struction.

District 1 will continue to provide updates on the status as information becomes available.

Thank you for your continued patience with this process and your passion for our boat ramps. Please do not hesitate to contact our office with any additional questions.

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PSJ Fireworks Show?

Monthly Business Roundtable

The Port St. John (PSJ) Startups & Founders Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month. Business owners and entrepreneurs are welcome to attend. The group shares information on new business opportunities and ways to improve on existing businesses. The hot topic for the October meeting is whether there is any interest or anyone to work on a fireworks event for Port St. John. You don't need to know how to shoot the fireworks, just be willing to help with the event and the fundraising.

There is no fee to attend. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 3rd, 8:00 AM at Port Java in Fay Plaza, 4795 Fay Blvd. See you there!

Cocoa Village Fall Art & Craft Fair

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PSJ Community Center Schedule - October, 2018

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

Mondays – Fridays

Seniors at Lunch, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Mondays

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

Community Cares After School Program 2:30- 6

Game Room/Computers, 3-8 p.m.

Billiards, 3-8 p.m.

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

Tuesdays

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

Community Cares After School Program 2:30- 6

Game Room/Computers 3-8 p.m.

Billiards, 3-8 p.m.

Girl Scout Troop 1902, 4-5 p.m.

Girl Scout Troop 276, 6-7 p.m.

Wednesdays

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

Dream Weavers, 1-4 p.m.

Community Cares After School Program 2:30- 6

Game Room/Computers, 3-8 p.m.

Billiards, 3-8 p.m.

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

Thursdays

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

Community Cares After School Program 2:30- 6

Game Room/Computers, 3-8 p.m.

Billiards, 1:30-8 p.m.

Tai Chi, 6-7 p.m.

Cub Pack 704, 6-7 p.m.

Fridays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Community Cares After School Program 2:30- 6

Billiards, 1:30-6 p.m.

Saturdays

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

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

SCOREBOARDS

The high school scoreboards are in pretty rough shape and the storms didn't help. If anyone in the community, business owner or someone who knows someone, please join us for a meeting on September 5th in the Media Center at the school to see how we can get ALL new scoreboards at Space Coast High School.

For more information or if you'd like to help but can't make the meeting, contact Becky Ohlinger at ronbeckyohlinger@hotmail.com.

Tai Chi - When learned correctly and performed regularly, tai chi can be a positive part of an overall approach to improving your health. Classes are to be held on Thursdays 6-7 PM, \$6 per class (1st class free). Be sure to wear comfortable clothing. For more information contact Tom Abbott at (321)208-7148 or the Port St. John Community Center at (321)633-1904.

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Good Day! by Maureen Rupe Property behind Winn Dixie on U.S. 1

Behind the Port St. John Winn Dixie on U.S. 1, there is 50-acre property where there is a code enforcement investigation for land clearing without a permit. The property is not yet surveyed, but is zoned Commercial BU-1/General Retail Commercial. It is adjacent to residential. I will let you know of any activity on this parcel.



Port St. John Fay Blvd. Rezoning Request

As reported in September, a rezoning request came before the Port St. John Planning & Zoning Board on August 8th. The request was for a 1.78 acre parcel to be rezoned from Industrial – Low Intensity/Residential 4 to BU-1 on property between Fay Blvd. and Balfern Street. There is an

intended Dollar Store to be on the property, which means two within a short distance of each other. The rezone was unanimously recommended denied by the PSJ P&Z board. The following link is to the October 4th Brevard County Commission meeting: http://brevardcountyfl.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=1532. There's nothing shown at this time, but the agenda should be available within 7 days of the meeting.

Charter Amendments

Once every 20 years, there is a chance to change the Florida Constitution. This year will be one of those chances. This is more lasting impact than changing the Laws of Florida. The League of Women Voters of Florida is non-partisan and studies the Amendments closely to make certain they will serve the people. The following is taken from the League of Women Voter's website on the Amendments, <https://www.lwvfl.org/amendments>. You can visit the site to read more to obtain more background information.

Amendment 1: Grants an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption for homes valued over \$125,000. Owners of homes worth more than \$100,000 would also receive an increase in their

exemption.

League of Women Voters Oppose. The League has a position that "no tax sources or revenue should be specified, limited, exempted or prohibited in the Constitution."

Amendment 2: Makes permanent what currently is a temporary cap of 10 percent on annual property value increases for vacation homes, apartments and commercial property, effectively limiting increases on tax bills.

League of Women Voters Oppose. The League has a position that "no tax sources or revenue should be specified, limited, exempted, or prohibited in the Constitution."

Amendment 3: Requires approval of any new casino gambling through a citizen-initiative constitutional amendment, effectively barring the Legislature from making those gambling decisions by passing laws.

League of Women Voters Support. It restricts casino gambling and allows Florida voters to make any decisions regarding increases of casino gambling, consistent with League position against gambling. This amendment is also supported by No Casinos, Inc. and Disney.

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Amendment 4: Would restore the eligibility to vote to persons with felony convictions who have completed their sentences.

League of Women Voters Support. The League was one of the sponsors of this initiative. Florida is one of only four states that permanently bars felons from voting after their sentences are completed. This restriction on voting is a vestige of Florida's post-Civil War Constitution. Everyone deserves a second chance.

Amendment 5: Requires a two-thirds vote of the Legislature to approve any new or increased taxes or fees, rather than a simple majority.

League of Women Voters Oppose. This amendment does not include a provision that would allow for tax increases in times of emergencies (hurricane, floods, recession, etc.) and is an abrogation of the Legislature's fiduciary responsibility to pass a reasonable budget.

Amendment 6: Vastly expands the scope of victims rights under the state Constitution; increases the mandatory retirement age for judges from 70 to 75; forces courts and judges to interpret laws and rules for themselves rather than rely on interpretations by government agencies.

League of Women Voters Oppose. Victims' rights are already protected in the Constitution, and this amendment would eliminate an existing provision that victims' rights do not interfere with the constitutional rights of the accused.

Amendment 7: Creates a supermajority requirement for universities to impose new or increase existing student fees; enshrines in the Constitution guidelines for the State College System; mandates that employers or the state pay a death benefit to first responders and members of the military killed in the line of duty.

League of Women Voters Oppose. We oppose a supermajority vote to increase fees or taxes. Family members of the military who die in the line of service are already compensated through the federal government.

Amendment 8: The Supreme Court has removed Amendment 8 from the November 2018 Ballot, upholding the decision by a lower court that Amendment 8 misled voters by not clearly stating its true purpose and never mentioning charter schools by name.

Amendment 9: Prohibits oil drilling beneath waters controlled by Florida; prohibits the use

of e-cigarettes, also known as vaping, at indoor workplaces.

League of Women Voters Support. Our concern for the environment overrides our concern about putting vaping in the Constitution. We also believe that if this amendment doesn't pass, it sends a signal to the federal government that Florida does not care about off-shore drilling.

Amendment 10: Requires the Legislature to hold its session in early January on even-numbered years; creates an Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism within the Florida Department of Law Enforcement; mandates the existence of a state Department of Veterans' Affairs; forces all counties to elect a sheriff, tax collector, property appraiser, supervisor of elections and Clerk of Circuit Court.

League of Women Voters Oppose. This limits the voters in local communities from deciding on the election of county officers. It adds an unnecessary provision as the Constitution already has the power to set dates during even numbered years. FDLE is already the lead agency in coordinating efforts to prevent terrorism, and the

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Good Day!, cont.

Constitution already has authorized the Legislature to create a Department of Veteran Affairs. This amendment is clearly an effort to restrict the powers of local government.

Amendment 11: Repeals the state's ability to prohibit non-citizens from buying, owning and selling property; deletes a provision that forces the state to prosecute criminal suspects under the law they were originally charged under, even if the Legislature changes that law; deletes obsolete language having to do with high-speed rail in Florida.

League of Women Voters No position. Although we think that removing obsolete language is a good thing, there is a lot of other obsolete language that is not being addressed. Although the first issue regarding the ability of non-citizens to purchase and sell property cannot be enforced, the provision that requires criminal suspects to be prosecuted for an obsolete law should be changed.

Amendment 12: Expands ethics rules for elected officials and government employees, notably by expanding from two to six years the

time that many officials would have to wait before they could lobby state government.

League of Women Voters No position. Although there is need for lobbying reform, we felt that six years might be onerous, and this amendment does not address the real issue regarding lobbying, which is the impact of money in political campaigns.

Amendment 13: Bans wagering on any type of dog racing, notably greyhounds, as of Dec. 31, 2020, while continuing to allow dog tracks to continue offering other types of gambling, including poker rooms.

League of Women Voters Support. This is primarily a gambling issue, and the League has held a consistent position against gambling.

Reference:

<https://www.lwvfl.org/amendments>

North Lagoon

The Marine Resource Council's website has a great article in their Indian River Lagoon Health Update, <https://savetheirl.org/irl-health-update/story-of-the-north-lagoon/>. There is a lot of talk on how the easy fix would be to open another inlet to cure the Lagoon's problems. Predictive

models have been run, and indicate there would be little impact, and probably would not generate enough water flow to flush the area. A new inlet would upset the flow of sand moving south, costing more beach re-nourishment, and at the same time send pollutants into our ocean and beaches.

Unfortunately, there is no easy fix. We have to restore filtration, remove muck and pollutants. It took decades to cause the problem, and unfortunately will probably take decades to fix. Check the link for more on that story, plus a lot of other information concerning the Indian River Lagoon.

Cheerio,

Maureen Rupe

rupe32927@earthlink.net

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Contact Janice Anderson, WebMaster, American Legion Riders Post 359 at info@alr359.com for more information.

Upcoming special events:

10/20: Mortgage Burning Party, 2-8 pm, Mid Life Crisis Band.

10/27, 7-?: Halloween Party, Loaded Dice Band.

11/11: Veterans Day Celebration, 1-5, Henderson Brothers Band.

12/31: New Year's Eve Party

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Project Graduation

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Project Graduation 2019

Bricks: Project Graduation is offering a unique opportunity to leave a lasting symbol of support to Space Coast High School. Purchase a brick paver to commemorate a special occasion or remember a loved one. Bricks are \$50 and will be placed in the brick garden around the flag pole near the football stadium.

Golf Tournament: Saturday, November 17th, 8:30am. Indian River Golf. Individual-\$75.00, Team-\$250.00. Please contact us for corporate sponsorship information.

Dominos: Every Monday from open to close, order your Viper Special. This a medium 1 topping for \$6. Carryout Only. Be sure to ask for the

“Viper Special.”

Papa John’s: Be sure to get your \$5.00 Papa John’s discount card.

Shoes: Please keep saving those shoes. Shoes can be dropped off at Brian’s Barber Shop or call us to come pick them up. They will be refurbished and sent to third world countries.

Thank you to these businesses that have agreed to host bucket drops and/or donate part of sales for the designated times. These additional events to show support and help raise money include:

Five Below Fundraiser, October 5th – 7th (Take your coupon in that will be handed out at the JV and Varsity football games and 10% of sales will be donated.)

CVS Bucket Drop, October 6th, 10am – 2pm

Kelsey’s Fundraiser, October 8th, 5pm – 9pm
Beef O Brady’s, October 22nd, 5pm – 9pm
(Write Grad on receipt.)

El Leoncito, October 24th, 11am – 10pm
Troy’s Pizzeria, October 29th, 5pm – 9 pm
(Eat in and carry out.)

The next monthly meeting will be October 1st at 6:00 pm in the Space Coast High School Media Center. In order for Project Graduation to be successful, we need all senior parents to be involved in the planning and helping to volunteer at fundraising events. If you have a senior this year, please make every effort to attend the meeting on October 1st.

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Trick or Treat?

Every October as I hand out goodies to the neighborhood children and teens, I also send them away with a prayer that they will be protected from harm. As innocent as the age old tradition seems, it's no new news that there's a real potential for harm when it comes to Halloween. And it's not just Halloween that comes to mind. It's the thought of them trusting someone who isn't worthy of their trust. It could be anyone in a trusted position that may potentially harm a child.

A child recently came to me and told me that a man was going around grabbing children as they travel home from school. I found myself talking to the entire group about "stranger danger" and how to avoid contact with anyone posing a threat. I then proceeded to tell the group that not all dangers come from strangers, and that they need to follow their instinct if something doesn't seem right in having contact with someone they know or is told they are trustworthy.

I felt an overwhelming need to tell them about the abuse I faced growing up, and told them briefly about my experiences. It came from a spouse, friends of babysitters, neighbors and coworkers; all of whom were trusted; some beloved.

I proceeded to pull out a recent copy of Happenings from my bag and showed them my last article. I told them I wrote it, and that I care about their safety, and they should read it every month, and to please share the information with others.

In more than 90% of abuse cases a child suffers from the hands of someone they know and trust. These statistics came from LAUREN'S

KIDS, a foundation dedicated to preventing child abuse and promoting the healing process. They urge parents and guardians to regularly talk about safe vs. unsafe secrets, and to have a "trusted triangle," which contains three trusted adults to go to about anything that may concern them.

For more information on this subject, please visit SaferSmarterKids.org. Please talk to your child often about safety and how to better protect themselves from harm, outside of the usual "Don't play with fire." If you or someone you know is suffering from the hands of another individual, please call 1-800-96-ABUSE, tell a doctor, a counselor, or school principal.

Don't forget to check those bags of goodies for potential dangers like razor blades, poison, and throw out anything that looks like it has been tampered with! Happy haunting and have a safe October everyone! -Neighbor Nell



Never heard of Operation Christmas Child? This is a ministry started by Franklin Graham and Samaritan's Purse. Go to their website:

<http://www.samaritans-purse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>. They also have a Facebook page.

You can use and fill any shoebox you have or we will have a limited supply of shoeboxes available at the church. National Collection Week will be November 12-19.

First Baptist Port St. John will be a drop off location for shoeboxes again this year!

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Rose's Room

~ Rose Padrick

Halloween when it was fun...

According to the calendar, summer is officially over. Here in paradise we can tell THE SEASON will be approaching at lightning speed by the drop in temperature. The thermometer on the back porch reads a consistent 91 even when you whack it to be sure, and we are subject to the fall color change. Leaves turn red-yellow-orange north of the Mason Dixon Line. We in paradise have blue-purple-red of the Man-O-Wars washed on shore by the hurricanes we are lucky enough to avoid.

But before the kiddies begin dreaming of Sugarplums and Fat Guys dressed in red, they will be contemplating cajoling Mom and Dad into taking out a loan to purchase a paper-like outfit that will be worn once in their lifetime, then thrown away. The only imagination used will be by parents trying to schedule who chaperones and the kids trying to route the houses that give the best candy.

Come to think of it, I'll bet if we stop to think of how many All Hallows Eves we have experienced in our lifetime and how many we have truly enjoyed, the latter number would be much smaller than the first. Watching your children take their first toddling steps to a neighbor's front door, then have a major attack of the 'Too shy to say twick or tweets' is a sweet recollection bruised by the need to guard said child from the nut cases who could actually be living in your neighborhood.

When me and Fred Flintstone roamed the streets of Angel City, we felt, and for the most part were, safe. (That is until we got home and quickly learned the lady three houses down saw us sneak into the back yard of the house next to her and pilfer more oranges than we could eat. We ate dinner standing up more times than we like to recall.) But even with the whole neighborhood knowing who we were and watching out for us, we still managed to have fun and sometimes not get caught.

Paying for a costume was just not done. Half of the fun was spending days raiding our parents' and friends parents' closets looking for something that would transform us into the Lone Ranger, a princess or a hobo. My little brother once set out

as Lassie. Using all of moms somewhat brown rouge and a terrible wig, he became so adept at barking "Trick or Treat," he continued to bark sentences for days after, especially after he discovered how badly it annoyed me and how much candy he could demand to stop.

My other little brother was the best hobo ever! He started doing his own makeup at 5 years old and continued getting better every year. Holding his pillow case, (paper bags became soggy and precious candy escaped, much to the delight of the kid following behind), he learned to hesitate just long enough to make the adult at the door feel bad and drop another Tootsie Roll Pop in.

Remember when just being out at night and navigating in the dark sans adults was a heady experience? Knowing some little brothers are going to jump from behind a bush to scare you didn't keep you from gasping and freezing when it happens, especially when you were beginning to panic because you couldn't find them and your mom would blame you should one of them get a scratch and go running home in tears.

Eating as much candy as we could on the way home before parents could order us to pick a couple that we liked and save the rest was the norm, and the thought of having to X-ray the booty was unheard of. Having triple belly aches the next morning was very much heard of as was running for a wet cloth when one of my brothers began making THOSE noises. I cannot imagine what a teacher's November 1st must be like.

Rehashing dark nights running from imaginary monsters down those dirt roads in later years always ended in as much, or perhaps more laughter as the act itself.

I invite/challenge everyone reading this to stop right now, call your little brother or sister just to say, "I love you. Hey remember when..." (Notice I put this in at the end of my column!)

Unlike childhood memories, little brothers don't always last forever.

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PSJ United Soccer Open House

Futbol season is here! Although the official season begins on September 8th for most of PSJ United's teams, the club hosted an Open House on Saturday, August 25th allowing the community to see all of the great things the club is doing.

The Space Coast Soccer Complex hosted scrimmages between PSJ United teams, ranging in age from Little Kickers (U4, or Under 4) all the way up to U14 (Under 14) players. Players were kept busy before and after matches with games of Soccer Darts and refreshments by Kona Ice and a fully operational concession stand.

Hibbett Sports sent a representative who handed out coupons and informed visitors of supplies they may purchase at the store and upcoming promotions. A representative of Orlando City Soccer also was able to attend, and handed out discount codes for anyone interested in attending an Orlando City game. Following the matches at the Space Coast Soccer Complex, a large contingent took Orlando City up on that offer and traveled to Orlando to watch the Pride play in their final home game of the season.

These events and the season could not occur without the support of business partners and sponsors. PSJ United would like to thank current partners for their support and encourage anyone else looking for exposure for a business, or a way to make a positive impact in the community, to reach

out to the club. You may visit the website at psjunitedsoccer.com or contact Jason Abbott directly at 321-848-6502.

PSJ United would also like to thank the many current volunteers who are donating their valuable time to help run the club. Anyone else interested in making a positive impact in the community may contact the club through the website, contact Dwayne Davis at ddavis1974@msn.com, or visit the fields on a Saturday and talk to one of the Board Members. The club can use help in many areas, ranging from volunteer coaches, concession workers, lining of fields and several other areas. Volunteer hours are also applicable for Bright Future Scholarships. Without volunteers there is no league, so we encourage all to join us. The season runs throughout the months of September and October. You may visit the website for more details.

Anyone interested in Board meetings may email Dwayne Davis with questions, or visit the club on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm. For more information, visit Psjunitedsoccer.com or follow on Facebook at www.facebook.com/psjunitedsoccer

See you on the Pitch! - Dwayne



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Out On The Town Daddy O's Diner

This month's review will be a little different. Normally I do reviews on lunch and dinners at one of our local eateries, but this month I decided to do a breakfast review. We have a few places right here in Port St. John that serve breakfast, but I chose to review Daddy O's Diner since they recently went through a remodel.

The place now resembles what looks like your typical small town diner. When you enter the restaurant, there's an old fashioned style bar/counter to the left and a few booths to your right. Right off, I liked the place. It's clean, has a nice cozy feel and I like the nostalgic appearance.

My wife and I chose to sit in a booth away from everyone else so we could discuss the meal discreetly as we ate. The breakfast menu is simple and all on one page, which makes it much easier to navigate. Even though it's all on one page, Daddy O's still has about everything you can think of that you'd typically order for breakfast.

My wife ordered the shrimp & grits, a small chipped beef & gravy on toast and a side order of scrapple. Neither one of us cared too much for the chipped beef on toast. It had a different taste than we were used to and had way too much paprika sprinkled on it. The shrimp & grits was pretty good. It was seasoned with scallions, bacon and cheddar with about 7 decent sized shrimp. The scrapple was good but needed to be fried a little bit more than it was.

I ordered what I considered a traditional southern breakfast: 2 eggs over medium, hash browns, bacon and a side order of grits. My breakfast was absolutely perfect and delicious. The eggs were cooked perfectly, where the whites were done and the yolks were still somewhat runny. The hash browns were nice and crispy as they should be and so was the bacon. The grits were even cooked perfectly and it's hard to get good grits unless you go up to the old south. The only small complaint I have is, my coffee cup went dry and the waitress never came by to see if I needed more coffee until she brought out the food.

Daddy O's Dinner serves breakfast all day for all you late risers. They also serve lunch and open daily 7 days a week from 7 am to 2 pm. They are located up front along US 1 at 722 West Avenue.

- Ken Carson

Tax Update

New changes for 2018 Tax Year

There are several new changes coming for the tax year 2018. There is a new 1040 being drafted taking the form down from 79 lines to about 24 lines. The adjusted gross income line 37 from prior years is now line 7 and it also includes 6 new schedules (numbered 1-6). These schedules are broken down for additional income and adjustments to income, nonrefundable credits, other taxes, other payments and refundable credits.

Personal exemptions are now a thing of the past, however standard deduction is about \$24,000 for married filing jointly, and \$12,000 for single/married filing single, and \$18,000 for Head of Household.

There is also an additional non-refundable credit for Credit for Other Dependents. Examples of other dependents include qualifying relative 17 years or older, qualifying children with ITIN or ATIN. Qualifying relatives may also include the taxpayer's aging parents.

For corporations, some new changes include the new 199A deduction known as qualified business income (QBI), which is defined as the net amount of qualified items of income, gain, deduction and loss with respect to any qualified trade of business of taxpayer. It takes 20% off the top.

It is allowed on any Partnership, S-Corporation, Sole Proprietorship, LLCs, real estate investors, trusts and estates.

Also new is a \$2,500.00 "repair regulation" per item or invoice allowing a current deduction instead of a capitalized asset being deducted over years, such as air conditioning or heating.

New rules for Section 179 property deduction has increased from \$500,000 to \$1 million for items placed in service after Dec 31, 2017. This includes new and used property purchased for business or rentals (including water heaters, window AC's and refrigerators).

This is only a brief overview. It is your responsibility to discuss any tax or financial information, prior to making any changes, with your professional advisor to assist you in evaluating your situation.

For details and specific assistance in applying the general information in this article, call us at your earliest convenience or contact your tax advisor. Provided by Tracey C. Higginbotham, E.A. (321)632-5726, a member of the National Society of Accountants.

I think my neighbor is stalking me. She's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.

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Mammography

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you might be
wrong about.*



There are no sure things in medicine, but mammography comes close. Regular mammograms have been proven to find breast cancer at its earliest stages, when treatments are most effective. But many women fail to take advantage of these powerful, potentially lifesaving tests because of unfounded fears. If you're one of them, let's break down the barriers.



Myth 1: Insurance won't cover it, or I won't be able to afford the copay/deductible.

"Mammography is usually covered under most health plans, including Medicare, once a woman reaches an age determined by the insurer," says Shannon Luker, BSN, OCN, CBCN, CN-BN, Parrish Cancer Center patient navigator.

If you have Medicare and are age 65 or older, Medicare pays for most of the cost of a screening mammogram every 12 months. If needed, Medicare will pay for a diagnostic mammogram at any time.

Some state and local health programs and employers provide mammograms free or at low cost. For example, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) coordinates the Florida Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (321-984-4702). The state and national programs provide testing services, including clinical breast exams and mammograms, to low-income women throughout the U.S.

Myth 2: The test is too painful.

Yes, the test can be a bit uncomfortable, but most women don't consider it painful. During mammography, your breast is placed on a special platform and compressed with a plastic paddle.

Compression helps hold the breast still, evens out the breast tissue and allows lower doses of X-rays to be used.

Because there is pressure on the breast, the American Cancer Society recommends you schedule the procedure one week after your period, when your breasts are least tender.

If you feel pain, speak up. The technologist may be able to lower the compression and relieve some of the pressure on your breast.

And remember that any discomfort is brief. The actual X-ray takes less than a minute.

Myth 3: I just don't have time.

You don't have half an hour, once a year? From start to finish, a basic screening mammogram lasts about 15 to 20 minutes. A more in-depth diagnostic mammogram, which takes images from more angles, runs 30 to 45 minutes.

If that still sounds like too much time, think about this: Several large studies conducted around the world show that mammograms help reduce the number of deaths from breast cancer for women ages 40 to 69, especially those older than 50.

And then think about this: How much time will it take to fight breast cancer once it has spread through your body? A lot more than half an hour.

Myth 4: Breast cancer only affects older women.

Breast cancer can occur at any age. Up to age 39, 1 in 231 women, or less than 5 percent, will get breast cancer; from ages 40 to 59, the risk is 4 percent; from ages 60 to 79, the risk is 1 in 15 women, or nearly 7 percent.

Myth 5: Using antiperspirants causes breast cancer.

"I've never seen any evidence to show this," says Jackie Miller, MD, a medical officer with

the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Neither the active ingredient in antiperspirants nor a reduction in underarm perspiration has been shown to affect breast cancer risk.

Myth 6: I'm at high risk for breast cancer, and I can't do anything about it.

Women at high risk can reduce, although not eliminate, their chances of getting the disease. These include lifestyle changes (stopping smoking, exercising regularly), medication and, in some cases, a pre-emptive mastectomy. "There are chemo-preventive medications shown to be somewhat effective for high-risk women," says Dr. Miller, who also recommends annual MRIs along with mammograms.

Myth 7: Breast cancer only affects women.

Most of the people you see sporting pink ribbons as a show of support for breast cancer care awareness are probably women—but it is a disease that affects men and children profoundly, as well. Though it is rare, men can develop breast cancer. But many men and children are affected through their support of the women they love.



ASK A BREAST CANCER EXPERT NEAR YOU

Have questions about breast conditions, examinations and tests?

Parrish Cancer Center certified patient navigator Shannon Luker is here to help.

Reach Shannon at 321-268-6111, ext. 3544.



*Shannon Luker, BSN, OCN, CBCN, CN-BN
Parrish Cancer Center patient navigator*

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Overeaters Anonymous meets in PSJ on **Saturdays** at 9:30 AM at the PSJ Library. Visit oaspacecoast.org for other meeting locations.

Nar-Anon: Support group for those affected by someone else's addiction, meets on Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00 PM at 1st United Methodist Church, 825 Forrest Ave., Cocoa www.naranonfl.org.

10-2 Compassionate Friends Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6 PM in Cocoa Beach at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 525 Minuteman Cswy. west of A1A, Fellowship Hall. Call 610-7875 for info.

10-3 American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 359, General Membership Meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month, 6 PM at the Post Home, 7260 S. US 1, just north of PSJ. Call President Dorothy O'Rourke at 321-268-1632.

10-3 PSJ Startups & Founders Club, a group for new business owners and entrepreneurs, meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Port Java in Fay Plaza. We'll begin our pro-

gram at 8 AM. The Port St. John internet site can be viewed at www.meetup.com/Port-St-John-PSJ-Startups-Founders-Club/.

10-8 Columbus Day

10-11 Canaveral Groves Homeowners, Inc. meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Room of Discovery Christian Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy. in the Groves.

10-12 Brevard Women's Connection meets at Space Coast Convention Center (Holiday Inn Express) on Hwy. 520 from 11 AM until 1 PM on the second Friday of each month. The program includes a luncheon plus an inspirational speaker. For more information, call Mary at 636-4713 or e-mail her at mdean44@cfl.rr.com.

10-14 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, Cocoa Library.

10-14 Word Weavers Space Coast, a critique group for Christian writers, meets the 2nd Sunday at 2:00 PM at the Central Brevard Library in Cocoa. Visitors are always welcome. Email angelagardnerwrites@gmail.com for info.

10-14 Calling all Christian authors! Dynamic writers group in Cocoa, Fla. offers training, critiques, and paid writing opportunities (2nd Sundays 2-4:30 PM at Cocoa library). Contact D.P. Clarke at 1royaldy@gmail.com for more information. Print "Writers Group" in Subject.

10-15 Moonport Modelers RC Club meets at 6:30 PM, 3rd Monday each month at the N. Brevard Library, 2121 S Hopkins Ave., Titusville. For more info, call Wayne Mendez, 321-505-2361.

10-16 Bosses Day

10-17 American Legion Post 359 meets at the Post Home at 7260 S. US 1 in Bellwood, (2 miles north of PSJ), 6:00 PM. All Legionnaires and new members are welcome. The Post meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please contact the Post at 268-1632 for assistance with your membership or information.

10-19 PSJ Business Connections Luncheon, sponsored by the Titusville Chamber of Commerce, meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 12:00, PSJ Library on Carole Ave. Call Dennis Watkins at 267-3036.

10-23 Moonlight Quilters Guild meets at the

North Brevard Library in Titusville, 2121 Hopkins Ave. on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Meet and greet & refreshments at 6:15, meeting at 6:30 usually followed by show and tell or a guest speaker. Call 321-720-6232 or 321-720-1584 for more info.

10-31 Halloween

Congratulations to:

Ryan Kremer turns **10** this month.

Danny Huegel turns **24** on the 1st.

Stephanie Puckett turns cuter on the 2nd.

Lisa Troxel dances til dawn on the 3rd.

Connie Partin is the party girl on the 3rd.

Adam Niehoff turns **36** on the 3rd.

Loni Phipps has a spanking day on the 5th.

Gary Turner turns wilder on the 5th.

Jimmy Scott turns **10** on the 10th!!

Helen Lapardo is the Queen on the 10th!!

Karrson Unrue turns **21** on the 10th.

Nicole Long turns **15** on the 14th.

Kimberly Nicole Kremer turns **11** on the 14th!

Kenny Gow turns wiser on the 15th.

Sophia Lapardo is **21** on the 16th!

Christina Crouse turns hotter on the 16th.

Alex Nero turns cooler on the 17th.

Ryan Kremer turns **31** on the 17th.

Susan Kadlac turns prettier on the 18th.

Sharon Brown turns wilder on the 20th.

Tyler Gaddy turns **19** on October ??

Duane Gaddy rocks the night on October 20

Danny Bowen turns **19** on the 21st.

Kathy Patterson is more charming on the 24th.

Michelle Kolczynski parties wild on the 25th.

Lisa Merrell turns **25** on the 26th.

Lauren Hannon turns **23** on the 27th.

Keith Simpson turns **24** this month.

Bud Simpson turns buffer on the 27th.

Kathy Bradley turns more lovely on the 27th.

Andy Bradley is the bomb on the 28th.

Austin Harris turns **22** on the 28th.

Rachel Erickson turns **20** on the 29th.

Craig Kremer turns **59** on the 29th.

William Scheiner is **36** on the 30th!

Sherri Fogarty ages like fine wine on the 31st.

Chris & Sherri Fogarty celebrate their 28th (Snuggling) anniversary on the 6th.

Belinda and Don Crouse celebrate with wildness on the 11th.

Tim and Kelly Rowell will celebrate their 29th anniversary on the 20th.

Bill & Carol Tyler celebrate their **34th** anniversary on the 20th.

We have lots of room for more good news.

Email inputs to happenings1@att.net.





Dear Neighbor,

This letter is to invite your organization to participate in the 29th Annual Port St. John Christmas parade. The parade will take place on December 15, 2018, 11 AM, in Port St. John. The parade route will be east along Fay Blvd. from Waterloo Ave. to Carole Ave. We are hoping for 80-90 entries again this year. Please send your entry in early.

This year's parade theme will be "Christmas Around the World." Floats and decorations should be planned toward the theme. All entries will be judged and plaques awarded. Categories include Theme, Christmas Spirit, Creativity, Marching Musical and Marching Non-Musical.

Floats should be no more than 17' high to clear power lines, and be 8' wide or less to travel to and from the staging area. They can be wider on the parade route. Marching groups should plan for a 20' wide roadway.

For everyone's safety, **CANDY MAY NOT BE THROWN FROM THE FLOATS AND VEHICLES.** Thrown candy ricochets and small children chase it into the street where they might be hit by the next vehicle. If you want to hand out

2018 PSJ Christmas Parade

candy, please be sure to have walkers accompany your float.

There is a \$30 charge for any float or vehicle which advertises a business. The fee does not go up if there are multiple businesses on the same float. Nonprofit community support groups and public schools are \$15, unless they display banners and logos for a business on their float or vehicle(s).

Call us to find out how to get your name on

the parade shirts! Your business name will be added to all the Parade T-shirts, staff and public, for a minimum donation of \$50.

If there are noise considerations for your entry, please let us know immediately. We will try to spread out the bands and musical participants.

Any questions, suggestions, problems or needs should be directed to Randy Rodriguez at Happenings, 321-633-7499.

Port St. John Christmas Parade Entry Form

NAME OF GROUP: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

CONTACT PHONE: _____

CONTACT ADDRESS: _____

Are you having music? Y N Type of music: Band Caroling Other _____

Music Volume: Loud Moderate Soft

Do you have animals? Y N Type & number: _____

Approx. number of marchers in group (include moms, coaches, etc.): _____

of vehicles (include follow vehicles): _____ Type: _____

Include or attach a description of your entry for the Parade Announcer.

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3 BR/2 Bath \$219,900
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Lovely and flexible home. New AC in 2018, pool pump in '16. Pickled oak cabinets with granite tops in kitchen, pantry plus vertical pantry, stainless and black appliances, tile and wood floors. 17'x35' pool plus porch area screened, plus child fence. FR could be used as game room, 4th BR, man cave, she shed, etc. Shed has electricity. 220 outlet on porch for hot tub or could be used for RV. FR is framed for garage and could be converted.



3 BR/2 Bath \$239,900
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Beautiful home just had a makeover. New paint, new landscaping, appliances are 2 years old. Open kitchen between dining room and breakfast nook. Family room looks out onto 24' patio. Master bath has garden tub and walk-in closet. The shed makes a great workshop. You'll be proud to call this home!



3 BR/2 Bath \$175,000
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Looking for a beautiful home? Tile floors throughout. Just repainted, inside and out. Large back yard, Newer roof, AC and water heater; privacy fenced, security system, inside laundry room.

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation to Host Annual Gala “Fly Me to the Moon”

Extraordinary plans are underway for Jess Parrish Medical Foundation’s (JPMF) annual benefit gala, Fly Me to the Moon, which takes place on Saturday, Oct. 13, from 5-10 p.m. at Cruise Terminal One, Port Canaveral. GrayRobinson, P.A., and William and Laura Boyles are presenting sponsors for the event.

More than 400 guests are expected to attend and “play among the stars” with the beauty of the celestial evening recreating the 1960s Golden Era of Space. While taking in picturesque views of one of the busiest cruise ports in the world, guests will enjoy cocktails and cicchetti (Italian-style tapas), amidst the al fresco ambiance of a twinkling starry night. An interactive virtual reality experience and an “out of this world” silent auction are sure to make this evening one you will never forget.

Dinner will be a delectable Italian feast with Space Coast Jazzcats serenading gala guests with sounds from the past and present, featuring a performance by NASA astronaut and trumpeter, Capt. Winston Scott. After dinner, guests can dance the night away in ’60s style with the swing

sensations of the 15-piece Space Coast Big Band. Event proceeds will benefit mental and behavioral health initiatives in Brevard County by providing:

Help for Teens: Sources of Strength, a teen health and wellness program focused on preventing suicide, bullying, substance abuse and self-harm will be expanded to select private and charter schools in North Brevard.

Help for Parents of Young Children: The Incredible Years® parenting program will provide parents with the tools to increase positive social, emotional behaviors in their children, thereby leading to improved life-skills as adults.

Help at Work: Wellness workshops for local businesses to teach employees how to navigate through life’s ups and downs.

Help for Individuals with Disabilities: Expansion of services to provide education, social skill development, emotional regulation, and increased independence.

“It is our honor and privilege to once again be the presenting sponsor of this important event,” said William A. Boyles, shareholder at Gray-

Robinson, P.A. “We believe in Parrish Medical Center’s vision of Healing Families—Healing Communities® and look forward to helping expand mental and behavioral health services in the community.”

“Our theme this year is fun, yet very intentional,” says Holly Carver, event co-chair and mission chair. “Each person is like a star in the sky—there are millions—each one unique. Our goal is to bring awareness to and provide action steps for those suffering with depression and/or mental illness. Shining the bright light of the full moon on these issues, reminding us that we are not alone in this vast universe, that it's okay to not be okay, and that there is help closer than you think.”

Judy Allender and Holly Carver are co-chairs for the event. Gala committee members include, Winnie Brewer, Kelley Broome, Mary Coleman, Amy Craddock, Lori Duester, Voncile Franklin, Betty Greene, Samantha Guyre, Dawn Hohnhorst, Clarissa Kirk, Jessie Kirk, Elizabeth Kump, Melissa Lugo, Allison Morgan, Christina Morrison, Susan Morse, Tara Ruch, Leigh Spra-

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dling, Dr. Tanya Taival and Lavaughn Young.

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This growing list of this year’s event partners include Galaxy-level sponsors: Bermello Ajamil & Partners, Inc., OMNI Healthcare and Zumpano Patricios; Constellation-level sponsors: Allender & Allender P.A./Port Commissioner Jerry & Judy Allender, Coastal Ambulance Service, Injury Centers of Brevard, Bob and Jessie Kirk/Kirk Management LLC and Susan Morse/UBS Financial Services; Eclipse-level sponsors: The Broome Law Firm/Chris and Kelley Broome, Dr. Frank & Marilyn Dienst Medical Services LLC, Genesis VII, Inc./Robert and Karen Jordan, Kindred, George and Liz Mikitarian/Legacy Academy, Power Wellness, RUSH Construction, Inc. and Dr. Tanya Taival, Obstetrics and Gynecology; Star Light, Star Bright-level sponsors: Atkins, Atlantic Business Systems, Britt’s Air Conditioning, Cigna, DECO, LLC, Johnna and

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drawing tickets, please contact Jess Parrish Medical Foundation at 321-269-4066 or visit parrishmedfoundation.com/gala. Space is limited.



Come One Come All Families

to Family Movie Night at First United Methodist Church, 1165 Fay Blvd. Port St. John on Friday, October 5th, 6 PM.

Movie: “Hotel Transylvania” An American 3D computer-animated comedy film about a story of Count Dracula, the owner of a hotel called Hotel Transylvania; who invites some of the most famous monsters to celebrate the 118th birthday of his daughter, Mavis. But the “human-free hotel” is unexpectedly visited by an ordinary 21-year-old human traveler named Jonathan & the fun begins!

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Free Community Support Groups

Parrish Medical Center is offering free support groups for community members struggling with or recovering from various health issues. See the upcoming October support groups below:

- Awake Sleep Disorders Support group is Monday, Oct. 8, from 6–8 p.m., located at Parrish Healthcare Center, 5005 Port St. John Parkway, PSJ.
- Caregiver Support Group is Thursday, Oct. 4 and 18 from 9:30–11:30 a.m., located at Heritage Hall, 921 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Care Giver Academy is Thursday, Oct. 11 from 10–11 a.m., located at Heritage Hall, 921 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Diabetes Support Group is Thursday, Oct. 11 from 3:30–5 p.m., located at Heritage Hall, 921 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- MAK Gathering (Moms and Kidz) Support Group is every Monday and Wednesday, Oct. 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 and 31 from 10–11:30 a.m., located at The Children's Center, 5650 S. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Parkinson's Support Group of North Brevard is Friday, Oct. 19 from 2–4 p.m., located at Heritage Hall, 921 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Pulmonary Hypertension Support Group is Tuesday, Oct. 9 from 3–5 p.m., located at Grace United Methodist Church in Merritt Island.
- Stroke-Heart Survivors Group is Tuesday, Oct. 16 from 2–4 p.m., located at 921 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.
- Parrish Partners Cancer Support Group is Monday, Oct. 15 from 4–5:30 p.m., located at Parrish Medical Center, 951 N. Washington Ave., Titusville.

The support groups are free, but space is limited. For more information, and to pre-register, visit parrishhealthcare.com/events.

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Port St. John Public Library October 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-12 pm.
Master Gardener: Mondays, 2-4 pm.

Senior Games: Tuesdays, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm.
Join other seniors for a variety of card games, Rummikub, Dominoes, etc. Bring your favorite game and lunch or a snack.

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

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

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

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

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

Meetings and Events:

- Oct. 4, 10:30-11:00 PPD/PPA Support Group
- Oct. 8, 5:30 pm Port St. John Public Library Advisory Board Meeting
- Oct. 10, 6:30-7:30 pm Bookworms Adult Book Discussion Group
- Oct. 13, 10 am-Noon Port St. John Pokémon Club
- Oct. 17, 6-7:45 pm Sunrise Village Home Owners Assn.
- Oct. 17, 6:30-7:45 pm Hundred Acre Woods Home Owners Assn.
- Oct. 19, 11:45 am Titusville Chamber of Commerce
- Oct. 20, 10:00-Noon Friends of the Library Fall Festival
- Oct. 24, 5:00 pm Bat Lady! Sponsored by the Friends of the Library
- Oct. 27, 10-Noon Port St. John Pokémon Club

America is a country which produces citizens who will cross the ocean to fight for democracy but won't cross the street to vote.

Parrish Medical Center Welcomes New Class of Patient Care Assistants

Parrish Medical Center this fall welcomes a new class of students from Titusville High School, Astronaut High School and Eastern Florida State College (EFSC) through EFSC's Patient Care Assistant Program. By the time the students arrive at PMC, they have already received classroom and lab training which prepares them for hands-on patient care in the clinical setting. While at PMC, students under the expert supervision of PMC's Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) will care for patients in pre- and post-operation areas and those receiving special procedures. The experience provides students with new opportunities upon graduation as they provide support for assistive personnel in short-term and long-term facilities.

Programs like these give students the opportunity to learn from experienced PMC professionals and give PMC care partners the chance to serve as mentors to up-and-coming healthcare professionals.

Fall Festival for Children

Friends of the Port St. John Library will be hosting a Fall Festival and Costume Party for Children on October 20th, 10 am till noon. The Festival will be open to the public and fun for all, plus a free book to all who attend. Q-Tee, the Balloon Artist Clown will be there making balloon animals, crafts, photo ops, refreshments and lots of other fun activities.

The event will be family-friendly and children will be very welcome. Gather up your young ones and bring them out for a day of fun and an opportunity to learn more about your library.

**“Shred Event”
at the back parking lot of the library,
November 17th, 10am til 12 noon.
Put on by “Vital Records.”**

The Library book club, otherwise known as the Bookworms, will be meeting the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm. We hope that this new time will be of interest to more people. Stop at the library desk for more information.

Sponsored by Friends of the Port St. John Library

“By partnering with our community education/vocation schools and programs, we are able to support our local students in fulfilling their career goals, professional growth journeys and immersion into their trusted healthcare system,” said Alexandra Gutierrez, director of Medical-Surgical Nursing. “Additionally, the students’ presence here provides a warm, healing and familiar face to those we have the honor to serve, which is right in line with our mission and our vision.”

For high school students who enroll in the course, they not only commit to complete clinical training, but they have the opportunity to get involved in the community with Parrish Healthcare. In the past, the students have volunteered at The Children’s Center for Respite Night, Breakfast with Santa and Gift of Light. Medical students also become members of the Career and Technical Student Organization for Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), which both secondary and post-secondary students can join.

With so much material to cover, instructors have high expectations for this school year. “My educational goals for the school year are to promote learning and instill competencies and skills in every student so they may succeed as a patient care assistant and ultimately become a CNA,” said Cathy Hall, RN, medical focus instructor at Titusville High School.

Martin Andersen Senior Center Dances

Martin Andersen Senior Center will host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday, October 12th and 26th. Music will be provided by Janice and Rene.

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

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





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Believe it or not, Medicare is getting better. Beneficiaries of original Medicare won't have to pay the full cost of outpatient physical, speech or occupational therapy as Congress repealed the cap limiting coverage on those services.

Medicare is broadening the availability of telehealth programs that let patients confer with a doctor or nurse, allowing coverage in 2019 for people in end-stage renal disease or during treatment for a stroke.

Medicare is updating the handbook, which will include checklists and flowcharts to make it easier to decide on coverage. The online Medicare Plan Finder tool will also help enrollees compare out of pocket costs and coverage options between traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage.

New regulations will let people try an Advantage Plan for up to 3 months – and then switch to another Medicare plan, including original Medicare if they want. Medicare Advantage operates like an HMO or PPO, so ask your doctor before signing up for Medicare Advantage.

Each Part D prescription plan differs over which drugs are covered, so do your homework. Many Medicare Part D plans offer lower cost sharing on drugs if you go to preferred pharmacies or get your drugs delivered.

Keep in mind, if you get your insurance through the Affordable Care Act (ACA), switch to Medicare when first eligible (65) or face late-enrollment penalties of 10% a year and once over 65, as you are no longer eligible for the tax credit.

This is only brief overview. It is your responsibility to discuss any tax or financial information prior to making changes, with your professional advisor to assist you in evaluating your situation. For details

and specific assistance in applying the general information in this article, call us at your earliest convenience, Provided by Tracey C Higginbotham, E.A., (321) 321-5726.


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, October 28th, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Elks Lodge #1532, 315 Florida Ave., Cocoa. The event is open to the public. Admission is free.

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



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Walter Butler Community Center - October, 2018

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

The center is open Monday–Thursday from 10 - 8 PM, Fridays from 9 AM to 6 PM and Saturday 10 AM-2 PM Schedule is subject to change. Call 321-433-4448 for latest information.

Mondays - Fridays

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

Kids In Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Basketball Fundamentals, 3-4 p.m.

Kids Yoga, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Open Gym, 5-8 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 11a.m.-2 p.m. & 6-8 p.m.

Tuesdays

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

Kids In Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Basketball Fundamentals, 3-4 p.m.

4-H Garden Club, 3-4 p.m.

Open Computer Lab, 11a.m.-2 p.m. & 6-8 p.m.

Open Gym, 5-8 p.m.

Wednesdays

Home School Yoga, 10:15-11 a.m.

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

Open Computer Lab, 11a.m.-2 p.m. & 6-8 p.m.

Kids In Motion, 2-6 p.m.

LEGO BRICK Club, K-2nd, 3-4 p.m.

Robotic Club, 4-5 p.m.

Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m.

Thursdays

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

Open Computer Lab, 11a.m. -2 & 6-8 p.m.

Home School, 10 a.m. -12 a.m.

Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m.

Kids Yoga, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

LEGO BRICK Club, 3rd-6th, 4-5 p.m.

Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m.

Open Gym, 6-8 p.m.

Fridays

Open Gym, 9-11 a.m.

Home School, 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Open Computer Lab, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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

Kids In Motion, 2-6 p.m.

4-H Garden Club, 3-4 p.m.

Saturdays

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

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

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

Basketball Fundamentals - Program designed for boys and girls ages 8 to 12. Each week the participants will learn/review basic basketball skills and apply them to a variety of drills. Games played, but primary focus will be to build on and improve the skills sets of each participant. Practice held Monday and Tuesday 3-4 p.m. For more information, contact Donovan Gilbert at Walter Butler Community Center at (321)433-4448.

Cosmic Kids Yoga - Kids (ages 5+) can practice yoga with a certified cosmic Kids Yoga instructor. Yoga is a great way to increase flexibility, lower stress and improve energy. The goal is to teach kids yoga in a fun, exciting, story-fashion while focusing on three principle ideas; think good things, say good things, do good things. This class meets twice a month. For more information contact the Walter Butler Community Center at (321) 433-4448.

Robotics Club & Lego Brick Club - In each class we will learn how to build and program a particular robot using the LEGO WeDo 2.0 System. This system strengthens students' understanding of the eight science and engineering practices. For more information, contact Walter Butler Community Center at (321) 433-4448.

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

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

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

Family Friendly Street Festival

The City of Cape Canaveral will be hosting its next Friday Fest street festival on Friday, October 5th, 2018 from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. on Taylor Avenue in Cape Canaveral. This monthly event features food trucks, local artists, craft and retail vendors, as well as a bounce house area for children. Live music will be performed by Cover Story and proceeds from beer and wine sales will benefit Cape Canaveral Youth Programs.

This family friendly event is open to all ages and admission is free. For more information, contact the Culture & Leisure Services Department at (321) 868-1226 or visit us at www.cityofcapecanaveral.org/events for the latest information on this and all other events hosted by the City of Cape Canaveral.

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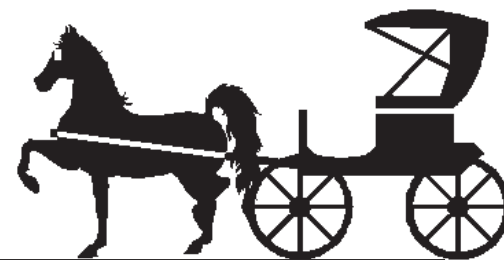
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Won't you come join us? We meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at Discovery Church, 3925 Grissom Pkwy. at 7:00 PM. www.CanaveralGrovesHOA.com



Fruit From The Groves

As I am writing this I see all the damage and flooding in the Carolinas and hoping for the best. There are a number of other depressions out there and I hope they miss us. We all need to be prepared for Hurricane and Fire seasons in this area. There are some ideas on what to do on Canaveral Groves Community Bulletin Board on Facebook, which is open to all who live in the Groves.

At the Canaveral Groves Homeowners on 9-13-18, Brevard County Animal Services and Enforcement was there. The officer informed the group on what they do and do not do. He talked about the different types of wildlife in the area so people would know what is out here. They do not handle wildlife calls normally. Those calls are handled by Florida Fish and Wildlife, (888 404 3922). He did talk about animals running at large and the danger to the animal, other animals and people.

He talked about the reason for the Rabies Alert that was issued and the dangers of Rabies. If you see an animal running at large that is a danger, take a picture of it if possible without putting yourself in harm's way. That way when they respond they can see which animal it is.

He answered questions for about an hour. Brevard County Sheriff's Animal Services and Enforcement can be reached Monday - Friday, 8-5 at 321-633-2024 and after hours call the Brevard County Sheriffs office at 321-264-5100.

A Deputy from West Precinct, which is responsible for the Groves, was also there. She talked about how the crime rate was low in the Groves and gave some of the stats for the area. She wanted to thank the people who are calling in suspicious incidents. Some of the calls have lead to arrests, keeping the crime rate down, increasing arrests on wanted persons, and missing children have been located. Keep up the good work. They would rather come out on a call that no action is taken at that time than have to re-

spond to a past crime that no one called in.

Please keep calling in the traffic problems so they know about them. The non-emergency number is 321-264-5100. Call 911 for serious calls and emergencies. The West Precinct number is 321-633-2123 if you need to talk to a Deputy, Monday through Friday, 9-5.

There were some other topics brought up at the meeting that concerned the Groves. There was talk of an area-wide yard sale and it was decided that it may be better to plan it at the next meeting on October 11 for November. That way it should be cooler and hurricane season is winding down.

Please be safe out there.

Ed Silva, President
Canaveral Groves Homeowners Assn.

Saw Palmetto Berry Harvesting

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) has adopted a new rule for harvesting and selling saw palmetto berries. According to the agency, widespread gathering of these berries is depleting a wildlife food source and threatening the stability of some ecosystems. Saw palmetto has been added to the state's list of commercially exploited plants.

A landowner harvesting saw palmetto berries for sale or a contracted harvester working on either public or private land must obtain a Native Plant Harvesting Permit from the Division of Plant Industry. Anyone who transports for sale, sells or offers to sell the berries must also secure a Native Plant Harvesting Permit.

In all instances, a permit application must be submitted 14 days prior to the intended date of harvest. The new rule was implemented on July 17, 2018.

FloridAgriculture e-News, July 2018

The location of your mailbox shows you how far away from your house you can go in a robe before you start looking like a mental patient.

Buffet Breakfast

Blessed Sacrament Church, 5135 North Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa, will be hosting a Buffet Breakfast with Omelet & Waffle Stations by Chef Marcio on Sundays from 9am – 12 pm.

The cost will be \$10 for Adults, \$5 for Children 5-12 and free for children under 5. Everyone is invited to have a great breakfast with your family!

Also, the new Food Pantry is now open Fridays, 11am – 1pm.

Art Show And Sale Cocoa Beach Public Library October 19 thru October 21, 2018



The Central Brevard Art Association is presenting its annual fall Art Show and Sale at the Cocoa Beach Public Library showcasing the unique talents of local artists. Meet the artists displaying and selling a variety of original fine art and prints, photography, jewelry, silks, clay, wood, sculpture, mixed media and much more!

A special Meet the Artist event will be held on Friday, October 19 from 4pm until 6pm. Gift baskets will be raffled with 100% going to the CBAA scholarship fund.

The Cocoa Beach Public Library is located at 550 N. Brevard Ave, Cocoa Beach. Admission is free. Show hours are Friday, October 19, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, October 20, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, October 21, 1 to 4 p.m.



Haunted Ghost Tours

Haunted ghost tours will be ONE NIGHT ONLY in Cocoa Village on Friday, October 19th at 7 pm. The walking tour is 90 minutes long and is hosted by River City

Ghost Tours. Tour highlights are based on actual historical events and paranormal investigations.

Proceeds from the tours will benefit arts scholarships in Brevard. Children 10 and under receive 50% OFF admission!

Call 321-403-4904 or visit RiverCityGhostTours.webs.com to reserve your spot before you're 'too late.'



The Space Coast State Fair will be held from October 26-November 11.

The fair offers a tremendous Pay-One-Price value every day and night – pay just \$12 or \$15 at the gate and all the rides and shows are included from open to close. A special VIP FAST-PASS will be available for \$25. Visit www.spacecoastfair.com for directions, information on attractions and a schedule of events at the fair.

Parks & Recreation Meeting

The North Brevard Commission on Parks and Recreation will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, October 11th, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Brevard Room at 518 South Palm Avenue in Titusville. The public is invited to attend.

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

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

Storm Help Idea

For people who live in areas that flood, it may be a good idea to get some dowels or conduit, something that can be easily stuck in, but still stick out of the ground. Then, just before a storm, put them around the septic tank and leaching field and tie or wrap something colorful around them. That way, in case of an emergency, an emergency vehicle can avoid the area and will not crush it.

Putting them around ponds near the home where water can become dangerous to the vehicles is also a good idea.

Chaplain's Day

Parrish Medical Center is hosting the 2018 Brevard County Chaplain's Day. The event will be held on Friday, Oct. 19, from 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m., at Parrish Medical Center, 951 North Washington Ave., in Titusville. All chaplains, whether vocational or volunteer, clergy, lay ministers and mental health professionals are encouraged to attend for a day of networking and learning.

Keynote speakers, networking and opportunities for support and feedback will be relevant to chaplains in every setting. End-of-life care is challenging and working with hospitals and faith communities to improve the health of your congregants is tough. Chaplain's Day is an opportunity to hear from experts in your field.

"We are excited to host this year's Chaplain's Day," said Jerald Smith, director of Pastoral Care at Parrish Medical Center. "Each year builds on the excellence of the year before. It keeps getting better and better!"

A continental breakfast and lunch will be served. The event is free, but space is limited. For more information, and to pre-register, call 321-268-6110 or visit parrishhealthcare.com/events.



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