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# St. Augustine OBSERVER

NEWS INFORMATION FOR & ABOUT RESIDENTS OF SOUTHERN ST. JOHNS COUNTY FL

## St. Augustine Organizations Receive African American Cultural and Historical Grants



Excelsior High School

On Monday, February 28, the Florida Department of State released the ranked list of applications and scores for its African American Cultural and Historical Grants, following three days of panel hearings and review. Four St. Augustine, Florida projects ranked in the top third of more than 150 applicants and will be awarded \$2,933,500 in grants.

The purpose of the grant program is to provide funding for construction projects at facilities in Florida which highlight the contributions, culture, or history of African

Americans. Priority was given to projects that encourage the design or construction of a new facility or the renovation of an existing facility in an area with great cultural significance in which no facility exists; enhance the beauty or aesthetic value of facilities named for significant African Americans; or restore facilities on the National Register of Historic Places.

The St. Augustine based projects awarded funding include Friends of Lincolnville, Inc. with \$1,000,000 for restoration of the historic *Excelsior High School*, home of the Lincolnville Museum and Cultural Center; the Florida State Parks Foundation with \$933,500 for construction of a representation of the historic circa 1738 *Fort Mose at Fort Mose Historic State Park*; *Zion Missionary Baptist Church* with \$500,000 for restoration of Zion Baptist Church in West St. Augustine; and the St. Johns Cultural Council with \$500,000 for the *St. Augustine Beach Hotel and Beachfront*, recently listed on the National Register of Historic Places at a level of national significance for the civil rights movement in connection with the 1964 wade-ins to protest segregation.”

“St. Augustine is home to more than

## St Augustine South Reflections

by Ruth Hope, SASIA Secretary

These Reflections were planned to be around the theme of ‘It’s that time of year, again’ but events have conspired against that. Instead, the theme would be better described as ‘Be careful what you wish for’. Or, in this instance, be careful what you write about for there is now a third rooster to add to the tale of Mr Roo and Robert, aka Mr Chicken Bird.

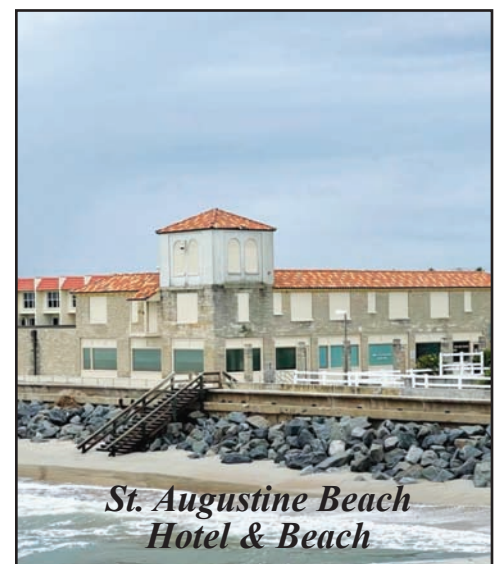
Before I go further, let me preface: I know nothing about roosters. I am not a backyard poultry keeper and I do not want to be a backyard poultry keeper. I most definitely do not want a pet rooster.

On the Saturday after the March issue of the Observer was distributed, I was contacted by a neighbor questioning “Hi Ruth. We have a half-grown chicken that’s starting to doodle. I can’t keep him here and everyone I talked to wants to take him to eat. Do you know of a possible home. Looks like a barred rock. Grey speckled.” I did not

know of anyone and so the next message was along the lines that Doodle would have to go and live in the woods. I messaged back urgently: I will pick him up in the morning. The poor wee mite didn’t look half grown and didn’t look like a cockerel. He had no spurs and didn’t doodle for the first day, but he did have very long legs. The next morning, he was cock-a-doodling at 6am. Fortunately, our local wildlife rehabber has a wide network and we have a likely forever home for Doodle, with a poultry keeper who just needs to renovate his coop. The weather has conspired against that for now and I am fostering a little cockerel sleeping in a brooder in my bathroom. Not my en suite bathroom, I am not that daft! The brooder fits perfectly in the bath in my main bathroom where Doodle doesn’t actually cock-a-doodle in the night, but if he did, no one could hear him. He doodles away at will during the day, in my back garden. I like the sound – it takes me straight back to my rural childhood, but I understand not everyone agrees with me. Please don’t call Code Enforcement! I am hopeful that by the time you are reading this, Doodle will be away to his forever home in ‘open rural’ countryside where folks like free ranging chickens, organic eggs, and roosters doodling day and night. (continued page 6)



Zion Missionary Baptist Church



St. Augustine Beach Hotel & Beach

450 years of African American history. The Friends of Lincolnville and the Fort Mose Historical Society have worked tirelessly for decades to share that history, often in spite of limited resources,” said Christina Parrish Stone, Executive

Director of the St. Johns Cultural Council. “These grants will allow the organizations to continue their important work, and share that work in a way that’s more accessible to the public,” she said. (continued on page 13)

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The purpose of the St. Augustine Observer is to serve residents of St. Augustine area Communities.

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.

Information should be received by the 15th of the month in order to appear in the following

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## St. Augustine Shores Community Calendar

**The Shores Service Corporation**  
**Shores Homeowners Association**  
**(904) 794-2000**

[www.staugshores.org](http://www.staugshores.org)

### Shores Monthly Meetings

- **Shores Service Corporation** monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. Virtual Meetings are at 6 p.m. at the Riverview Club due to the COVID-19 virus until further notice.
- **Conquistador Condominium** Board meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Riverview Club.

month's issue. Articles or information may be sent to the St. Augustine Observer, 1965 A1A South #120, St. Augustine Florida 32080-6509. Information may also be e-mailed to clifflogsdon@att.net.

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• **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** Board Meetings are 3rd Mondays of each month at 6pm. Meeting location will be determined & posted on bulletin board 48 hours prior to each meeting. (March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21, December 19). For Information contact John Glisson at 904-461-5556.

## St. Augustine South Community Calendar

**St. Augustine South Improvement Assoc.**  
709 Royal Rd. St Augustine, 32086

email: [info@staugsouth.com](mailto:info@staugsouth.com)

[www.staugsouth.com](http://www.staugsouth.com)

(904) 615-6916

**SASIA Meeting 3rd Wed at 7PM**

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.

Residents interested in joining SASIA, please complete the application on the new SASIA website - <https://staugsouth.com/join-sasia>

### Meetings at Clubhouse

**Line Dancing:** Join instructors Diane and JJ for a beginning level class on Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 pm. All age ranges are invited to join. A \$5.00 donation is requested.

**Cane Self Defense Classes:** Each Tuesday and Thursday at 10 am at the Saint Augustine South Clubhouse located at 709 Royal Rd. Class time will be around 30 minutes. Space

is limited so you MUST register for these classes by text (904) 377-3390 or email [KatieMorahanTaiChi@gmail.com](mailto:KatieMorahanTaiChi@gmail.com)

**Tai Chi** – please contact instructor Katie Monahan for information on when and where she is offering Donation-based Tai Chi classes. Text (904) 377-3390 or email [KatieMonahanTaiChi@gmail.com](mailto:KatieMonahanTaiChi@gmail.com)

### 2022 SASIA Officers & Board Members

President - Jerri Sue Dawson  
1st V.P. - Nicolette Soucy  
2nd V.P. - Doris Taylor  
Secretary - Ruth Hope  
Treasurer - Margo Geer

Mike Oliver  
Robert Kennedy  
Oonna & Mick Jones (role share)  
Ingrid Jones  
Alan Chappell

## Do You Have Community News to Share?

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 Editor

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

## 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. 5 items or less should be sent. Free ads are not for Business or Personal Service ads. Placement is not Guaranteed.

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**FOR SALE:** Brand new Frigidaire refrigerator, Model EFR 451. Stainless steel. 4.6 cu ft. Dimensions 19X19x42. Two door (upper level freezer). Pix avail upon request. Can be seen in Southwood. Call Bob Sterling at 904-794-0800.

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**FOR SALE:** 1. “Blackstone Grill” - Model comes with side burners, deep fryer, cutting board, cover and cooking accessories, Never used garage kept \$450. 2. Outdoor high top “Bistro Table” with 2 swivel armed chairs Never used garage kept \$150. 3. Subaru 3100 PSI Pressure Washer, EXTRAS, Used 2 times \$225. 4. CRAFTSMAN 2-1/2 gal. “Shop Vacuum ”AS NEW” Make offer. \$? 5. Work Horses - 4 at \$10.00 each. Call 904-534-3357.

**FOR SALE:** 1. Antique platform rocker \$75. 2. Malimine file cabinet \$50. 3. Tribal carpet \$90. 4. Ethan Allen end tables \$90 for the pair. 5. Office chairs \$5 ea. Call 904-417-3210.

**FOR SALE:** 1. Mahogany desk 30 x 60. \$150. 2. Brass & Glass tables. 2 end 1 cocktail \$20 for the set. 3. Sofa 68” Gold excellent condition \$86. 4. Box rocker needs recovering \$150. 5. Gray Recliner \$25.

**FOR SALE:** Cadence R5.2 treadmill almost new, paid \$375.00. Asking \$175.00 OBO. Call Jorge 904 439 3629

**FOR SALE:** 1. Massage Table with accessories \$85. 2. Smith Torch with gage

and hose \$75. 3. Mini Fitness Trampoline \$25. 4. Short Ladies Mercury Wetsuit size S-M \$30. 5. Pool Ladder \$15. All items are in good or great condition and will accept offers. Call 860-514-1325.

**WANTED:** Roommate wanted to share home \$750 includes everything. \$700 with 6 month lease. It is furnished.. \$300 deposit. Contact Trish at 860-514-1325.

**WANTED:** Cleaning person wanted for light duties in the Shores. Please call 904-687-3362.

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# St. Augustine Shores & South News & Events

## Shores Riverview Club Activities

### April 2022

**April DANCES** RSVP required: Call 904-794-2000 or at [www.staugshores.org/dance-rsvp](http://www.staugshores.org/dance-rsvp). **BYOB\* Guests: \$15.00/pp**  
Dance Club Members FREE – Open seating

EARLY SOCIAL	Traces of Gold	MAIN SOCIAL	Frank Saffi
Friday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>		Saturday, April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm		7:00 pm to 10:00 pm	

GUESTS \$5/pp/class

**Exercise Class** Led by Marcia **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 am.**

**Barre Workout** Class led by Mary, **Tuesdays at 5:30 pm.** Classic Barre is dance-based fitness class designed to sculpt, stretch, and strengthen. Please wear sneakers or supportive fitness shoes and bring a yoga mat and water. Class size is limited.

**Tai-Chi** Class led by Robin, **Tuesdays at 5:00 pm.** Learn the principles of Tai Chi and help your overall health and well-being!

**Chair Yoga** Class led by Nancy, **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 10:45 am.** A gentler form of yoga for those whom balance is an issue.

**Yoga** Class led by Nancy, **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 9:00 am.** Class is geared to all levels. Bring a non-skid mat & wear comfortable clothing.

**Evening Yoga** Class led by Annamarie, **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.**

**Line Dancing** Class led by Jinny, **Mondays at 6:30 pm and Wednesdays at 1:00 pm.**

**Art Group** Class led by Una, **Wednesdays at 1:30-4 pm.** Bring your current project and share expertise and ideas on all aspects of drawing/painting, including composition, perspective, color, mediums, etc.

**Dance Class** Class led by Shawn, **Mondays at 1-2pm.** Bring your dancing shoes and a partner!

**Dance Synergy** Class led by Mary, **Thursdays at 10:30.** Learn the fundamentals of dance while strengthening your core.



**Upcoming  
Early Social  
Tim Rippey  
Saturday, May 7th  
7-10pm**



**Events  
Main Social  
Debbie Owen & Tony T  
Sunday, May 22nd  
6-9pm**



## Shores Communications Corner News & Information from the Shores Service Corp.

### Animal Matters (or Doggy Do's, Don'ts & Doo-Doo's)

America is well known as a country of animal lovers, and this is no less true in St. Augustine Shores where many residents have pets. In fact, this area is so popular with pet owners that they come from areas outside of the Shores just so they can walk their dogs here where we have open park areas and wide, grassy swales.

With the pleasures of pet ownership also comes responsibility. To assist owners with recognizing these responsibilities there are a number of laws, ordinances and deed restrictions that apply to our community.

The Shores deed restrictions are quite straight forward. "No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind except dogs, cats or other household pets." These pets cannot be kept or bred for commercial purposes and must be always under control.

At the state level, Florida Statute 767 covers issues of "dangerous dogs" and cover the liability of dog owners when their pets attack a person or another animal.

The most comprehensive set of rules are the province of St. John's County. There is a whole ordinance, 2017-36, that covers every aspect of animal control – worthwhile reading for any pet owner. Did you know that, under some circumstances, county animal control officers have the right to enter public or private property and can issue citations? Fines for violating the ordinance are significant. Clearly, the image we have of the local dog catcher derived from cartoons needs updating! The county maintains an animal center and the ordinance covers the subjects of pet adoption and vaccination as well as cruelty, mistreatment, and neglect of animals – a sad necessity. But perhaps the parts of the ordinance that are most significant to us are the ones that directly affect us. The ordinance applies to all "animals" including dogs and cats. Owners are required to keep their "animals" under control whenever not on the owner's property and that means leashes are required to prevent straying and to protect other people and pets. Owners are obliged to clean up after their pet – I know it is not fun, but it is your responsibility.

Most rules are common sense and most pet owners and thoughtful, caring people, so let's enjoy our pets while considering our neighbors and larger community.

St. Augustine Shores Service Corp.  
790 Christina Drive | St. Augustine, FL 32086  
904.794.2000  
[www.staugshores.org](http://www.staugshores.org)

## SASIA News and Calendar of Events

by Ruth Hope, SASIA Board

Never miss an event! SASIA is emailing a monthly newsletter and reminders before community events Everyone—living in St Augustine South or not—can sign up for the SASIA Newsletter, and book a Clubhouse rental. Residents can join SASIA and pay dues on the SASIA website [www.staugsouth.com](http://www.staugsouth.com).

St Augustine South Cookbook, SASIA is compiling and publishing a great little cookbook of neighbors' favorite recipes. We ask you to contribute up to 4 of your favorite recipes for inclusion in the Cookbook by April 30. Further information and the form to complete for each recipe is on [www.staugsouth.com/sasia-cookbook](http://www.staugsouth.com/sasia-cookbook).

The St Augustine South Calendar of Events is posted and updated on the new website.

### Upcoming Events

- **Food Truck Friday** - Wingin' It - Friday, April 8th 5pm -7pm
- **Spring Festival** - Saturday, April 16th 12 noon to 5pm
- **SASIA General Meeting** – Wednesday April 20th 7pm
- **Spring Arts & Crafts Fair** - Saturday, May 7th
- **SASIA General Meeting** – Wednesday, May 18th 7pm
- **Food Truck Friday** - Heart & Soul Food BBQ - Friday, May 13th 5pm –7pm
- **Garden Tour** - May/June TBA
- **SASIA General Meeting** – Wednesday, June 15th 7pm
- **Food Truck Friday** - Friday, July 8th & Friday, August 12th- Trucks TBA
- **No SASIA General Meetings in July and August**
- **Fall Festival** - Saturday, October 29th
- **Fall Arts & Crafts Fair** - Saturday, November 5th
- **Holiday Celebration with Santa** - Saturday, December 10th

All events are held in the SASIA Clubhouse or grounds at 709 Royal Road. If you want to contact the SASIA Board, or have inquiries about the Clubhouse, park or neighborhood please email [info@staugsouth.com](mailto:info@staugsouth.com).



## St Augustine South Spring Festival

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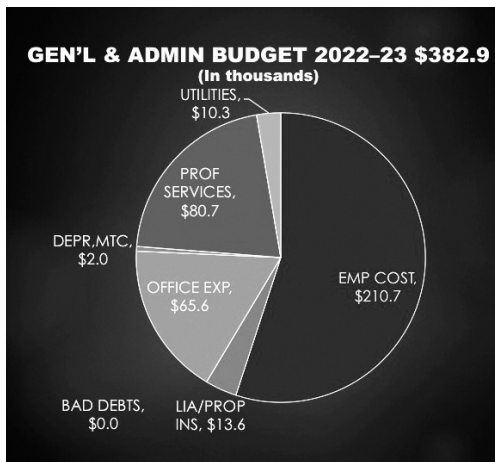
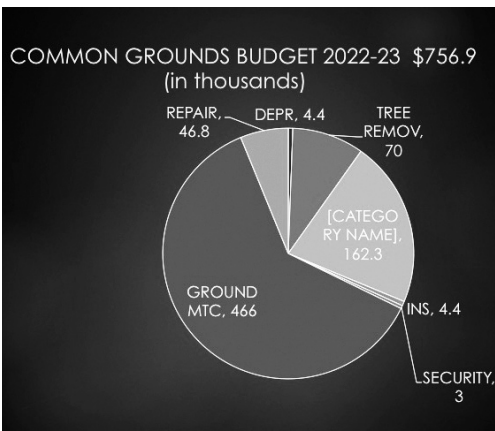
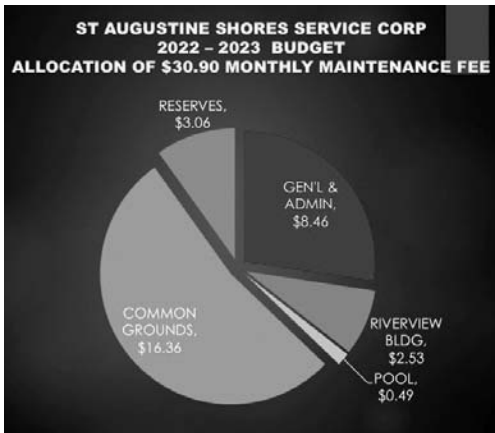
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## St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation Approved Budget for the year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

### St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation's Annual Membership Meeting

**Date:** Friday, May 6th, 2022  
**Time:** 10:00 am  
 (Door open at 8:00am)  
**Place:** Main Hall at the Riverview Club  
 790 Christina Dr  
 St. Augustine FL 32086



	GENERAL & ADMIN	COMMON GROUNDS	RIVERVIEW BUILDING	POOL	2023 TOTAL BUDGET	2022 TOTAL BUDGET	% CHANGE FROM 2022
<b>MAINTENANCE FEES</b>	\$1,275,552				\$1,275,552	\$1,274,810	0.1%
LEASE INCOME-COMPOUND		12,516			12,516	12,516	0.0%
ACC PERMITS	1,480				1,480	1,880	-21.3%
TRANSFER FEES	7,700				7,700	7,050	9.2%
ESTOPPEL FEES	15,900				15,900	16,500	-3.6%
RIVERVIEW ACTIVITY FEES			35,860		35,860	0	
POOL FEES				59,190	59,190	32,107	84.4%
RIVERVIEW RENTALS			57,770		57,770	0	
COMPOUND RENTALS		64,800			64,800	64,800	0.0%
OTHER INCOME	6,960				6,960	9,837	-29.2%
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$1,307,592</b>	<b>\$77,316</b>	<b>\$93,630</b>	<b>\$59,190</b>	<b>\$1,537,728</b>	<b>\$1,419,500</b>	<b>8.3%</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>							
PAYROLL	\$157,186		\$40,941	\$27,500	\$225,627	\$216,533	4.2%
PAYROLL TAXES	12,252		3,169	2,152	17,573	17,447	0.7%
WORKERS COMP INSURANCE	1,268		284	809	2,360	4,316	-45.3%
DISABILITY INSURANCE	1,461		317		1,778	1,728	2.9%
EMP MED/LIFE INSURANCE	26,806		13,118		39,924	45,955	-13.1%
PENSION COSTS	10,568		2,677		13,245	11,806	12.2%
LIABILITY & PROP DAMAGE INSURANCE	13,581	4,412	11,253	5,311	34,557	31,512	9.7%
LEGAL SERVICES	4,000				4,000	3,000	33.3%
ACCOUNTING SERVICES	76,651		679	461	77,791	38,713	100.9%
OFFICE EXPENSE	26,185				26,185	24,493	6.9%
POSTAGE	10,090				10,090	10,151	-0.6%
ANNUAL MEETING EXPENSE	11,451				11,451	15,153	-24.4%
TRAINING	1,200			220	1,420	420	238.1%
SECURITY		2,990	2,800		5,790	6,063	-4.5%
CONTRACT LANDSCAPE SERVICE		359,858			359,858	349,373	3.0%
REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	1,012	26,908	22,035	5,660	55,615	52,784	5.4%
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	3,492		852		4,344	4,304	0.9%
ELECTRICITY	916	159,834	9,824	5,734	176,308	171,212	3.0%
WATER	316	2,406	3,384	1,547	7,653	6,973	9.8%
PROPANE			3,440		3,440	2,660	29.3%
TRASH SERVICE	5,582	12,071	5,860		23,513	20,563	14.3%
GAS AND OIL	3,464				3,464	3,053	13.5%
SUPPLIES			4,298	21,856	26,154	21,448	21.9%
OUTSIDE SERVICES	1,581	19,895	42,480	8,000	71,956	59,784	20.4%
MISC ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	2,432				2,432	3,093	-21.4%
MISC RIVERVIEW EXPENSE			6,653		6,653	5,588	19.1%
MISC COMMON GROUNDS EXPENSE		20,000			20,000	20,000	0.0%
RIVERVIEW ACTIVITY CLUB EXPENSE			31,707		31,707	0	
BAD DEBTS	0				0	17,050	-100.0%
TAXES AND LICENSES	265		2,837	350	3,452	1,013	240.8%
LAKE TREATMENT		37,680			37,680	37,680	0.0%
TREE REMOVAL		70,000			70,000	70,000	0.0%
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### St. Augustine Travel Club

St. Augustine Travel Club Meeting  
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Our Travel Club will present on PARIS AND MONACO / MONTE CARLO at the Southeast Branch Public Library.

Experience the highlights of Paris including the famous Champs-Elysees, Eiffel Tower, river cruise on the Seine, French pastries and much more. Then it is off to Cote d'Azur and its playground of rich and famous - Monaco and Monte Carlo.

For those of you who do not know about the club, it is formatted as an armchair travel presentation with a brief lecture and a video highlighting areas around the world, with focus mostly on Europe, but also other parts of the world. Also, some of our participants have hosted a presentation based on their own travel experiences. If you are interested in doing a presentation about your unique travel experience, please let us know. The Travel Club also organizes a cruise in the Caribbean region once a year, and is published in the local papers. If you require any further information, please call Peter Dytrych at (904) 797-3736.

### An Invitation to the Living With Cancer Support Group

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Meetings are the Third Wednesday of every month at 11:00 am

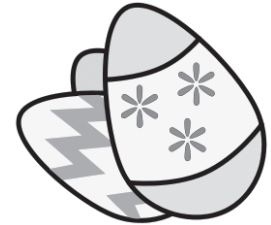
Our next meeting will be on April 20, 2022 In the Whetstone Building. 100 Whetstone Place, Suite 303. Also meeting via ZOOM! at the same time. Please call 904-819-4742 for zoom invite or for more information.



### FREE Community Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 16th. 2:30-4pm

There will be egg hunts for all ages up to 5th grade, a bounce house, a petting zoo and lots of fun. Bring your Easter basket and join in the fun.

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### GriefShare, Continues at Crescent Beach Baptist Church

GriefShare, a place to find healing for men and women seeking answers to difficult circumstances after the death of a loved one. A journey from mourning to joy.

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### Come take pictures with the Easter Bunny! April 16th at the Riverview Club

The Easter Bunny will drop by The Riverview Pavilion at the the Shores Riverview Club to help in the celebration of the Easter Season.

Register at the link below. If question please call 904-334-6888.

Shores Riverview Club, 790 Christina Drive  
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Date: April 16, 2022 Time: 1PM-3PM  
Register link. RSVP: fb.me/e/2Y2PiE0dq



### South Reflections

(continued from page 1)

But what is 'that time of year again'? It's that time of year when our very many oak trees in St Augustine South shed their leaves. Some people don't want fallen leaves and bag them up and leave them on the street for the County collect. Back in 2018, our then SASIA President, coined the phrase "You rake 'em and we'll take 'em!" Many gardeners use them for mulch, or making leaf mold, or composting. We need them for mulching the SASIA Clubhouse garden, which hasn't been mulched since 2019 because our endeavors were put on hold by Covid. I like to mulch my vegetable garden in October, and so I like to collect bags of dry leaves to store for 6 months. The leaves from my own spreading oak remain where they fall on my garden but get swept from the drive onto herbaceous borders along the drive. This year, some neighbors have bagged leaves in large brown paper bags from Lowes. Therefore, I invested in two new storage bins with lids, as environmentally friendly brown paper bags wont store for 6 months. I was lucky, I scored enough dry leaves from the roadside before all the rain that we had in mid-March. Damp leaves to use immediately as mulch in the SASIA garden are fine. But I don't have a truck, and I am forced to use my old van to move the bags which are heavier when the leaves are damp. I am now thinking, it will be best to invite neighbors to bring their leaves to the Clubhouse in future years. "Rake 'em and please bring 'em" will be the new motto.



### We've returned! First Friday Art Walk Concert Series

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The eggs will contain prizes and goodies for all children who participate.

Shores United Methodist Church is located at 724 Shores Blvd. between the Shores Golf Course and Hartley Elementary. For more information call 797-4416. See [www.shoresumc.org](http://www.shoresumc.org).

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by Paul Slava

First Friday in April falls on April 1st...don't be a "Fool" and miss our Artists of the Month, Jo Bledsoe.

Always in the mist of new avenues of creative expression, artist Jo Bledsoe has long been on the edge of the new and different. She currently works with acrylics on canvas, her brushes laying down dots and dashes of bold color with a mosaic-like quality. Jo's work is influenced by the distinctive gold encrusted decorations of Klimt, the unconventional representation of the body by Picasso, and the use of color by Matisse. It is said that she brings a 21st century twist to the past.

Born and educated in Virginia, she studied Fine Arts and Art History at the Virginia Commonwealth University where she found it rewarding to tutor fellow students in religious art history.



She continued her art education at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and at the Hand Workshop where she studied life drawing. During her career, she taught painting, photographic re-touching and jewelry making. She is accomplished in many areas including photography, glass, textiles, and jewelry. Jo continues to design and produce original hand-

crafted pieces of elegant jewelry in sterling silver, semi-precious stone, horn, wood, and Czech glass. She has shown in Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Jo has hunted for artistic inspiration in the museums of New York City and Paris. She has been further influenced by her travels through Europe, the Caribbean, and Costa Rica. She presently resides in St. Augustine, Florida with her cats, Effie and Estin. If asked about her work, Jo would say, "I'm never quite finished; it's always evolving. My art is still in search of something, perhaps the perfect red." Both the experienced and



casual viewer will be enticed and intrigued by Jo's art. See her opening on Friday, April 1st starting at 5:00pm. The show will run through the month.

Something FREE for the Kids on Saturday, April 16th from 10am to 12pm is our Easter Crafts Event. All supplies are included just bring your child from ages 4 thru 11 to The Studio and they will go home with a beautiful Easter Craft Decoration. Contact Carole Foster at 904-797-3067 to register.

The Art Studio is located at 370 A1A Beach Blvd. in the St. John's County Pier Park and is open 7 days a week from 12pm to 5pm. We are a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit organization that brings Art and Culture to the community and offers classes, special events, exhibitions and rental space. For more information visit us at [www.bechartstudio.org](http://www.bechartstudio.org), Facebook or call 904-295-4428.



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## "Diaries of a Shores Grand-Dad"

by Dirk Schroeder

"Don't Look Up" is the title of a sadly lacking comedy that we recently suffered through - I would like to get those 100 minutes of my life back. It's about some astronomers that randomly discover that a huge comet is going to definitely kill everyone on Planet Earth. The only two redeeming qualities of the film are: assessing life's priorities/relevance and how corrupt media outlets can be (intended to be sarcasm in this movie).

Think about what you might do if you knew that the earth was going to be wiped out in 6 months. Imagine everyone's "bucket list" just got moved up to "now". Would total destruction cause panic in the streets. As the movie unfolds, the scientists are doubted at first (wasting precious time) and then, when they are finally properly vetted as being accurate, they are whisked off by Homeland Security to meet with the President (played by Meryl Streep) who is most concerned with spinning the story to fit her re-election campaign (more time wasted). Then a tech guru sabotages the first launch of rockets sent to collide with the comet because there may be rare earth minerals on the comet worth harvesting. The media is complicit in every angle of spin in this movie

which reflects how malleable the media is today: hardly any investigation - just repetition of pre-canned propaganda.

"Don't Look Up" could have been the title of a documentary about today's youth - you know, always looking down at their phone. It is like they are holding a something magic in their hands and they're obsessed by it; they can't take their eyes off it and they can't live without it. (Disclosure - for business - I can't live without it either). Want to see some YouTube videos of accidents while using a phone - here's one for you: Go to YouTube and look up "Liz Marks Texting and Driving Story" (it has almost 12 million views). It is truly sad and yet, she's alive.

Fortunately, "Don't Look Up" is just a "B" Movie and there is no comet to wipe us out. In real life, "Don't Look Up" might describe a generation. Whether end times are here or not and whether you are obsessed with your phone or not, figuring out what is genuinely relevant in your life might be the lesson here - you won't hear that in the media because then you would spend less time with them.

Wishing everyone, a stunning Spring, an enjoyable and relevant Easter Holiday season and, as always, a Sunshine State of Mind.

## Shores United Methodist Church Spring Yard Sale April 23rd

The United Methodist Women at Shores UMC will hold their annual Spring Yard Sale on Saturday, April 23 from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Bring your shopping list for Great Bargains at low prices for all items. There will be fine handmade products of knitting and crochet items as well as custom handmade items by local crafters. The Yard Sale



includes Books, Puzzles, Games, Toys, This and That Household items, and Baked Goods.

For all those attending, Raffle tickets can be purchased for a chance to win a range of fantastic prizes! Prizes include Restaurant Gift Certificates, Handmade Baby Items, Unique Gift Baskets and much more! The Yard Sale will be held in the Christian Education Building, which is fully accessible and provides plenty of free parking.

All proceeds go to various local charities. Shores United Methodist Church is located at 724 Shores Blvd, between the Shores Golf Course and Hartley Elementary. Rev. Carolyn Westlake is the pastor. For more information, call 797-4416.

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## Mayday, Mayday: Moms Destress

by Tatiana Diaz

Moms are getting the chance to celebrate and be celebrated on more than just Mother's Day this year with Mayday for Moms in downtown St. Augustine. Celebrating Mother Nature and the mothers who walk alongside us in body and spirit is slated for May 1, 2022 at the Trio of King Street - ArtBox Gallery, Butterfield Garage Art Gallery and WildHeart Boutique - located at 137 King Street.

Mayday for Moms plans to celebrate mothers through art, poetry and music while raising awareness and building community. Live poetry readings, musical performances by local artists, mother-daughter models and PAM Jam videos are scheduled for Mayday for Moms.

Loretta Leto, the mastermind behind PAM Jam St. Augustine, Jacksonville and Ponte Vedra, came up for the idea for Mayday for Moms after her successful PAM Jam shows.

"For some reason we had a bunch of videos that had the theme of mothers as well as nature, Mother Nature," Leto said. "So I said I'd love to do something around that theme."

Helping local organizations while celebrating moms is also what Leto aims to accomplish during Mayday for Moms.

"I was looking for some organizations that... would fit that theme, so right away we thought of Adam Morely and the Litter Gitter," Leto said. "We're also going to raise money (for) Hopeful Handbags. (Cathlene Miner) was one of our beneficiaries for both Jacksonville and Ponte Vedra (PAM Jam). One of the most successful things we did was we collected, I

don't know, somewhere around in the area of 80 to 90 handbags for Hopeful Handbags, so we're going to do that again."

A \$5 or \$20 donation or a handbag filled with care essentials for Hopeful Handbags will earn individuals the opportunity to locate a heart on the maypole honoring mothers here and gone with messages.

The major sponsors for Mayday for Moms is Hopefull Handbags (www.hopefullhandbags.org), The Litter Gitter (www.matanzasriverkeeper.org), and Two TitMice Vodka (www.twotitmicevodka.com).

The Two TitMice Vodka Foundation is sponsoring the Carol Whitney Green Memorial Scholarship which will be awarded to a local poet, artist or musician battling breast cancer. The scholarship is meaningful for Leto who created it to honor her dear friend.

"When we were talking about PaM Jam my friend was dying of breast cancer, and she helped sparked it," Leto said. "And as a matter of fact the last thing I said to her before she passed away, two weeks before I was with her and she was dying. I said, 'Hey Carol I just wanted you to know PAM Jam is going to happen and it's thanks to you.'"

She was an artist, she was an activist, actually." Through PAM Jam and Mayday for Moms, Leto is helping those in the community tell their stories through the arts. "What PAM Jam is really is a voice," Leto said. "I want to know your story, and I want you to tell your story the way that you want to tell it. Whether that be in a painting or poem or video. And it's amazing when these things come together."

Mayday for Moms will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 137 King Street, downtown St. Augustine. For more information, visit www.pam-jam.com.

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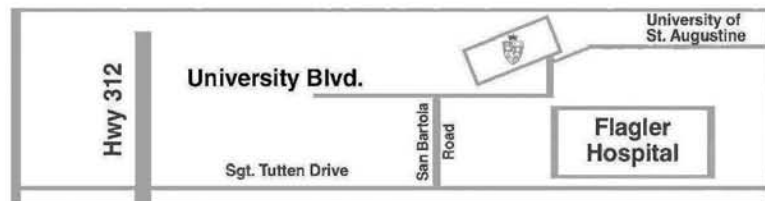
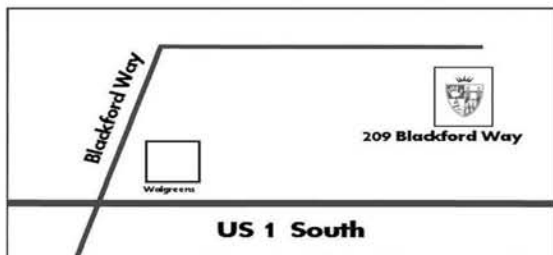


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## Don't wait until you're on vacation to relax

By Rob Stanborough  
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The bags are packed, ipod is charged, and plane ticket is easily accessible. You're all set for a vacation full of fun and relaxation but why is it that after you reach your destination, you're fatigued, muscles are sore, and more than likely, you need a day to recover from traveling?

The answer can be summed up in five words: "One size DOESN'T fit all." Do you ever wonder why the seats on airplanes have gradually become smaller over the years? Of course, one must consider the current obesity epidemic in America and acknowledge that there is some truth to the fact that we can't put all the blame on the decreasing size of the seats. As a society we are getting larger but that's a topic for another article. Unless you've purchased a first or business class ticket, you will be seated in tight quarters for the duration of your flight. Your coach class ticket not only reserves seat 143E for you, but you are now deemed a "personal space invader," seated next to, or worse yet, between TWO other personal space invaders. Who gets which armrest anyway?

The truth is traveling for an extended period of time via car, train, bus, or plane, places increased stress on the soft tissues in our bodies due to maintaining prolonged static postures. Muscle fatigue, decreased blood flow to soft tissues and abnormal stresses placed on the body produces physical discomfort. The following suggestions are useful in maximizing optimal comfort even in the smallest, most uncomfortable seats and can be applied to most modes of travel.

- Alter your position frequently when seated, walk around at rest/fuel stops, or if on an airplane, stroll along the aisle.

- If you are to select your seat, you are in luck! The exit row is the "first class" for the man with champagne taste on a beer budget. Of course, you must be willing to assist others in case of an emergency.

- Utilize a lumbar cushion to place in the small of your back while seated. If you don't have one a rolled towel, blanket or sweater will work just fine. Placing one behind your neck can help minimize neck pain too.

- Moving your foot up and down as if pressing on a gas peddle and off will help with circulation and minimize swelling due to changes in cabin pressure.

- Using hands free devices for cell phones will not only aid in preventing potential dangerous situations, but they will also eliminate stresses through the neck, shoulders and upper back.

- If you don't want to check your luggage due to increasing baggage fees, distribute the weight of carry-on luggage evenly between shoulders/arms. Use backpacks with padded, adjustable straps or rolling bags with telescopic handles. And, ladies AND gentlemen, if your bag is too heavy to place in the overhead compartment yourself, don't be afraid to ask for help from the friendly individuals who will be flying with you.

- ATTENTION all Fashionistas!!! Wear comfortable clothing. New shoes? Pack them and break them in on another day. Your feet will be thanking you on your vacation.

The may seem like simple suggestions but they work. More and more of us are resuming travel, so if you choose to travel away from the white beach of St. Augustine this spring, summer or fall, hopefully by applying a few of these suggestions you can get the most out of your travel both physically and financially.

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## Poetry is Alive in St. Augustine

by Tatiana Diaz

April is National Poetry Month, and this year St. Augustine is celebrating it with the first ever PoetFest April 8th and 9th.

An open mic is slated for 7 p.m. on Friday, April 8 at the Relampago Coffee Lab, located at 74 Spanish Street. Those looking to read their poetry will have the opportunity to sign up prior to the reading at 6:30 p.m.

A local author book fair, poetry recitals, and presentations by local authors is scheduled for the all-day event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 9 at the Virginia Room in the Ringhaver Student Center, located at 50 Sevilla Street at Flagler College.

Closing the month is the Ancient City



Poets' monthly reading at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 24th at 137 King Street in downtown St. Augustine. The signup sheet for open mic will be available at 2:30 p.m.

PoetFest is presented by St. Johns Cultural Council, the English Department at Flagler College, and Ancient City Poets. For more information on PoetFest, visit [www.bodor.org](http://www.bodor.org).

## Organizations Receive African American Cultural and Historical Grants

"The Cultural Council is honored to also receive funding that will help us recognize and celebrate the brave civil rights activists who fought segregation at St. Augustine Beach."

The St. Johns Cultural Council is committed to working with Fort Mose and the Lincolnville Museum, along with other organizations including the SEA Community and the ACCORD Civil Rights Museum and Freedom Trail. "We are dedicated to broadly promoting the African American culture and history of St. Johns County so that our residents, tourists, and prospective visitors will be aware of its tremendous local and national significance," said Parrish Stone.



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## The Wildflower Meadow Group

by Cindy Taylor

Tall grasses the mowers cut down early in February “melted” into the ground and the green is growing again. Here and there are a few spiderwort, toad flax, coreopsis, and a few clumps of blue-eyed grass. Three years ago there was only one clump, last year there were two, and now there are three. See how things can spread, if given a chance, especially when it’s something Good.

At our meeting early in March we did a lot of trimming. Chris cut down the gone-by blue curls, revealing new growth at the base of the plants. Russel, Janet and a new-comer trimmed back the honeysuckle vine, which was entangling itself with itself. Trimming back what’s left over from last year is our way of “cleaning” the meadow and giving sunlight and freedom to new growth.

Thanks again to Marlene for some of her photos.

We’re having our annual spring picnic in Princess Place on St. Patrick’s Day and, hopefully, will have some photos to share in next month’s article.

We meet at the meadow near the Riverview clubhouse at about 8:30 the first Saturday of each month and usually work for a couple of hours. We also try to have a hike once a month. We’re an informal group without officers or dues and hope you will join us. You can join us for hikes only, work in the meadow only, or both.

Call Cindy at 904-797-3931 or Marlene at 305-968-0447 for more information. If we can’t answer, leave a voicemail or

message and we’ll call you back. Also feel free to call if you’re interested in sharing your photos of the meadow.



## Computer Corner

by Steven Aldrich  
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### Help! My printer is offline.

I can’t count the number of times I hear this. Sometimes there is a simple solution, like turning the printer back on. Other times it is a bit more difficult to sort out.

Manufacturers are not helping with the way they change the requirements for owning and using their printers. I recently worked on an HP Laserjet that just refused to print. After a couple of hours, I told the client I would take the printer, and figure it out on my bench at home. Then, I saw a tiny error message that told me the problem. The HP Printer had never been registered to an HP online account.

Apparently, a new HP printer behavior is to stop printing after so many pages, if the printer has not been registered. This is a terrible way to treat your customers, HP. Many of the folks will not have a tech like myself who will work for hours to figure out the issue. and they will end up buying new and trashing the printer in question.

In many cases, when a Printer is not “printing”, all that needs to be done is remove the printer, and re-install it. In Windows, go to Settings -> Printers & Scanners and find the printer that

matches the one you are trying to use. In Windows 10, right click on the Printer and select “Remove device”. In Windows 11, click the three vertical dots at the right hand side of the Printer label, and select remove. Then click Add printer and select the printer you just removed.

Yes, it sounds silly, but nine times out of ten, it fixes the issue.

On a Mac, there are seldom printer issues. But should you have one, the best approach is to remove and add it back in. Go to System Preferences -> Printers and Scanners. Select the printer with issues, then click the Minus sign on the bottom of the list. Confirm the removal. Then Click the PLUS sign and wait for the system to find your printer. Select it from the list and click add. Voilà! You should be able to print.

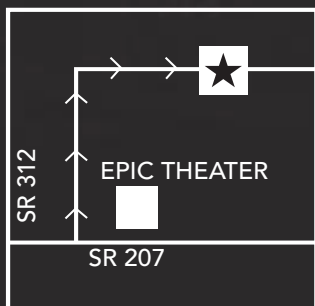
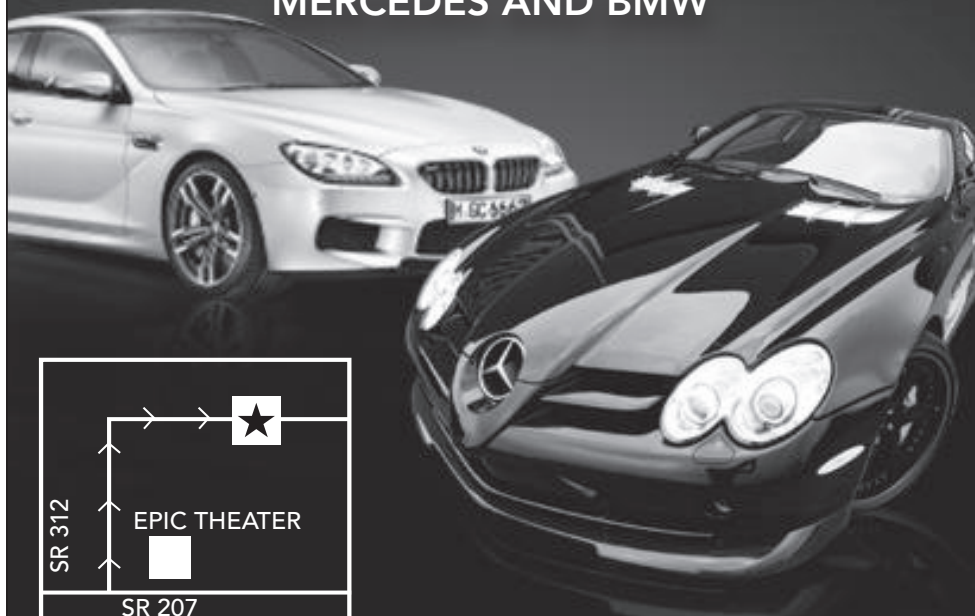
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