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Summer Is Here!

Thunder Over the Indian River

Thunder Over the Indian River will be held on Saturday, July 5th. The gate to the event is on Kings Highway, directly across from Capron Road. Gates open at 4 p.m. Sunday will be the rain-out date.

Enjoy an evening including inflatables, DJ, demonstrations, BBQ Competition, food/dessert trucks, raffles and of course, the best fireworks show in Brevard county!

To hold this event, the Port St. John Community Foundation (PSJCF) needs volunteers and sponsors to help make this the great event as it has been in the past. Businesses and residents are invited to join planning meetings and participate for all or any event. For more information, visit portstjohncommunityfoundation.com.

There will be several events and fireworks shows that weekend. Save the best for last and Join us for Thunder Over The Indian River.

If you would like to party with us as a vendor or compete in the Annual BBQ Competition, the registration form is ready! Please visit <https://>

portstjohncommunityfoundation.com/events.html#toir or use the QR codes on page 3. First come, first served.

Rib Day

at American Legion Post 359



Bring the family, the bike, the appetite and join as the Legion serves ribs and all the fixin's every 3rd Saturday of the month- June 21st. The dinner is \$15.00 per person. Not just the great food, they also have a band from 1-5 p.m.

If you're past or present military, you might also ask for information about joining the Post. Brotherhood didn't end when your active duty did. If you would like to visit the Post or would like more information about American Legion, contact Commander Michelle Aaron at 321-289-2880 for more information.

The Post is located at 7260 S. US Hwy. 1, Bellwood, (just north of Port St. John), or call 321-268-1632.



True North Vacation Bible School

June 23-June 26, 2025

6 To 8:30 p.m.

Age 4-Grade 6

The countdown is on! We're charting our course to an unforgettable Vacation Bible School experience. Come and learn how to be guided toward Jesus, the ultimate True North and discover solid ground in Him even amid life's icy terrain. Come and be part of the True North Adventure!

Register at: <https://www.firstbaptistspsj.org>

First Baptist Church Of Port St. John is located at 3900 Fay Blvd., Port St. John. You can call the church office at 321-636-5455.

Brevard Brass Patriotic Concert

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 14, Rockledge Presbyterian Church, 921 Rockledge Dr., 3:00 p.m. Join the Brevard Brass, twenty-three talented musicians led by conductor Jim Bishop, for a FREE concert of stirring patriotic music. You're sure to get the 4th of July spirit—early!

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PSJ Community Center Schedule - June, 2025

The center is open Mondays–Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For latest information about any of these programs or to register, call the Center: 321-633-1904.

Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Mondays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Seniors At Lunch, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Zumba, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Seniors At Lunch, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Dancing Little Stars-Ballet/Tap Combo Classes,
(ages 3-6) 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. & 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Wednesdays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Seniors At Lunch, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Thursdays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Seniors At Lunch, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Gentle Yoga, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Fridays

Summer Camp, 7 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Seniors At Lunch, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

ZUMBA with Beverly

Mondays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Zumba is a dynamic, dance-based fitness program that combines Latin and International music with energetic dance moves, creating a fun and effective workout for all fitness levels. It's a cardio workout disguised as a dance party, with an instructor leading participants through choreographed routines set to upbeat music.

About Dancing Little Stars - Tuesdays 4:00-4:45 p.m./5:00-5:45 p.m.

Ballet, Tap and age appropriate Hip-Hop classes for boys and girls, ages 2-7. Classes focus on rhythm, concentration, memory and balance... while having fun! Our full-scale dance recital is held at the end of the dance season in May. Enrollment is open. Tuition is \$65 per month with the recital costume included with tuition. Register online at www.dancinglittlestarsbrevard.com <http://www.dancinglittlestarsbrevard.com>.

About Yoga With Diane -

Gentle Yoga with Diane - Thursdays, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Relax, rejuvenate and enjoy yoga that meets you where you are! Appropriate for beginners, all body types with alternatives offered to accommodate physical conditions. All that is needed is a yoga mat and water bottle. Recommend not

eating two hours prior, small fruit snack okay. Price is \$7 per class. Visit www.psyyoga.com for further information.

Summer Day Camp 2025

Summer Day Camp is June 2nd – August 8th for children ages 5 years old (on or before September 1, 2024) to 12 years old. Please contact the center at 321-633-1904 for more information.



St. Patrick's Anglican Church

4797 Curtis Blvd., Port St. John

321-802-1311

Classical Christianity Engaging the World

June is a suitable time for us to be prepared not just for the possibility of tropical storms, but the protection against storms in ourselves, our families and the world. We can stockpile water and canned goods for the tropical variety, but how do we prepare for the spiritual and emotional storm? Prayer! Monday through Friday, St. Patrick's conducts Morning Prayer on Facebook at 8:00 a.m. with Reverend Tim Gouge; <https://www.facebook.com/StPatspsj>. You can find the morning prayer booklet and scriptures on our website: <https://stpatrickspsj.org/welcome-to-st-patricks> (scroll down to the middle of the page under Morning Prayer) or go to <http://justus.anglican.org/resources/bcp/1928Standard/bcp1928std.pdf>.

Are you interested in praying the Anglican Rosary, or finding out how the Anglican Rosary can center your mind and spirit? Please contact Fr. Tim Gouge at stpatrickspsj@gmail.com or leave a message on our web page: <https://stpatrickspsj.org/contact-form>.

Here at St. Patrick's Anglican Church, we are looking forward to June, and although June is a very quiet month for us, we still have our regular meeting groups continuing through summer.

Please check out our Ladies Fellowship and Craft Group on June 16th – bring a craft to work on and join us for great fellowship and a light snack.

Veterans' and First Responder Breakfast will be Saturday, June 28th, in the Parish Hall at 9:00 a.m. This is open to all veterans, spouses of veterans, police, fire and emergency services individuals.

Regular Service Schedule is: Holy Communion Service – Sunday 8:00 a.m. (no music), 10:00

a.m. (In Person and Facebook Live - <https://www.facebook.com/StPatspsj>), and Wednesday 6:00 p.m. (In Person and Facebook Live - <https://www.facebook.com/StPatspsj>)

Morning and Evening Prayer Services are Monday through Friday, – 8:00 a.m. (available through Facebook Live only) at <https://www.facebook.com/StPatspsj>.

Our last Adult Sunday Study on the “Apostles” will end on June 1st; the study is between the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. service at 9 a.m. and will be taught by Reverend Michael Kerouac. If we have any other Adult studies, we will communicate that in the Sunday bulletin and website. Formal Student Summer School is on hiatus till August, but we are planning a couple of special Sunday bible and craft projects in June and July. For more information, please see our website.

Are you interested in finding out more about the Anglican Church and St. Patrick's Anglican Church? If so, feel free to contact us at: St. Patrick's Anglican Church, 4797 Curtis Blvd., Port St. John, 321-802-1311 or stpatrickspsj@gmail.com.

Updated event information and services are available on our website at stpatrickspsj.org.

Grow Your Own Food Class

It does not matter if you have a huge yard or just a balcony; everyone can grow their own nutritious food! Join us to learn how to grow your own vegetables, herbs, fruit, hydroponic lettuce and more in your own yard or container garden! Participants will also learn strategies for pest control, how to grow transplants from seeds or cuttings, and more! Each ticket includes a notebook, handouts and a variety of heirloom seeds. This is a 4-class series that runs from June 23 to July 14, with two class times available each Monday. Both have the option to participate in-person or via Zoom. Participants who choose the in-person option will meet at the UF/IFAS Extension Office, 3695 Lake Drive, Cocoa.

The registration fee is \$70. Register on Eventbrite: https://loom.ly/_hIOMbE

Select either the Morning class (10 a.m. – 12 p.m.) or the Evening class (6 – 8 p.m.) Don't wait another year to start growing your own food!

For any inquiries, please contact the UF/IFAS Extension Brevard County office at 321-633-1702 or email Brevard@IFAS.UFL.edu.

On the Road With Rose



Bass Pro Shop

750 Bass Pro Dr. NE, Palm Bay
Phone: 321-674-3700

June brings to mind peace, love and calm to most of us. I pray this one at least brings a promise of just such things. As long as there is conflict in our old world, most of us will be wishing and doing whatever we can to bring this peace and calm. Please know if you or a loved one is touched by cruelty or hatefulness that there are those of us sending up prayer and pleas for it to stop.

Bass Pro Shops probably doesn't immediately come to mind when you think about entertaining little ones, but the old Florida Cracker-style building has many surprises, beginning with live alligators and ending with live hogs. As you cross over the handmade bridge, stop to watch the native Florida alligators. Their environment is designed to reproduce their home in the wild. Alligator feeding times are 11 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday (weather permitting). the Gator Boy-like show is very entertaining... and a little scary.

You enter by actually walking under the biggest old Army truck these old eyes have ever seen. Looking for the hidden alligator kept my mini-partner busy for five minutes. Scattered throughout the store, the hand-painted murals from renowned local artists depict scenes from our beaches, coastlines, forests and swamps that are all part of the great Florida heritage. Look for Mosquito Lagoon, Lake Toho, Sebastian Inlet, Lake Washington and The Stick Marsh; they are awesome. As are the museum quality collection of local photographs and artifacts.

But it's the 16,000-gallon aquarium that garners the most attention. Besides the three waterfalls (in Florida!) and real taxidermized wildlife, it's filled with dozens of native fish, Large and Small Mouth Bass, Reds, Crappy, Bowfin and Catfish enjoy watching us as much as we enjoy watching them. Especially when a short loved one makes fish faces at them and they do it back, resulting in much belly laughing. They (the fish, not the kid) are fed Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 1 p.m.; quite a show.

As you exit the store, you will see the pen of wild hogs. See "Donald," our largest hog, and "Any," the adult female. Their kids, Gilligan and Ginger, complete the family unit. These bacon factories are almost as big as a Volkswagen. It's easy to see why staying away from them in the wild is most advisable.

There are also special events throughout the year. A few are free Boat Shows, Easter Events, Family Summer Camp, Labor Event, Family Fun

Weekend, Professional Bull Riders Event, Halloween Bass Pro Style, Santa's Wonderland and more! Check the events page for more information.

It would be very easy to spend a couple of hours enjoying everything, then another couple of hours at the trampoline park next door. Following up by a stop at the ice cream place makes a perfect afternoon...without having to re-mortgage the house.

SATURDAY
July 5th

Port St John
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
TODAY | TOMORROW | TOGETHER

TOUR
THUNDER *Over the* **INDIAN RIVER**

GATES OPEN AT 4PM
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
FOOD TRUCKS ★ CRAFT VENDORS
BOUNCE HOUSES ★ GAMES ★ RAFFLES
FIREWORKS at 9:15
and
RED, HOT & BBQ

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For Information Visit...
PortStJohnCommunityFoundation.com

Register as a Vendor

Register for Red, Hot & BBQ



Good Day!

~ by Maureen Rupe

Waste Water update

I received an email from the Economic Development Commission (EDC) of Florida's Space Coast that they were awarded a \$750,000 grant in Dept. of Defense (DoD) funds from the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC). Additional matching funds were awarded in the amount of \$82,500 from Florida's Dept. of Commerce to fortify efforts to address the aging wastewater infrastructure in Brevard County at Cape Canaveral Space Force Station.

As a partner with EDC, the county's Utility Services Department will lead and manage the Feasibility Study, overseeing its coordination, implementation and timely completion.

As you all know, they are planning a PSJ Wastewater Facility within the Port St John area.

Meanwhile, the Cocoa City Council on Tuesday voted to give 1st approval on an ordinance that makes it mandatory to hook up to central sewer when public sewer lines become available. They want to connect homes closest to the lagoon first, then move on to other homes in the city.

Port St John/Canaveral Groves MSTU

The Port St John Homeowners Association started in the 1980's and attended many Brevard County Commission meetings over the years until it was disbanded in the early 2000's. They helped the community get the Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU), where a community votes to tax themselves to pay for facilities. Florida Statutes allows a county to provide essential municipal services to MSTU or benefit unit (MSBU).

The Port St John/Canaveral Groves MSTU was voted for by Port St John and Canaveral Groves in the 1990's to purchase (and now maintain) the Port St. John Community Center, Fay Lake Park (240 acres), and Space Coast Communities Sports Complex (207 acres) in Canaveral Groves. We were the first in Brevard to tax ourselves for our quality of life. We have paid off the facilities, but we are still paying maintenance, a requirement of the county.

All our other Port St. John/Canaveral Groves parks are maintained within the North Brevard Parks and Recreation MSTU. PSJ/CG are paying two MSTUs - the PSJ/Canaveral Groves Parks MSTU plus the North Brevard Parks MSTU for

all park maintenance.

District 1 has 43 parks and athletic sites total paid for by MSTU - North Brevard Special District (north of Kings Highway to Scotsmoor), an additional 22 parks, plus the three covered by the PSJ/Canaveral Groves MSTU.

Merritt Island has 15 parks paid for by MSTU, District 4 has 23 parks paid for by MSTU and South Brevard has 35 parks paid for by MSTU.

The one thing I don't understand is PSJ/CG residents are paying 0.2682 millage for maintaining the Port St. John Community Center, Fay Lake Park and Space Coast Communities Sports Complex, and our residents are also paying 0.4281 millage for 38 more parks, athletic fields and community centers. Why are we paying 0.6963 total, and all other District One residents pay only the 0.4281 millage for the other 38 parks and 2 athletic fields?

All District 1 residents can use all District 1 parks. Why aren't we all paying one millage rate for maintaining all parks?

Anyway, the PSJ/Canaveral Groves MSTU construction loan was finished in 2016 (still within the 0.2682 millage). I first talked to the Assistant County Manager, Jim Liesenfeit, as the County Manager has resigned and another manager hasn't been selected yet. He did give me the monetary totals. I then called District 1 County Commissioner Katie Delaney in late April on this issue and she called me a couple of days later and asked for details as to the circumstances of the MSTU's implementation in 1992. Katie said she would talk to County Staff and then meet with us, (Randy and me), to discuss the issue. I haven't heard back, but will keep you updated.

Clean Water Amendment

It is critical that 900,000 signatures are collected for the Right to Clean Water by December, 2025. We did not collect enough signatures for the 2024 November Election, so we had to start over again from scratch.

Unfortunately, Florida HB1205 was signed into law. This bill requires:

- Additional personal identifying information for voters signing petition forms and for those collecting the petitions circulators

- Bans people who are not residents of Florida from collecting petitions

- A person who collects, delivers or otherwise

possesses more than 25 signed petitions in addition to their own is subject to a third degree felony

- Any petition gatherer that keeps any voter's information for other than the amendment will be subject to a third-degree felony

- If a petition gatherer signs someone else's name to a petition, they will be fined \$5,000 for each petition

In other words, why would anyone volunteer to collect petitions with these requirements? This Bill pretty much gets rid of the Constitution's Citizen Initiatives process altogether.

From the Right to Clean Water Website: "Florida is 1st in the Nation for most lakes polluted. Florida is 2nd in the Nation for the most impaired estuaries (lagoons). 4/5's of all Florida Springs are impaired. 9,000 miles of Florida's rivers and streams are impaired by fecal bacteria. Approximately 1 million acres of Florida's coastal estuaries are contaminated by fecal bacteria."

Taxpayers shouldn't be paying for damage from polluters. The phosphate industry threatens our water. 10 million people depend on the Florida Aquifer for their primary source of drinking water. Phosphate mining and phosphogypsum stacks occur over a critical area of the Floridian Aquifer. The region of Florida known as Bone Valley, which covers part of four counties including Hardee, Hillsborough, Manatee and Polk, are known as the nation's largest known deposits of phosphates. The movie "Phosphate" is available and shows the damage this mining can do.

Reference:

<https://www.floridarighttocleanwater.org/>

<https://floridaphoenix.com/2025/05/02/restrictions-on-constitutional-amendment-process-clear-florida-legislature/>

Implications of Space Junk

The European Space Agency built a short documentary titled "Space Debris: Is it a Crisis?" It stated, "Around 70% of the 20,000 satellites ever launched remain in space today, orbiting alongside hundreds of millions of fragments left behind by collisions, explosions and intentional destruction."

If one satellite collides with another or collides with any object with the speeds involved around the earth, the satellite(s) will be damaged, possibly unusable. SpaceX Starlink will create a lot of them, as nearly 12,000 satellites are planned to be

deployed, with a possible later extension to 34,400 just for Starlink. And depending on the issue, this space junk can fall uncontrollable down to earth somewhere,

The latest Space Debris Environment Report issued by ESA's Space Debris Office states the following: currently 1) 40,500 space debris objects greater than 10 cm; 2) 1,100,000 space debris objects from greater than 1 cm to 10 cm; 3) 130 million space debris objects from greater than 1 mm to 1 cm. This includes number of satellites still in space, functioning or not functioning, number of space objects regularly tracked by Space Surveillance Networks and maintained in their catalogue. It stated that the estimated number of break-ups, explosions, collisions or anomalous events resulting in fragmentation is more than 650.

Reference:

https://www.space.com/the-universe/earth/esas-new-documentary-paints-worrying-picture-of-earths-orbital-junk-problem?utm_term=5465FD4C-04EF-418E-B046-A5787F52E895&lrh=1fccfaf17c397d296e0bcd58faa8645bf48195dea894516bda5ee3cf6b667c0f&utm_campaign=58E4DE65-C57F-4CD3-9A5A-609994E2C5A9&utm_medium=email&utm_content=9B48D69E-9855-48B8-805A-0702F76E2320&utm_source=SmartBrief

<https://sdup.esoc.esa.int/discosweb/statistics/>

Cheerio,

Maureen Rupe

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Pet Costume Parade

Dress your pet in a colorful rainbow costume and join the "Be the Rainbow" Pet Costume Parade, hosted by Tails at the Barkery, in Historic Cocoa Village, on Saturday, June 7th in the Gazebo area at 9:30 a.m.

Enjoy a walk through Cocoa Village for a day-full of Rainbow Adventures. Awards will be presented to the top three most creative and colorfully dressed pets.

All pets must be on a leash or in appropriate carriers and have current vaccinations and county tags for the health and safety of our animals and friends.

For more information about the "Be the Rainbow" Pet Costume Parade, contact Tails at the Barkery at 321-305-4584.

Rose's Room

~ Rose Padrick



June...A very busy month!

As I sit pecking at this hunk of tiny blinking chips, I'm hearing a tiny bit of blessed peace may be descending. As I pray for the Big Guy to guide the decision makers, I also send prayers for those of us suffering for others decisions. May all in our great military and their loved ones obtain peace and safety.

This month used to be reserved for weddings. That notion has headed south in recent years but there are still some really good holidays.

A month that begins with National Rose Day can't be all bad, (depending on who you talk to and if they're in trouble for staying out past curfew with those crappy friends they've been warned about).

It just seems fitting that National Dare Day is followed by one day that includes Leave Work Early Day, (one day?!) Rotisserie chicken Day and Rocky Road Day. Sounds like a plan to me! If we could combine all that with Take Your Dog To Work Day, Please Take My Kids To Work Day and Take a Road Trip Day, June would be the best month ever! And since the next day is Egg Day, I guess that solves a long-standing quandary concerning chickens and eggs.

I do like that Eat Fudge Day precedes Eat Your Vegetables Day, which just happens to be Picnic Day and Panic Day. There's a lot that can be said for what would cause panic at a picnic, but any Floridians mind would go directly to an alligator bullying his way to the fried chicken. I admit to the guilty giggle at the mental image of my 'North of the Mason Dixon line' in-laws partaking of said picnic/panic. Even though I'm sure Great Aunt Jean would probably beat it half to death with her ever-present Wooden Spoon of Discipline - never

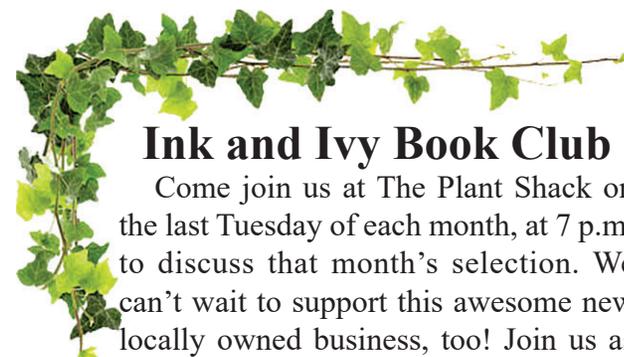
actually used, but every child she ever met shut up and sat down when it appeared!

Perhaps celebrating Limoncello Day too hardily could be a tad dangerous, especially when combined with Selfie Day, Go Skateboarding Day and Juggling Day. Since I have a problem walking and talking at the same time, the image of me sipping a Limoncello, (or three), then attempting to take a selfie while juggling couldn't possibly come to be. I THINK I would have enough sense to ignore Skateboarding Day (but ya' never know). I'm SURE the possibility of me visiting an emergency room would surely come to be. I could ask for one of the casts to be dyed to observe Pink Day.

National Give a Hug Day quickly follows Korean Day - the start of the Korean War. I don't personally know any Korean War veterans, but do my best to hug every veteran within arm's reach as often as humanly possible. I stay out of jail because most of them are happily my offspring or my offspring's offspring.

Admitting to the ease of confusing me, but Asteroid Day and Meteor Watching Day coming together has my fingernails attacking my cranium. My conclusion would be to lie on a patch of grass, gaze at the sky, allow the green sensation and aroma, the blanket of asteroids, meteors, starlings or lightening bugs (wishfully) draw all the adult stress out and replace it with five-year-old wonder.

And hope my new neighbor doesn't dial 911.



Ink and Ivy Book Club

Come join us at The Plant Shack on the last Tuesday of each month, at 7 p.m. to discuss that month's selection. We can't wait to support this awesome new locally owned business, too! Join us as we meet each month to discuss a diverse range of books covering different genres, cultures, periods, etc., courtesy of the Friends of the Port St. John Library, All are welcome!

The Plant Shack & Beer Garden is located at 5800 N. Highway 1, Port St. John, 321-208-8001. They also have a Boutique Store, Beer Garden and Wine Bar. See their events page on Facebook.



Parrish Healthcare Open Interviews

Parrish Healthcare is hosting several hiring events for those seeking immediate employment opportunities.

Parrish Healthcare hosts open interviews every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Parrish Medical Center; 951 North Washington Avenue, Titusville.

- Registered Nurses
- RN Clinical Coordinators
- RN Charge Nurses
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Medical Assistant
- Emergency Medicine Technologist
- Interventional Radiographer Technologist
- CT Technologists
- RN Electrophysiology
- Echocardiographic Technologist
- MRI Technologists
- Radiology Technologist
- CVIS RN
- Paramedic
- Coder
- Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist
- Athletic Trainer

For additional information regarding open positions within Parrish Healthcare, please visit parrishhealthcare.com/careers.

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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.

Shows are held on the last Sunday of each month, 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Elks Lodge #1532, 315 Florida Ave., Cocoa. The event is open to the public. Admission is free.

CFAC is a Not-for-Profit Florida Corporation, and is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) 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.

Feathers, Furs and Scales

Join Environmental Education Awareness Research Support and Services, or EEARSS, a nonprofit started by Frank "Alligator" Robb, for Feathers, Furs and Scales at Tango & Ties, 910 Barton Boulevard, #4, Rockledge, on Friday, June 20th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of open dancing, heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine and other beverages. \$25.00 per person/\$40.00 per couple. Proceeds will be donated to EEARSS to be used specifically for research, travel, equipment, and related expenses.

Reservations must be made in advance at Tango & Ties or by calling 321-290-6889. Hosted by Tails at the Barkery, this event will help raise much needed funds for EEARSS, whose mission is to educate the public on the importance of the environment, the organisms and life forms within it, while also performing and assisting in research projects that help expand that knowledge and expertise. Specific research includes alligator toxicology, endocrinology, along with the health of local ecosystems, Gopher Tortoise's, controlled fires, viruses affecting wild alligator populations in Florida, sea turtle nesting populations and survey data for county and federal level governments.

Birdie Bites

Join the following merchants in Historic Cocoa Village for "Birdie Bites" before the matinee at The Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse for the Broadway Production of Bye Bye Birdie on Saturday, June 21st from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Pre-purchased tickets are available at Tails at the Barkery for \$10.00. Limited tickets bought on the day of the event will be \$15.00.

"Birdie Bites" Stops:

86 Ninety, Barefoot Designs, Contemporary Concepts, Cindy Lee's, From Olives and Grapes, Jon's Fine Jewelry, Naturally Inspired, The Wine Lady and Tails at the Barkery.

Merchants will be offering themed "birdie bites" and future shopping discounts.

All proceeds to benefit The Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization. The Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse provides affordable community theatre and promotes lifelong education in the performing arts for Brevard County residents and visitors.

For more information, call 321-305-4584.

Parrish Healthcare and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida, Inc. Reach New Multi-Year Contract Agreement

Parrish Healthcare and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida, Inc. (BCBS) are pleased to announce that an agreement has been reached. The new multi-year agreement keeps Parrish Healthcare in network with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida, Inc. through February 29, 2028. "Our priority remains to safeguard patients in our care and to ensure that they receive the low-cost, high-quality care they deserve with insurance coverage that provides the greatest amount of protection for their health," said Michael Moehring, MBA, CPA, Chief Financial Officer at Parrish Healthcare.

Amvets Post 2415 Schedule



6-4 Sons of Amvets 2415

General Membership Meeting
- 1st Wednesday of the month
at 6 p.m. Commander Chuck
Harrington, 321-208-7897.

**6-11 General Membership
Meeting**- 2nd Wednesday of

the month at 6 p.m.

6-12 Amvets 2415 Ladies Auxiliary General
Membership Meeting - 2nd Thursday of the month
at 6 p.m. President Theresa Nikki Anderson, 321-
208-7897.

6-14 Amvets Riders Chapter 2415 General
Membership Meeting - 2nd Saturday of the month
at 12 noon. Pres. Steve Carman, 321-446-3394.

6-14 Bike Night! 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd
Saturday of the month at the Post.

Karaoke every Friday, 6-10 p.m.

Bingo - members - Sundays 1-?

Bingo- Public Welcome - 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Post 2415 is located at 688 West Ave., (adjacent
to Hwy. US 1), Port St. John. If you are a veteran
and would like to visit the Post or would like more
information about Amvets, contact Commander
Larry Lonneville at 321-208-7897.

***I told my wife she should embrace
her mistakes... she hugged me.***

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Alcoholics Anonymous meets on **Sundays** at 5 p.m. **Women's AA** meets on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. **Both AA Groups meet at St. Patrick's Church, 4797 Curtis Blvd.**

6-1 Shavuot Begins

6-3 Compassionate Friends Support Group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in Cocoa Beach at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 525 Minuteman Cswy., west of A1A, Fellowship Hall. Call 610-7875 for info.

6-4 Hajj Begins

6-4 American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 359, General Membership Meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. at the Post Home, 7260 S. US 1, just north of PSJ. Call President Valerie Helmer at 321-268-1632.

6-4 Sons of Amvets 2415 Meeting- 1st Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. 688 West Ave., PSJ. Commander Chuck Harrington, 321-208-7897.

6-5 Day of Arafat

6-6 Eid al Adha

6-7 Bike Days at the Tiki, 1:00 - 5:00 PM

First Saturday of each month. 7260 S. US Hwy. 1, Bellwood, (just north of Port St. John), 321-268-1632. Contact Wayne Fowler, Events Coordinator, American Legion Riders Post 359 at 321-307-1450 or visit their website, alr359.org.

6-8 Pentecost

6-8 Word Weavers Space Coast, a critique group for Christian writers, meets the 2nd Sunday each month at 2 p.m. at the Central Brevard Library in Cocoa. Visitors are always welcome. Email angelagardnerwrites@gmail.com for info.

6-12 Amvets Ladies Auxiliary 2415 General Membership Meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. President Theresa N. Anderson. 321-208-7897.

6-13 Brevard Women's Connection meets at Space Coast Convention Center on Hwy. 520 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., 2nd Friday of each month. Call Pam at 321-752-6896 or e-mail bwc0020@gmail.com.

6-14 Flag Day

6-15 Father's Day

6-16 Moonport Modelers RC Club meets at 6:30 p.m., 3rd Monday each month at the N. Brevard Library, 2121 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville. For more info, call Wayne Mendez, 505-2361.

6-18 American Legion Post 359 meets at the Post Home at 7260 S. US 1 in Bellwood, (2 miles north of PSJ), 6:00 p.m. All Legionnaires and new members are welcome. The Post meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Contact Commander Michelle Aaron at 321-289-2880 for more information.

6-19 Juneteenth

6-21 Summer Solstice Begins

6-21 SAL Rib Day and all the fixin's, 1-5 p.m. \$15 per person and the band will be playing every 3rd Saturday at American Legion Post 359.

6-24 Moonlight Quilters Guild meets at the First United Methodist Church, 206 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville on the 4th Tuesday of each month (no meeting in April or December). Meet and greet refreshments at 6:00 p.m., meeting at 6:15 p.m., usually followed by show and tell or a guest speaker. Email Moonlight.Quilters@yahoo.com for more information.

6-28 Veterans & First Responders Breakfast - Last Saturday of each month, 9:00 a.m. at Saint Patrick's Anglican Church, 4797 Curtis Blvd., Port St. John. This is open to all veterans, spouses of veterans and all first responders.

Post 359 - American Legion Post 359 - American Legion



6-7 Bike Days at the Tiki - 1st Saturday of the month, 1 - 5 p.m. presented by American Legion Riders. Good food on the grill with fixin's, \$10. Listen to live music, take part in drawings, 50/50. All proceeds to benefit veterans and veterans' families.

6-4 Auxiliary General Membership Meeting - 1st Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m.

6-9 Sons of the Legion, 6 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Post.

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6-15 American Legion Riders General Membership Meeting- 3rd Sunday of the month at 10:30 a.m. Call 2nd Vice Director Janice Anderson, Director, 321-210-6234 or visit our website, alr359.org.

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If you are a veteran and would like to visit the Post or would like more information about American Legion, contact Commander Michelle Aaron at 321-289-2880 for more information. The Post is located at 7260 S. US Hwy. 1, Bellwood, (just north of Port St. John), or call 321-268-1632.

Congratulations to:

Alejandro Ramos Jacinto graduated with his Bachelors of Technical Management from American Military University in May
Sandy Messer turns younger this month.
Jordan Arthurs turns 38 on the 2nd.
Lauren Grinstead turns 27 on the 4th.
Chase Gulbrand turns 12 on the 6th.
Rhonda Bradley turns cuter on the 7th.
Jordan Ragan turns 27 on the 7th.
Nathan Firth turns 9 on the 8th
Kirra Orend turns 26 on the 8th.
R.J. Arnone turns 50 on the 9th.
Drae Robinson turns 28 on the 10th.
Jonathon Benoff turns 22 on the 10th.
Billy Harrison Jr. turns 2 on June 10
Robert Owens turns 32 on the 12th
Stephen Crawford Jr. turns 20 on the 17th.
Lisa Siegel, the blue-haired lady, turns 39 (again) on the 14th.
Devon Anthony turns 26 on the 18th.
Holly Strickler turns prettier on the 20th.
Cheyenne Wiedman turns 24 on the 20th.
Charles Bertrand turns wilder on the 20th.
Louis Pierce - Happy 74th birthday on the 23rd!
Archie Williams turns 47 on the 24th.
Jasper Niehoff turns 18 on the 25th.
Keli McCormack is the Queen on the 25th.
Melanie Hannen turns hotter on the 27th.
Brett Benoff turns crazier on the 27th.
Don Crouse turns wiser on the 28th.
Trisha Orend rules the world on the 29th.
Colton Osburn turns 15 on June 30
Jill and Bill Hill celebrate 34 on the 2nd.
Craig & Jennifer Engelson celebrate 26 years on the 6th.
Carl & Debbie Anderson celebrate 31 on the 18th.
Bob & Judie Petrowski celebrate 59 on 19th.
We have lots of room for more good news.
Email your inputs to happenings1@att.net.

SLEEPY HOLLOW



Fruit From The Groves



June 1st is here, and it is time to get ready for hurricane season. This year is forecasted to be a busy season. It means all brush and vegetation needs to be removed from your property. Waste Management can be called at 321-636-6894 to schedule a pickup of brush and items along the right of way. Pickups need to be called in as soon as possible because sometimes they are busy, and it can take an extended time period for them to be picked up.

Brevard County Sheriff's Office has been out here in the Groves with the traffic unit, which includes the Motorcycle Unit and unmarked cars. So, if any of the traffic laws are violated, you will most likely be issued a citation,

Last month there was a traffic accident between a vehicle and an ATV on Citrus and Bahia. Luckily there were no serious injuries. All vehicles, including ATV's and golf carts, need to watch out for one another and obey the traffic laws.

Brevard County Fire Department (Guardians of the Groves) was busy last month with many different types of calls. Please remember to yield to them when they are responding.

Coastal Ambulance Service is operating out of Station 29 and some other stations because of the back-to-back calls county wide and the lack

of fire/medical staff.

On an administrative note, Canaveral Groves Homeowners Association changed the mailbox from Sharpes, FL to Cocoa, FL. It was done due to the increase in costs at Sharpes Post Office. Please see the Dues form in the Happenings and your CGHI newsletter, for the new mailing address.

Ed Silva, President

Canaveral Groves Homeowners Assn.

Tropical Cyclone Tips From Brevard County Emergency Management

Tropical cyclones are massive storm systems that form over the ocean and move towards land. The Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale rates tropical cyclones' maximum sustained winds on a Category 1-5 scale. The higher the category, the greater potential for property damage. Threats from tropical cyclones include high winds, heavy rainfall, storm surge, coastal and inland flooding, rip currents and tornadoes.

Before the storm:

- Review your five steps on your Pathways to Preparedness
- Decide early whether you will evacuate, and where you will go if ordered to leave
- Prepare your home

During the storm:

- If you don't live in an evacuation zone, find a safe room within your home (an interior room, closet, or bathroom)
- Do not go outside during the storm until the National Weather Service confirms the storm has left the area

After the storm:

- Return home when local officials say it is safe
 - Check in with family and friends by texting or using social media
 - Avoid walking or driving through floodwaters
- Get more information at www.brevardfl.gov/EmergencyManagement/BePrepared.

Brevard County Burn Ban Lifted

Due to the recent rains, the current mean average Drought Index for Brevard County has fallen below 450. As a result, the ban on open burning and the use of fireworks is no longer in effect.

The Keetch-Byram Drought Index (KBDI) runs from zero, which is totally saturated, to 750-plus, which is desert-like conditions. The Brevard County KBDI dropped under 450 on May 12. The Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County Fire Rescue officials, Brevard County Emergency Management, and the Division of Forestry will continue to monitor conditions to determine the need for further bans. Though the KBDI has dropped, there is still a potential for wildfires to develop. Brevard County Fire Rescue urges citizens to be aware of their surroundings when burning yard waste or using fireworks.

In order to reduce the risk of being affected by wildfire, residents are encouraged to create a defensible space of at least 30 feet around their homes by keeping grass mowed regularly and cutting away vegetation. Before burning, please check the forecast weather conditions first and never burn on days for which high winds or low humidity are forecast.

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

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Won't you join us?

Prepare Your Landscape And Trees For Hurricane Season

Given the damaging impacts of hurricanes Debby, Helene and Milton last year, you may want to prepare your landscape and trees for the 2025 Atlantic hurricane season – and the sooner the better. “Best management practices include supporting soil health through appropriate fertilization, monitoring landscapes and trees for pests and disease, managing tree roots for health and structure etc.,” said Alyssa Vinson, urban forestry agent for UF/IFAS Extension Hillsborough County.

Home and business owners can take steps to make sure the trees can withstand tropical storm- and hurricane-force winds and rain, Vinson said. They include:

- Young trees need structural pruning more frequently until they are mature, when they may need little to no pruning.
- Look for dying, dead or broken branches.
- Keep an eye on trunks, especially for strange bulges, breaks, wounds or bark shedding.
- Check the ground around each tree and watch for areas of gradual sinking or rising in the soil — or mushrooms growing from the base of the tree, which can indicate a fungal infection. They are the fruiting body of an existing fungus.

Contact a certified arborist for an evaluation far in advance of hurricane season.

“Well-established and mature trees are often very resilient,” Vinson said. “If you monitor them for concerns and have them structurally pruned by a certified arborist, you will maximize their ability to withstand storms.”

Property owners should also trim their landscapes, said Lynn Barber, a Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ (FFL) agent with UF/IFAS. Use pruners, not hedge shears, to cut shrubs back. Cutting back one-third of the plant will improve the aesthetics and health of the plant, Barber said.

FFL Director Claire Lewis also offered a few suggestions for getting your outdoor space ready for hurricanes:

- Bring in bird feeders and furniture.
- Clear gutters of debris.
- Secure plants and yard items.
- Turn off irrigation systems.
- Secure rain barrels to avoid excess water.

Parrish Medical Center Reaffirms Stroke Care Excellence During National Stroke Awareness Month

May was National Stroke Awareness Month, and Parrish Medical Center proudly reaffirmed its dedication to stroke prevention, rapid treatment and recovery—backed by national recognition as a certified Primary Stroke Center by The Joint Commission and the American Stroke Association. Parrish Medical Center earned re-certification in January, 2024, receiving The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval® and the American Stroke Association’s Heart-Check mark—symbols of the hospital’s continued excellence in stroke care and patient safety. This distinguished certification followed a comprehensive on-site review, during which experts evaluated the hospital’s compliance with rigorous, evidence-based standards focused on time-critical stroke care, advanced treatment protocols and continuous improvement.

“Stroke is a leading cause of death and disability in Florida, but with swift, specialized care, outcomes can greatly improve,” said George Mikitarian, President and CEO of Parrish Healthcare. “This certification is more than an honor—it’s a reflection of our unwavering commitment to healing experiences for everyone we serve.”

Parrish Medical Center first earned Primary Stroke Center designation in 2004, becoming the first hospital in Brevard County and third in the state of Florida to achieve this level of certification. Every two years since, Parrish Medical Center has been successfully re-evaluated and certified, demonstrating its ongoing commitment to exceptional care.

“Being a certified Primary Stroke Center means our team is prepared 24/7 to provide rapid, lifesaving care,” said Ericka Jacobs, MSN, RN, Director of Emergency and Women’s Services at Parrish Medical Center. “When experiencing a stroke, every second counts. Patients can trust they’re receiving the highest level of coordinated care when it matters most upon being admitted to our hospital.”

Parrish Medical Center’s Stroke Program includes a designated stroke unit equipped with a team of neurologists, cardiologists, radiologists, therapists (occupational, speech, respiratory and

physical) and ICU, ER and stroke unit nurses who have undergone extensive training to become certified in stroke assessment, treatment and rehabilitation.

During National Stroke Awareness Month, Parrish Medical Center reminds the community that every second counts when experiencing a stroke. Early recognition and rapid treatment can save lives and drastically improve recovery outcomes.

Be sure to learn and share the signs of stroke using the acronym BE FAST:

- **B - Balance:** Is there a sudden loss of balance or coordination?
- **E - Eyes:** Is there sudden blurred or double vision or persistent vision trouble?
- **F - Face:** Ask the person to smile. Does one side of the face droop? Is it numb?
- **A - Arm Weakness:** Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?
- **S - Speech Difficulty:** Is speech slurred, are they unable to speak or hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence, like “the sky is blue.” Is the sentence repeated correctly?
- **T - Time:** Remember the time the symptoms started. If the person shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 9-1-1 and get them to the hospital immediately.

Parrish Healthcare also offers a handful of free, online assessment tools to provide awareness and information about your risk for various health conditions, including stroke. To take the short online assessment for stroke risk, visit parrishhealthcare.com/strokeaware. To learn more about stroke services at Parrish Medical Center, please visit parrishhealthcare.com/stroke.

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Sunday, 12-5 p.m.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM – Starting
June 1st

Weekly Events:

Take-Home Crafts: New Crafts every Monday.
While Supplies Last.

Kids' Movie Mondays: Mondays 3:00-5:00 p.m..
All Ages Welcome. FREE popcorn and a movie.

STEAM Activity: Tuesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Saturday Craft Crew: Saturdays 9:30-10:30.
Ages 3 and Up.

Sensory Sundays: Sundays 2:00-3:00 p.m. Ages
12 and Under.

Game Days: Sundays 1:00-2:00 p.m. All Ages
Welcome.

Kids' D&D: Sundays 3:00-4:00 p.m. Ages 8-12.
Teen Programs:

Drone Piloting Lessons: RSVP Required! Ages
13-17. June 4 & 18 and July 2, 16 & 30 12:00-
1:00 p.m.

Teen Anime Club: Saturdays 3:00-4:00. Ages
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“Adulting” Life Skills Course: Thursdays 3:00-
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teach teens basic life skills to help them succeed
in early adulthood. Please RSVP for this 8-session
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Banking - June 5th

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Special Events - All Ages Welcome

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p.m.

Country Line Dance Party - Wednesday, June
11th 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Brevard Zoo - Wednesday, June 18th.

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Finale Foam Party: Tuesday, July 22nd 11:00
AM - 12:00 p.m.

Reading Programs:

Reading Log: Download the Beanstack app to
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Reading For Kids: Please stop by Youth Services
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Reading For Adults: Track your reading on
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Toddlers & Babies: Read Your Way to K: Baby
Storytime. Fridays from 9:30-10:00 a.m.

Read Your Way to K: Toddler Storytime.
Thursdays and Fridays from 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Read Your Way to K: Little Movers & Groovers.
Thursdays from 9:30-10:00 a.m. Ages 5 and Under
Adult Programs

Paint Party - with the Port St. John Library.
Saturday, June 7th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30
p.m.: Join us for a paint party every first Saturday
of the month. During this class you will create
custom wooden door hangers. Adults and teens
ages 16+. \$40/per person. Payment is due at sign
up. Deadline to register at the Reference Desk by
Wednesday, June 4.

Community Advocate - Mondays, June 9, 23
from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. The community support
advocate assists with housing, SNAP, social
security, healthcare and insurance, and senior
resources.

Book Worms Book Club: Wednesday, June 4th
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
discuss Dictator by Robert Harris.

Port Readers Book Club: Wednesday, June
18th, at 6:30. The June title is Annihilation by
Jeff Vandermeer

Suminagashi Japanese inspired paper marbling.
Wednesday 6 p.m, June 25th. Room for 10.

Family Programs

Spice Travelers Spice Club - — Friday, June 20th
at 3:30 p.m. This is a family event. Come to the
meeting to pick up a spice kit and share food,
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A.W.A.K.E. Sleep Support Group

Meets the second Monday monthly, 6-7:30 PM
Parrish Healthcare Center
Manatee Conference Room 5005
Port St. John Parkway, Port St. John
Contact our Sleep Center team at 321-268-6408

Cancer and Survivor Support Group

Meets the third Wednesday monthly, 4-5:30 PM
Heritage Hall, Parrish Health Village
931 North Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Shannon Luker at 321-268-3544

Caring for Caregivers Support Group

Meets the second and fourth Thursday monthly
9:30-11:30 AM
Heritage Hall, Parrish Health Village
931 North Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Janet Rooks at 321-268-6800

Early Steps Community Play Date

Meets the fourth Wednesday monthly, 9-10:30 AM
The Children's Center
5650 South Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Mary Cancel at 321-292-1370

Fearless Café

Presented by St. Francis Reflections Life Stages Care
and Parrish Medical Center
Meets the first Wednesday monthly, 10-11 AM
Heritage Hall, Parrish Health Village
931 North Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Janet Rooks at 321-268-6800

Kidney Smart Class

Meets the last Thursday monthly, 1-2:30 PM
Heritage Hall, Parrish Health Village
931 North Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Jackie Torres at 321-383-1245

Mom's Support Group

Meets Mondays, 10-11 AM
The Children's Center
5650 South Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Melinda at Melinda.Hodges@parrishmed.com

Parkinson's Support Group

Meets the second Tuesday monthly, 11:15 AM-12:15 PM
Parrish Health & Wellness Center
3065 Columbia Boulevard, C-104, Titusville
Contact Barbara Fradkin 321-345-1031 or
BrevardParkinsons.org
parrishhealthcare.com/parkinsonsupport

Stroke and Heart Failure Survivors Support Group

Meets the third Tuesday monthly, 2-4 PM
Heritage Hall, Parrish Health Village
931 North Washington Avenue, Titusville
Contact Janet Rooks at 321-268-6800

Tools to Quit - Quit Smoking

Meets the last Tuesday monthly, 5:30-7:30 PM
Parrish Medical Center, Conference Room 6
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Norway Signs NASA Artemis Accords For Peaceful Space Exploration

Fifty-five nations have now penned their commitment to NASA's Artemis Accords. NASA announced Norway's decision to join the Artemis Accords for a "safe, peaceful, and prosperous future in space" as the space agency's website phrases it. A signing ceremony took place in May at the Norwegian Space Agency in Oslo, with Norway's Minister of Trade and Industry Cecilie Myrseth signing on behalf of the Norwegian government.

"The United States and Norway have a long-standing relationship in space. Collaboration stretches back to 1962, when NASA supported the first civilian suborbital rocket launch mission above the Arctic Circle from Andøya Space," a

statement from the U.S. Department of State said.

The Artemis Accords were established in 2020 with the U.S. and seven other founding countries. The Accords include a set of principles and guidelines designed to shape how nations explore the moon and deep space with key concepts from the 1967 Outer Space Treaty, aiming to promote peaceful, cooperative space activity.

The Artemis Program is NASA's current initiative to return humans to the moon and create a sustained presence there, and eventually to Mars. The first Artemis mission launched in 2022. The mission launched an uncrewed Orion spacecraft on a month-long mission around the moon and back.

Artemis 2 has been delayed to allow more time to test and prepare the Orion capsule after its predecessor mission experienced heat shield issues. It will fly four astronauts around the moon once before returning back to Earth. It's now scheduled for 2026.

Artemis 3 is slated for 2027. It will be the first mission in the program to land astronauts on the lunar surface. After that...

The "skinny budget" recently released by the White House slashes NASA's budget by nearly 25%. The new budget cancels NASA's massive SLS rocket after Artemis 3 and scraps Gateway, the lunar space station also in development for future Artemis missions.



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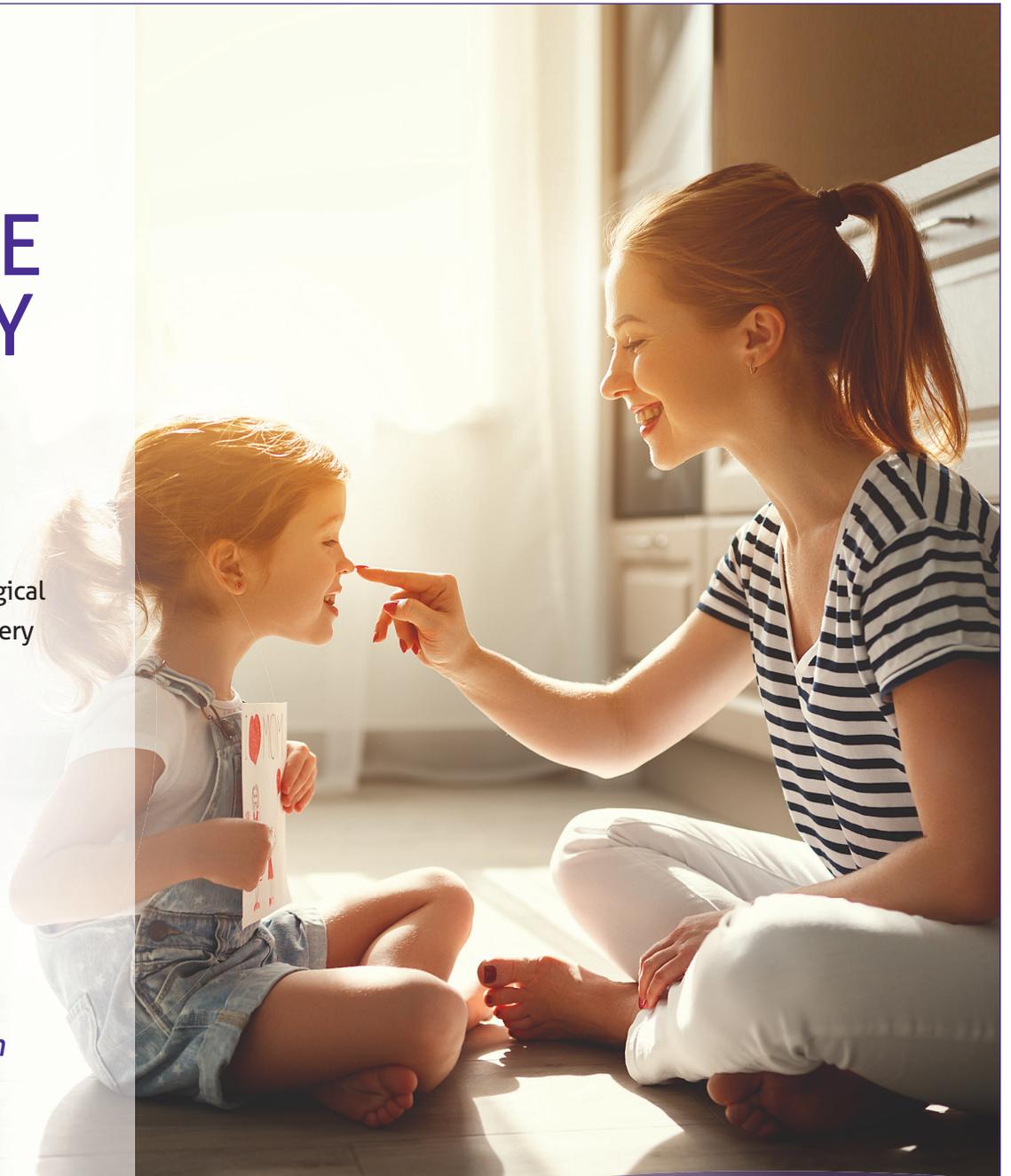
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