

HAPPENINGS

Weekly Edition
November 8, 2024

SpaceX And Starliner Astronauts Move Dragon Capsule

Last Sunday four astronauts moved the SpaceX Dragon Freedom capsule to a new space station docking port on top of the space station where it will stay until February to make way for an incoming cargo ship. The SpaceX Crew-9 astronauts, Nick Hague and Roscosmos cosmonaut Aleksandr Gorbunov, were both originally assigned to Crew-9, along with former Starliner astronauts Butch Wilmore and Suni Williams of NASA, the Starliner duo were reassigned to Crew-9 in June after NASA determined it was too great of a risk to bring them home safely aboard the Boeing spacecraft that took them to the International Space Station (ISS) to conclude their test mission. Starliner experienced unexpected propulsion issues during docking with the ISS and the cause and remedy could not be pinned down after nearly two months of troubleshooting.

The Crew Dragon team moved capsule Freedom to an unused parking spot on top of the ISS ahead of the planned launch of an uncrewed Dragon resupply ship by SpaceX. The Dragon cargo spacecraft - CRS-31 - laden with 6,000 pounds of food, equipment and experiments completed docking with the ISS on Tuesday morning.

Among the supplies, the CRS-31 mission also includes several new experiments targeting investigations such as the solar wind, the constant stream of charged particles from our sun, a investigations about plant growth in microgravity, cold welding of metals and how radiation in

space influences the weathering of various materials, according to NASA.

Experimental Aircraft Meeting

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 724 holds regular scheduled gatherings for fun and fellowship on the 2nd Wednesday of each month - November 13th this month - at 7:00 p.m. in the club house on Merritt Island Airport.



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

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

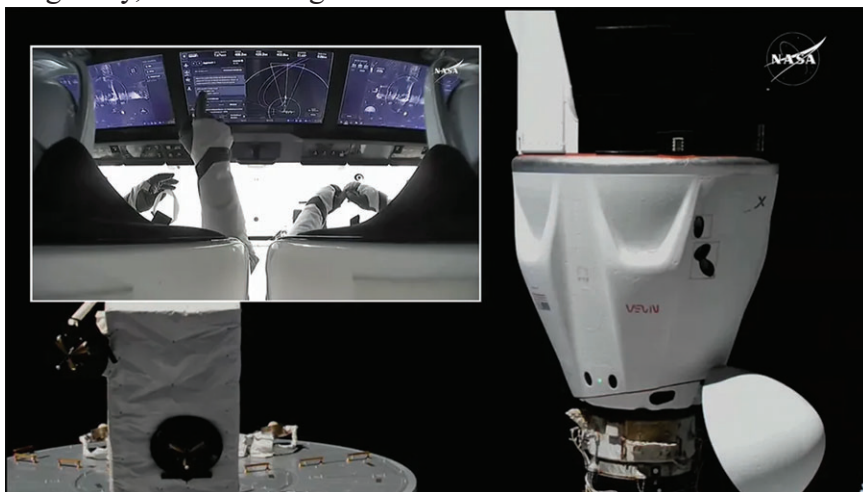
For more information, call 321-514-9456, email watersdwayne@yahoo.com, or visit the website at www.eaa724.org.

Art Market at the Downtown Art Gallery

Kick off your holiday shopping at The Art Market! Join us on Saturday, November 16th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at The Downtown Art Gallery, 400 Orange St., Titusville where artists will be set up outside & inside showcasing their unique wares and artwork.

Discover unique, handcrafted gifts by local artists. Browse original artwork, hand crafted ornaments, jewelry, decor and more—all perfect for early Christmas shopping. Meet the artists and enjoy live art demos, For details, call 321-268-0122.

And now, a moment of silence to honor the brave men and women who had to teach the day after Halloween.



SpaceX's Crew Dragon Freedom capsule is seen docked on the International Space station's space-facing port after a successful relocation on Nov. 3, 2024.(Image credit: NASA TV)

Be a Part of Something Special.

Be a Parrish Care Partner!

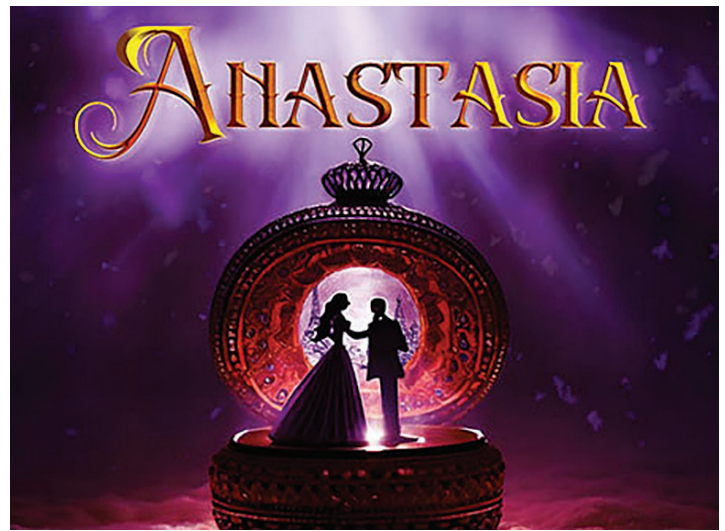
Open interviews - every Tuesday, 9 a.m.-noon

Full Time, Per Diem or Part Time jobs available!

- Registered Nurses
- RN Clinical Coordinators
- RN Charge Nurses
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Medical Assistant
- Emergency Medicine Technologist
- Respiratory Technologists
- CT Technologists
- EKG Technologists
- Quality Improvement
- MRI Technologists
- Radiology Technologist
- Phlebotomist
- Identity Access Management Analyst
- Paramedic
- Sterile Processing Technician
- Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist
- Athletic Trainer

Main Hospital: 951 N. Washington Avenue, Titusville

Career Site: www.Parrishhealthcare.com/careers



ANASTASIA THE MUSICAL

NOVEMBER 15–DECEMBER 15, 2024

Inspired by beloved films, Anastasia transports us from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the 1920s, as a brave young woman sets out to discover the mystery of her past. Her past is a mystery. Her future is an adventure. Pursued by a ruthless Soviet officer determined to silence her, Anya enlists the aid of a dashing con-man and a lovable ex-aristocrat. Together, they embark on an epic adventure to help her find love, home and family. With its opulent settings, dazzling costumes, and a soaring score including the song favorites from the hit animated film, “Journey to the Past” and “Once Upon a December,” Anastasia is a spectacular musical about discovering who you are and defining who you’re meant to be.



Titusville Playhouse 2023-24 Season

The Titusville Playhouse, Inc. is located within the Historic Emma Parrish Theatre 301 Julia St., (corner of Hopkins Ave. - US1 southbound), providing professional quality entertainment on the Space Coast. The MainStage theatre includes a 150 seat orchestra section and a 124 seat Balcony Section. Balcony seats are only accessed by walking up a flight of stairs. THERE IS NO ELEVATOR.

Show times are Friday, Saturday and select Thursdays at 8:00 p.m., Sunday and select Saturdays at 2:00 p.m.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit <https://titusvilleplayhouse.com/> or call 321-268-1125. Season tickets are available.

Youth Cheese Making Class Available at UF/IFAS Extension

Do you have a child between 8-18 years of age who would enjoy learning how cheese is made? Then consider joining us for our Science of Cheese Making class to learn how to make their own! This class will focus on the basics of cheese making and provide a hands-on opportunity to make pizza string cheese.

This workshop will be held at the UF/IFAS Extension Office in Cocoa, 3695 Lake Dr. on November 25 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 3 – 5:30 p.m. The cost of this class is \$15 and space is limited to 10 kids per time slot.



Advance registration is required. Parents must stay for the full duration of the class. To register and learn more, please visit: <https://loom.ly/PV04EQc>.

If you have any questions, please call us at 321-633-1702 or email Brevard@IFAS.UFL.edu.

The University of Florida is committed to providing universal access to all of our events. For disability accommodations such as sign language interpreters and listening devices, please contact the UF/IFAS Brevard County Extension Office at Brevard@IFAS.UFL.edu or 321-633-1702 at least 2 weeks in advance. Advance notice is necessary to arrange for some accessibility needs.

November Events at the Enchanted Forest Sanctuary

Nature Storytime - Wednesday, November 13th, 10 to 10:30 a.m.-Geared towards ages 5 and under. Theme: Fall-ing for Fall! Learn about fall and its leaves through fun activities and crafts. Registration required. Please call 321-264-5185 to sign up. NO SAME DAY SIGN UPS.

Sanctuary School - Wednesday, November 13th, 20th 10 to 11 a.m.-Geared towards ages 6 through 12. Theme: Fabulous Fall! Join us to learn about fall and its leaves through fun activities and crafts. Registration required. Please call 321-264-5185 to sign up. NO SAME DAY SIGN UPS.

Volunteer Open House - Sunday, November 17th at 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. -Would you like to volunteer with us here at the Enchanted Forest Sanctuary? Come join us to learn about all the different opportunities to volunteer with us! Stop in and say “hi”! We cannot wait to meet you!

Yoga in Nature - Every Sunday in November, 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Join local yoga instructors for a traditional class for all levels on the porch! Wear loose-fitting clothing and do not eat anything an hour before class. Bring water and a mat. Registration required no later than the day before class. Please call 321-264-5185. SPACE LIMITED.

Guided Hikes - Openings Sundays in November at 10 a.m. Enjoy a 45-minute guided hike. Please bring a hat, water and walking shoes. Based on staff availability. Registration required no later than two days before each Sunday. Please call 321-264-5185 to sign up.

Photo of the Month! We are looking for photo entries from our sanctuaries to be featured at our nature center. For more information and to enter your photos, please email teresa.nick@brevardfl.gov.

Brevard County Mosquito Control Overnight Spraying in November

Brevard County Mosquito Control has continued efforts for prevention and control throughout the county with enhanced surveillance and spraying measures. Brevard County, in partnership with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, will conduct FEMA-funded aerial overnight spraying. Spraying is now extended through Friday, November 8. Aircraft will be spraying all mainland areas west of I-95, all areas north of SR 46, and all areas north of SR 520 on Merritt Island. Spraying may be delayed due to weather or other factors.

Brevard County Mosquito Control has already conducted approximately 100,000 acres of countywide mosquito treatments by ground and air since Hurricane Milton and will continue to do so until mosquito levels are reduced to safe and manageable levels through normal prevention and treatment practices.

Get Your Septic System Inspected

Hurricanes Helene and Milton left many homeowners with flooded septic tanks. “If your septic system flooded, it’s likely not working properly and should be inspected by a professional as soon as possible,” said Mary Lusk, a UF/IFAS assistant professor of soil, water, and ecosystem sciences. “If your system was not flooded, you can take time now to get an inspection to make sure your system is good before next year’s hurricane season arrives.”

About 2 million Florida homes – or about 30% of the state’s residents -- rely on septic to treat wastewater, Lusk said. When they flood, they can fill with debris and must be professionally cleaned.

“You can’t really prevent flood damage,” said Lusk, author of a new Ask IFAS document on septic systems. “If it happens, it happens. But take time during the hurricane offseason to make sure your system has been regularly pumped and inspected. We recommend doing this about every three years or so.”

In addition to an inspection, here are two more tips for the future:

- Next year, if a hurricane is forecast, reduce water use in your home as much as possible in the days leading up to the storm. This will reduce the amount of waste your system has to treat during that vulnerable time when soils may flood.
- Purchase a temporary toilet or toilet seat that you can use on a bucket, so you’ll be prepared in case your lot floods, and you have to stop using your household toilet. These can often be found in the camping sections of sporting goods stores or at online vendors.

Septic systems are made of two parts: a septic tank and a drain field. Flooding associated with hurricanes can decrease the depth of unsaturated soil in a drain field and thus lower the ability of the septic system to work properly. “Septic systems rely on unsaturated soils to safely remove germs from human waste, and a flooded lot with a septic system means a lot that isn’t doing its No. 1 human health job,” she said.

When Milton roared through Florida, dumping more than a foot of rain in some places, it rendered some septic tanks ineffective. Flooding from a hurricane can mean a system that is not usable for days or weeks, while the homeowner waits for flood water to go away.

“This makes it very hard to live a normal day-to-day life, because the homeowner has to find other ways to dispose of household wastewater, including toilet waste,” she said.

“For now, if you still have flooding on your lot, limit household water use as much as possible and consider portable toilets or making temporary toilets from buckets so you’re not adding new material to the system,” she said.

Aspire to Inspire Before You Expire.



Port St. John Public Library

6500 Carole Ave., PSJ

Library Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday 12-8 p.m. and Sunday, 12-5 p.m.

Adult Programs:

Bookworms Book Club: Wednesday, November 13 at 6:30 p.m. Book discussion. See the reference desk for this month's selection and the next meeting date. This month the book club will be discussing *The Broken Girls* by Simone St. James.

Community Support Advocate: Mondays, November 11, and 25 from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m.: The community support advocate provides assistance with housing, SNAP, social security, healthcare and insurance, and senior resources.

Port Readers Book Club: Wednesday, November 27 at 6:30 p.m.: This book club meets on the fourth Wednesday each month at 6:30 p.m.. November's featured book is *The Lost Bookshop* by Evie Woods. Books are available at the Reference Desk.

Family Programs

Spice Travelers Spice Club: Friday, November 15 at 3:30 p.m.: Spice Travelers Spice Club! Pick up a kit including this month's featured spice at the Reference Desk. The November featured spice is Filé powder. This is a family program and all are welcome.

This month come visit the library and check out our community puzzle.

Youth Services:

Bats! by the Florida Bat Conservancy: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.. Join us for a presentation courtesy of the Florida Bat Conservancy about the importance of bats in the ecosystem, what this organization does for the community, and what you can do for your local bat population. All are welcome to attend this family-friendly event!

Sensory Sundays: Every Sunday from 2:00-3:00 p.m., children can join the library staff for quiet time with sensory bins and activities. Sensory bin activities are exciting and engaging ways for kids to explore different textures, colors and materials. Designed for children ages 6-12, these activities help develop fine motor skills, encourage imaginative play and offer a hands-on learning experience. This event requires parent or adult supervision at all times.

Young Adult Book Club: Saturday, November 23rd from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.. Teens ages 14 through 17 can select one of the books from the monthly Hoopla Young Adult Cross-over digital book club titles and discuss their choice at the

meeting. Snacks will be provided and all books are available as ebooks or audiobooks through the library's free Hoopla app.

STEAM Activity Time: STEAM is every Tuesday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Port St. John public library in the meeting room. Come build and make things with us! We will have activities centered around science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics. This event is for ages 6-11 and requires parent or adult supervision at all times.

Read Your Way to K: Babies: Baby story time at the Port St. John public library is from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. every Friday morning in the meeting room. Join us for some songs, short stories and surprise activities. This story time is for babies ages 3 and under and requires parent or adult supervision at all times.

Read Your Way to K: Toddlers: Toddler Story Time at the Port St. John public library is from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. every Friday morning in the meeting room. Join us for songs, stories, and a craft. This story time is for toddlers ages 3 to 5 and is intended to prepare toddlers for preschool with active listening, group participation, developing fine motor skills, and socializing with others. This event requires parent or adult supervision at all times.

STEAM kits are available in Youth Services!

Volunteers needed. . .

On Thursday, November 14th, 3 - 5 p.m., Volunteers are needed to help with putting up the Christmas tree in the main library room, setting up the Children's "Letters to Santa" station and decorating the front glass case in the lobby. If you can volunteer for any of the hours listed above, please contact Terry at FriendsPSJlibrary@gmail.com. Thank you!!

CBAA Holiday Art Show

This year's Central Brevard Art Association Holiday Art Show will have free admission and free parking. The Holiday Art Show promises to bring exciting new art for gift giving and enjoyment to anyone!

The Central Brevard Art Association's Holiday Art Show is Friday, November 22, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday, November 23, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, November 24, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. at the Cocoa Beach Public Library, 550 N. Brevard Ave., Cocoa Beach. You can get more information by visiting <https://www.facebook.com/events/8497281050315553/?ref=newsfeed>.

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