

### NEWS FOR AND ABOUT RESIDENTS OF ST. AUGUSTINE SHORES



Everyone involved with Home Again St. Johns' Dining With Dignity program is touched in some special way. When Maya Araman of

northern St. Johns County was required to write a speech for the 4H Tropicana Speech Contest, the 10-year-old, fourth grader at Timberlin Creek Elementary shared with her class her experience while volunteering for St. Francis In The Field's December Dining with Dignity meal serving. She not only won the hearts of her classmates and teachers, but she won first place in her class and eventually in the entire school. Maya competed with the other 22 schools in the St. Johns County school district, but unfortunately didn't place. However, the church was so moved and inspired with her speech that they wanted to share it with the community. Maya's speech read:

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"Have you ever sat down, ready to enjoy a delicious, hot meal and thought about the people who don't get a chance to have one? Do you ever think about the many people out there who may not even get a chance to eat all day? It's very possible that the answer to those questions is no. That's the whole purpose behind Dining with Dignity.

Dining with Dignity is made up of various members of different churches, community groups, as well as concerned individuals. (continued page 5) St. Augustine Ballroom Dance Association "Old Fashion Picnic"



Pictured above: Kevin Guerra's Salsa Dance Team performing at a recent St. Augustine Ballroom Dance Association dance.

The next scheduled monthly dance of the St. Augustine Ballroom Dance Association will be held on Saturday, July 11th at the Riverview Club, 790 Christina Drive, in St. Augustine Shores. The dance starts at 7:30pm and ends at 11pm.

The dance hall will be decorated by Paula Crescimanno and her helpers so that it looks like everyone is dancing at a proper "Old Fashion Picnic," which is the theme for this fun filled dance. So come dressed to look the part.

The very popular Nostalgia Band, led by Roy Olsson, will provide the dance music. Hors d' Oeuvres, dessert and coffee will be served at the second break.

Guests pay just \$15 per person. For an invitation to this special event, call association president, Hal Sommer, at 904-823-0719. Or call reservations chairpersons Dennis and Mary Larimore at 904-825-4902. For more information, and to see pictures of recent dances, visit facebook.com/ SABDAStAug.





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#### **Shores Community Calendar**

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

• Shores Recreation Association board meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.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 Steven Sheremeta at Sovereign-Jacobs at 904-461-5556.

• Casa Bella Condominium Board meetings- March 12th, 2015- 6 pm Annual Meeting, April 7th, 2015- 6:30 pm, May 5th, 2015- 6:30 pm, June 2nd, 2015- 6:30 pm.

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#### **Breast Cancer Support Group** of St. Augustine

The monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM in the Cancer Resource and Education Center (Suite 1010) at Flagler Hospital. We welcome newly diagnosed breast cancer patients, survivors of all ages and caregivers. For more information call(904)501-7100 or email Bean602@ aol.com.

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# St. Augustine Shores Club News

# July Riverview Club Calendar DANCE MEMBERS:

July 8th EARLY SOCIAL

Sunday 6:00PM - 9:00PM Music By: Tim Rippey

Chairpersons: Joe & Nancy LaPaglia

Reservations: Tuesday 6/30/15 and Thursday 4/2/15 \*9-10am

Dance Members and Houseguests- \$5 / Activity & Outside Guests- \$10 BYOB

July 25th MAIN SOCIAL

Saturday 7:00PM- 10:00PM Music by: Nostalgia

Chairpersons: Volunteer's needed

Reservations: Tuesday 7/21/15 and Thursday 7/23/15 \*9-10am Dance Members and Houseguests -\$5 and Activity & Outside Guests \$10.00. \*BYOB\*

**ACTIVITY MEMBERS:** 

ART CLASS- This is a private art class you do not need to be a Rec. Member to participate. Please contact Shirley Depasquale to sign up 904-461-4632.

**RUBBER BRIDGE-** Friday at 12:30PM

BEGINNER BRIDGE- Every Monday at 10:30am

CHICAGO BRIDGE- Must have a partner to Play, Monday at 12:30 and Thursday at 12:30pm

CHAIR YOGA- Every Wednesday & Friday at 10:45am. A gentler form of yoga for those for whom balance is an issue.

DANCE CLASS - Dance & Activities Members Welcome. See you in September!

**EXERCISE CLASS** - Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00AM. Donation at door \$2.00, call Nancy Willis 794-1855

FRENCH CLASS- learn French conversation on Tuesdays @ 1:30pm. To sign up call Micheline Sterling 794-0800 LINE DANCING-Every Monday at 7pm and Wednesday at 10:00AM MAH JONGG-Tuesday at 1:00PM & Wednesday at 10:30AM

Writers in the Shores- meetings for Writers in the Shores will be Tuesday the 9th and again on the 23rd at 1pm. The chosen subject "There is no such thing" was suggested for this month's topic on the 23rd. Rec. Membership is not required for more info please call Donna Johnson @794-0789

YOGA- Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:00AM. Bring a non-skid mat & wear comfortable clothing (no belts or anything tight around your waist). The class is geared to all levels

To All Members of the Recreation Association, If you know of anyone who should receive a greeting card, please call Cecilia Scully at 797-4816.

#### SPECIAL NOTICES

#### Recreation Association Membership Renewals will be held in the Library June 30, July 1-2 from 9am-12pm

Geoffrey S. Nadler, local Edward Jones financial advisor, will host a coffee club at 9:00 a.m. the second Friday of each month at the Riverview Club Library at the St. Augustine Shores.

Early Social- August 2nd Sunday 6-9pm. Entertainment: Ernie

Dance Members (& Houseguests) - \$5/ Activity Members & All outside guests- \$10 Main Social-August 22nd Saturday 7-10pm. Entertainment: Frank Saffi

Dance Members (& Houseguests) - \$5/ Activity Members & All outside guests- \$10

#### FREE POOL DAY JULY 4TH!!!!!

Free Pool Day July 4th for Shores residents only with bathing load limited to 100 pool participants. Hours are from 9am to 5pm. Come and enjoy!



### Help Protect Sea Turtle Habitat **During Nesting Season**

The beaches of St. Johns County are home to several species of endangered or threatened sea turtles. Residents and visitors have a special opportunity and responsibility to protect these magnificent creatures and their vulnerable nesting sites as they return each season to nest along the beaches. In 2014, St. Johns County experienced another record year along its 41 miles of shoreline with 476 nests, including 442 loggerhead, 28 green, and 6 leatherback nests. Sea turtle nesting season begins May 1, and St. Johns County officials are asking residents, visitors, and businesses to help protect natural habitat by observing all nesting season laws and regulations. Between May 1 and October 31, vehicular traffic on the beach is allowed between the hours of 8 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. In addition, all beachfront properties are required to reduce their impact by eliminating interior and exterior lights which may disrupt nesting sea turtles. These measures are enacted to ensure compliance with the St. Johns County Habitat Conservation Plan and Incidental Take Permit. Beach visitors can also have a positive impact on nesting sea turtles by taking the following actions while enjoying the beach:

• Refrain from using fireworks and open fires.

• Remove ruts and fill in holes left by vehicles and sand castle building.

• Please remove all chairs, umbrellas, or canopies from the beach before dark. These items are subject to removal by County staff.

• Avoid entering sand dunes and conservation zones (15 feet seaward of the dune line).

• Refrain from using balloons for events, as they fall into the ocean and can harm marine life.

• Never approach sea turtles emerging from, or returning to the sea. Nesting sea turtles are vulnerable, timid, and can be easily frightened away.

Never push an injured animal back into the ocean. If an injured, sick, or deceased sea turtle is encountered, please call the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office non emergency dispatch line at 904.824.8304. Leave only your footprints, providing the turtles with a safe and clean habitat in which to nest and hatch. St. Johns County is grateful to volunteers, residents, visitors and businesses for supporting habitat conservation efforts and keeping our beaches beautiful. For more information, please contact St. Johns County Habitat Conservation and Beach Management at 904.209.3740 or visit www.sjcfl.us/hcp.

**St. Augustine Travel Club** by Peter Dytrych To all travel lovers - the St. Augustine Travel Club will take a summer recess for July and August, and resume in September. Look for the announcement in the September papers. Have an enjoyable and safe summer. The club is open to all St. Augustine residents and friends. For any questions, please call Peter at 904 797-3736.

#### **G-Force Vacation Bible School** at Shores United Methodist Church

All children ages 4 to 6th grade, are invited to explore how to put their faith into

action at St. Augustine Shores United Methodist Church's VBS this year. G-Force VBS will be held Monday through Friday, July 20-24, from 8:45

a.m. to 12:15 p.m. In this mission-focused



VBS, kids experience

God's unstoppable love and discover how to fuel up and move in and through life with God, with movement and images of all sorts of kid-friendly transportation, such as skateboards, running shoes, roller blades, and more! They will watch the G-Force meter climb illustrating how God is at work around the world.

Free registration closes on July 10. Forms are available at Shores United Methodist Church, 724 Shores Blvd (between the golf course and Hartley Elementary). You can also call the church at 797-4416 or visit the church website at www.shoresumc.org. There is a \$10 registration fee after July 10 and there is no registration on the first day of VBS this year.

### **Recreation Association Membership Renewal**

The last two opportunities to renew your membership for 2015-2016 in the Shores Recreation Association is July 1st and 2nd from 9 am to noon in the Riverview Club library



4. Discussion on distribution of a survey to

The Board discussed the necessary steps

lessee's of the Boatyard / RV storage facility.

to move forward with the project. The Board decided to dedicate the areas North and South

of the main entrance canopy to the project.

**New Business** 

· Policy on Directors Seated on Multiple

It was recommended that we develop

· Upgraded Technology for Board Meet-

It was recommended that we purchase

There was a motion made to prepare a

note pads for Board meetings of the Service

plan for the upgrade that will insure compli-

ance with the Florida Statutes on records reten-

tion and membership entitlements. Seconded

Date set for October 10, 2015. There was a

motion made that we hold the Family Fun Day

on October 10, 2015. Seconded. Unanimous.

A Deed Violation report was presented.

By-Law for term limits for membership

Management was informed that there are

**Directors Comments:** 

on the Service Corporation's Board of Direc-

2 bikes laying on the common property near

Information on roof replacement scams.

July 4, 2015 free pool day. Supported by

Promotional flier on the Shores Commu-

Swale and street parking becoming a big

Comments on the blue recycle bins distributed throughout the County. Inquiry about the

Question on the legality of developing

**Members Comments:** 

time capsule at the entrance to the Riverview

Corporation and the ACC Committee.

Unanimous. The motion carried.

• Deed Restriction Report.

Family Fun Day

The motion carried.

a policy limiting membership on multiple

Boards in the Shores Community.

Memorial Bricks Discussion.

Preparing to solicit bids.

Boards.

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### News from Around the Shores **St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation** June 11, 2015 Board of Directories Summary

The St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation's Board of Directors held it's regularly scheduled Board of Directors Meeting. A quorum was established.

The Minutes of the May 14, 2015 meeting were approved. There was a motion made to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded. Unanimous. The motion carried.

The Treasurers Report was read and accepted for audit.

The ACC Committee had 1 meeting in the month of June. The ACC Committee approved 24 applications:

8 fences, 4 new homes, 2 pool enclosures, 2 pools, 5 sheds, 1 sun room, 1 screen porch, and screen room. Total approved YTD 193.

Variance Request for 799 Gilda Drive to install fence in front of A/C unit. There was a motion made to grant the fence variance as requested. Seconded. Unanimous. The motion carried

# Managers' Report Old Business

• Status of Pool Bathhouse

A list of open punch out items was presented. The Board was informed of the outcome of negotiations with JTN Construction and Maintenance Services regarding their lateness in completing the pool bath house project. They will provide benches and the labor to repair the West side roof line of the storage closet at the pavilion. The Board was informed of upgrades provided by JTN at no cost to the Association.

· Credit Card Processing.

We will revisit offering credit card processing as an option for the payment of fees. Information from Core Tran Business Services including flat fee services and a list of applicable rates was presented. The Board decided to ask Core Tran to attend the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

Progress on BOD Goals.

1. Permit applied for and received to install electrical service for a new irrigation well to water the areas of Shores and Christina not irrigated.

2. Moving forward with changing the governing documents as far as the By-law change accepted by the membership at the annual meeting.

policy limiting membership on multiple Boards in the Shores Community. 3. Payment and collection option changes.

### **Orchid Club Meeting July 7th**

Alan Koch of Gold Orchids in Lincoln. California will talk about Orchid Culture 101 at the July 7 meeting. Alan will give a basic program suitable for all growers covering orchid nutrition, basic genetics, how to anticipate what will bloom out of a cross and which plant you should purchase. Any grower will be sure to learn something from this talk. Alan Koch is the owner of Gold Country Orchids where he specializes in miniature orchids and compact Cattleyas. For information contact Yvonne Schimmel, yrs58@ bellsouth.net

### "Understanding The Civil War" **Discussion Group Meeting**

The monthly meeting of the "Understanding The Civil War" Discussion Group will be held on Tues July 7, 2015 at 1pm at the Anastasia Island Branch Public Library in the Seagrove Subdivision on Rt A1A South. Meeting is open to the public. For more information please email Charlie Smith at: smithc32@bellsouth.net

#### 4th of July Celebration at VFW Post 2391

Everyone is welcome to attend the 4th of July celebration at VFW, Bryan Tutten Memorial Post 2391 located at 6184 US Hwy 1 South in St. Augustine from 12 - 6. Music will be provided by "Matanzas" along with food. Come out and enjoy the 4th in style at our newly renovated "Tuttens Tiki Bar"! For additional inormation contact Debbie Tilley, LAVFW Post 2391, 904-460-9345.

### St. Johns County Medical Alliance **Academic Scholarships**

The St. Johns County Medical Alliance recently awarded five academic scholarships to St. Johns County high school graduates pursuing their education in a medical related field of study.

Every year, the St. Johns County Medical Alliance, in conjunction with the St. Johns County Medical Society, offers academic scholarships to graduating St. Johns County high school seniors pursuing an education in pre-medicine, nursing, or allied health. Scholarship applicants are evaluated on academic ability, school involvement, financial need and community service.



This year's award winners represent most of the county high schools. Molly Beman (Nease High School) will attend University

of South Carolina and plans to major in Biochemistry to become a pediatric otolaryngologist. Brandon Canady (Nease High School) plans to become a surgeon, starting with a major in Biology at the University of Florida. Elizabeth Colvin (Pedro Menendez High School) plans pre-medicine studies at the University of Florida. Rachel Gupton (Creekside High School) looks to become a physical therapist, majoring in exercise science at Florida State University. Alex Locurto (Bartram Trail High School) seeks a career in the biomedical sciences and will attend the University of North Florida in the fall.

The Alliance offers continued support for previously awarded scholars that continue their studies in a medical field, maintain at least a 3.0 GPA and keep in contact with the Alliance.

The St. Johns County Medical Alliance is comprised of spouses of St. Johns County physicians. Its purpose is to promote health education, identify and address health-care needs and issues, participate in health-related legislation, and provide college scholarships to St. John's County students. For more information about the Medical Alliance, go to www.sjcma.blogspot.com.

#### **SJR State Students Honored** at Annual Awards Ceremony

St. Johns River State College administrators, faculty and staff recently gathered to honor students on the St. Augustine campus for their local, state and national academic achievements and participation in campus activities.

Jana McDermott was recognized as being part of the All-USA Academic Team. Applicants are nominated each year for the prestigious Phi Theta Kappa honor society award. The team recognizes students for their academic achievement, leadership and service to their community. The Dr. Applewhite Humanitarian Award, memorializing SJR State science professor Dr. Doug Applewhite, was presented to Sarah Davidson, Rebecca Ray, Sara Roberts and Teresa Villalva for their diligent community efforts.







Students recognized for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges were: Janelle Gebert, Tristan Hood, Brittany Lassiter, Jordan McCloskey, Jana McDermott, Cristina Miller, Richard Nattinger, Heather Pennick, Joanna Radcliffe, Sean Tirello, Glehn Von Loh and Anne Widener.

The SJR State Student Government Association presented math instructor Mark Wilson with the Professor of the Year award.



Glehn Von Loh was honored as the 2015 inductee into the SJR State Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame award is presented each year to a select number of students who are recommended by faculty for their academic excellence and extracurricular involvement.



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### Young Volunteer Tells It Like It Is

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They gather daily at a parking lot in downtown St. Augustine to supply a free hot meal to anyone who is homeless and hungry. Rain or shine, people involved with Dining with Dignity come out to ensure that the homeless and hungry have at least one hot meal a day. Every day, the volunteers do their best to make a difference for a hungry person and to make life a little easier for at least a little while. Despite the circumstances, everyone should be given the opportunity to be treated with dignity and respect.

I signed up with my family and several others at church to participate in Dining with Dignity during the winter break. We prepared a hot, yummy dinner at our church kitchen that also included drinks, dessert, snacks and a new pair of warm socks. We loaded up our cars with the food and headed down to the parking lot at the corner of Bridge and Grenada Street and set things up buffet style. My job was to greet the people and give them hand sanitizer to clean their hands.

It's sad to think that there are many individuals, as well as families living in our community that would go hungry or without at least one hot meal a day, if this service wasn't available. On that same day that I volunteered, we noticed that several of the homeless had hung stockings on the parking lot fence with their names on them.

Since it was almost Christmas, we put candy in them so they could have a merry surprise! I realized that even though many of the hungry don't have a home, it doesn't mean that they don't want to be treated with dignity and enjoy the same things I may take for granted.

Dining with Dignity is an amazing organization to be involved in because it promotes happiness, instills compassion and provides the experience of dining with others. Being homeless and going hungry can often make people feel very alone. To be able to make a difference in a person's life can last a lifetime and I would definitely recommend volunteering if you get an opportunity.

So the next time you sit down to start digging into your hot meal, take a quick moment, be thankful, and think about volunteering to feed the hungry. Sometimes it's doing the smallest things that can have the biggest impact for someone else."

Dining with Dignity, a program of Home Again St. Johns, has been in existence since November of 2010 and has served upwards of 146,000 meals with a cost benefit to the community and the organization of \$500,000.

The mission of Home Again St. Johns is to promote, foster and support a collaborative approach among social service and governmental agencies, businesses, community groups, faith-based organizations and dedicated private citizens for resolving issues related to homelessness in St. Johns County compassionately, effectively and efficiently. The vision of Home Again St. Johns is to build a one stop location housing multiple agencies providing coordinated homeless services.

#### Hubley Gallery & St. Augustine Framing Announce Grand Opening Event

Hubley Gallery and St. Augustine Framing will be holding a grand opening event on Saturday evening July 18 starting at 5 pm. at 804C Anastasia Blvd, St. Augustine. The opening will be free and open to the public.

elry - Gifts

The opening event will introduce Hubley Gallery's brand new art exhibit, and many of the artists will be there to discuss their works. Included will be painter Mary Hubley, whose dramatic canvases depict fresh images of sand dunes and wild places; award-winning landscape painter Natalia Andreeva, who paints hidden beauty in landscapes; photographer Maria Struss who captures striking visions of the area's wildlife and landscapes, and metal sculptor Dennis Bernhardt, who creates whimsical hand-forged steel sculptures of nature.

The exhibit also includes distinctive pottery pieces by

Patricia and Doug Brown from Dixie Pottery, who focus on elegant wheel-thrown and hand-built forms; and Gary Shindelbower, the Gentle Potter, whose usable art is marked by its unusual lacework texture. Local jewelry artisans include silver artist Lynda Marie Keen's magnificent ocean-inspired jellyfish and palm trees; Julie Wesling's vibrant bead necklaces, and Tammi Sharpe's chic world coin jewelry collection.

"When we found this great space, we knew the time was right to open the gallery and custom frame shop," says Dan Hubley, co-owner of Hubley Gallery and St. Augustine Framing. "We have met so many amazing artists over the years, and now we can help them promote their work. Our goal is to find the perfect places for our artists' work in in both public and private collections."

Hubley Gallery and St. Augustine Framing are the newest additions to St. Augustine's trendy Anastasia Boulevard neighborhood on Anastasia Island. The stylish new gallery exhibits emerging, mid-career and established artists creating paintings, fine art photography, sculpture, pottery, and fine jewelry. The custom frame shop is an important counterpart to the gallery, offering over 2000 frame options for artists, photographers, and residential and commercial customers. For more information, call 904-429-9769 or visit hubleygallery.com.





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#### Wild Flower Meadow Group

by Cindy Taylor

Spring in the meadow is over! And so is the multitude of spring blossoms we had this year. It's been dry this summer so far and there may not be another vast display of color again till fall. In the meantime, we're pulling out grasses where tiny vines grow up the stems and spread onto the flowers. It's our hope this will give the flowers free-dom to grow and bloom. Wood sage, horse mint, and blue curls are suffering from not enough rain and we're using the sprinkler system to compensate.

One of the differences between a wild flower meadow and a garden is what some call weeds. Gardeners remove them, those who appreciate wild flowers nurture them; and if all goes well, the "weeds" become beautiful flowers. Our goal is to foster and conserve what's native.

In early June meadow beauty, gaura (now





called southern bee blossom), butterfly pea, day flower, iron weed, wild poinsettia, gaillardia, and St John's wort are blooming.

In May our group went to Washington Oaks State Gardens.

We meet the first Saturday of each month at about 8:30 by the Riverview Club House and welcome anyone who's interested. We're an informal group without officers or dues and hope you will join us. Please contact Claire at 794-7473 for more information.

### **Temple Bet Yam Installs New Board of Trustees**



On Friday, June 5th, Temple Bet Yam installed its 2015-16 Board of Trustees. They are: President: Terri Kamm, Vice President: Al Sibarium, Treasurer: Art Rogove, Recording Secretary: Marcia Rector, Financial Secretary: Nancy Sorkin, Corresponding Secretary: Rhona Botnick, Immediate Past President: Barbara Carman, Constitution/Parliamentarian: Ileine Hoffman, Facilities: Jeff Kamm, Lifelong Learning: Elliot & Min Stone, Membership: Barbara Rogove, Newsletter: Bev Darkatsh, Publicity: Carol Gladstone, Religious School: Denise Mensh, Ritual: Chuck Meiselman, Social Justice; Joe & Andrea Marx, Ways & Means: Dinah McNamara & Shelly Cohen. Also: Men's Club President: Bernie Levy, Sisterhood President: Jackie Witte. and Religious School Director: Heather Naughton. Temple Bet Yam, led by Rabbi Fred Raskind, is an active, welcoming, Reform con-

gregation, located at 2055 Wildwood Drive in St. Augustine. The congregation has a long history of active involvement in the community. The Religious School welcomes children from pre-school (4 years) through B'Nai Mitzvah, with additional opportunities for teens. For further information go to templebetyam.org or call 904 819-1875





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# News From Aroung St. Johns County

### Main Library Wednesday Brown Bag Lunch Program July 15th

"Sensational Succulents - Container Gardening presented by Dottie Hudson"

Friends of the Main Library St. Augustine is pleased to welcome back Dottie Hudson, President of the Gaillardia Circle of the Garden Club of St. Augustine, who will share her horticultural and design expertise at the Wednesday, July 15, Brown Bag Lunch Program. The program will begin at 12:30 p.m. in the Main Library at 1960 N. Ponce De Leon Blvd. Reservations are required to guarantee seating. For further information or to reserve your seat, please call the Main Library at 904-827-6940.

Ms. Hudson, a designer and Master Gardener, will present Sensational Succulents – Container Gardening. Patrons who attended her Fall into Flower Arranging program last year know that Dottie can make beautiful flower designs seem effortless and fun. For this program she will share some ideas and designs for container gardens of cacti and other succulents. Guests will also hear about upcoming events of the Garden Club of St. Augustine, The Floralines Guild that is dedicated to floral design, and how to join one of the numerous neighborhood-centered garden circles of the Garden Club of St. Augustine.

Some Garden Club items demonstrated and used in floral and garden design will be for sale after the program. Best of all, the completed demonstration container garden will be awarded to a winning ticket holder with the proceeds going to Friends of the Main Library St. Augustine to benefit the library. Friends of the Main Library St. Augustine sponsors the Wednesday Brown

Friends of the Main Library St. Augustine sponsors the Wednesday Brown Bag Lunch Program once a month as an enjoyable community event. All programs are free of charge and open to the public. Reservations are required to guarantee seating and can be made by calling the Main Library at 904-827-6940. Everyone is welcome to bring lunch and Friends will provide a complimentary beverage and snacks.

For further information please email Friends President Toni Siriani at toni825@hotmail.com. Follow us on Facebook /Friends of the Main Library St. Augustine.



David and Jennifer Logue (center) cut the ribbon to celebrate the recent opening of their business, FirstLight HomeCare, at 530 Market St. in Palencia, St. Augustine. Joining the Logues for the ceremony were friends, St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce officials and some of their employees, who provide in-home care to local residents.



# **Computer Corner**

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### **Does Your Computer Run Slow?**

Greetings from Computer Professor The number one complaint from most people calling me for a repair is "The computer is running slow". I am going to briefly list some of the items that will slow your computer down. First, consider the computer you bought, there are some bargain computers that are slower than computers ten years ago. The computer's CPU and the amount of RAM are key factors in computer processing speed; I don't have room here to dig into that explanation here. If you got an average or better computer other non-computer related items are: the internet speed and the operator. Most of the time a computer is used mainly on the Internet; thus the paid Internet access speed is a large factor. There are several areas around Saint Augustine where the provided internet access speed is not great, couple that with larger and busier websites and you get a slow looking computer. Then factor in lack of understanding and maybe a few people who have limited patience, after all there has not been any proper training on any of this yet.

Most requests come from actual computer issues, so is it mechanical or infection? I usually ask how old the computer is, the main reason for this question is the computer's hard drive, where all the programs and files are located, typically starts having trouble reading and can lose data any time after

4 years old. Then I ask if you are getting any messages or popups. These fall into two categories; system messages that you can believe and malware messages that are trying to sell you something. Symptoms of a virus or malware infections can include messages telling you the computer is in bad shape, your browser's home page will have changed, things show up and you say "I don't know where that came from", strange webpages coming up when you are on the Internet, and of course the computer response getting slower and slower. Be advised many owners of malware infected computers will get a call from "Microsoft" - NOT SO, and they will happen to see you are having trouble. They will invite themselves into your computer and \$200-\$400.00 later your computer is worse off and you have given your credit card number to "someone" from "somewhere". We old timers from the spark plug, points and condenser era know that poor performance usually is from a combination of things. That's why I have an 18 point -2 day procedure that covers all the bases -a tune up, \$75 plus parts if need, pickup and delivered for repair. If you need certain computer lon repair. If you or other computer help - \$55/hr. and you will learn something. Feel confident in who works on your computer or look for someone else.







**Financial Focus** 

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#### What Are Your Excuses for Not Investing

We all make excuses. Most of the time, they're pretty harmless. But you could be hurting yourself if you make excuses for not taking action in some areas — and one of those areas is investing.

Not investing, or not investing enough, can have serious consequences. In fact, a lot of people are poorly prepared financially for retirement. Consider these figures from the Federal Reserve: The median retirement account value for individuals between 35 and 44 is just \$42,700; for people 55 to 64, the corresponding figure is \$103,000. These figures are frighteningly low, especially when retirement can easily last two or three decades.

In short, you need to invest. So, what's stopping you? Here are some common excuses

"I'll do it later." The longer you wait before you start investing, the less time you have to accumulate money, and the less likely it may be that you'll achieve your goals, such as a comfortable retirement lifestyle. If you haven't begun investing, do it today.

"I don't have enough money to invest." The cost of living is unquestionably high, and you may feel that you have just enough money to pay your bills before your next paycheck. But if you look for ways to economize, you may well be able to free up even a little money to invest each month. And then, when your salary goes up, you can increase the amount you invest.

"I'll have Social Security." Social Security benefits generally account for only about 40% of an individual's preretirement income, according to the Social Security Administration. Unless you

want to scale back your lifestyle greatly during your retirement years, you'll need to supplement Social Security with your employer-backed retirement account, such as a 401(k), plus your own investments, such as those that go inside an IRA.

"Can I really invest enough money for my retirement?" Consider this: Going back to 1990, if you had invested \$10,000 in the stocks that make up the S&P 500, and simply held on to these stocks, you would have amassed more than \$76,000 after taxes by the end of 2013. Of course, past performance of the market is not a guarantee of how it will perform in the future, and the S&P 500 is an unmanaged index and is not meant to depict an actual investment — but this illustration still shows that patient, diligent, long-term investing can produce positive results.

"I don't know where to begin." If you work for a company that provides a retirement plan such as a 401(k) or something similar, you've already got a great place to begin. You only need to sign up for the plan and start deferring a part of your salary, and you're an investor. It's also quite easy to open an IRA, another popular retirement savings account. In any case, if you have doubts about how to get started investing, you will find it valuable to meet with a qualified investment professional.

Don't let excuses get in the way of developing good investment habits. With time, determination and effort, you can overcome many of the obstacles you thought prevented you from becoming a full-fledged investor.

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### The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program Fashion Show at Slammer and Squire - WGV

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of St. Johns County Advisory Council hosted an inaugural fashion show, "A Night in Spain" on May 12 at the Slammer and Squire clubhouse at World Golf Village. This hugely successful event was led by co-chairs Donna Guzzo and Linda Villadóniga.

"Our goal was to raise funds to help at-risk students in St. Johns County by providing training to volunteers to match student needs." Guzzo said.

Sponsors for the event were Florida Power and Light, Hyundai of St. Augustine, Herbie Wiles Insurance, United Way of St. Johns County and The St. Augustine Record. Contributors were Ruth Manlandro, John Reardon, Nancy Sikes-Klein, Donna Guzzo, Linda Villadóniga, and Bill Jones. The emcee for the event was Delinda Fogel, publisher of The St. Augustine Record.

"The locale, the table decorations, the tapas and the paella dinner added to the ambience and elegance of the night," said Villadóniga.

Professional models Donna Crandall, Undine George, Scher Guzzo, Sally Reyes and San Traupane, donated their time to support the event, as well as RSVP volunteer Karen Glenn. Hair and makeup were created by London Looks Hair Design and fashions were provided by Cottonways of St. Augustine. With beautiful decorations by RSVP volunteers, coupled with themed music provided by Bill Jones of DJ ProServices, guests were transported not only to the sunny beaches of Spain, but also to those in other Hispanic countries. A silent auction, chaired by RSVP volunteer Virginia Leveto-Dozier, was held in conjunction with the Fashion Show.

The advisory council members were thrilled with the sell-out crowd. Seats are already being reserved for next year, prompting Guzzo and Villadóniga to begin plans for the next runway fashion show. What will the theme be? While details have not been shared, the co-chairs have promised that guests will be transported to another time and place. To ensure a seat at next year's event, and to find out more about RSVP, call 904-547-3945.

"The success of the fashion show exhibits the dedication of both the program's advisory council and residents of St. Johns County who want to assure success for all young people," said Cheryl Freeman, RSVP Director. RSVP is a nationwide program of individuals age 55 and better who share their time, skills and experience for the betterment of their communities. Funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service, RSVP is a branch of Senior Corps, and is sponsored locally by the St. Johns County School District.





RSVP fundraiser Fashion by Cottonway



## Dancing

By Rob Stanborough PT, DPT, MHSc, MTC, CMTPT, FAAOMPT First Coast Rehabilitation (904) 829-3411

I'm not sure how many people are aware of there is a large dance community in St. Augustine. There are dance groups for all ages and all times in our town. And along with it come injuries.

Dancing, regardless of type, is a sport. Yes, I said a sport. In fact, it is a very strenuous sport, when one considered the demands it places on the body. It requires incredible strength, endurance and skill. It requires twists, turns, holds, lifts, balance, correct posture and more. It really a full body work out. I heard a man in the clinic last week talk about how he does ballroom dancing for exercise. The week before that I bumped into a former patient of mine who does ballet for the physical challenge and stay in shape. We've also treated a number of adolescent dancers who have potentially promising careers or looking at scholarships if they can stay injury free. All are in great shape but all have suffered injuries just like any other athlete.

The types of injuries dancers can experience are usually back or neck injuries, or shoulders, knees or ankle. The most common are knee pain or twisted ankles, just as with many other sports. And as with many sports injuries, these occur do to imbalances, poor control, overloading and/or inappropriate training. One of the most common injuries to the ankle/foot is plantar fasciitis.

A sheet of tissue on the bottom of the foot, called the aponeurosis, is constantly being over-stretched causing pain in the heel or the bottom of the foot. It can be excruciating and quite debilitating, particularly in the morning. This happens because while being off the feet while



sleeping, the tissue tightens back up. Getting up in the morning and putting weight through the feet causes the tissue to abruptly stretch causing pain. Sometimes walking around will slowly stretch it out and decrease the pain but only until the next day.

Plantar Fasciitis can be treated conservatively by making sure the muscles are strong, the joints are stable and the injured tissue has an opportunity to heal. One treatment that works well for these types of injuries is ASTYM (Augmented Soft Tissue Manipulation), offered at First Coast Rehabilitation. The soft tissue technique stimulates the healing process and in conjunction with stretches and exercise, allowed the aponeurosis to get strong again and be pain free. The nice thing about this treatment is it allows patients to continue with the majority of their activities during treatment.

If you are a dancer with plantar fasciitis or any other injury, do yourself a favor and seek treatment. Don't ignore it. It may not go away. It may get worse or you may start to compensate and pay later.

Stay healthy. Stay active. Keep Dancing.

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# St. Johns River State College is accepting applications for the fall semester.

Students are encouraged to avoid the fall rush and apply early. All new students are required to attend orientation before registering for classes. Students attending orientation in June will register during orientation. Upon completion of the online application, students should contact their campus's counseling office to reserve their seat for orientation. Fall classes begin on August 24.

For more information regarding orientation and registration, contact your respective campus at: St. Augustine campus (904) 808-7402, Orange Park campus (904) 276-6855, Palatka campus (386) 312-4035.

The application is available online at www.SJRstate.edu. Fall course listings are available for viewing online at SJRstate.edu.









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