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# **SERVING PORT ST. JOHN & CANAVERAL GROVES**

# **Space Coast Jr./Sr. High School Needs Your Help!**

The Space Coast Junior Senior High School Baseball and Softball programs are in need of your assistance. Our grooming tractor that is used to manicure the fields for play has unexpectedly been retired from action. To replace it would cost \$15,000 to \$20,000.

We have decided to look for a utility type vehicle that would allow us to groom the field and move items around; a dual purpose vehicle. We are hoping to find a good used one for substantially less money. Either way, we are a self-funded booster club and are asking for any assistance anyone can give. Any amount adds up. We can offer a banner and announcements at all games as advertisement for your support.

You can donate to our GoFundMe page: https://www.gofundme.com/pitch-in-viperbaseball-softball?utm\_source=internal&utm\_ medium=email&utm\_content=cta\_button&utm\_ campaign=upd\_n.

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# **PSJ Community Center Schedule - March, 2018**

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

#### Mondays – Fridays

Seniors at Lunch, 10 am - 1 pm

#### Mondays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Youth Zone, 3-7 p.m. Computer Lab, 3-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 3-8 p.m. Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m. 12th & 26th - Girl Scout Troop 210, 6-7:30 p.m.

#### **Tuesdays**

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Youth Zone, 3-7 p.m. Computer Lab, 3-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 3-8 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1902: 4-5 p.m. Daisy Girl Scout Troop 276: 6-7 p.m.

#### Wednesdays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Dream Weavers, 12-4 p.m. Youth Zone, 3-7 p.m. Computer Lab, 3-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 3-8 p.m. Zumba (Adult Class), 6-7 p.m. 7th & 21st: Cub Scout Pack 704, 6-7 p.m.

#### Thursdays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Youth Zone, 3-7 p.m. Computer Lab, 3-8 p.m. Teen Billiards, 3 - 8 p.m. 1st, 15th & 29th: Art In The Park 5-7 p.m.

## Fridays

Outside Basketball, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Game Room /Computers, 3 - 6 p.m.

#### Saturdays

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

**Art In The Park -** Certified art instructor offering beginner and intermediate acrylic paint activities \$25 per project, includes all supplies. Classes are held bi-weekly. For more information, contact Donna at (561)262-4573 or the Port St. John Community Center at (321)633-1904.

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

Dancers and long-time exercisers thoroughly enjoy the change in pace - exercising in a healthy, fun, party-like environment. For ages 12 years to adults. Classes are Mondays and Wednesdays at 6-7 p.m. \$5 per class. For more information, contact the PSJ Community Center, 633-1904.

## "DREAM WEAVERS" – Knitting Club

This group of middle to senior aged folks meets at the Port St. John Community Center to knit, crochet, and cross-stitch. We socialize, have fun teach and involve the seniors that already come to the center. The club is looking to re-spark interest for those who may have once enjoyed this type of skill and may be looking to join the group to donate any completed projects to area non-profit agencies. The group meets on Wednesdays, 12-4 p.m. No fees.

## A day without laughter is a day wasted.





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# **Good Day!** by Maureen Rupe A Conspiracy in Local Politics?

Lord Byron wrote, "Shakespeare, thou shouldn't be living at this hour." If it takes intrigue, conspiring and downright scheming, look no further than Brevard County candidates for District 2 County Commissioner. This is not about Democrat or Republican; it's just my opinion no matter who was doing it.

This is about a January 23, 2018 Florida Today story by Dave Berman, titled, "Three County Commission candidates drop out after four of them have private meeting." The District 2 Commissioner Seat is being vacated by Jim Barfield this year. There were six candidates for this seat. Cordell Rolle of Rockledge, Timothy Street of Merritt Island, Tim Tumulty of Cocoa Beach, Robyn Hattaway of Merritt Island, Chuck Nelson of Merritt Island, and Jim Glover of Merritt Island.

There was a meeting set up at Robyn Hattaway's home. Chuck Nelson and Jim Glover did not attend. At this private meeting, a conclusion was met that it would be in the best interest of the Republican Party for three candidates to withdraw from the party. Hattaway, a local lawyer, said the candidates met to find the most viable candidate to be a stronger force, and Hattaway was chosen. This strategy was apparently to pick one candidate to prevent Chuck Nelson from winning the primary... wait a minute, Chuck Nelson is a Republican; a Republican who has been voted in office twice by District 2 voters; a Republican who was popular, fair, likable and concerned with the issues facing Brevard County. Why conspire to keep him out of a political race?

If there are reasons these candidates have to persuade the voter not to vote for Nelson, say it to the District voters. Say why Nelson is not worthy, don't meet in private to find the most viable candidate who can eliminate him in the process. The people in the district have the right to decide themselves and based on what these schemers are trying to do, the most viable candidate would be Chuck Nelson.

If a candidate has the will and interest to go forward to get on the ballot through collecting signatures or paying to get on the ballot, no one should be discouraging that intent. It takes commitment to the office and people, and anyone

scheming, seems to be playing more to their own good, instead of the people of the county. We may be better off without them in office.

#### Reference:

https://www.floridatoday.com/story/news/ local/2018/01/23/three-county-commission-candidates-drop-out-after-four-them-have-privatemeeting/1056838001/

#### Helicopters around Port St. John

If anyone is wondering about the number of helicopters around Port St. John, there are a couple of helicopter schools located at Space Coast Executive Airport on our north side. According to a 2015 Florida Today story by Maria Sonnenberg, "Brevard home to international helicopter training HQ," at that time Bristow had 55 training helicopters. The story stated there were over 120 countries represented by their 200 students. With that proximity and that number of students and helicopters, it should be no surprise a few of them would be over the skies of Port St. John.

Reference:

https://www.floridatoday.com/story/life/community/2015/04/03/titusville-home-helicoptertraining-hq/25239829/



#### **Cats Roaming Our Neighborhoods**

Brevard County Animal Services, which Honorable Commissioners, is now under the supervision of Sheriff Ivey, brought forward an updated Animal Control Ordinance. A January 24, 2018 Florida Today story by Jim Waymer & Dave Berman titled, "County approves animal control rules," stated, "Since Ivey began running animal services, the "live release rate" of animals that enter the shelter has risen from about 55 percent to about 95 percent. That categorizes the operation as a "no-kill" facility, since it has a live release rate of 90 percent or higher."

Sheriff Ivey told Commissioners that the number of animals euthanized in the county has dropped steadily - from 4,869 in 2013 to 160 in 2017. Letting all cats back into the neighborhood does nothing but put close to 5,000 cats back into our neighborhoods to fend for themselves. It probably cuts down on other small birds and squirrels that used to occupy our back yards, and discounts whether the cats are tortured or killed by anyone tired of dealing with the number of cats around where they live.

and Animal Services:

A couple of my thoughts on Feral Cats:

Cats are not wild creatures. They have been domesticated for over 9,500 years (http:// mentalfloss.com/article/72188/how-were-catsdomesticated). We have caused the problem of feral cats. Even if we return them to live as wild, spay and neutering will not solve the problem. Putting in regulations and restrictions on people feeding them will not solve the problem. People will also start dumping unwanted cats at these locations.

Feral cats are well known to kill birds, including protected species such as Scrub Jays.

The most hurtful and unacceptable to me is that some people have tortured and killed these poor animals for their pleasure and sport. A member of the Port St. John Neighborhood Watch turned a black cat over to the county last week. The cat was returned to the same area in the neighborhood spayed, chipped, no home and missing an eye. This kind person is willing to take care of this poor creature due to its predicament. I sent the following to the County Commission Not all will be as lucky. Is this done with the

welfare of the animals in your minds?

Unfortunately, this Ordinance will not solve the problem.

Sincerely,

Maureen Rupe

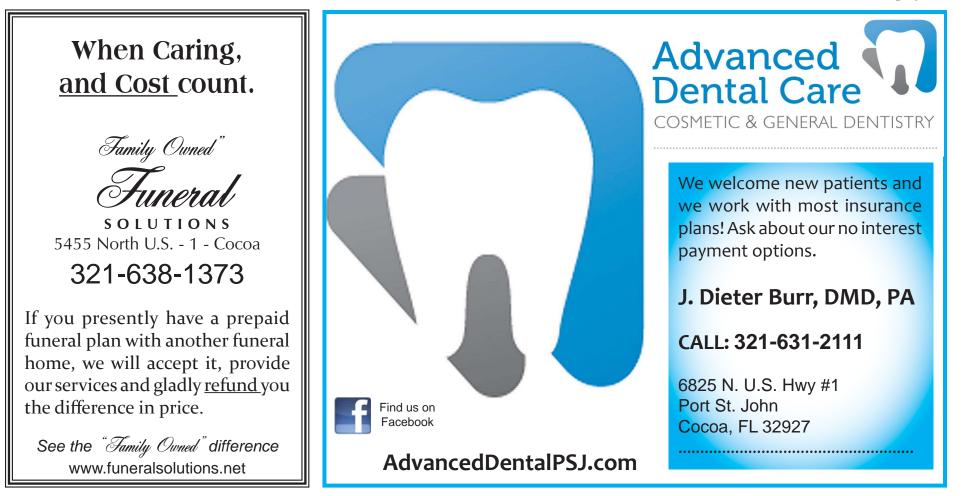
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Florida Today, Jim Waymer, Dave Berman, 01/24/2018, "County approves animal control rules".

#### Fertilizer vs. Indian River Algae Blooms

Treasure Coast's TCPalm.com February 2nd story by Tyler Treadway titled, "Study: Fertilizer bans cut nutrients in Indian River Lagoon, but don't stop algae blooms," talks like the fertilizer ban is doing what it was supposed to do, stopping fertilizer in the summer, but it's not stopping algae blooms in the Indian River Lagoon. The first sentence of the story states, "Fertilizer bans are doing a good job keeping nutrients out of the Indian River Lagoon, but not the type of nutrients that feed algae blooms." The story references Brian Lapointe, a research professor at Florida Atlantic University's Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute.

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#### Good Day!, cont.

amount of nitrogen sold in fertilizer along the lagoon dropped 45,896 pounds between fiscal year 2013-14 and 2014-15."

Great, but what's wrong? "There may be less nitrogen in the water from fertilizer," Lapointe said, "but the effect isn't evident. That's because the nitrogen we're finding in the lagoon isn't the type you find in fertilizers, but it is the type that feeds algae blooms." Algae blooms, Lapointe said, are bolstered by ammonia; "the reactive forms of nitrogen. To support an algae bloom, that's what you want."

The story went on to blame sewage and septic leakage for a lot of the issue. "Looking at all the data in the northern lagoon," Lapointe said, "we concluded that wastewater, in the form of septic leakage and antiquated sewage treatment facilities, is the big problem." The article also stated "Ed Phlips, an algae expert at the University of Florida, agreed that all kinds of algae "feed" on ammonia — and the brown algae that blooms in the northern lagoon "feeds" almost exclusively on it. But other algae species, Phlips said, includ-

ing the blue-green algae that blanketed the St. A research report by Lapointe states, "the Lucie River in 2016, grow on the nitrogen found in fertilizer."

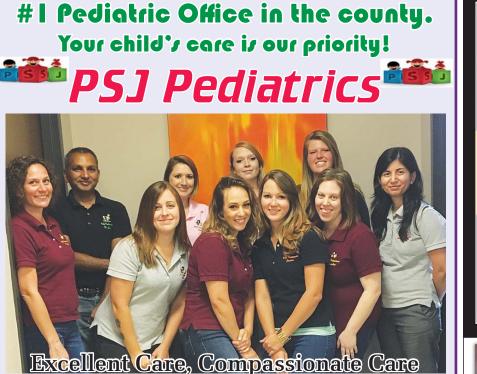
> Unfortunately, this article seems to forget the 1200-pound gorilla in the middle of the room that everyone seems to be ignoring..."Bio-solids." I've talked to knowledgeable people, and when asked what do most cities do with their bio-solids and their reclaimed water during the banned fertilizer system, and I was told they do not stop. They couldn't stop using reclaimed water or spreading their bio-solids, or they would not be able to process sewer during that time. I assume that means that reclaimed water that has nitrogen and phosphorus is still being used throughout the cities, and bio-solids are continually being spread over land where allowed for the class the city is certified to spread.

> I searched for a relationship between ammonia and bio-solids, as I know there is already a connection between bio-solids and fertilizer, as bio-solids are now being used for fertilizer. I found a study titled, "Land Application of Biosolids in the USA: A Review," by Qin Lu, Zhenlhici L. He, and Peter J. Stoffella, at the

Indian River Research and Education Center, University of Florida, Fort Pierce. It stated, "Ammonium dominates the inorganic N in dewatered biosolids. Besides application rate, placement methods can have large effects on nutrient availability and water quality. Redeposition of ammonia volatilized from surface applied biosolids may contaminate surface water and sandy soils. Surface-applying biosolids without incorporation will maximize ammonia volatilization, whereas soil incorporation immediately after application can minimize N losses. Dewatered biosolids are more persistent but slower in nutrient release, while liquid biosolids are faster in providing nutrients for plant uptake."

What does the above mean? The wetter a biosolid is, the more it acts like fertilizer, and if you apply a dried version of bio-solid without incorporation, (plowing the bio-solid into the soil), it's more likely to maximize ammonia volatilization.

Lisa Rinaman, chief advocate and public's voice for the St. John's River Keeper stated they are starting a study on bio-solids. We need to understand the true implications of this widely implemented practice to ensure we truly address



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the problem causing our algae blooms.

There are a lot of problems causing algae blooms and all of them need to be addressed, not just the low-hanging fruit. If we don't fix it all, we may just as well stay at home as the Indian River Lagoon continues to die.

**References:** 

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https://www.hindawi.com/journals/ aess/2012/201462/

Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.



Would you like to help the Space Coast HS graduating class have a safe and fun graduation celebration next year? You can help, and have fun while you're at it. Here's how:

Every Monday Domino's will donate a dollar for every medium pizza with one topping sold. You probably want two!

a bucket drop at the BP station from 9-3. It's a good time to fill your tank.

Also, the class is doing a shoe drive, collecting shoes old and new for needy people. You might imagine there are many after Harvey, Irma and Maria. Drop your donated shoes off at the high school.

Thank you for supporting our grads!

# **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, March 25th, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Every last Saturday of the month they have Elks Lodge #1532, 315 Florida Ave, Cocoa. The event is open to the public. Admission is free.

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







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# No One Eats Alone

On February 8th, Space Coast Middle/High School held a new event for the school. No One Eats Alone is a positive prevention initiative that works to prevent bullying before it starts by teaching students to lead the movement to change the culture of middle school. The group leading the charge is SOS - Sources of Strength. It's a student group making a difference.

When the lunch bell rang, the cafeteria started filling quickly, but it didn't take long to see the point of the event. Several students were dining alone. It was impossible to tell why. There were lots of earphones, (of course!), but most of the lone diners weren't wearing them.

As lunch progressed, members of the SOS team started approaching the lone diners - and pairs - talking with them and making them less isolated. It's how friendships are born.

With a middle and high school together, eventually it looks impossible for any student to be alone, but if you look close, there are still a few. As long as families relocate, it's bound to happen.

Many of the SOS students were wearing "You Are Strong" shirts. It was good to see the SOS students reaching out and sharing jokes and stories with their peers; good to see headphones come off; good to see smiles.

The Millenial generation is very different from the past few. They are taking better care of the planet. Maybe this next generation will take better care of each other. Is it too corny to think that's a big step toward world peace?

The integration of all grades for lunch is working very well. There's a lot of respect happening among the students. There's a lot happening that would be good for the rest of us to learn.

# **SCHS** Cheerleading

Are you interested in becoming a Middle School or High School Cheerleader for Space Coast? We would love to have you try out to be a Viper Cheerleader! We are building our squads for the 2018-2019 season and have some very important dates you need to know!

Here are the details:

- Mandatory Parent Meeting is set for Tuesday, March 20th at 6:30 in the SCHS Cafeteria. You must be in attendance to be eligible to try out and a parent must be present with you. We will discuss all details at this meeting.

- Cheer Clinic is set for April 9th-12th from sticky hands on! 5:30-8:00pm in the SCHS Gymnasium.

starting at 5:30pm.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Coach Dana Tripp at 321-458-0739. Hope to see you there!!

# **Challenger 7 Golf Classic**

Our 3rd Annual Charity Golf Classic will be held on Saturday, April 28th at Turtle Creek Golf Club. The cost is \$55 per person and includes greens fee, cart, lunch, range balls, and on-course and an ear full! contests. Registration will begin at 7:00 am with the tournament officially starting at 8:00 am. Thanks for sharing with your friends and neigh-Afterwards, please join us for lunch, awards and bors! raffle at about 12:30pm. All proceeds benefit Challenger 7 Elementary School.

In addition to prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, there will be two "long drives," two "closest to the pin" challenges and a putting contest.

A hole-in-one wins a Buick Verano sponsored by Ron Norris Buick/GMC.

Anyone who does not play golf can still participate by sponsoring a golf hole for \$100, or attend the awards luncheon for \$10.00.

For an application or additional info, email c7golf@cfl.rr.com or visit http://c7golf.wixsite. com/challenger7. The deadline to register is April 20th.

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ing at the gas pumps! I got "hit" at the BP on US 1 next to the dilapidated flea market by someone claiming to be me and luckily my bank detected it \$100

later. After spending a lot of time on the phone and doing my own digging, I decided that the only way we are going to fix this is by not using a card at the pump. I was advised to go inside and pay. With a card. Forget it. I'm going to use cash. Yes. The cash they didn't get their slimy,

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To whomever thought they could use the - Actual Tryouts are set for Friday, April 13th, money I worked so hard for, you are nothing but a cancer that needs to be cured. Not only did you steal from me, you made it impossible for me to buy another old lady's groceries. You raised my blood pressure, and made me spend extra time needlessly and I had to pay with the other card you didn't get a hold of. You will be found and prosecuted to the fullest by use of video and other means. I hope the Sherriff gives me five minutes alone with you afterwards, to give you an ear pull

> Don't let this happen to you or a friend! ~ Neighbor Nell

# **Help Wanted**

An Orlando agency is seeking retired professionals to assist clients with Medicare questions. Volunteers may earn a stipend for helping clients apply for extra help with Medicare costs. Training is provided. For more information, call the Senior Resource Alliance at 407-514-1823.





# **Parks & Recreation Meeting**

The North Brevard Commission on Parks and Recreation will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, March 8th, 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 (321) 264-5105.



# Shooting Threat At Space Coast Jr./Sr. High

Last month Port St. John became not only a source of state-wide news, but even national news courtesy of a threat that was perceived as another possible shooting at a school. No doubt the reaction was amplified by the shooting at another school that happened just before the threat, but any such threat needs to be taken seriously.

A 14-year-old girl was arrested for altering and reposting a threat that had been circulating on social media, Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey said.

The threat, which stemmed from a Snapchat post made in South Carolina, shows what appears to be a student holding a pellet gun and says the name of a school along with "Round two of Florida," implying the threat of another shooting. Deputies said the girl, who lives in Brevard County's Canaveral Groves neighborhood, altered the image to name Space Coast Junior/Senior High School. "I'm coming space coast, watch out," the image said.

"The investigation into the post began after the Sheriff's Office was made aware of the posting on Instagram," Ivey said. "The female student had indicated that she thought it was 'funny,' because everyone else was doing it and the reaction it was generating."

Possibly it was intended to be funny. It wasn't. The girl was booked into the Juvenile Detention Center on a written threats to kill or do bodily harm charge. There will be no funny story for her or her family.

Perhaps all parents should have a talk with their youngsters to make certain they understand how seriously both the schools and law enforcement take this subject matter. We know they take the tragedy very seriously when it happens somewhere else, but there may be a disconnect in their awareness of what they write and their intent when they write it, and how it will be perceived by others. LOL in large letters or a disclaimer included with the message that it was intended as a joke might have saved a lot of trouble, a lot of fear and probably avoided the arrest.

Sheriff Ivey increased the security presence at the school after seeing the post. Deputies were



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seen guarding each of the school's entrances.

Organizers of a wrestling tournament that was to be hosted by the school have postponed the event because of parents' concerns.

Deputies said they always take school threats seriously, but will be especially vigilant in light of the mass shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida.

What's that old saying from generations of moms? "It's all fun and games until..." There have been too many school shootings in the news for them to be funny. Even one is too many.

# **Free Tax Preparation**

AARP Tax-Aide will be doing free tax preparation at the Port St. John library on Wednesdays, from 12:30 – 4:30 PM. Appointments may be made at the site during site hours. Walk-ins will be taken, as time permits.



You must have the Social Security

card for everyone on your return and the taxpayer and spouse on a joint return must have photo ID. Be sure you have all your paperwork from employers, banks, and brokers. If you want your refund directly deposited to your bank, you must have a check or a letter from the bank to determine the routing number and account number.

Helen Dezendorf, District Coordinator AARP Tax-Aide, Brevard County

# Monthly Tax Update

Last month you were provided some information on the new Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and here is some more. As a reminder, the tax act repealed the personal exemption deduction and also created another credit. It is a new \$500, nonrefundable tax credit for each person the taxpayer could have claimed as a dependent under prior law, but who is not a Qualifying Child (e.g., a "Qualifying Relative"). This \$500 credit is added to any other child tax credits and the total credits begin phasing out once a taxpayer's MAGI exceeds \$400,000 on a joint return or \$200,000 for singles. Yes, you will need help to clearly understand this one.

Next, it's time to review long-term capital gains and qualified dividends tax rates. The rates remain the same at 0%, 15%, and 20% rates and apply to only long-term capital gains and qualified dividends. The only difference is a higher taxable income amount to initiate the 20% tax rate.

Also, the new tax law did not change the 3.8% net investment income tax on investment income, (e.g., capital gains, dividends, passive income), which will continue to apply once the modified adjusted gross income of married taxpayers filing jointly exceeds \$250,000 (exceeds \$200,000 if single).

I'm not one to promote getting a divorce, but now is the time to do it if alimony is being considered. A repeal of the deduction for qualified alimony payments has occurred. Currently, an individual making qualified alimony payments is allowed an "above-the-line" deduction for the payments and the recipient of the payments must include the payments in their income. Well, effective for divorce orders executed after 2018, the deduction for alimony payments is repealed and the alimony payments will no longer be taxable to the payee. Now, If the divorce instrument is executed before 2019, but modified after 2018, the alimony payments made after the modification will continue to be deductible by the individual making the payments (and taxable to the recipient) unless the modification expressly provides the alimony payments are to be nondeductible to the payer and nontaxable to the recipient. Therefore, individuals contemplating divorce must "execute" a "Divorce or Separation Instrument" before 2019 to ensure that any alimony payments will be deductible. Individuals who anticipate receiving alimony payments can avoid being taxed on those payments if they delay "executing" any "Divorce or Separation Instrument" until after 2018.

Oh, one last tidbit. The new budget just signed into law has resurrected some 2017 sunsetting tax laws which includes the Tuition and Fees adjustment to income. If you are able to claim this education deduction, then you shouldn't file your 2017 tax return until IRS has a chance to update the 2017 Form 1040.

And talking about that, there is a new, simplified income tax Form 1040SR coming out soon for senior citizens. More to come on this.

This is a very brief overview. It is your responsibility to discuss any tax and financial changes with your professional advisor for assistance 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.

The first testicular guard, the "Cup," was used in Hockey in 1874 and the first helmet was used in 1974. That means it only took 100 years for men to realize that their brain is also important. (Ladies, quit laughing!)



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# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Alcoholics Anonymous meets in PSJ on Sundays at 5 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at 4797 Curtis Blvd. (St. Patrick's Church). Overeaters Anonymous meets in PSJ on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. at the PSJ Library. Visit oaspacecoast.org for other meeting locations. Nar-Anon: Support group for those affected by someone else's addiction, meets on Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm at 1st United Methodist Church, 825 Forrest Ave., Cocoa www.naranonfl.org.

## 3-1 Purim

# 3-4 International Women's Day

3-6 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.
3-7 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.
3-7 PSJ Startups & Founders Club, a group

## Important Phone Numbers

County Commissioner -	607-6901
Sheriff: Non-Emergency -	633-7162
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SCAT Bus Information -	633-1878
Port St. John Library	633-1867
PSJ Community Center -	633-1904
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Sexual Offender Registry -	
www3.fdle.state.fl.us/sexual_predators/	

for new business owners and entrepreneurs, meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Port St. John Library. We'll begin our program at 5:30 PM, and wrap up before 7 PM. The Port St. John internet site can be viewed at www.meetup.com/Port-St-John-PSJ-Startups-Founders-Club/.

**3-8 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.

**3-9 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.

**3-11 Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group** meets on the 2nd Sunday each month (except Mother's Day & Nov.), 2 PM, Cocoa Library.

**3-11 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 for info.

**3-11 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 for more information. Print "Writers Group" in Subject.

## **3-11 Daylight Savings Begins**

**3-16 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.

## 3-17 St. Patrick's Day

**3-19 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.

**3-21 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.

**3-27 Moonlight Quilters Guild** meets at the First Christian Church in Titusville, 2880 Jay Jay Rd., on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Meet and greet & refreshments at 6:00, 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.

## 3-31 Passover Begins

Congratulations to: Alexander Delida turns 12 on the 2nd. Landon Townley turns 12 on the 2nd. Patina Rutenber is more lovely on the 3rd. Sharon Bowen is more beautiful on the 3rd. Mason Kremer turns 9 on the 3rd. Shawn Townsend turns 20 on the 4th. Kari Grinstead gets spanked on the 5th Sam Brown turns crazier on the 5th. **Doug Vick** turns mo' better on the 6th. Isaac Kois turns 28 on the 6th. Mandy Pannullo turns 25 on the 8th. Aiden Firth turns 8 on the 8th. Paris Ragan parties wild on the 9th. Jason Rockhill turns buffer on the 9th. Brett Messer turns 22 on the 10th. Patty Benoff dances all night on the 10th. Carol Kremer turns prettier on the 14th. Rhonda Rockhill is the Queen on the 15th. Ashlev Moore turns hotter on the 16th. Paige Burris turns more lovely on the 17th. Tonva Dees remains beautiful on the 18th. Lucas Erickson turns 20 on the 18th. Amaya Rockhill turns 12 on the 18th. Brent Bray turns 29 on the 21st. **Chervl Rausch** is the party girl on the 23rd. Alexys Sladyk turns 17 on the 24th. Carter Niehoff turns 7 on the 27th. Jim Carnell is the King on the 29th. Norm & Sue Blum celebrate their 35th Anniversary on the 4th. Lisa & Cary Troxel celebrate the day Cary robbed the cradle on the 27th. Rock on! Dave and Valerie Hannen celebrate their 33rd

wedding anniversary on the 30th. *We have lots of room for more good news.* Email your inputs to happenings1@att.net.

# PMC Welcomes Oncology Physician

Parrish Cancer Center welcomes Dr. Cecil O. Robertson as its newest board-certified physician in medical oncology and hematology. Cecil Robertson, M.D, received his medical degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Medicine. He completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Harlem Hospital Center, a program affiliated with Columbia University school of Physicians and Surgeons in New York. He completed his fellowship in hematology and medical oncology at Mount Sinai School of Medicine at Queens Hospital Center. After completing his fellowship, Dr. Robertson moved to Florida where he has lived and practiced for the last twenty years.

"I'm looking forward to working with people that give good quality care," says Dr. Robertson. He is conveniently located in the Parrish Cancer Center at 845 Medical Drive, Suite B, Titusville, FL 32796 and is currently accepting new patients with Medicare, Medicaid, and most insurances.

Please call 321-529-6202 for an appointment.

# JPF and Parrish Medical Center Auxiliary Accepting Scholarship Applications

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation (JPMF) and Parrish Medical Center (PMC) Auxiliary are now accepting scholarship applications from high school seniors who plan to pursue a career in a medical or healthcare field related to human health. The organizations have combined their scholarship programs and will announce scholarship recipients in May 2018.

Scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors who reside in the Parrish Medical Center service area (SR 528 north to the Brevard/Volusia county line). Students must have an unweighted grade point average of 3.0 or greater, based on a 4.0 scale. Students previously awarded a JPMF and/or PMC Auxiliary scholarship may reapply provided they are continuing studies in a medical/healthcare field related to human health and have maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average. Graduate students are not eligible.

High school students attending Astronaut sleep apnea. It might save your life.

High School, Space Coast Jr./Sr. High School and Titusville High School may obtain an application from the Guidance Office at their school. Others may obtain an application by calling the Jess Parrish Medical Foundation at 321-269-4066 or by visiting parrishmedfoundation.com/scholarships. Submission deadline is Friday, March 9, 2018.

# A Good Night's Sleep Is Good For Your Heart

Unlike what many people think, sleep apnea is not just a sleep problem. Sleep apnea is failure to breathe properly during sleep. This means vital organs don't get the oxygen they need. It is a serious problem, especially for the heart. During sleep, the body should rest. With sleep apnea, the body struggles due to low oxygen levels causing increased stress on the heart.

Because of the lack of oxygen, people with untreated sleep apnea are at a higher risk for a stroke and heart attack. In fact, men with untreated sleep apnea have double their risk for a stroke.

Ask your physician if you should be tested for sleep apnea. It might save your life.







parrishcancercenter.com

#### 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 Thursdays at 6:30pm. 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.

#### Registration

Registration for the upcoming 2018 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. 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. Tackle and Cheer for fall usually starts the first week of July.

#### **Volunteers Needed**

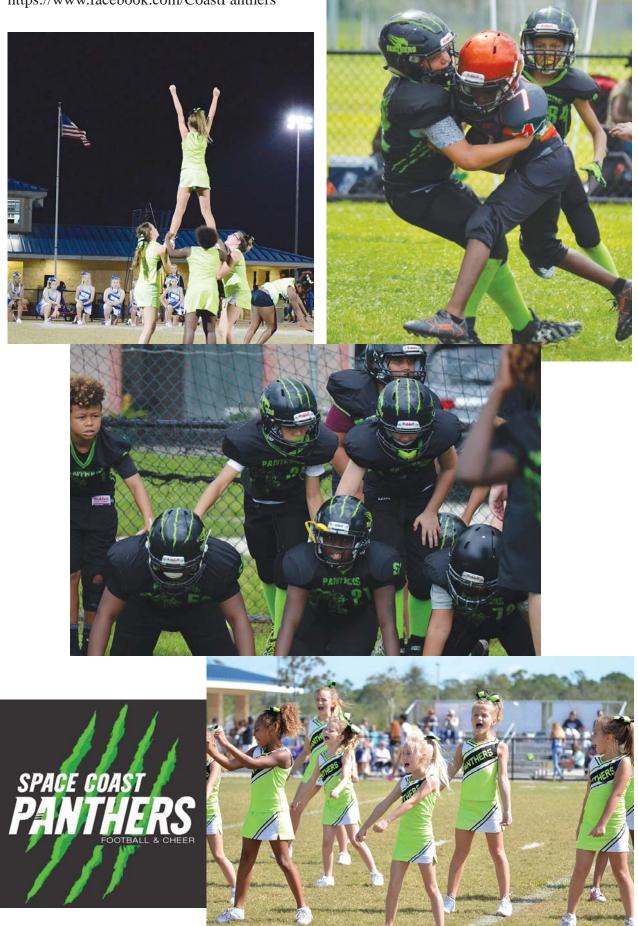
We are a non-profit, all volunteer organization and we are always in need of volunteers. Space Coast Panthers Coaches and Board members are all volunteers and give their personal time up to train and help the boys and girls of our league. This is a great way to give back to your community and help make a difference in a child's life.

#### **Business Partners Wanted -**

Check out our website for a list of sponsor packages to help get the word out about your business and help the community at the same time. Need to receive substantial exposure for your business? Want to make a positive impact on the youth in our community? Could you benefit from a tax deduction? We are always accepting new sponsors and we have a plan to meet your needs!

Sponsorship forms are available online, www. SpaceCoastPanthers.org. Contact Greg Murphy via email for more information at murphy4884@ gmail.com.

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# Jess Parrish Medical Foundation

# Celebrates Gala Success

Jess Parrish Medical Foundation's annual benefit gala, Soirée by the Sea, was a tremendous success raising more than \$145,000 in net proceeds to benefit The Children's Center. Presented by the law firm of GrayRobinson, P.A. and Laura & William Boyles, the event was held at Cruise Terminal One, Port Canaveral and attracted more than 400 guests.

Event co-chairs Judy Allender, Holly Carver and Heather Loyd, along with committee mem-

bers, planned an elegant 1940s cruise-themed evening complete with a Captain's dinner that included Captain Ed Lanni, who was the first to sail into Port Canaveral in 1950 aboard the LST-694 and Captain John Murray, Canaveral Port Authority CEO and Port Director. Guests were greeted by the sounds of Tropical Groove as they shopped the silent-auction and met characters reminiscent of the 1941 movie, That Night in Rio. Gala attendees were taken back in time with live entertainment by The EA Group, which included a dinner show complete with singing waiters, an improv artist and Broadway veteran Melissa Minyard, who performed songs from the 1940s just as she has on cruise ships around the world.

Three bright and talented kids from The Parrish Children's Center, Devon, Rachel and Jacob, captivated the audience. Rachel, with the assistance of Devon, shared stories about her experiences at The Children's Center and those of friends who have also been helped by the many programs and services available. Jacob, whose dream is to entertain the world through his music, performed a freestyle dance and drum solo, bringing the crowd to its feet.

The Children's Center, a service of Parrish Healthcare and one-stop childhood development resource center, provides an array of health, education and human services under one roof. The center is home to many community agencies offering a variety of programs to children of all abilities. Because they have low studentto-teacher ratios and provide necessary services based on the child's need, not the parents' ability to pay, they have operational needs beyond what client revenues generate each year.

The Children's Center Futures Fund was established to ensure these services are available long into the future by setting aside funds for annual operating needs, new or expanded services, unanticipated expenses and capital projects. Thanks to the generosity of organizations and individuals in our community, funds generated from Soirée by the Sea closed the gap and aided



The Children's Center in reaching the \$1 million fundraising milestone for the Futures Fund. been overwhelmed by the outpouring of community support which will impact and change

"It was our privilege to be the presenting sponsor of this great event, and we are delighted to support the development of future generations of our children through programs and services offered at The Children's Center. We believe in continuing the foundation's mission of providing healing experiences to families throughout Brevard County," said William A. Boyles, shareholder at GrayRobinson, P.A.

Judy Allender and Richard Boggs, underwriting co-chairs, helped secure more than 100 sponsorships from numerous community members and organizations. Sponsors included, at the First Mate level: Bermello Ajamil & Partners, Inc.; and at the Excursion level: Allender & Allender P.A./ Port Commissioner Jerry & Judy Allender; Boggs Gases; Cocoa Beach Hospitality/Transportation Association; Susan Morse, UBS Financial Services; RUSH Construction, Inc.; N. Christine Sylvester; TD Bank, and Zumpano Patricios & Winker, P.A. Anchor level sponsors include: The Broome Law Firm, P.A./Chris & Kelley Broome; Canaveral Port Authority; Coastal Ambulance Service; Florida Cardiovascular Association; GT USA LLC; Hamlin Capital Advisors LLC; Industrial Steel, Inc.; Itani Family Pharmacy/Basil & Dania Itani; Dr. Nabil Itani, Internal Medicine; Jaguar Land Rover Merritt Island; Bob & Jessie

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> "On behalf of the Jess Parrish Medical Foundation board of directors and staff, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who supported our 2017 gala and contributed to its success. We have

been overwhelmed by the outpouring of community support which will impact and change our future generations," said Gene Sego, chair, JPMF board of directors.

Committee members include Richard Boggs, Ginny Bradford, Winnie Brewer, Kelley Broome, Mary Coleman, Amy Craddock, Lori Duester, Voncile Franklin, Betty Greene, Dawn Hohnhorst, Melissa Lugo, Christina Morrison, Susan Morse, Candi Neuweiler, Elana Pitcher, Tara Ruch, Leigh Spradling and Dr. Tanya Taival.

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# St. Patrick's Day Party

St. Patrick's Anglican Catholic Church, 4797 Curtis Blvd., will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day Party on Saturday March 17th at 5:30 pm. It will include all-you-can-eat corned beef and cabbage, soft drinks and dessert for \$15 a person, under 12 free. The event will include music, dancing and a good time. BYOB. For more information, call 321-632-7634.

## **First Friday Rosary**

Come join us on Friday, March 2, 2018 at 6 PM located at St. Peters Orthodox Catholic Church Western Rite, 3805 Fay Blvd., PSJ.

Prayer Hour with coffee & cake to follow.

Call Deacon Frank Cossentino at 321-208-2356 for more information.



**Rummage Sale** 

Frontenac Baptist Church, 5500 N. Cocoa Blvd., will be holding a Rummage Sale on Friday and Saturday, March 2 - 3, 8am - 2pm.

Come hungry! The event will also have hot dogs, drinks, sloppy joes and a bake sale.

# **Calling All Christian Authors!**

Dynamic writers group in Cocoa, FL, offers training, critiques and paid writing opportunities. (2nd Sundays 2-4:30 pm at the Cocoa library.)

Contact D.P. Clarke at 1royaldy@gmail.com for more information. Print "Writers Group" on the Subject line.

## **Experimental Aircraft Meeting**

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 724, Merritt Island (EAA724) will hold their next meeting on January 10th in the club house on Merritt Island Airport at 7:30pm.

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

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

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



MMAG

Indian River City United Methodist Women, 1355 Cheney Hwy, in Titusville will host a Rummage and Bake Sale from 7 AM to 2 PM on Friday, March 16th. Doors will open promptly at 7. Location of the sale is in Wesley Fellowship Hall in the rear of the church property. Proceeds support mostly local missions. If you have other questions, please call Lois at 267-3950.

# **Choir Director Needed**

The First United Methodist Church of Port St. John is seeking a part-time Choir Director who will be responsible for music at normally scheduled 11:00 a.m. Sunday services and other special services such as the Easter and Christmas cantatas. He or she will also be responsible for conducting weekly choir practice.

If you are interested in applying, please send rinquiries@gmail.com.



# **Parents Listen Up**

You might want to talk to your "charges" about what not to do.

On Monday, President's Day, in the afternoon I was walking east on Fay Blvd. on the north sidewalk just a few blocks west of US 1, when I heard a little squeak behind me. I turned around just in time to stop a young boy (13-16 years old) riding his bicycle - with my outstretched arms. His face looked shocked and then he apologized while giving the excuse his bicycle DID NOT HAVE BRAKES.

The more I think about it the more I think either he is clueless or worse, it was on purpose. He gave no verbal warning whatsoever and had other outs, like going in the grass or duck out to the street (no cars were coming). I recall he was perfectly able to stop his bicycle twice to look back at his oncoming buddies further down the road, thus my conclusion maybe it was on purpose and I was luckily able to stop him before hitting me.

Now I am going on 75 years old, have two knee replacements. He could have destroyed them, broken my back, caused brain injury and put me in a wheelchair to live out my life and I possibly would be the next commercial telling about my large award on TV.

Before this I saw him and his two friends in Dunkin' Donuts (who I would think have video) so he would have been easily identified. They were on their way to fish at Nicol Park. I later saw them there.

One of the other two boys inquired if I had been hit and I told

him what I had to do to prevent it and he said, "I'll take care of it" and left and the third boy asked his buddy if I had been hit as they wheeled off.

If you recognize this might be your son, if his brakes do not work, FIX THEM. And better educate him. My husband would have been a victim because he would not have heard the one faint squeak of the bicycle like I did. He lost most of his hearing in the armed services.



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# **ST. PATRICK'S** DAY

# Mortgage Rates Are Rising. It's time to buy!

#### **Corner Lot - Canaveral** Groves Paved on one side \$35.900

Great looking corner lot, partially cleared. Mango is paved, Orleans is not. Small area of wetlands on property. Survey shows location. Environmental Survey done and attached. Docs say Mango address because address was assigned after the Enviro Survey.



Granite countertops in the kitchen, vaulted ceiling, solar tube lighting in kitchen, tile floors in the main rooms, formal living room, family room, breakfast bar in the kitchen. Relax on the closed-in, air conditioned Florida Room. All stainless kitchen appliances. Includes a washer, dryer, 2nd refrigerator, wine cooler, freezer, emergency generator and grill. New roof in 2012.

#### **Commercial Lot on Kings Hwy.** Port St. John **Only \$50,000**

85' x 150' fenced, gated vacant commercial lot zoned BU1-A in a good location on Kings Highway between US 1 and the railroad tracks.

Ready to start your own business? Cleared, fenced on 3 sides. Electric, cable and telephone service available. High traffic count with shopping plaza nearby.

# Rose's Room

SUMMERTIMES A COMIN'! Back yard Bar-B-Q's! Long mornings and evening strolls on the beach, pickup games of football, and volleyball in the park! My absolute favorite, camping!

My husband and I used to spend every moment we could in our little pop-up camper. We enjoyed Brevard's many wonderful campgrounds every chance we got.

Manatee Hammock, and Jetty Park being our favorites, because they have access to all manner of water activities, and are close enough for our kids and grandkids to come for the day, have dinner, let the grandkids exhaust themselves, then take the little darlings home for a bath and early bedtime.

The best part is Grammy got to spend the whole day with the people she loves and doesn't have to clean up afterward.

The skies were overcast most of that long ago day two of my kids and their beautiful little families spent with us. After lunch is time to head to the playground. I preferred to take my grandchildren by myself because it was our one on one time.

This day my son chooses to join us on the playground, as we walk on the beach, and when we feed the Sea Gulls.

When I asked him if there was a reason he was tagging along, or did he not trust me with his children, he answered, "I just like to watch you all together."

The expression on my face told him I was not swallowing that one, so he continued, "Well... it is kind of rainy, and your track record for keeping kids dry in storms is not wonderful, or don't you remember?"

I got the distinct feeling I was being set up for a punch line, so I began to explain to my daughter-in-law, who was attempting to hug all four kids protectively, while backing toward her car.

"One time I taxied all my kids and assorted friends to the mall and in all the commotion, I somehow locked my keys in the car. It started raining and we got a little wet. One time out of 12,000 trips to the mall, we get a little wet and that's the only thing they remember!"

My son broke in with "A LITTLE wet? We were treading water while she looked through the suitcase she carries for a purse!"

His sister butts in with, "While we were standing there, the best looking boy in school drove by with that stuck-up Janice. I was emotionally scarred for life."

"Well, scar your emotion with this, Mr. and Ms. Smart Alecks. I am taking my grandchildren, and ONLY my grandchildren, to watch the cruise ship pull out and no one else is invited!"

That said, I turned heel and marched away.

Marching away is a little difficult to do with a two-year-old that stops every three steps to watch bugs, but we eventually ended up by the water and eagerly awaited the ships passing.

The two-year-old spotted a fiddler crab, and I was laughing so hard at his impersonation of its sideways walk I did not feel the first few rain drops.

When the skies opened up, we stood there in shock for a long moment, then made a dash for the nearest pavilion; from there, a mad run to our camp site. We arrived sloshing wet, just in time for it to stop raining just as quickly as it started, as it always does in our great state.

the car to rescue us when the rain hit, and my daughter had water of another kind running down their faces. I don't know if the tears were from the pain in their ribs from laughing so hard, or the laughter itself. But at that moment, I was hoping the former.

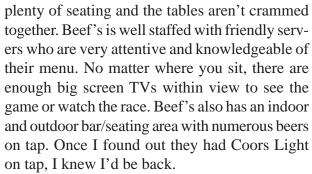
I wonder if some years down the road I will be explaining this whole thing to a grand daughterin-law? I look forward to it.

#### **Out On The Town** - Beef O'Brady's

This month's restaurant review is on the much awaited Beef O'Brady's, right here in Port St. John. This type of eating establishment is way overdue

for our neighborhood. It's nice having a place to go that serves such a variety of foods, a place that has something on the menu for anyone in your dining group, whether it's a burger, wings, fajitas, steak, fish, chicken or just a salad.

When I first walked in, I thought how nice, the architecture is up to date, it's spacious, has



On our first visit, my wife ordered the grilled chicken breast, which came with seasoned rice and steamed broccoli. She also ordered a side salad, which turned out to be a nice size salad for only \$3.59 extra. She said her meal was cooked perfectly and the broccoli wasn't overcooked, which is nice.

I ordered the "O' Brady burger," which is basically a traditional hamburger that is served on a toasted brioche bun, which I like. My burger came with the good 'ol traditional fries. I ordered my burger medium well, hoping for a little pink in the meat, but came in my opinion overcooked and well done, but was still good.

On our second visit, my wife ordered the My son, who, to his credit, had jumped in chicken fajitas. They came out sizzling hot, looked and smelled very appetizing. The grilled chicken strips were very tender and came with all the traditional fajita fixings. I ordered a 10 piece traditional wings and fries, but I couldn't decide on what temperature to order. I like my wings wet with a little kick to them, so settled on the "Beef's Signature Buffalo" flavor, which was in the middle of their heat scale. The wings were a nice size, had the perfect crispiness to them but not overcooked and served wet. The sauce had a really good flavor, but nowhere near a medium heat. I'd say they were mild with a very slight kick. I think next time I'll be daring and order the "Hot" Level. If they're too hot, I know they have plenty of Coors Light on tap.

> To sum it up; we were impressed. The prices are reasonable and the staff was friendly and attentive. I hope Beef's does well here and their quality remains high. I'm sure we'll be back since it's only a few blocks from the house. We hope more businesses come to Port St. John; it would be nice if we had another auto parts store, and a WAWA on Port St. John Pkwy. would be a nice addition.



#### **Port St. John Public Library March 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. Master Gardener Clinic: Monday, 2-4 pm. Our master gardener will answer your plant questions. Bring samples.

Senior Games: Tuesdays, 11:00-3:00 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., 1-4:00pm. Counselors assist seniors and the disabled with Medicare and Medicaid questions. Call for an appointment time 321-222-7981.

AARP Tax Preparation: Wednesdays, 12:30-4:30 pm. Bring your W-2 forms and other tax documents.

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

- Mar. 1, 10-12:00 pm North Brevard Home School Co-op
- Mar. 1, 10:30-11 am PPD/PPA Support Group
- Delta Sigma Theta Mar. 3, 11 am-1 pm North Brevard Economic Mar. 7, 5-7:00 pm
- Development
- Mar. 7, 5:30 pm Adult Coloring Club
- Mar. 8, Noon-1:30 **Plant Swappers**
- Mar. 10, 10 am-Noon PSJ Pokémon Club Port St. John Public
- Mar. 12, 5:30 pm Library Advisory Board Meeting
- Mar. 14, 5:30-7:45 pm Assumption College
- Mar. 15, 10-12:00 pm North Brevard Home School Co-op
- Mar. 16, 11:45 am Titusville Chamber of Commerce
- Mar. 21, 1-3:00 pm Bookworms Adult Book **Discussion Group**
- Mar. 22, 10 am-1:00 pm North Brevard Home School Co-op

Mar. 24, 10 am-Noon Port St. John Pokémon Club

Mar. 28, 5:30-7:45 pm Assumption College

Friends of the Library Mar. 28, 6:00 pm Membership Meeting

- Mar. 29, 10-12 pm North Brevard Home School Co-op
- Mar. 31, 10:30-11:30 pm Author talk with Adrian Stroud

# Lab-bred Mosquitos to be **Released in Florida**

Mosquitoes are often looked at as unwelcome part of subtropical living, but scientists in Florida say they have found a way to use the insects to help protect people from deadly disease.

and Habitat Management Division is releasing millions of mosquitoes infected with a bacteria that will curb the insect's population. The labbred males are infected with Wolbachia, bacteria officials said is not harmful to humans. The bacteria will prevent any mosquitoes produced when the non-biting males mate with wild females from surviving to adulthood, authorities said.

"Those matings when they take place, none of the progeny survive," Miami-Dade County Mosquito Control Director William Petrie told WPLG-TV.

Preventing the offspring from surviving will help drive down the population of mosquitoes that can spread Zika, dengue fever and chikungunya fever, authorities said.

Scientists expect to have released two-thirds of a billion male mosquitoes by July.

- Thanx to:

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#### March 28, 6pm Very important meeting.

Friends of the Port St. John Library is holding it's annual election of board members. Please support your public library by coming to this meeting and joining the Friends of the Library and help plan the upcoming year's events.

"In the near future the library will be holding some informative and entertaining events for adults, plus another Book Sale."

# **MUTT STRUT 5K**

Don't miss the opportunity to have a ball while making a difference in the lives of homeless pets! Grab your tennis shoes (and a leash) because on

Saturday, March 31st, at 7:30am the Avenue Viera will go to the dogs! At the inaugural "Mutt Strut 5K", dogs and the people who



love them will run in an effort to raise funds and awareness for the Brevard Humane Society, a non-profit organization whose vision is to ensure Brevard County homeless animals are treated with dignity and respect while living free from cruelty, harm, and neglect.

"I am so excited to host this event as it brings The Miami-Dade County Mosquito Control avid runners and dog lovers together to one event!" said Kimberly Newton, chair for the Brevard Humane Society's board of directors, "My hope is that we will raise funds to help the Brevard Humane Society promote the welfare of companion animals in our community along with getting a few animals adopted."

Participants may run/walk the scenic "Mutt Strut 5K," trot lightly with the "Doggie Dash" 1 Miler, or partake in the ultimate competition of the "Double Dog Dare" Challenge! The 5K starts and finishes in front of the Sports Authority located at 6729 Colonnade Ave. in the Avenue Viera.

The "Mutt Strut" is a family-friendly, groupfriendly, and dog-friendly event! However, for the safety of all participants, pets must be current on all vaccinations, be in good health, and MUST be kept on a leash. Don't have a mutt to strut? Feel free to "lease" an on-site adoptable dog from the Brevard Humane Society the day of the event to make a new friend for the day or for life!

Registration is now open and those registered by March 15, 2018 will receive an official race t-shirt. Discounted pre-registration is available until March 30th and prizes will be awarded for the top individuals including a special challenge medal for ALL "Double Dog Dare" Finishers. Participants may register individually or as a team in an effort to raise funds for the homeless animals of the Brevard Humane Society. For more information, please visit: http://www. runningzone.com/events/mutt-strut-5k-doggiedash-1-miler-double-dog-dare-challenge/.

# The Lamp Stand

A monthly Church Bulletin Board for the community. Attend A Church of Your Choice!

#### **Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church**

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

**Brevard Zen Center** 1261 Range Road, Cocoa, Fl Buddist Sunday Service 9:00am Meditation in the Zendo 7:00pm Calvary Baptist Church, 321-636-8056 1 1/2 miles south of 528 overpass, east side of US 1 Pastor Jay Frazier www.calvarybaptistincocoa.org Sunday Morning Svc. - 10 a.m. (nursery provided) Sunday Eve. Service - 6 pm, Wed. Evening - 7 pm Christ Central Church, 321-636-7671 2010 N. Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa ChristCentral51@gmail.com www.cocoachurch.org Bible Class: 9:00 - 9:45 AM Worship Service: 10:15 – 11:30 AM Christian Church at PSJ, 4645 Fay Blvd., Pastor Larry Sparrow, ccatpsj.org ccatpsj.org -- email: ccatpsj@rocketmail.com Sunday - Bible Study 8:30 a.m. Worship at 9:30. Wednesdays - Youth Group, 7:00 p.m. **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints** 3000 South Street, Titusville. 2 Wards meet here. Port St. John Ward... Bishop Kline Port St. John Ward Sacrament Meeting, 9:30 PM Titusville Ward... Bishop George Newman Sacrament Meeting... 12:00 pm General, Stake & Ward information: www.lds.org Cocoa full-time missionaries: 321-230-6395 Titusville full-time missionaries: 407-403-2973 Coastal Community Church, 321-639-7346 5795 Falcon Blvd., PSJ: coastalcommunity.net Services on Sunday, 9 & 10:45 am. Cocoa Presbyterian Church, 321-631-3956 1404 Dixon Blvd., Cocoa, cocoapc@att.net Sunday: Church school 9:15 pm/Worship 10:30 am Nurseries and Children's church **Cocoa 7th Day Adventist Church & School** 1500 Cox Rd, Cocoa, Pastor Amado Luzbet Church - 632-0640; School - 636-2551 www.cocoasda.org Saturday Sabbath School classes all ages, 9:45 am. Worship at 11:30 am; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 pm. **Community Alliance Church** 321-639-1717. 4855 Fay Blvd., PSJ Sunday School (all ages), 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm.

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

Wednesday Youth, 7 pm. 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. **East Coast Christian Center Cocoa Campus** 1855 Friday Rd., Cocoa. (321) 452 1060 **First Assembly of God** (321) 632-5228 3757 N. US Hwy. 1 Pastor Les Ray Sunday School, 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 and 6:30 pm Wednesday, 7 pm, Bible Study: Rainbows (3-4), Royal Rangers (boys 5-12), Missionettes (girls 5-12). Wednesday, 7 pm, Youth Group Fellowship. **First Baptist Church of Port St. John** (321)636-5455 3900 Fay Blvd., www.firstbaptistpsj.com Sunday School 9:15 Worship & Kid's Church 10:30 am. Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m. Wednesday Wednesday: TeamKids & Youth, 6:30-8 pm. Thrift Store Hours: M,T,Th,F, 10-4. W&Sat, 10-2 Food Pantry Hours: M & W, 10 am - 1 pm First Baptist Church of Cocoa (321)636-2868 750 Brevard Ave. in Historic Cocoa Village Worship 11 am & 6 pm, Sunday School 9:30 am Wednesday Service/Youth Prayer & Share, 6:30 pm http://baptist1.com/church/fl/cocoafbc **First Free Will Baptist Church** Pastor Darrell "D" Miller, 795-4780. 5311 Barna Ave. Titusville 269-4033, 268-1705 Sunday School 9:00 am, Morning Worship 10:00 am Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm First United Methodist Church, (321) 631-0183 Rev. David Charlton at 1165 Fay Blvd. Contemporary service - 9:00 am Sunday School - 10 am; Traditionaly Service, 11 am Wonderful Wednesday Worship, at 7 pm Senior (High) Youth & Jr. (High) Youth at 3 pm, Sun. Kingdom Kids, K - 5, meet at 3 pm. Sunday Frontenac Baptist Church (321)636-1369 5500 N. US Hwy 1 Pastor Bill McInnish Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Evening Meal, 5:30 pm Wednesday Bible Study, 6:00 pm weekly. Glory of God Anglican Church (321)632-6812 3735 N. Indian River Dr., Reverend Paul W. Young Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** 2073 Garden St., Titusville, 321-267-4323 Pastor Bruce Alberts; titusvillelutherans.org Traditional Worship, 8:30 am; Contemporary, 11:00 HOPE United Church of Christ, 636-0250 2555 Fiske Blvd. **Reverend Celestine Slater-Brooks** Sunday School, 9 a.m. Children's Service - 10 a.m. Sunday Morning Service - 10 a.m. (w/nursery) http://www.hopeucc.com Ma'gen David Messianic Synagogue Rabbi Jem Golden (321) 213-2259 3815 N. US1, Suite 123 in Cocoa Commercial Ctr. Erev Shabbat Service - Friday, 6:30 pm Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church ELCA Pastor Tom Unrath, (321) 636-0777 400 Lucerne Dr. Cocoa Sunday Worship Service - 10:00 AM Bible Study - Wed. 6:00 PM Ministerio Un Nuevo Comienzo (A New Beginning Ministry) 2010 North Cocoa Blvd., Cocoa Miercoles (Wednesday); 7pm Domingo (Sunday); 7pm New Life Christian Fellowship 269-7578 Pastor Larry Linkous www.findnewlife.com Interdenominational Multi-Cultural Ministry for Entire Family 6755 S. Washington Ave. Sunday - 9:00 & 11:00, Wednesday - 7 pm Nursery & Children's Church available all services Northwest Baptist Church, 1720 Cox Rd., Cocoa 321-638-0890; www.nwbcofcocoa.org Sunday School for all ages, 9:00 am Classic/Modern Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; Wed. Nights, 7 p.m. Pentecostals of Cocoa, 636-6560 1901 Michigan Ave., Cocoa Sunday Worship at 10am; Sunday School at 10:30 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

**St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church,** 321-267-2545 414 Pine St., Titusville www.stgabs.org The Rev. Rob Goodridge, Rector Sat's: 5:30pm Rite II (Contemplative) Sun's: 7:30am Rite I (Historical), 9:30am Rite II (Traditional), 11:30am Rite III (Contemporary) Wed's: 6pm Taize Mediational Service Thur's: 11am Healing Service

**St. Patrick's Anglican Catholic Church**, 632-7634 4797 Curtis Blvd. Bishop John Vaughan, Rector Mass Sunday at 8, 10 & 5:30 and Friday noon Mass Wednesday Mass, 6:30 pm.

Alcoholics Anonymous, Sun., 5 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 pm

Narcotics Anonymous, Mondays, 8 - 10 pm. 1st Friday Anglican Rosary every month, 11:30 am.

**St Peter's Orthodox Catholic Church** (Western Rite), Rev. Deacon Frank Cossentino

3805 Fay Blvd., 321-208-2356 Services: Friday, 12 noon, Sunday 4:30 PM

Every Friday during Lent, 6 PM Stations of the Cross. Fish Potluck to follow.

March 17th-2018 St. Patrick Dinner Dance outdoors, weather permiting, 4 PM. Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner at 4:30 PM. Backyard, donations only. Limited seating. Music By Deacon Frankie C. March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday-Distribution of Palms Service, 4:30 pm

March 30, 2018 Good Friday Prayer services from 12 noon to 3 PM---3 PM chaplet of Divine Mercy April 1, 2018 Easter Sunday, weather permitting Sunrise Service on outdoor deck at 7 & 11 AM. **Sun Valley Christian Church**, 321-264-1337 4825 S. Barna Ave., Titusville, Minister Reggie Reed Sunday School at 9 am, Worship at 10 am & 6 pm Ladies Group each Tuesday and Thursday

Surfside Community Fellowship, 321-607-2111 thesurfsidefellowship.com

Pastor Dr. Erick Brookins 1720 Cox Road, Cocoa

Sunday Services at 9:00 & 10:30 am. Saturday night at 6:00 pm

Titusville Church of Seventh-day Adventist

Pastor Amado Luzbet. ALL are welcomed. 5005 Barna Ave. 267-8893. Saturday Worship, 11 am. Sabbath School, 9:15 am. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer, 7:30 pm.

**Trinity Community Church** 

Tim Merwin, Sr. Pastor

6750 South U.S. 1 (3 miles north of Fay Blvd.) Sunday Celebration at 10 am www.sgcfla.org sgcoffice@sgcfla.org 268-8004 **Trinity Lutheran Church & School - LCMS** 

1330 S. Fiske Blvd., Rockledge, 636-5431

Michael Hageman, Pastor Worship: 10:30 am

**Trinity Lutheran Church-LCMC** Pastor David Trexler | Dial-A-Story, 607-6742 3671 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville, FL 32780 Sunday Worship Service 9:30am Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Cocoa 1261 Range Road, Cocoa. <u>www.uucocoa.org</u> Sunday Service 11:00am

**Unity of Merritt Island,** 321-452-2625 4725 N. Courtenay Pkwy, Merritt Island Reverend Rose Whitham Practical Christianity. Sunday Services at 10 am www.unitymerrittisland.org. We are on Facebook. Victory Baptist Church, Pastor Raymond Hall 632-6148 at 242 Capron Road, PSJ. www.victorythroughjesus.org Sunday Bible Study at 9:30 am. Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am and 6 pm. Children's clubs and teen groups Prayer Service, Wednesday, 6:45 pm.



# Learning The Lingo Of Social Security

By Blanca Taylor

Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

Is Social Security a topic in your conversations these days? Are you familiar with the lingo used to describe Social Security benefits, or does it sound like a new vocabulary to you?

Social Security employees strive to explain benefits using easy-to-understand, plain language. But if a technical term or acronym (an abbreviation of the first letters of words in a phrase) that you don't know slips into the conversation or appears in written material, you can easily find the meaning in our online glossary at www. socialsecurity.gov/agency/glossary.

Social Security acronyms function as verbal shorthand in our financial planning conversations. If you're nearing retirement, you may want to know what PIA (primary insurance amount), FRA (full retirement age), and DRCs (delayed retirement credits) mean. These terms involve your benefit amount based on when you decide to take it.

If you take your retirement benefit at FRA, you'll receive the full PIA (amount payable for a retired worker who starts benefits at full retirement age). So, FRA is an age and PIA is an amount.

What about DRCs? Delayed retirement creditsBreathirare the incremental increases added to the PIA if6:30pmyou delay taking retirement benefits beyond yourLearnfull retirement age. If you wait to begin benefitsWednessbeyond FRA—say, at age 68 or even 70—yourDiscordbenefit increases.Discord

Once you receive benefits, you get a COLA most years. But don't expect a refreshing drink — a COLA is a Cost of Living Adjustment, and that will usually mean a little extra money in your monthly payment.

Knowing some of these terms can help you fine-tune your conversations about Social Security. If one of those unknown terms or acronyms does come up in conversation, you can be the one to supply the definition using our online glossary. Sometimes learning the lingo can deepen your understanding of how Social Security works for you.

Discover more at www.socialsecurity.gov.

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308 Forrest Ave Cocoa, FL 32922

#### March 2018 Adult Programs

Enjoy an atmosphere of relaxation and creativity at Adult Coloring on Mondays from 10am 'til noon. Supplies are provided. FREE.

Participate in the Watercolor Techniques class with Pearl Ollie; all skill levels are welcome. Tuesdays from 10am 'til noon. Cost is \$10, supplies included.

Learn how to manage blood glucose levels naturally at the Diabetes Control Class. This is weeks 1-5 of a FREE six-week course on Saturdays (March 3 thru March 31), 9:30 am 'til noon. Course materials are provided. Pre-registration is required.

Take part in Hatha-style yoga with Emily on Thursdays March 1, 15, 22 and 29 at 10:30 am. Relax in this gentle, mindful class and improve your flexibility, strength and concentration. Cost is \$5 per session.

Join us for Popcorn and a Classic Movie, showing the Marilyn Monroe classic, Some Like it Hot, Thursday, March 1 at 2pm. FREE ADMISSION.

Reduce daily stress and anxiety at the Guided Breathing Meditation class on March 1, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Cost is \$5.

Learn the basics of Microsoft Office on Wednesday, March 7 at 10am. Cost is \$5, preregister.

nefit increases. Discover the health benefits and soothing ef-Once you receive benefits, you get a COLA ost years. But don't expect a refreshing drink 10am. FREE.

> March's Popcorn and a Movie is an actioncomedy starring Morgan Freeman and Tommy Lee Jones, Thursday, March 8 at 2pm. PG-13, FREE ADMISSION.

> Celebrate Women's History Month with a visit from FPAN (Florida Public Archaeology Network), as they present Grit Tempered II: Famous Women in Florida Archaeology on Thursday, March 8 at 6pm. FREE!

> Learn the art of beautiful writing for any occasion at the Calligraphy class on Saturday, March 10 from 10am 'til noon, and 1pm 'til 3pm. Cost

is \$10, including supplies.

Join us for Popcorn and a Classic Movie, showing the Disney classic, Darby O'Gill and the Little People, starring Albert Sharpe and Sean Connery on Thursday, March 15 at 2pm. Free admission.

Witness a live cooking demonstration as Chef Warren prepares a scrumptious Irish meal on Thursday, March 15 at 6pm. FREE!

Gain valuable information on getting a home mortgage on Tuesday, March 20 at 6 pm. This is part 3 of a FREE 3-part financial wellness seminar.

Learn the fundamentals of Apple products at our computer class on Wednesday, March 21 at 10 am. Participants are encouraged to bring their mobile devices. Cost is \$5, pre-register.

Join the monthly Mystery Book Club where everyone reads a different book on a common theme. March's theme is Set in Florida, or a book by a Florida author. The discussion will be on Thursday, March 22 from 12:30pm-3pm. Contact the Reference Desk for more information.

Make a Chakra bracelet or necklace at the next Jewelry Class with Normandie on Thursday, March 22 at 1pm. Cost is \$15, which includes supplies. Call 321-225-1394 or email: thebeadladiesarehere@gmail.com for more information or to register.

Join us for Popcorn and a Classic Movie, showing the Joan Crawford classic, What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?, on Thursday, March 22 at 2 pm, Not Rated, FREE.

Hear multi-instrumentalist and singing duo, The Gemini Band, play selections on Sunday, March 25 at 3pm. FREE.

Don't' miss our Creative Lab's Tech Tuesday on March 27 from 5-7 pm. The featured activity is Little Bits/Arduino, where youngsters can learn the basics of coding through fun, interactive circuit kits. FREE. Pre-registration is required.

Come out for Popcorn and a Classic Movie showing Citizen Kane, starring Orson Welles on Thursday, March 29 at 2pm, Rated PG, FREE.



#### Walter Butler Community Center - March, 2018 Bernice G. Jackson Park, 4201 North US Hwy. 1, Sharpes

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

**Mondays - Fridays** Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m. Open Gym, 6-8 p.m. Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m.

#### **Tuesdays**

Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m. Open Computer Lab, 6-8 p.m. Boy Scouts, 3:30-4:30 p.m. every other Tuesday Open Gym, 6-8 pm. Wednesdays Pickleball, 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. Open Computer Lab, 12-2 & 6-8 p.m. Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m. Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 pm Open Gym, 6-8 p.m. **Thursdays** Pickleball, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Open Computer Lab, 12-2 & 6-8 p.m. Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m. Volleyball Fundamentals, 5-8 p.m. Open Gym, 6-8 p.m. **Fridays** Open Gym, 9 -11a.m. Open Computer Lab, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Pickleball, 11 am-2 pm Kids in Motion, 2-6 p.m. **Saturdays** Open Gym 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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. **Basketball Fundamentals - Program designed** for boys and girls ages 5 to 8. 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 will be held Monday and Tuesday 3-4 p.m. For more information contact Donovan Gilbert at (321)433-4448.

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

Kids in Motion - 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.

**Brevard County 4-H Junior Master Gardner** 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 Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

WBCC, (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 at 321-264-5058 or 321-264-5105.

# **Digital Preliminary Flood** Maps for Brevard County

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has completed its restudy for coastal Brevard County and released preliminary Flood Insurance Rate maps. New storm surge modeling will result in changes to flood zone areas on the Barrier Island and Merritt Island. Some areas will have revised flood elevations, which will impact annual flood insurance premiums, both positively and negatively. Some areas not currently in flood zones (Special Flood Hazard Areas) will change and be included, which will then require mandatory flood insurance for a mortgage.

The public is invited to view and comment on the preliminary maps and data by attending one of the upcoming FEMA Open House meetings:

•Tuesday, March 13, from 4-7 p.m., Space Coast Room, 2nd Floor, Building C, Brevard County Government Center

•Thursday, March 15, from 4-7 p.m., Cocoa Beach Country Club

Find out whether your property is impacted, how a change may affect you, how securing flood insurance coverage before a change can save you money, and how to appeal a change either before or after the fact. FEMA staff will be available for questions and information.

View updated maps here: https://hazards. For more information contact Jan Jordan at fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload/search-Load.action. (Not for mobile devices.)

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Won't you come join us? We meet on March 8th at the Discovery Church,

3925 Grissom Pkwy. at 7:00 pm. www.CanaveralGrovesHOA.com

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# Sleepy Hollow



## Free Magic Workshop For Kids

Magic Dove Magic Shop is launching FREE monthly magic workshops for kids. Magic Dove's Magic Workshop for Kids is a totally FREE program for children ages 7-17 and is designed to build positive character traits and increase confidence. The program highlights believing in the magic of kindness and the importance of putting smiles on the faces of others. Magic Dove Magic Shop is home to the world's largest chartered kids magic club - The Society of Young Magicians Club (SYM #Y143). Local youth members of SYM #Y143 will assist in the workshop.

"Our advanced teenage magic mentors are learning valuable life skills as they teach magic tricks to the beginners. When we see confidence soar, that's when the real magic happens," said Dr. Dan Ezell, owner of Magic Dove Magic Shop.

"I enjoy teaching magic to younger children. It is especially rewarding when I see them perform for others what I just taught them." Says Autumn VanVorhis, Rockledge High student and the 2018 Youth Florida Magician of the Year.

Every second Saturday of the month at 9 AM Dr. Dan and youth magicians will teach magic tricks children can do with everyday objects. Supplies are included, and parents are encouraged to learn along with their children to increase likelihood of success. Space is limited; therefore, reservations are required.

If you would like more information about this project, please contact Dr. Dan Ezell /Terry Black at 321-433-1130 or email drdan@magicdove.com.



A toll-free resource of the Florida Department of Transportation (standard mobile phone minutes, text message or data charges may apply)



#### National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

NARFE Apollo Chapter 1137 meets monthly on the second Monday of each month at Kay's BBQ Restaurant, SR 520 in Cocoa. You are invited to join us for lunch at 11:30 and an interesting speaker at 12:15.

No reservations required. Our website address is www.NARFE.org/Chapter1137.

# Martin Andersen Senior Center Dances

Martin Andersen Senior Center will host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday,

March 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. Adults of all ages are welcome. Music will



be provided by Janice and Rene. The cost is \$6; \$5 for members.

MASC will also host a Singles/Couples Ballroom Dance on Saturday, March 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 Renee. 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.

## What a morning.....

- 8:00 I made a snowman.
- 8:10 A feminist passed by and asked me why I didn't make a snow woman.
- 8:15 I made a snow woman.
- 8:17 The nanny of the neighbors complained about the snow woman's voluptuous chest.
- 8:20 The gay couple living nearby grumbled that it could have been two snowmen instead.
- 8:25 The vegans at No. 12 complained about the carrot nose, as veggies are food and not to decorate snow figures with.
- 8:28 I am being called a racist because the 9:10 I am asked if I have any accomplices. snow couple is white.
- 8:31 The Muslim gent across the road wants

the snow woman to wear a headscarf.

- 8:40 Someone calls the cops, who show up to see what's going on.
- 8:42 I am told that the broomstick of the snowman needs to be removed because it could be used as a deadly weapon. Things get worse after I mutter: "Yeah, if it's up..."
- 8:52 My phone is seized and thoroughly checked while I am blindfolded and flown to the police station in a helicopter.
- 9:00 I'm on the news as a suspected terrorist bent on stirring up trouble at this sensitive time.
- 9:29 A little known jihadist group has claimed it was their plot.

Bring Your Pet (Children, too!) and Join The Animal SANCTUARY for:



**Oh, Shoot!** 

I was in a Starbucks Coffee recently when my stomach started rumbling and I realized that I desperately needed to fart. The place was packed, but the music was really loud, so to get relief and reduce embarrassment I timed my farts to the beat of the music.

After a couple of songs I started to feel much better. I finished my coffee and noticed that everyone was staring at me. I suddenly remembered that I was listening to my Ipod (with ear piece).

And how was your day?



Monday-Thursday: 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday: 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday: 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

# **DINE IN OR TAKE OUT** 321-638-4130

pets must be on a leash (or in appropriate carriers) and have current vaccinations for the safety of our animals and friends. For more information, call: (321) 305-4584 and tags

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