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St. Augustine  
Orchestra

## St. Augustine Orchestra Opens 58th Season

The St. Augustine Orchestra opens its 58th season celebrating the melodious sounds of brass and woodwind instruments with classic pieces from the mid-1800s to a contemporary concerto for tuba written by a distinguished, Emmy Award-winning composer.

**The Masterworks Concert: Brahms, Schubert & Friends** will include Johannes Brahms' lively Academic Festival; Franz Schubert's 'unfinished' Symphony No. 8; Johann Nepomuk Hummel's Trumpet Concerto and Bruce Broughton's Tuba Concerto.

"We have an excellent winds section in the St. Augustine Orchestra and this will be an opportunity to

highlight their talent with famous works of music," said Conductor Scott Gregg. Jason Harris will be featured in the Tuba Concerto while Andrea Albritton will solo on trumpet in the Hummel piece. Concert goers will also hear flutes, clarinets, bassoons, horns, and trombones highlighted in these pieces along with strings.

Wind instruments are the oldest instruments known to man, and one recent discovery was a flute made from bird bones dating back 42,000 to 43,000 years ago.

All concerts this year will be held at the Lightner Museum in the former 'swimming pool' area. The Masterworks Concert is on Friday, (continued on page 12)

## Ballroom Dance Association Celebrates its 39th Anniversary

On Saturday, October 12th, the St. Augustine Ballroom Dance Association will celebrate its 39th anniversary, marking 456 dances it has hosted for the enjoyment of ballroom dancers in and around St. Augustine.

This gala celebration starts at 6:15pm at the Riverview Club, 790 Christina Drive, in St. Augustine Shores, with a 45 minute dance lesson given by dance instructor Michael Singleton, followed by dancing from 7 to 10pm. Enjoy beautiful dance music provided by Roy Olsson's Nostalgia band. See an extensive display of photos going back to SABDA's founding in October 1980. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, desserts and coffee throughout the evening and toast this very special event with a glass of champagne.

Guests pay just \$20pp, which includes the dance lesson. Appropriate attire is a dark business suit, or tuxedo, for the men and a cocktail dress, gown or Palazzo style pants for the women. For a reservation, call Dennis or Mary Larimore at 904-825-4902.

For more information and pictures, visit facebook.com/sabdastaug.



SABDA President Joe Burch and his lovely wife Ann, at a recent dance.

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## Shores Resident Gives Our Communities A "Spooktacular" Halloween Display



Shores resident Arch Rivenbark continues again this year shows off his annual Halloween display in front of his house at 223 Estancia Street. Drive by and see the display after the first week in October.

Shores residents don't need to look at their calendar or notice a change to fall weather to realize its nearing Halloween again.....they just drive by Shores resident Arch Rivenbark's house and see his annual Halloween display to know trick or treat time is on its way. Arch, who starts planning his display months in advance, has 30 - 40 humorous tombstones for neighbors and friends. Each year, Arch entertains his neighbors with the much anticipated display and has them all asking him "What are you going to put on my tombstone this year?" He invites everyone to drive by 223 Estancia Street to enjoy his display. You can find him off Lilly or Alhambra streets.

## What's Inside The Observer This Month...

- **St. Augustine Shores:**  
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First priority will be given to reporting news and activities of the residents of the St. Augustine local communities, and other news and events that directly affects the St. Augustine area. Second priority will be given to articles of general interest as space permits.

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## St. Augustine Shores Community Calendar

The Shores Service Corporation  
Shores Homeowners Association  
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### Shores Monthly Meetings

• Shores Service Corporation monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. Meetings are at 7 p.m. at the Riverview Club.

• Conquistador Condominium Board meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 6

p.m. at the Riverview Club.

• Fairview Condominium Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every other month at 4 p.m. at the Fairview Condo club house.

• Greens Condominium Board meetings will vary. Contact Jeff Edwards at Sovereign-Jacobs at 904-461-5556.

• Casa Bella Condominium 2019 Board Meetings: March 18th- 6pm (Annual Meeting), April 15th- 6pm, May 6th- 6pm, June 17th- 6pm, July 15th- 6pm, August 19th- 6pm, September 16th- 6pm, October 21st- 6pm, November 11th- 6pm, December 16th- 6pm. For Information contact Ellen Lumpkin at 904-461-5556.

## St. Augustine South Community Calendar

St. Augustine South Improvement Assoc.  
709 Royal Rd. St Augustine, 32086  
email: staugsouthimpassoc@gmail.com  
www.staugsouth.com

### SASIA Board Members

President - Julie Bruijn  
1st VP - Alan Chappell  
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Board Member - Ryan Flagler  
Board Member - Suzanne Godbout  
Board Member - Robert Kennedy  
Board Member - Daniel Kennedy  
Board Member - Frances Lundberg  
Board Member - Joe Satterelli

### SASIA Meeting 3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM

Please join us and bring your ideas on how to improve our wonderful neighborhood! Connect with us on our Facebook.com and NextDoor.com pages: St. Augustine South Improvement Association.

### Monthly Meetings at Clubhouse

• DAV Meeting -3rd Tuesday of the month DAV monthly meeting at 7pm.

• Bingo - Every Thursday at 1pm except Holidays, light lunch, from 11:30 to 12:30. Open to the Public.

• Yoga - Join Registered Yoga Teacher Emily Flagler for Gentle Flow Yoga on Thursdays 5:30 - 6:30! Just bring your yoga mat, towel, and water. Try your first class for free!

## St. Augustine South Upcoming Events

St. Augustine South Improvement Association  
Watch the Observer, Next Door @ St. Aug South & our Face Book page for more information as dates approach.

**October 19th**

**“Neighborhood Nite-Out & BBQ”  
At Shores Drive Park on Shores Drive**

**November 15th**

**“Food Truck Friday and a Film”  
At Community Center on Royal Road**

**December 14th**

**“Santa Visits St. Augustine South”  
At Community Center on Royal Road**

## Community Classifieds

The Observer offers *free community classified listings for USPS selected addresses in Southern St. Johns County and paid subscriptions.* Classified ads will not be printed without a name, address and phone number included with the request. Free listings of 5 items or less should be sent. **Free ads Are Not for Business or Personal Service ads.**

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Send your listing and payment, if required, to Observer, 1965 A1A South #120, St. Augustine, 32080-6509. You may email your ad to clifflogsdon@att.net. Deadline for all listings or ads is the 15th of every month for the next monthly issue.

**FOR SALE:** (1) Broyhill 3 piece: sofa, love seat, chair; green textured fabric, non smoker - \$600. Can transport but not lift. (2) 18' 2000 Leader Cat boat, new trailer-never been in the water, 2015 75 HP Four Stroke Mercury - 20 hours, warranty to 2021 - \$15,000. Call or text Lynne 516-319-9688.

**FOR SALE:** Wooden Oval Table with 4 chairs \$50, White Oval night stand \$40, Lamp with built in night light \$20, Computer table with two shelves that pull out \$20, Wrought Iron rattan type night stand \$100, Lamp with flowered shade-fringed bottom \$20. Call Jama 904-806-0988.

**FOR SALE:** 5 piece Ludwig drum set (Black). Includes: 22 in bass drum w/ Ludwig foot pedal, snare drum w/Ludwig stand, 12 in. tom, 14 in. tom, 16 in floor tom, all maple shell w/ soft carry cases and 1 hard trap case, no stools. \$300.00 FIRM. Call Frank 904-794-5637.

**FOR SALE:** Mobility Scooter. Excellent condition. \$500. Call 904-217-0319.

**FOR SALE:** Fiesta Place Setting. 4 piece new in box. \$20. Call 904-417-3210.

**FOR SALE BY OWNER:** 409 Maribella Ct. in San Savino in the Shores

community. 3017 sq.ft., 4 BR/3Baths, office, formal areas, eat in kitchen, pantry, patio screened porch. Call Sally Wilson 407-463-3670 or 904-295-8179. \$479,000.

**FOR RENT:** Conquistador updated Condo for Rent. 2br/2b second level. Available after July 19. \$1,200 monthly. Call Louis 904-570-8701.

**WANTED: ROOM MATE** - Seeking female starting October 1st. 1 bedroom & bath. Home fully furnished. No pets/non smoking. Call 904-377-7817 10am-7pm.

**WANTED: ROOM MATE** - Seeking roommate. Furnished bedroom with TV, cable & internet. Asking \$125 weekly + \$125 deposit all utilities included. No pets. Call 860-514-1325.

**WANTED:** Retired Classic Country-Rock & Roll drummer looking for like-minded to jam with. Call Frank 904-794-5637.

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# St. Augustine Shores Club News

## October 2019 Riverview Club Calendar

OCTOBER DANCES: RSVP required: Call 904.794.2000 or [www.staugshores.org/dance-rsvp](http://www.staugshores.org/dance-rsvp)  
Guests: \$15.00/pp. \*BYOB\*



**EARLY SOCIAL**  
Southern Style Vocal Band  
Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm



**MAIN SOCIAL**  
Tim Rippey  
Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm



**Country Line Dance Party:** Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, DJ Terry Hunter \$10.00/person

FREE for Activity Members, guests are \$5.00/pp/class.

<b>Bridge</b>	<b>Fridays 1:00 pm - Must have table of 4 to join.</b>
<b>Bridge Lesson</b>	<b>Classes led by Nancy Thursdays at 10:00 am.</b>
<b>Chicago Bridge</b>	<b>Must have a partner to play, Mon and Thu at 12:30 pm.</b>
<b>Card Game</b>	<b>Group meets on Tuesdays, at 3:30 pm – 6:00 pm.</b>
<b>Mah Jongg</b>	<b>Tuesday at 1:00 pm &amp; Wednesday at 10:30 am.</b>
<b>Chair Yoga</b>	<b>Class led by Nancy, Mon, Wed &amp; Fri at 10:45 am.</b>
<b>Deep Water Aerobics</b>	<b>Wednesday at 5:30 pm until weather permits. You'll need an aqua jogger belt, class led by Annamarie.</b>
<b>Yoga</b>	<b>Class led by Nancy, Mon, Wed &amp; Fri at 9:00 am. Yoga with Erin, Thursday at 5:30 pm.</b>
<b>Exercise Class</b>	<b>Led by Marcia Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 am.</b>
<b>Dance Class</b>	<b>Led by Dennis Thursday, at 2:00 pm—learn to Waltz!</b>
<b>Line Dancing</b>	<b>Monday at 6:30 pm and Wednesday at 10:00 am.</b>
<b>Zumba</b>	<b>Tuesdays at 5:30 pm —Zumba with Mary Beth.</b>
<b>Writers in the Shores</b>	<b>Tuesday October 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 pm in the library. For information call Donna at 794-0789.</b>

### Upcoming Events at the Riverview Club

**SHORES FALL YARD SALE Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am to 12 pm**



**Early Social: Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
(6pm to 9pm) – Entertainment by Chris Thomas Band

**Main Social: Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019**  
(7pm to 10pm) – Entertainment by ZigZag Duo

### Riverview Club Events

**ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR:** Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Riverview Club's Ballroom: Rain or shine! Get a jump-start on your holiday shopping by supporting our local crafters!

**SHORES FALL YARD SALE:** Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

**LEARN THE WALTZ!** Social Dance Class with Dennis – Thursday at 2:00 pm.

**WATER AEROBICS WITH ELSA:** Monday, Wednesday & Friday until the weather permits @ 9:00 am – Must purchase pool pass.

**FREE INTRODUCTORY FITNESS POLE WALKING CLINIC WITH SHELLA VIDAMOUR:** Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm – Meet at the Riverview Club. Pre-registration is required: to register call 904-540-1067, or email Sheila: [walkyourpath406@aol.com](mailto:walkyourpath406@aol.com). Pole Walking is a fun and easy way to get a very effective and efficient total body aerobic workout! Please wear comfortable walking shoes and demo Walking Poles will be provided.

## St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation August 8th Board Meeting Summary

*"This Summary is an overview by the Observer Editor and is not the complete meeting minutes. Minutes are to be approved and posted at the Riverview Club and Association Website."*

The St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation's Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Vice President Thomas Filloramo at 7:00 P.M. Present: Director Mike Amato, Director Steve Raff, Treasurer Claire Lorbeer, Secretary Michael Winkles and Director Phil Van Tiem on speaker phone. Absent President Austin Dietly. Quorum Established.

The Invocation was given by General Manager Smith followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes – July 11, 2019: Director Amato made a motion to approve the minutes of July 11, 2019 adding Legal Counsels opinion that the Supplemental Declaration of the Declaration of Restrictions For St. Augustine Shores Unit Seven dated August 16, 2011 does not override The Declaration of Restrictions for Shores Unit Seven. Motion was Seconded by Director Raff and carried Unanimously.

Treasurers Report was Read by Treasurer Lorbeer. Director Amato made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as read. The motion was Seconded by Secretary Winkles and carried Unanimously.

Managers' Report was presented to the Board by General Manager Joseph H. Smith III.

Director Amato made a motion that the PUD Committee meet with the County regarding the dam at Viscaya Blvd. and Vaile Pointe and that General Manager Smith be in these meetings. Motion was Seconded by Director Raff and carried Unanimously.

Director Amato made a motion that we grant the fence variance for 400 Venetia Way. Motion was Seconded by Vice President Filloramo and carried Unanimously.

Director Raff made a motion to approve the fence variance for 516 Christina Drive as originally submitted. Motion Seconded by Director Amato and carried Unanimously.

Director Raff made a motion that we change the ACC manual to allow the ACC Committee to approve fences that come forward of porches built under the roof of the structure. Motion Seconded by Director Amato and carried.

Director Amato made a motion that we form a committee with three people, one being a board member to search for a new attorney because he is not happy with our attorney. Motion Seconded by Director Raff and carried Unanimously.

Director Amato made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was Seconded by Secretary Winkles and carried Unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned

## 2020 ROWITA and Jr. ROWITA Fellowships

Do you know a woman who has played a leading role in creating or nurturing the arts community in St. Johns County? Or, perhaps you know of a graduating high school student (public, private or homeschooled) who intends to further her education in the arts and could use some help pursuing that dream.

The St. Johns Cultural Council has awards of recognition for both such women. The Cultural Council is currently seeking nominations for the Dr. Gail Pflaster ROWITA Awards (Recognizing Outstanding Women in the Arts) and the Jr. ROWITA Fellowships.

The Dr. Gail Pflaster ROWITA award recognizes women who have made significant contributions to the arts community in St. Johns County over the course of their lifetime.

Lifetime achievement and the candidate's impact on the arts in St. Johns County are the main criteria for the selection of the award. Artists of all disciplines, including literary, visual, and performance are eligible, as are women who have demonstrated exemplary support of the arts. Community members are encouraged to submit their nominations for this award before the December 1, 2019 deadline.

The Jr. ROWITA Fellowships are a monetary award available to graduating Saint Johns County high school women (public, private or homeschooled) who are entering arts-based programs of higher education to advance their creative development. Applicants must have either applied or been accepted into in a collage arts program, a summer institute/intensive, or an arts workshop in order to be considered. The application deadline for the Jr. ROWITA Fellowships is the last day of February. (continued on page 12)

The Riverview Club Sponsors the  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual Craft Fair

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1 - 4pm

Holiday craft

# Craft Fair

Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>  
1pm - 4pm

Riverview Club  
St. Augustine Shores | 790 Christina Drive  
St. Augustine, FL 32086  
For more info, call 904-794-2000

## Shores Fall Yard Sale!

Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
8 am - 12 pm

- Shores Residents: sign up for \*space at the Shores office, or call 904-797-6441.
- Rain date: Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

**\*You must provide your own table.**

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# News Around Southern St. Augustine Area

## “GriefShare” Support Group Meetings at Crescent Beach Baptist Church

The Grief Support Group is designed to help you rebuild your life after the death of a loved one. The meetings will to be held at Crescent Beach Baptist Church on Highway 206 from August 14 - November 6, 2019 on Wednesdays from 6 pm - 7:30 pm.

To register or questions contact Melanie Scoggins at 904-759-1054. The cost is \$15 and scholarships are available. No child care is available. Crescent Beach Baptist Church is located on highway 206, 904-794-7777 and on line at crescentbeachbaptist.com. You are welcome to attend any time during the 13 week period.

## Fall Book Sale at Southeast Branch Library October 28 and 29.

Join The Friends of the Southeast Branch Library for our Fall Book Sale. As always, hardcover and trade books will be \$1.00, while smaller paperbacks will be 50 cents. The Book Sale hours are Monday, October 28 from noon to 6:00 pm and Tuesday, October 29 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm (or until sold out). Proceeds from the sale support library activities for children, young adults, and adults. The proceeds also support post-secondary scholarships for high school students who have volunteered at the Southeast Branch Library. Stop by and find your treasures, while supporting the community!

## ANNIE GET YOUR GUN

Timeless music, songs, and rollicking fun. These words perfectly describe the 1946 Broadway hit, Annie Get Your Gun. For its fund raiser, Temple Bet Yam has acquired the Limelight Theater, 11 Old Mission Ave. in St. Augustine where this hit musical will have its run. “They Say It’s Wonderful” couldn’t be more on target. The public is invited to attend the performance on Saturday evening, October 12. Hors d’oeuvres will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the performance at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the open seating event are \$32. Reserve your seats now. Contact Cherie Hamilton by phone: 904-940-6937 or by email: sch36@att.net for more information and ticket sales.

## What Your Mind can Conceive-You can Achieve

by Cheryll Robertson, Clinical Hypnotherapist

I am hosting an event at the Riverview Club on October 12th from 10am to 12pm. The event is titled "What your mind can conceive-you can achieve." I feel sure that we all have heard the saying, "What we think about, we bring about." It has been scientifically proven that our thoughts have a "frequency." We attract what we place our attention on. If you would like to experience a different and fresh way of thinking, please reserve your space by contacting me at [cheryllrobertsonhypnosis@gmail.com](mailto:cheryllrobertsonhypnosis@gmail.com). Please bring a yoga mat, blanket and small pillow, as you will be laying on the floor for the session. Also, the event is free!



## Writers In the Shores

The October meetings for Writers in the Shores will be on Tuesday the 8th and again on the 22nd. The chosen subject is to be "The \_\_\_ over the mantel ....." and, is suggested for this month's topic to write about on the 22nd. Come join us, you just might like us.

Everyone is welcome and we would like to invite anyone who loves to write. You do not have to be a member. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month, at 1pm here at the Riverview Club Library. We are a casual group who enjoy sharing their work and related discussion with each other. There are no officers, dues or requirements. All genres are encompassed. For information call Donna Johnson at 794-0789.

## Community News?

Do you have news, events or personal interest information that are relevant to our communities in Southern St. Johns County? Please forward them to the Editor for consideration for the monthly Observer.

Please contact Cliff Logsdon  
email: [clifflogsdon@att.net](mailto:clifflogsdon@att.net) or call 904-607-1410

## Temple Bet Yam High Holy Day Schedule

Temple Bet Yam is a warm, welcoming Reform Congregation led by Rabbi Dr. Nadia Siritsky. You are invited to join our Temple family in celebrating the High Holy Days in September and October. The services are written to make everyone feel welcome and at home. Our prayer books are written in Hebrew and English so all can follow along. Come hear the sounding of the shofar on Rosh Hashanah and fast with us on Yom Kippur. Yom Kippur ends with a break-the-fast pot luck supper. We are located at 2055 Wildwood Dr, St. Augustine, just off SR 207. For more information, call 904-819-1875 or visit our website at [www.templebetyam.org](http://www.templebetyam.org).

Erev Yom Kippur October 8  
Kol Nidre – 7:30 – 9:00

Yom Kippur October 9  
Children’s Service – 9:00 – 9:45  
Morning Service – 10:00 – 1:00  
Afternoon Service 3:00 – approx. 4:00  
Yizkor, Neilah, Havdalah - approx. 4:15  
Break-the-Fast following Neilah

Sukkot, Simchat Torah, and Consecration Service October 18. Service at 5:45 p.m.



## St. Augustine Travel Club Meeting

by Peter Dytrych

St. Augustine Travel Club will resume its monthly meetings starting again in September. The next presentation will be WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9 at 3:00 PM at the Southeast Branch Public Library, US1 South at SR 206. The subject of presentation will be: MEXICO THROUGH THE EYES OF ITS FORMER LEADER

This is a unique journey deep inside the real Mexico, with its former President Felipe Calderon as a guide. The travel club is free to the community and no registration is required. We would love to see you. Call Peter at 904-797-3736 with any questions

### St. Augustine Travel Club Cruise

The St. Augustine Travel Club will again be sailing the seas on Saturday, March 28 –April 4, 2020 on the beautiful Norwegian Breakaway out of Port Canaveral to the Eastern Caribbean ports of Tortola (British Virgin Islands), St. Thomas and Norwegian’s private island Great Stirrup Cay in the Bahamas for a 7-day cruise. Prices start from \$972.35 per person, double occupancy, for inside cabin, inclusive of all port fees and taxes. Balconies and oceanviews are also available at additional cost. Book now with a \$250 p.p. deposit and receive \$100 per stateroom On Board Credit, Free Beverage Package and more. Call Peter, St. Augustine Travel Club at (904) 797-3736.

## St. Augustine Orchid Society Meetings

“Species for Florida” by Thanh Nguyen

Thanh always has the most unusual orchids in his sales booth, do different from the orchids you see in the big box stores. Ever wonder why some orchids do better in Florida than others? You would think that all types would love Florida! But not so! Find out which are the best suited orchids to Florida's climate at this meeting.

MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 1 from 6:30-9:00 pm at Memorial Lutheran Church, 3375 US1 South, St. Augustine. Enter from back parking lot.

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## Homeport Christian Church Community Fall Festival

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## News From Around St. Johns County

### The Garden Club of St. Augustine Announces their 50th Anniversary "Christmas Tour of Homes," Sunday, December 8, 2019

On December 8 from noon to 5pm, the Garden Club of St. Augustine, Florida presents their 50th Annual Christmas Tour of Homes. Ticket-holders will visit 6 homes in the Oldest City in the Continental U.S.A. Each home will be exquisitely decorated by Garden Club members. Ticket price is \$30 and includes Tea and Boutique at the River House. This is a walking tour. For those in need, free transportation will be provided.

Tickets go on sale October 1, 2019. Advance purchase is recommended as the event has "sold out" the last 8 years. For tickets, call Virginia at 904-466-7827 or purchase online at [www.gardenclubofstaugustine.org](http://www.gardenclubofstaugustine.org). For more information, call Trudi at 904-686-9320.

### Florida Native Plant Society Sea Oats Chapter "Oats & Ales" Celebration Oct. 17th

Sea Oats Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society will have a different venue and day for our October meeting. Join us for the second annual Oats and Ales in celebration of Native Plant Month. We will be meeting at Old Coast Ales, 300 Anastasia Blvd on Thursday, October 17 from 6 to 8:30. Enter their property through palm trees and sea grapes for that Florida experience. Their in-house craft brewed beers and natural sodas will be available. Old Coast Ales Brewery is offering a 20% discount on brews during the event for members and new members joining the Native Plant Society.

There are 35 chapters of Florida Native Plant Society throughout the state. Our purpose is to conserve, preserve, and restore the native plants and native plant communities of Florida. The St. Johns County chapter is Sea Oats and meets monthly for speakers and discussion about our favorite subject. Please join us for a fun and informational meeting. Free and open to the public. For additional information call Judy Zinn 904 797 4998 or e-mail [seaoats.fnps@gmail.com](mailto:seaoats.fnps@gmail.com).

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### Sertoma Club Event 9th Annual Wide Open-Open Benefit

The SERTOMA Club of St. Augustine will be hosting "Woo-Stock 4-Man Golf Scramble" Saturday Oct 20, at St Augustine Shores Golf Course. Please help us help the folks of St. Johns County by becoming a sponsor today.

A Title Sponsor is \$1,000, a Raffle Sponsor is \$500, and a Hole Sponsor is \$100. Teams will consist of 4 player at \$50 per player. Registration is at 10 am with Tee Time at 12 noon. There will be hole in one prizes, raffle prizes and 50/50 drawing and a BEST DRESSED HIPPIE prize. Proceeds to benefit those in need in St. Johns County through St. Augustine Sertoma. To become a sponsor or participate in the event contact: Jean Macedonia at 904-540-1123 or email [jeanmace97@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanmace97@yahoo.com) for registration materials.

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### First Coast Card & Newcomers Club

#### First Coast Newcomers Adult Card Playing Events Club:

Tuesday, October 1st. Main Library, 1960 N. Ponce De Leon Blvd., St. Augustine. Start Time: 1P. Private Room. Bring your own snack/beverage. RSVP Required.

Sunday, October 6th. HolidayLunch/Cards. Golf Clubhouse. 2 Min.Off CR 210. St. Johns, FL. Private Room. Arrive: 1:30P.Refreshments. RSVP Required.

Tuesday October 15th. HALLOWEEN Fun Card Party! Main Library, 1960 N. Ponce De Leon Blvd., St. Augustine.Start Time: 1P. Private Room. Refreshment Table-Please Bring Snacks/Treats To Share. RSVP Required.

Tuesday, October 22nd. St. Augustine Golf Clubhouse, St. Augustine. Arrive: 2:15P. Start: 2:30P. RSVP Required.

Please Contact Our Club Organizer To RSVP and for Locations, Addresses, & Directions To: 904-829-0643 Days/Evenings.

#### First Coast Newcomers Adult Recreation Events Club:

Tuesday, Oct. 1st. Ancient City 19Pc. Brass Band Concert. Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm. Arrive Early: 6P. In Lrg Room. Location: Clay Library. Free Event. RSVP To Organizer.

Thursday, October 3rd. October Monthly Dinner/Trivia. Gator's Restaurant, Julington Creek. Arrive: 6PM. Free to play. RSVP To Organizer.

Thursday, October 10th. Tell Tale Heart Program By Story Teller & Guided Ghost Tour By Local Historian At Old Clay County Jail. Event Begins At: Green Cove Library. Free Event. RSVP To Organizer.

Saturday, October 12th. Multiple Band, Music, Dance Performances. Green Cove Springs Music & Art Festival. St Johns River. Bring Chair-Snacks/Beverages OK. Arrive: 11:30A.-6:30P. Lunch Break: 2:30P-4P. Free Event. RSVP To Organizer.

Saturday, October 19th. October Monthly Games Day. Coffee Shop, Hwy. 16, St. Augustine. Time: 3P-5:30P. We play Rummykub-Rummy Cards With Tiles, Dice Games, Taboo, Yatzee. New Games Welcome! RSVP To Organizer.

Please Contact Our Club Organizer To RSVP, How To Join Our Club, & Questions To: 904-829-0643 Days/Evenings.

### Wags and Whiskers Pet Rescue and Adoption

Wags 'n Whiskers Pet Rescue and Adoption Garage Sale Saturday, October 12th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We are doing our next fundraising garage for Wags 'n Whiskers. If you are interested in selling, we ask for your \$10.00 donation. Bring your own table or tarp/blanket to display your goods. This is one way we are raising money for this wonderful organization. We have been having more folks participate and more shoppers over the last few months. Call Lana Bandy at 317-450-0505 to reserve a space. If you are not interested in the garage sale, we would love for you to stop by to say hello and if you happen to have any extra cat food and/or kitty litter, the facility is always in need! The address is 1967 Old Moultrie Road, St. Augustine, across the street from the rear of the Lowes' building.

### UF/IFAS "Living on a Few Acres" Workshops

The St. Johns County UF/IFAS Extension Office is hosting monthly "Living on a Few Acres" workshops through December. These workshops will provide participants with information on how to maintain their properties with or without animals. The following workshops will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the UF/IFAS Wind Mitigation Building, 3111 Agricultural Center Drive:

October 17 – Forest/Wildlife Management Basics

November 21 – Sheep and Goat Management Basics

December 19 – Backyard Poultry Management Basics

The workshops are \$5 each, and registration is required. For more information or to register, please visit [www.livingonafewacresinsjefl.eventbrite.com](http://www.livingonafewacresinsjefl.eventbrite.com), email [timwilson@ufl.edu](mailto:timwilson@ufl.edu), or call 904.209.0430.

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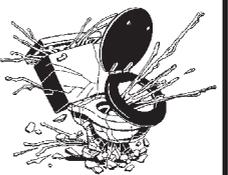
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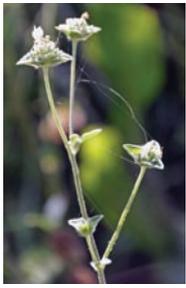
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## Wildflower Meadow Group

During our September meeting, we again pulled grasses away from wildflowers to give more flowers more sunlight and space to grow. Becky, the only original founder still with the group, explained the mistake the group made the first year. They researched how to create space for a meadow and hired a rototiller to prepare the ground for wildflower seeds. He didn't say anything about raking and removing roots and remnants of lawn grasses; and when the wildflowers came up in the spring, so did the lawn grasses. They come back every spring and by late summer, as hard as we work to pull them out, it's hard to see the flowers through the grasses. There's a lesson there for anyone wanting to create space for native wildflowers.



Elephant Foot



Bee Balm

On the north side of the upper meadow, near the woods, Florida elephant foot are growing and blooming. Their tiny white to lavender flowers at the tip of tall leafless stems aren't showy, unless you look closely, but they're native and attract pollinators. The plants grow 3 to 4 feet tall and I suspect that's one reason for their success in the meadow. They rise above and overwhelm the lawn grasses. Why is it called an elephant foot? Its "footprint" is a cluster of large basil leaves that are "elephant" sized, relative to the rest of the plant. This perineal plant readily grows from seeds in full or partial sun in moist, sandy soil and is resistant to draught.

Bee balm (horse mint) are especially prolific this year, still blooming, and I believe one reason is because hurricanes the last two years interrupted their blooming cycle. Now they're giving us three seasons of blooms in one. By the way I recently learned there are recipes on the Internet about how to make bee balm tea. It has medicinal benefits but it's important to use only fresh leaves without any powdery-white mildew.

Thanks to Betty for her photos of the bee balm. We welcome anyone who wants to share their photos of the meadow. I can't guarantee they'll be included with the article because that isn't up to me, but they might be.

We hope you will join us at our next meeting the first Saturday of the month. We meet at the meadow near the Riverview clubhouse at about 8:30. About once a month we drive to local parks or on back country roads looking for wildflowers, identifying, and photographing them. We're an informal group without officers or dues.

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## Vacant Seats on HOA Board

by Jay Shearer, Esq.  
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The typical board of directors for a condominium or homeowner's association consists either 3, 5, or 7 directors, depending on the governing documents and participation within the community. The election of directors by the membership generally occurs each year at the annual meeting. Some associations have trouble finding enough candidates to fill the open director positions at the annual elections, but what happens when a director unexpectedly resigns, passes away or is disqualified before the end of his or her term? How does the association fill that vacant director's seat?

Section 617.0809, Florida Statutes, which governs not for profit corporations such as condominium and homeowners associations, provides, "any vacancy occurring on the board of directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of the majority of the remaining directors, even though the remaining directors constitute less than a quorum . . ." In the event there are no remaining directors, the statute provides that the director's seat can be filled "by the members, or on the application of any person, by the circuit court . . ."

For condominiums, Section 718.112(2)(d)(9), Florida Statutes, states, "unless otherwise provided in the bylaws, any vacancy occurring on the board . . . may be filled by the affirmative vote of the remaining directors . . ." and also provides that the "board may hold an election to fill the vacancy . . ." (emphasis added). Accordingly, in addition to the relevant Florida Statutes, it is critical that the association bylaws be reviewed whenever a vacancy occurs.

The term of any newly appointed or elected director pursuant to the above provisions, generally expires at the next annual meeting where directors are elected, subject to the provisions of the association's bylaws.

In the event your community experiences an unexpected vacancy on the board of directors, there is likely a straightforward solution to quickly and easily fill the vacant seat. However, there are subtleties and distinctions that should be considered and discussed with the association's counsel.

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## Lions Club "Vision Therapy" Committee Event

The St. Augustine Lions Club Vision Therapy Committee presented a program to the Palatka New Visions Lions Club, the Crescent City Lions Club and the Palatka Lions Club in the latter's clubhouse on Learning Related Vision Problems and Vision Therapy. Pictured are presenters, Dr. James Horning, Behavioral Optometrist; Dr. Tracy Litzinger, parent of a former VT patient; Lion Judy Decker, retired teacher and vision therapist and Chairwoman of the St. Augustine Lions VT committee ; Laura Hingson, Secretary of the Palatka Lions and event liaison; and Sue Masters, President of the Palatka Lions club. Other members of the St. Augustine Committee are Lions Immediate Past President John Dickie IV, PDG Jerry Skufe, and Director Sammie Deckneck.



The club financially supports part of vision therapy programs for some of those who qualify in St. Johns County with monies earned from the Annual Seafood Festival which in the coming year will be held March 20-22.



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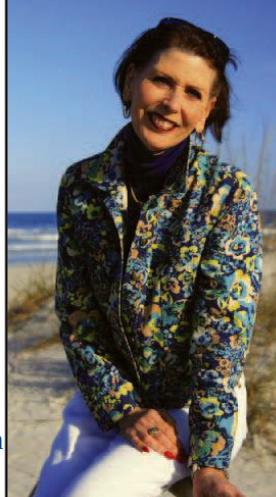
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## First Coast Opera's 20th Season Opens with Pasta & Puccini

First Coast Opera's 20th Season opens on Saturday, October 26, 2019 with a festive evening of dinner theater – Pasta & Puccini, a catered Italian dinner and a show.

Enjoy scenes from Puccini's La Bohème performed by FCO guest artists along with a delicious meal by Moveable Feast. The new community room at St. Anastasia Catholic Church is the location for this special one night only event.

The Music Program will feature a shortened version of Puccini's beloved La Bohème. The opera features a beautiful love story that mirrors life's changing seasons, from fresh beginnings to fading endings, with some of opera's most enduring music. The performance will be given throughout the evening, alternating dinner courses with scenes from the opera. The cast includes Cristina Bakhoum Sanchez as Mimi, Jose Simerilla Romero as Rodolfo, Lisa Lockhart as Musetta, Dirk Gavin McCoy as Marcello, Thomas Irwin as Schaunard, and Joseph Colsant as Colline. FCO Artistic Director Curtis Tucker will provide stage direction and music director Laura Friesen will accompany on piano.

Taking this performance outside the concert hall, FCO Artistic Director Curtis Tucker promises a fun and relaxing evening, both entertaining and delicious. "Opera's Italian roots are neither formal, nor stuffy. Performances often included food and drink, along with opportunities for audience members to talk between performances," Tucker explained. "Much like dinner theater, our 20th season kickoff combines dinner, performance, and a social event, all wrapped into one special evening."

Enhanced Ticket - \$125. Pre-event Champagne Reception with FCO director and cast members; Reserved table seating, special passed appetizers, and a glass of bubbly.

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## Shores Activity October Dance Events

### "Early Dance Solical with Southern Style Vocal Group"

The SOUTHERN STYLE VOCAL GROUP will be returning to the Shores Activities Club's "Early Dance Social" on Friday Evening, October 4th, 2019 (from 7:00 PM

to 10:00 PM) at the Riverview Club Center in St. Augustine Shores (790 Christina Drive). SOUTHERN STYLE is made up of five of Northeast Florida's finest and talented performers who are well known throughout the St. Augustine area. Come listen and dance to some of your favorite songs, which include Pop, Country, Blues, Rock, Oldies & Contemporary genres.



### "Main Dance Solical with Tim Rippey"

For the Club's "Main Dance Social" on Sunday evening, October 20th, 2019 (from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM) at the Riverview Club, TIM RIPPEY will be performing. Tim is

a highly acclaimed vocalist who entertains audiences with easy listening, country, contemporary pop, some oldies, and more. His one-man show has thrilled audiences of all ages for more than 30 years. As a highly acclaimed vocalist, Tim's repertoire includes music from popular artists Andre Bocelli, Michael Bubl , Neil Diamond and Jimmy Buffet (to name a few). His voice has an

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## "Diaries of a Shores Grand-Dad"

by Dirk Schroeder

It's like a mini time capsule to write an article that is going to be released a few weeks from when it is written. I'm writing this installment of the Diaries in mid-August and it will come out in mid-to-late September. A lot of things can happen in a few weeks and even in 24 hours. Hopefully, no major hurricane has hit St. Augustine by then. You just never know what life has in store for each of us.

Grandparents can provide some awesome memories. As kids, we got to spend a few summers with our grandparents, sometimes with and sometimes without our parents. Staying at my grandmother's house in Germany was great since her house was huge and I always got a room up on the third floor, where my cousins Rolf and Katrin had their own bedrooms. The second floor was occupied by my aunt Karin and Uncle Helmut. I learned how to



paint Russian Icons from my Tante Karin and how to celebrate from Onkel Helmut. The second floor, aside from having their Master Bedroom suite (which had a great rounded balcony overlooking the town of Sundern), there was a large eat-in kitchen, a den/TV room and another corner balcony. The first floor was my Grandmother's (Oma Sundern is what we used to call her). The highlight of the property was Oma's dining room which had a large circular series of windows overlooking all of town. She had a sitting area at these windows where she loved to have breakfast or afternoon coffee and cake while telling stories about her life. I learned many stories of WW II from her (her husband died before I was born). There was also a basement with a full bar, laundry and then there was the room where the various animal carcasses hung - deer and rabbit mostly. Hunting was always a big

deal in Westphalia. The garden was great since she had apple, pear and plum trees and planter beds with potatoes, onions, strawberries, golden gooseberries, red and black currants and rhubarb. Another great thing about staying there was the long walks in the beautiful forests in the area, going to the indoor swim hall and working for my Uncle in his factory (SUSIS) on occasion.

My Swedish Grandparents lived in an even larger home. You may recall in a prior Diary - they're called Mormor and Morfar in Sweden (mother's mother and mother's father). I stayed with them over three different summers; once before we came to the US, another time with Mom and Dad for a few weeks and once with my brother Ralph; that particular summer, Ralph and I spent a few weeks at a Sailing Camp off the coast of Stockholm called Aengsholmen. Mom's

brothers and sisters were all different and also a lot of fun and very giving. They always wanted to take us places that were interesting. I have great memories of going into downtown Stockholm often to the old city and to Skansen, a zoo that also showcased Swedish traditional crafts like glass blowing and wood craft. There was also the amusement park on the waterfront known as Groena Lund. Yet some of the best memories were usually at their spectacular house. Their garden had rows and rows of raspberries and we ate them until our hands were sloppy red. The basement of their home had a huge laundry and a sauna. You could ride the elevator to the 3rd floor and there was a full standing attic full of awesome toys. Our uncle Agne was a Geologist and he had a really cool rock collection. Another great experience is that Morfar loved big American cars (rare in Sweden). He had this gorgeous white Buick Skylark which got looks from everyone when he took it out. Mormor also knew that the way to kids hearts is with cake and candy and Swedish Princess cake and Hallon Botar (Boat-shaped Raspberry Gel candies) were all the rage.

These are but a drop in the bucket of memories created by my Grandparents. If you have grandparents, make more memories before their gone. If you are a grandparent - it's our turn; create more memories with your kids and their children before you're gone. Figure out what they love to do and take them on fun trips. Maybe one day they will write about us in their Diaries. On that wishful thought, I wish everyone, as always, a Sunshine State of Mind!

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If you are interested in participating, please contact Marla Taylor at marlataylor056@gmail.com for further information and an application form. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2019. Slots will be filled on a "first come first served" basis.

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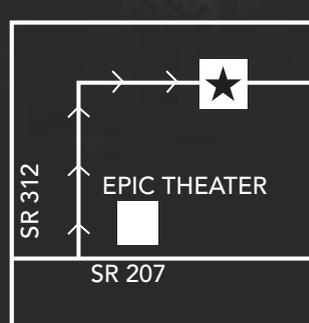
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## Fall Family Fun at Shores UMC! Pumpkin Patch, Fall Festival, Trick or Treat!

Shores United Methodist Church is celebrating the fall season with a number of fun activities during October for the entire family to enjoy.

The Pumpkins are coming! The Pumpkin Patch is opening on Saturday, October 5, 2019. The hours of the Pumpkin Patch are Monday – Friday 2 p.m. - 7 p.m. and weekends 12 p.m. – 7 p.m. There are mini-pumpkins, pie pumpkins and larger pumpkins of all sizes. The Pumpkin Patch supports the local outreach ministries of the church.

The Annual Fall Festival is Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. with free food, face painting and games galore for the entire family to enjoy! There will be music, hayrides, bounce house, prizes, and much more!

On Thursday, October 31, 2019 Halloween night, there will be a Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. This is a fun safe place to bring children for trick and treating.

Shores United Methodist Church is located at 724 Shores Blvd, between the Golf Course Clubhouse and Hartley Elementary. Sunday worship services are at 8:45 a.m. (Traditional) and 11:00 a.m. (Contemporary). Sunday School classes for all ages at 10:00 a.m. Rev. Carolyn Westlake is the pastor. All are welcome! For more info call 797-4416 or visit [www.shoresumc.org](http://www.shoresumc.org).



## Orchestra Opens 58th Season

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October 18th at 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$27.50 for adults over age 18; \$12 for youth 11-17 years old; and free for youth 10 and under. New this year is that there are no additional fees online added to the concert ticket price, so the face value is what patrons will pay. Tickets are available at: <https://staugustineorchestra.ticketleap.com/brahms-schubert-sao2019/>. Tickets may be available for sale at the door if the concert isn't sold out. The box office opens at 7:30 pm with general seating and wine is available for purchase.

The St. Augustine Orchestra won two audience awards in 2019: Folio Magazine's first 'Best of St. Augustine' Reader's Poll as Best Large Band/Orchestra in the city and was named one of three Best Local Band/Performers by the St. Augustine Record in its 'Best of St. Augustine' published in July. Visit the website at: <https://staugustineorchestra.org> or follow its news on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/staugustineorchestra/>

## "About Boating Safety": Two Remaining Course Offerings for 2019

Flotilla 14-7 of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, in conjunction with the US Coast Guard offers the popular Boating Course, About Boating Safety (ABS). The first class of the year began March 23<sup>RD</sup>. The last course in 2019 is scheduled on October 26.

"About Boating Safety" is a one day course designed to inform and instruct owners and passengers on recreational boats. It uses approved course materials which are furnished to the attendees. The ABS course is open to family members and individuals at the same local venue, the Northeast Florida Regional Airport Conference Center (NEFRA-CC) in the area beginning at 0745 for each class available on the dates shown below. This course is approved for the state of Florida and given by certified instructors under the auspices of the US Coast Guard.

Any boat operator in the State of Florida, born after January 1, 1988, when operating a vessel powered by 10 horsepower or more, must have in their possession a Florida Boating Safety Education Identification Card. Successful completion of the course will meet this obligation and the State of Florida will issue a Boater's ID card upon submittal by the Coast Guard certified Instructors.

To sign up for this locally given course, you can view the Auxiliary web page at: <https://abs.mysafeboating.com> or consult the attached flyer for times, dates and sign up. For further information. Contact the Auxiliary course instructor, Vic Aquino, FSO-PE Public Education Officer at [pe@mysafeboating.com](mailto:pe@mysafeboating.com)

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## Amber Hall Leads Drum Circles at Children Arts Festival

Amber Hall, certified **DRUMBEAT facilitator**, will bring her talents to the FOSAA Children's Arts Festival on Sunday, October 13th - leading drum circles for children and adults of all ages. Amber has been drumming for over twenty five years and has spent the last ten honing her facilitator skills by training with the top educators in the country.

Amber leads sessions at schools, civic groups, nursing homes, businesses and at team building events. She brings with her a large collection of authentic percussion instruments from around the world. Amber says, "drumming is motivational, empowering and unifying. It is my greatest joy and gift to share my love of music."

Amber will be on the Amphitheatre Front Porch from 10AM to 3PM. Join in on one of the sessions during the day and enjoy the many arts activities for children all over the grounds. The Children's Arts Festival is a free event presented by FOSAA, Friends of the St. Augustine Amphitheatre.

For further information e-mail: [marlataylor056@gmail.com](mailto:marlataylor056@gmail.com) or [grambini1@comcast.net](mailto:grambini1@comcast.net).



## 2020 ROWITA and Jr. ROWITA Fellowships

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The ROWITA Recognition Ceremony will take place during Women's History Month on March 22, 2020 at The Limelight Theatre.

Applications for both awards are available at <http://www.stjohnsculture.com/grants-awards/rowita-awards>. Nominations should be e-mailed to [hala@stjohnsculture.com](mailto:hala@stjohnsculture.com) as attachments in pdf, word, and jpg formats. If help is needed with online submissions call the St. Johns Cultural Council at 904-808-7330. The Cultural Council encourages submitting all applications by email but if you are unable to submit digitally please mail or bring your nomination to the St. Johns Cultural Council, 15 Old Mission Avenue, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

## "Agents in Action"

The children's Exploring LIFE Program of Shores United Methodist Church is offering a new fall camp "Agents in Action." An exciting 13-week adventure in discovering what it means to live courageously every day as God's Disciple! Children are introduced to 13 daily missions for God as his special agents.

Each Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Christian Education Building, your child is invited to a time of Bible Stories, Games Galore, Crafts, Creative Art, Missions and more! Children will enjoy an evening meal of pizza, fruit, dessert and drinks. Plan now to have your child join "Agents in Action." The program is for children in Pre-K4 to 6th grade and begins Wednesday, September 4. For more information, call the church office at (904)797-4416 or visit our website [www.shoresumc.org](http://www.shoresumc.org). Shores United Methodist Church is located at 724 Shores Blvd, between the Shores Golf Course and Hartley Elementary.



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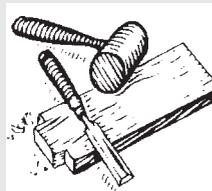
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Meetings are the Third Wednesday of every month at 11:00 am on the first floor of the main hospital building Suite 1010. Our next group will meet on October 16, 2019. Please call 904-819-4693 (or 4742) for more information or to RSVP.



## Kiwanis Club of Historic St. Augustine Annual All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast

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The Kiwanis Club of Historic St. Augustine is having their Annual All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, October 26th, 8am-10:30am at the Allegro, 1101 Plantation Drive South (near 312 bridge). Tickets are \$5 available at the door. All proceeds go to support their 501C3 Foundation outreach programs - youth leadership programs, scholarships, diapers for needy mothers, special needs camp, and more. When you give a child the chance to learn, experience, dream, grow, succeed and thrive, great things can happen. Have a great breakfast and help children in our community. For more information, call 904-669-4253.

## Friends of St. Augustine Amphitheatre Invites Community to Participate in 5th Annual Children Art Festival

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## Hastings Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

Join the Hastings TeamUp for One Mile Breast Cancer Awareness Month Walk on Saturday, October 19 at W.E. Harris Community Center, 400 East Harris St., Hastings. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the walk begins at 8:30 a.m. Hastings Breast Cancer Awareness Walk Details. For more info, contact Tanya Jackson at [tjackson@sjcfl.us](mailto:tjackson@sjcfl.us) or 904-692-3655.

## St. Johns County Sheriff's Corner

By David Shoar, St. Johns County Sheriff



## Halloween Safety

Later this month many of our younger children will be taking part in the age-old custom of "trick or treating" on Halloween. Our goal at the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office is that this event is an enjoyable adventure for everyone and I would like to pass along some safety tips. Children should only be allowed to trick or treat at homes or businesses they are familiar with. They should trick or treat while it's still light outside, or they should carry a flashlight so they can see and be seen easily. Parents, make sure that your child's costume including masks and wigs are flame resistant; they should also be light in color and clearly visible to motorists. Avoid costumes that are oversized and high-heeled shoes that can cause a child to trip. The costumes should have reflective strips as well.

Children should be reminded to only cross streets at the corners and never cross between parked cars. Young children should never be allowed to go out alone and older children should only go out with small groups. Make sure you set a time when they should be home and know the route your children will be taking. Tell your family on which streets you'll be trick or treating. Let your children know not to cut through back alleys and fields. Make sure they know to stay in populated places and don't go off the beaten path. Stay in well lit areas.

Children always want to help with the pumpkin carving. Small children shouldn't be allowed to use a sharp knife to cut the top

or the face. There are many kits available that come with tiny saws that work better than knives and are much safer, although you can be cut by them as well. It's best to let the kids clean out the pumpkin and draw a face on it, which you can carve for them.

If you will be out driving on Halloween, please take extra time and watch for children darting in and out from between parked cars. Slow down and pay attention. Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs. Enter and exit driveways and alleys very carefully. And always watch for children that may be wearing dark clothing.

Feed your children a spooky Halloween dinner and instruct them not to eat any treats until an adult can examine them. Also remind your child to never go into the home of a stranger or get into their car. Make Halloween a fun, safe and happy time for your children in hopes that they will carry on the tradition that you taught them and remember; if you see suspicious activity please call the Sheriff's Office or your local law enforcement agency and report it.

Have a Spooktacular Halloween this year and stay safe. Please feel free to contact me if you have a topic you would like to see addressed in this column. Also, there is a host of information on our website at [www.sjso.org](http://www.sjso.org), or be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and our newly launched Nextdoor page. My email address is [dshoar@sjso.org](mailto:dshoar@sjso.org). Thank you.

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## Computer Corner

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What makes a computer lose its pep? Do they just get tired? Over time we install all sorts of programs on our computers. Some are very efficient, while others are less so.

It is also possible that you have installed programs that are set to start up with your computer. These programs stay running in the background, even when not in use. Unless you are going to use that program immediately after starting your computer, there is no reason to slow down the whole process by allowing it to automatically start up.

If your computer is an entry-level model, you do not want a bunch of programs running in the background, especially programs you do not use every time you use the computer. Entry-level computers have limited memory installed, which is the bare minimum to run Windows. Every program that is running in the background impacts the speed of the computer.

There might also be problems with speed that are a result of programs that have been un-installed but have left behind traces of code. It is important to do a good cleanup once a year, just to ensure that there are no issues like those above.

I'm sure you have seen the commercials on TV for "PC Tune-Up" software. Most of these are poorly designed, and many are actually bad for your computer. I do not recommend any of the software advertised on TV.

I have two primary software tools that I use on nearly every computer I work on. They are the "go-to" tools in IT departments across the US. If you are pretty computer savvy and want to give these tools a try, just give me a call and I'll tell you how to get them. Otherwise, we can set up an appointment and I'll do the work.

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- Help make sure you're well-protected – If something were to happen to you, could your family maintain its standard of living? Or if you someday needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, would you be able to maintain your financial independence, or would you be forced to rely on your adult

children for help? A financial advisor can recommend and possibly provide suitable protection products and services for your needs.

- Help you adjust your financial strategy – Not much will stay constant in your life – and that includes your financial strategy. Any number of events – a new child, a new job, a new retirement destination – can cause you to adjust your investment moves, as will some of the factors influencing the financial markets – economic downturns, changing interest rates, new tax laws, and more. A financial advisor can help you change course as needed – and sometimes encourage you not to change course, when, in his or her professional opinion, you might be tempted to overreact to some event or other.

While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you'll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whomever you choose. Ultimately, you'll want to pick someone who understands what's important to you, and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you'll want someone who will be with you in the long run – someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

A financial advisor can make a big difference in your life. So, work diligently to find the right one – and take full advantage of the help you'll receive as you move toward your important goals.

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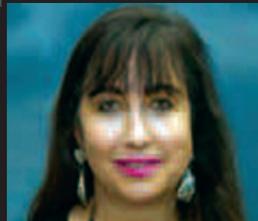
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