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Concerts in the Plaza



The City of St. Augustine is proud to announce Concerts in the Plaza, St. Augustine's free summer-long music series, will return to the Plaza de la Constitución on Thursday, June 2 with many returning favorite bands and several new ones.

The series includes 14 weeks of two-hour concerts held every Thursday at

7:00pm starting June 2 and continuing through September 1. For complete information visit www.CityStAug.com/Concerts.

On street parking is available near the Plaza and is free in all city-managed lots and on street parking after 5:00pm. Parking is also available in the Historic Downtown Parking Facility (HDPF), 1 Cordova St., located at the St. Augustine Visitors Information Center, a 10-minute walk from the Plaza. The cost for parking in the HDPF is \$15 per entry or \$3 with a ParkNow card.

Concerts may be cancelled or postponed due to weather. A cancellation or postponement will likely be a last-minute decision, due to the unpredictability of Florida's summer rain showers.

If a concert is cancelled, the public will be notified on the city website at www.CityStAug.com/Concerts and on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/CityStAug. If a cancellation notice is not posted, then the concert is still scheduled. (continued on page 6)

St. Augustine South Reflections

by Ruth Hope, SASIA

We don't only have a rooster situation in St Augustine, we also have a drake situation. My first encounter with ducks was one March evening when my son insisted we call in at Tractor Supply Co. In all my years living in St Augustine, I had never been into that store – I had no obvious need as I am not a farmer and do not need a tractor for my humble yard. My son on impulse wanted to buy "day old ducklings" and knew that Tractor Supply would have them. I had to hold him back from getting more than three cute little yellow fluffies. Tractor Supply sells hundreds of ducklings and even more chicks each spring – they come into the store in time for Easter. My son left with ducklings in a cardboard box, a bag of non-medicated chick crumbles, and a water dispenser. He called in at Walmart on the way home and picked up a blue kiddie pool that was to be his "brooder". I suspect many of the ducklings and chicks sold go home to similarly unprepared homes. I had not raised ducklings before, but more than 40 years previously, I had worked on a neonatal intensive care unit. I knew a bit about caring for newborns, their need to be kept warm, fed and hydrated. I quick check online told me that ducklings needed to be kept at 90F for the first week. My son cranked up his heating and put on a fan heater in his smallest room where he planned to brood his ducklings, and we sweated all night trying to keep the little ones warm. The next day he bought a heat lamp but there were no bulbs and so the makeshift heating arrangement continued for a further two days until heat bulbs arrived from Amazon.



Those three ducklings survived and indeed thrived despite the ill-preparedness of their owner. When in July there was an appeal on NextDoor for help with a duckling that had been found alone in a parking lot, in a rainstorm, in danger of being washed down a drain, I offered chick crumbles to the finder and to care for the duckling if they preferred. Although the finder is a backyard chicken keeper and hatches chicks, she needed help with the duckling, by now named Daffy, as it had deteriorated over night. Daffy needed warming, rehydrating, and encouraging to eat crumbles off my little finger every few minutes. But I had all the needed equipment available so didn't need to crank up my heating in July!!! Daffy thrived and has grown into a handsome muscovy drake.

Last summer, my interest in ducks growing, I became aware of white ducks—predominantly drakes—abandoned on pools and retention ponds. There were 7 at Southeast Branch library, including (continued on page 11)



Spotlight on FOSAA

When Friends of the St Augustine Amphitheatre, or FOSAA, received non-profit status in 2010, they stated in their mission: "to bring greater visibility and usage of the Amphitheatre by the community." Since that time, they have lived up to that promise. Not only does the twelve-member volunteer board assist non-profit agencies and schools with grants, enabling them to bring their own events to the Amphitheatre; FOSAA also sponsors free community events and performances like the Air Force and Navy bands. With a special interest in enabling all children and their families to experience the arts, FOSAA has provided hundreds of tickets to the Vernardos Circus, most recently to foster children and their families. (continued on page 8)



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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 month's issue. Articles or information may be

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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. 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.

- **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
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SASIA Meeting 3rd Wed at 7PM

We'd love to have you join us at any of our community meetings. They are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm at the SASIA clubhouse. Most meetings have outside speakers on topics of interest to St. Augustine South residents. If you can't make it in person, join us via Zoom.

SASIA Zoom
Meeting ID: 844 1071 9830
Passcode: 012979

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

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- Anastasia Library
- St. Johns County Pier Park
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- Southeast Library
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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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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 June 2022

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

EARLY SOCIAL Nostalgia
Saturday, June 4th
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm

MAIN SOCIAL Traces of Gold
Friday, June 24th
6:00 pm to 9:00 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 Events

Early Social
Soufire
Saturday, July 9th
7-10pm



Main Social
Tim Rippey
Saturday, July 23rd
7-10pm

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

Making A Splash!

Days are getting longer, the sun is shining and the warmth of summer is with us. Time to think about how to enjoy the good weather while staying cool. If you don't already know, the Shores has its own Olympic size outdoor swimming pool.

The pool is available year round to members and can be accessed by key card during open hours. Those times are 8 am to 30 minutes before sunset. From April 1st through October 31st, a member of our team of helpful attendants will be on hand to assist guests and to deal with any issues. Prices are very reasonable. For Shores residents, annual family fees are currently \$190, monthly fees are \$37 and, if you just want to try out the facility, a daily pass for an adult is just \$5. Annual and monthly prices are even lower for individuals and students, with children under five entering free. However, for non-residents the fees are, understandably, higher.

The pool is not heated, which does not appear to trouble the hardy souls who use it through the winter. At its deepest, the pool is 11 feet and there are locker rooms with showers but no diving boards. Rules and standards of behavior are posted and users of the pool are expected to act respectfully. In the event of a thunder storm the pool will be cleared at the discretion of the attendant. As always, safety is paramount.

Currently, water aerobics are taking place and appear to be very popular and well attended. As of May 30th they are scheduled for 9 am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Deep water aerobics are on Thursday at 5.30 pm.

For more information about these activities and to sign up for your pool membership, call in at the Riverview Club Office during normal hours and our staff will be happy to help you.

It just remains to wish you all a joyful and safe summer.

790 Christina Drive | St. Augustine, FL 32086

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www.staugshores.org

SASIA News and Calendar of Events

Check out our new Instagram account www.instagram.com/staugsouth2022/ and our Facebook page www.facebook.com/staugsouth. Like and follow us on Instagram and Facebook so you can see what is happening at the SASIA clubhouse each week.

Visit our website www.staugsouth.com to sign up for our monthly newsletter and community event reminders. Everyone is welcome to subscribe, you do not have to be in a member. If you'd like to join SASIA or rent our clubhouse you can do so online or contact us at info@staugsouth.com.

St. Augustine South Cookbook: We'd love to include your favorite recipe in our SASIA cookbook. You can find more information and a recipe form at www.staugsouth.com/sasia-cookbook. All recipes are due by June 30th.

Upcoming Events

Food Truck Night 5-7pm - Wednesday, June 15 - Heart and Soulfood

SASIA Community Meeting 7pm – Wednesday, June 15th

Food Truck Night 5-7pm - Friday, June 24 - Heart and Soulfood

No SASIA Community Meetings in July and August

Garden Tour - TBA

Trunk Sale – Saturday, September 17 - 9am-1pm

Fall Festival - Saturday, October 29th

Fall Arts & Crafts Fair - Saturday, November 5th

Holiday Celebration with Santa - Saturday, December 10th

The Calendar of Events is posted and updated on our website.

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 please email info@staugsouth.com.

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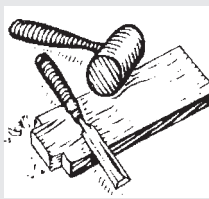
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The PRIDE program is an online service that allows citizens to communicate with their local government. It is a work order system used to document complaints or issues, and then track how the County responds. Members of the public can enter an issue directly into the PRIDE system. This is how it works:

- You can enter a complaint or request (issue) by entering the information into the online Request Submittal form. You may provide contact information or choose to remain anonymous.

- An incident number is assigned to the issue, and the issue is automatically routed to the appropriate County department.

- The receiving department begins an investigation and notates each action it is taking to resolve the issue.

- You can track the progress of the issue by referencing the incident number.

When the issue is resolved, the department marks the action as completed.

You also can contact the County Engineering Division 904-209-0110 or Road & Bridge Department 904-206-0246 regarding roads and bridges. For information call 904-209-0655 for information or see: <https://webapp.sjcf.us/prideweb/>

Please note that Florida has very broad Public Records Laws. Written or electronic communications, including PRIDE complaints or reports and all information contained therein, are public records and subject to being available to the public and media upon request.

Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine

David McIntyre, Cathedral Director of Music

Upcoming music program schedules for the summer:

1. First Friday Art Walk Concert Series

First Fridays of the month at 6:00PM - <https://thefirstparish.org/music-schedule/>

June - 3rd at 6:00PM – Chad Levitt, Organ

July - No First Friday Concert -- St. Augustiune Music Festival performance at 7:30PM that evening July 1st

August - 5th 6:00PM – David McIntyre, Countertenor and Michael Giuliani, Organ

2. SAMF - St. Augsutine Music Festival

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

Sun 6/19 7:30PM Juneteenth Concert

Thu-Sat 6/23-6/25 and 6/30-7/2 7:30PM

Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine is located at 35 Treasury Street, St. Augustine, Florida 32084. Phone 904-824-2806 x 331, email: Cathstaugmusic@gmail.com website -- www.thefirstparish.org <<http://www.thefirstparish.org>>, Like us on Facebook <http://facebook.com/thefirstparish>

St Augustine Genealogical Society

Unless otherwise noted, the general meeting of the St. Augustine Genealogical Society is once again meeting on the 2nd Saturday of each month in the public room at the St Johns County Southeast Branch Library located at 6670 US 1 South, St Augustine, FL. Check-in begins at 12:45 and our meetings start at 1:00pm.

Our program for June 2022 will be "Adventures with FindAGrave.com" which will be presented by Pat Wexel. Our Genealogical Society is open to all. We encourage visitors, as well as current and former members to join us.

Saturday June 11, 2022 at 1:00 PM. For additional information, you may contact Georgia Horsley 770-337-6137

An Invitation to the Living With Cancer Support Group

Whether you're a patient, survivor or caregiver, this is your opportunity to talk about the day-to-day challenges of living with cancer in a group of people who can inspire, relate to and support you along your journey. We are a group of people with common experiences and concerns who provide each other with encouragement, comfort and advice. We welcome all those who have walked this path and seek support.

Meetings are the Third Wednesday of every month at 11:00 am. Our next meeting will be on June 15, 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.



June Events at COA's River House

The following programs will be held at COA's River House, 179 Marine Street, St. Augustine, FL, beginning in June 2022. Most classes are 4-5 weeks long and begin the first full week of June. For questions, please contact Teresa Harris at 904-209-3655 or tharris@coasjc.org.



Tag Sale at River House – Tuesday, June 28. Rent a 72" round table for \$24 or a 37" square table for \$12 (exact cash or check). All proceeds from sales go to the vendors. To sign up to participate as a vendor, please contact Teresa Harris at 904-209-3655 or tharris@coasjc.org.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Registration is required for the following programs, and space is limited. To review course details and to register, please visit <https://coasjc.coursetorm.com/category/river-house>.

- One on One Tech Help - 4 weeks starting Tuesday June 7 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Call Teresa at 904-209- 3655 to reserve a spot. Participation is free.

- Spanish for Beginners and Nearly Beginners - 4 weeks starting Tuesday June 7 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

- Meditation – 4 weeks starting Tuesday June 7 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

- Line Dance Group Class – 4 weeks starting Tuesday, June 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- Ballroom Dance Group Class – 4 weeks starting Tuesday, June 7 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

- Tai Chi - 3 weeks starting Tuesday June 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- Connecting to Grandchildren with Storytelling Workshop: – 2 weeks starting Tuesday June 21 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

- Art History - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

- Acrylic Landscape Painting - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- Beginning Sign Language - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

- Chair Yoga - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- Guitar for Beginners (Level 1) - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- Sign Language (Level 2) - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 12:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

- Intermediate/Advanced Tap Dance - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- Intro to Sugar Flowers (cake decorating) – 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

- French for Travelers - 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

- Herbology – 5 weeks starting Wednesday June 1 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- Chair Yoga - 5 weeks starting Thursday June 2 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

- Tai Chi – 3 weeks starting Thursday June 16 from 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

- Belly Dance (Level 2) - 5 weeks starting Thursday June 2 from 10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

- Belly Dance for Fitness and Fun - 5 weeks starting Thursday June 2 from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

- Tap Dance for Beginners - 5 weeks starting Thursday June 2 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

- Colored Pencil Art - 5 weeks starting Thursday June 2 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

OPEN PROGRAMS: Open programs are free, and do not require registration.

Visit www.coasjc.org/river-house for more information:
Humana Presentations: for 4 weeks starting Wednesday June 8 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (registration requested but not required at 904 209 3655). Light refreshments will be available.

June 8 – Be Stroke Smart

June 15 – Fall Asleep, Stay Asleep

June 22– Boosting Your Mood with Food and Fitness (continued on page 6)



SASIA

St. Augustine South Improvement Association
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<p>High School Scholarships</p> <p>SASIA is accepting financial grant applications for graduating high school seniors who are residents of St. Augustine South to assist in further education.</p>	<p>Clubhouse Rentals</p> <p>Our clubhouse is a perfect place for a gathering! Meetings, receptions, parties, graduation celebrations, and other events. Contact info@staugsouth.com</p>
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News From Around St. Johns County

St. Augustine Travel Club

The St. Augustine Travel Club will present on Wednesday, June 8, at 3:00 pm on Normandy and the Champagne Regions of France. at the Southeast Branch Library, on US 1 near SR 206.



NORMANDY AND CHAMPAGNE REGIONS OF FRANCE

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St. Augustine Travel Club Cruise

The St. Augustine Travel Club will again be sailing the seas on Saturday, February 25 – March 4, 2023 on the beautiful Norwegian Escape out of Port Canaveral to the Eastern Caribbean ports of Puerto Plata (Dominican Republic), 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 \$778.65 per person, double occupancy, for inside cabin, inclusive of all port fees and taxes. Balconies, Oceanviews and Studio Singles are also available at additional cost. Book now with a \$125 p.p. deposit and receive \$100 per stateroom On Board Credit, Free Beverage Package and more. Should NCL have to cancel the cruise, full refund would be issued by NCL. Call Peter, St. Augustine Travel Club at (904) 797-3736.

St. Johns County

Hurricane Evacuation Zone Changes

St. Johns County's hurricane evacuation zones have been updated as a result of data improvements by the National Hurricane Center. The new zones are effective immediately. Those living in coastal, waterfront, and low-lying areas will see the most significant changes.

In preparation for the Atlantic Hurricane Season that begins June 1, residents and business owners are encouraged to review the updated map to determine changes to their evacuation zones by visiting <https://www.gis.sjcf.us/MYEZ/MYEZ.html>. The County's "My Evacuation Zone" website provides evacuation zone information for St. Johns County addresses. Residents should take this opportunity to also familiarize themselves with appropriate evacuation routes.

Please note, there's a difference between evacuation zones and evacuation routes, and the new zone changes do not affect your evacuation route. Additionally, your evacuation zone does not impact FEMA Flood Zones or FEMA Flood Insurance rates.

St. Johns County also encourages residents and business owners to prepare for hurricane season by visiting Florida's "Get a Plan" website at <https://floridadisaster.org/getaplan/> and making a hurricane supply kit.

More information is available at the St. Johns County Emergency Management website at www.sjcemergencymanagement.org.

June Events at COA's River House

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June 29 – Organic Foods to Buy or NOT to Buy

• Happy Hookers: Come join this social group as they crochet, knit, etc. Every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon.

• Mahjong: Bring your mahjong game and come play with others. Every Tuesday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

• Cards: Bring your deck of cards and socialize over a friendly card game of your choosing. Every Thursday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

•Widow to Widow: Join us for a support group by widows for widows. Wednesday, June 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

•Open Art Studio: Bring your art project to work on while you socialize with other artists! Come and enjoy Open Art Studio on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon. (No registration required)

• Socrates Cafe: Come enjoy lively discussions on various topics. Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (No registration required)

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June 29th	Slang	80's & 90's Pop - Rock
<i>Fall Dates</i>		
August 17th	The Committee	Pop - Rock - Dance
August 24th	Soulfire	Disco - Pop - Dance
August 31st	Amy Alysia & Soul Operation	R & B, Jazz, Blues
September 7th	Romona & The Riot	Jazz - Blues - Dance
September 14th	Those Guys	Classic & Southern Rock
September 21st	All Star Jam	Eciectic Mix

St. Augustine Implements Mobility Fee

*One-time Mobility Fee will be applied to building activities
that impact use and infrastructure*

On Tuesday, May 17, the Mobility Fee, as defined in the Transportation and Mobility Element of the Comprehensive Plan and approved as an ordinance on February 14, will go into effect and includes the implementation of the city's Mobility Plan.

The Mobility Fee will be a one-time fee imposed for any new residential or non-residential development and redevelopment activity that requires a building permit, results in increased use of the existing property, and impacts the City's transportation infrastructure.

The Mobility Plan consists of four distinct plans that include parking and shuttle alternatives, pedestrian and bicycle improvements that will aid in the reduction of vehicular traffic and congestion in the downtown area, and complete street design recommendations to improve quality of life and livability conditions for residents. The Plan recognizes both citywide and regional mobility alternatives.

Questions about the Mobility Fee and Plan may be directed to Planning and Building Director Amy Skinner at 904.209.4320.

Concerts in the Plaza

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Concerts in the Plaza is produced by the City of St. Augustine as a free cultural enhancement for residents and visitors. For more information, call 904.825.1004 during weekday office hours or email events@citystaug.com.

The following artists have been scheduled but are subject to change in the event of unforeseen circumstances:

June 2	The Driftwoods
June 9	Morrow Family Band
June 16	Ancient City Slickers
June 23	Billy Buchanan
June 30	I-Vibes
July 7	God City Duo
July 14	Grapes of Roth
July 21	The Committee
July 28	Str8up
Aug 4	Gypsy Stars
Aug 11	Dewey Via Band
Aug 18	Lonesome Bert & Thick & Thin Band
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The Wildflower Meadow Group

by Cindy Taylor

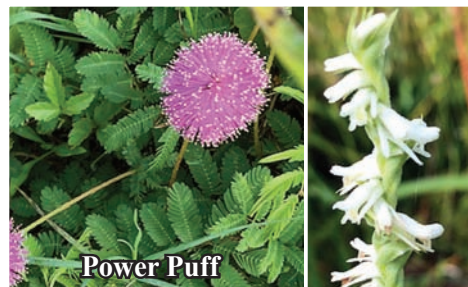
The Mimosa strigillosa (powder puff) are in bloom across the meadow, as I write this early in May, and with the abundance of spiderwort in bloom there's a colorful spring display. On our workday the first Saturday of May we cleared grasses away from the wildflowers, as usual, and in the process saw flowers we otherwise might have missed: queen's delight, ladies tresses, wood sorrel, prickly pear, wild petunia, and twin flowers. We also noticed the swamp sunflowers we transplanted them into the lower meadow last spring are growing again. Many early spring flowers have now faded: coral bean, flea bane, showy primrose, toad flax, lyre leaf sage, and indigo but some are holding on and summer flowers are beginning to bloom. There IS a season for everything under the sun.

Becky brought some new markers to identify the wildflowers and they should hold up better than ones we tried before. In fact we used all the markers and, hopefully, we'll identify the rest of the wildflowers at our next work day in June. These markers are more subtle than ones we used before and you have to look for them, but they are there. Some identify flowers before they bloom and some after, as well is when the flower is there. There's more to a wildflower plant than its bloom and this way you can learn to recognize them with or without their flowers.

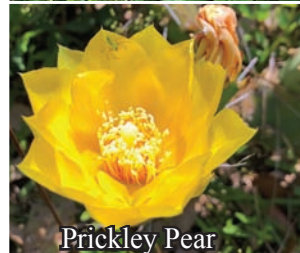
We meet at the meadow near the Riverview clubhouse at about 8:30 the first Saturday of each month and usually work for a couple of hours. We also try to have a hike once a month. We're an informal group

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



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Temple Bet Yam June Events

Ice Cream Sunday June 12th

On Sunday, June 12 from 1 – 3:00, TBY invites you to meet some new friends and learn about everything our Reform Temple has to offer, such as Religious school, adult learning classes and social activities. Join us at the Temple, 2055 Wildwood Drive, St. Augustine. Contact Sharon for details at 407-625-7483. Please RSVP by June 8th.

Trivia Night on June 18th

Temple Bet Yam is again hosting Trivia Night on June 18 for the adults in the community. Test your trivia knowledge at TBY, 2055 Wildwood Drive, St. Augustine. For \$18 per person, play the games and enjoy food and prizes. The deadline to register is June 15. Contact Carol Levy at 954-895-7332. Checks are payable to Temple Bet Yam. Indicate Trivia in the memo and mail to Temple Bet Yam, P O Box 86009, St. Augustine, FL 32086.

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Spotlight on FOSAA

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FOSAA brought art teachers and students to "Paint Outs" so they could create beautiful seasonal pieces that were displayed on the Amphitheatre walls. FOSAA also partnered with Compassionate St Augustine as students created spectacular obelisks that were placed around St Augustine.

For several years FOSAA sponsored a Music and Arts Festival that brought art and community agencies together to celebrate the arts through hands-on interaction with children of all ages. Unfortunately, COVID interrupted the fifth year. The biggest undertaking has been the Music and Arts Camp for elementary school children and Camp Rock for middle and high school students. After several years, camps had to be discontinued, also due to the risk involved with COVID. These very popular camps served hundreds of children and were funded by donations and fund raisers to purchase instruments and provide scholarships. FOSAA hopes to bring the camps back in 2023.



Although FOSAA is a separate and distinct organization from the Amphitheatre, the two have a close relationship. To that

end FOSAA has provided funding for improvements to the Backyard stage roof and floor. The Backyard Stage enhances the community concert experience and is also utilized by the summer camps.

Thanks to Friend and Corporate Sponsor memberships, donations and fundraising, FOSAA is able to continue outreach activities. This year, in lieu of music and arts camp, FOSAA's Board voted to award grants to art and music teachers in Title 1 elementary schools to enable them to purchase supplies and instruments. School principals were notified of this opportunity by mail and the first grant has been awarded with the second on the way. Plans include expanding the grant program in future years.

Despite the pandemic, FOSAA is alive and well and will continue to serve the community for many years. For more information phone (904) 471-4113 or (904) 501-0652 or email: gramhini1@comcast.net



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by Paul Slava

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"I paint traditionally with watercolor, and contemporary with acrylics and alcohol inks. The freedom I find in painting lets me explore the rhythms, designs and splendor of nature while expressing my love of color. I'm amazed at how much there is to learn and how many ways there are to paint what I see around me.



My art training began in Palm Beach College over 30 years ago and I continue to explore new techniques. I have been a member and board member of art groups in Western North Carolina and South Florida. I've had solo shows and won awards in juried shows. I was honored to be featured artist in BOLD LIFE ART MAGAZINE in Hendersonville, N.C. and featured cover artist in THE LAUREL OF ASHEVILLE Arts & Culture Magazine. I enjoy teaching and sharing my art.



My work is in corporate and private collections around the country and in Brazil, Canada and Europe". You can See Barbara's Show with our Member's Show all starting at 5pm. Music, Refreshments and snacks will be available.

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.beachartstudio.org, Facebook or call 904-295-4428.

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The focus is on "The Shores" in this Issue and I am demystifying their HOA. The Homeowners Association in "The Shores" is known as the St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation (the Service Corp).

- Location: The Riverview Club at 790 Christina Drive
- Phone | Website: 904-797-6441 | www.staugshores.org
- Monthly Meetings: At The Riverview Club on the Second Thursday at 6 PM. Joe Smith and Linda Stuto have been working for the Board of Directors for over 20 years. Joe is the General Manager and Linda is the Administrative Assistant.

DEED RESTRICTION VIOLATIONS – Before you call the Service Corp, please familiarize yourself with the Deed Restrictions at the website. Click "About" then click "Governing Documents". There are deed restriction violations on Private Properties (on the house side of the sidewalk) and then there are County Violations (on the street side of the sidewalk). One

more thing, if you want the Service Corp to take action, click on "Resident Info" and then "Notify the Office" – when you do it in writing, it is more effective and more likely to get resolved.

The Board of Directors of the Service Corp are Shores resident volunteers who are giving their time and talent to make decisions on behalf of residents and for the betterment of the entire community. Any resident can offer to serve on the Board of Directors - they just had elections so you will have to wait until early next year. Monthly Dues are only \$30.90.

I have been a resident of The Shores for over 25 years and we now live in Unit 7. We used to live in Unit 4 and have enjoyed raising our family in The Shores. We are now watching our oldest son raise his family here and our youngest son lives here too. Whether you need an expert Real Estate Broker for The Shores or St. Johns County, call your neighbor, Dirk Schroeder at 904-540-2360.



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"Diaries of a Shores Grand-Dad"

by Dirk Schroeder

Since "The Observer" has a much broader reach than just our neighborhood (St. Augustine Shores), I try to write about topics that are broader in scope. Yet in this Issue, I am just going to focus on "The Shores": a little history, a little current affairs and a future outlook. There's not enough space for all of the minute details but the overall perspective might be a good start.

In the late 1960's and early 1970's, the Mackle brothers (Robert and Frank) started the development of St. Augustine Shores. They established the Deltona Corporation to build many communities. Unknown to many, is the ordeal of the kidnapping in 1968 Robert Mackle's daughter. She was buried in a box for three days and lived to tell about it. Back on point, Mackle built "The Shores" and they were a Florida powerhouse. They built a facility on the South side of The Shores to build the manufactured homes for "Unit 1" near the North entrance. That facility was bought by VAW Aluminum in 1978 (now Hydro). The golf course and The Fairview Apartments were developed in the early 1970's in "Unit 2". In 1981 to 1984, Deltona built hundreds of Block Homes in Units 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 (except in the areas known as Tuscany, Tuscany Ridge and San Savino (Units 8 and 7). They developed The Conquistadors as well. Keep in mind that the entire Shores development was already approved 50 years ago.

In 1992, Swan Development, owned by Tony Gram, purchased the debt-heavy Deltona Corporation and its remaining assets including the remaining undeveloped Shores areas: vacant lots, the Unit 7 and 8 undeveloped residential areas, the multi-family parcels (i.e. The Greens, Portofino, Casa Bella, etc...) and some commercial and recreational parcels. They started with The Greens and then chose to build out

Unit 8 (Tuscany) in a partnership with Toll Brothers. Deltona would go on to build Portofino, Grand Ravine and Tuscany Ridge (closing out Unit 8). They opened up San Savino with Toll Brothers but, after building a dozen or so homes, Deltona ended up finishing out this section of Unit 7 themselves.

The balance of Unit 7 East of Shores Blvd. has been waiting for development for 50 years and is finally arriving with KB Homes purchasing and developing that part of Unit 7. I have seen some negative comments on various platforms yet, had Deltona decided to develop this area before Tuscany then everyone would have had the same comments about Tuscany being developed. 50 years and the Mackle Dream is finally going to be realized.

After a certain number of homes in this "Sabal Estates" (Unit 7) is completed, the developer is obligated to complete the 4-Laning of the 2-Lane section of the Boulevard in order to move on. Eventually, the final Phase will be completed along the marshlands East of where KB is going to be building homes. Again, it has been there over 50 years – it may be new to you but...

All residents can rejoice in knowing that they live in a beautiful community with so many great benefits. Canopy Shores Park was originally slated for over 300 condo units and is now a stunning 32 Acre Park instead. The Riverview Club, the huge pool and The Pier are assets most subdivisions are envious of yet they are ours for only \$31/month. Tennis, Pickleball, Volleyball, a RV and Boat Storage yard and our own commercial hub with restaurants, retail and even a bank. The Mackle family dream will be completed by the Gram family and others. I'll stop here and wish you all, as always, a Sunshine State of Mind. by Dirk Schroeder

New Dance Production of Cinderella June 8th

Cinderella, a new, original dance production, will be presented on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at Lewis Auditorium in downtown St. Augustine by Zoika's Dance.

Fun for the whole family, this fresh retelling of the classic fairytale combines classical ballet with contemporary dance genres including tap, hip hop, contemporary, jazz, and ballroom dance. Performances will be presented at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at Lewis Auditorium, 14 Granada St., St. Augustine, FL. Tickets may be purchased online at www.zoikadance.com.

The role of Cinderella's stepmother will be portrayed by professional ballroom and musical theater dancer and actor, Christina Cruz. Ms. Cruz will be joined onstage by professional ballroom dancer, Clay Mitchell. The King and Queen will be portrayed by St. Augustine performers Tommy Bledsoe and Joy D'Elia. Cinderella and the Prince will be portrayed by local dancers Annabelle Hucke and Jake Karger.

"We are thrilled to tell this beautiful fairytale through the language of dance," Director Zoika Garcia explained. "And we are very excited to include so many vibrant, contemporary dance styles along with classical ballet! It is exciting for both the audience and the dancers."

Performances will be held at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at Lewis Auditorium, Flagler College, 14 Granada St., St. Augustine, Florida. Tickets are \$20 and \$30, and may be purchased online by visiting www.zoikadance.com.

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St Augustine South Reflections

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a very badly beaten-up female, four drakes on a retention pond near Kings Estate Rd, and yet more drakes on the pool at Corpus Christi Church, on US1S. White ducks are domestic ducks. They have no useful flight and do not have the inborn ability to care for themselves in the wild. Without protection, they will inevitably be killed by predators. The abandoned ducks probably started out as little yellow fluffies on sale at Tractor Supply. They are no longer wanted after Easter when they have become big white ducks – particularly if they are male and do not produce eggs. It is cruel to abandon these domestic ducks: they need and deserve feeding, care, and protection from predators. I check in on them every week or so and note with sadness when one has disappeared.

Two weeks ago, I got a call from a builder who had found two white ducks sitting under his truck on Dobbs Rd. Would I come and check them out? I went. They were pekin drakes, in sorry condition. I returned at dusk with a net, duck food and a dog crate. After bidding my time, I caught the first drake. He had no fight in him, he was so weak. With him safely in the dog crate, I caught the second when he came up to the dog crate looking for his friend. He too had no fight in him—ducks should be wriggly and try and free themselves from capture. Not these two. The temperature the next day went up to 90F. They were already dehydrated and would not have survived that heat.

It took two days before the drakes were fully rehydrated. They ate voraciously as soon as I offered duck food, and still eat as if they won't see food again for a week. Although they are now cleaned up, they have injuries from before they were rescued that will take a little longer to heal. I am looking to rehome the two, Hughey and Dewey, when they are healed. I think they are about 6 months old, and they are tightly bonded. So, I prefer they go together to a duck keeper with a large flock able to accommodate two drakes, or to someone who wants two ducks as pets and will care for them appropriately for the long term. In good conditions, ducks can live for 10 or 12 years. Hughey and Dewey are temporarily sleeping in a dog crate in my Florida room, and are out in a folding exercise pen on my patio during the day. They are making good use of my son's blue kiddie pool in their pen.

Please don't buy ducklings unless you are able to provide them with a safe home for their lifetime. Don't give ducklings as Easter presents!! If you do buy ducklings, please do not later abandon them on retention ponds and pools. It's cruel and unnecessary. It's better to rehome domestic ducks than abandon them in the wild. If you do not have anyone in your own friendship circle or neighborhood wanting ducks, Facebook marketplace is a good place to start looking for someone who wants ducks.

Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP) Is There to Help Seniors

When older adults experience difficulty paying their bills, they are in danger of losing housing, as well as home heating, air conditioning, refrigeration, and other crucial, life-sustaining services. Fortunately, there is a program that can help provide assistance to qualified individuals during these emergencies. The program is called the Emergency Food & Shelter Program, or EFSP. The Emergency Food & Shelter Program has funds to help qualified St. Johns County Seniors with their bills. EFSP can assist older adults with up to \$500 on their current or past due utility bills and rent/mortgage.

To qualify for EFSP, you must be a resident of St Johns County who is age 60 or older, and currently earning less than:

- \$25,520 per year for a single individual
- \$34,480 per year for a household of 2
- Add \$8,960 for each additional household member

"We want to get the word out and make sure seniors in St. Johns County know about the EFSP program," said Michael Large, who coordinates the program through the Care Connection division of Council on Aging (COA). "If they find themselves in this emergency situation, they should contact us."

If you or someone you know is in need of this type of assistance, please contact COA's Michael Large at 904-209-3649, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 12 pm, or via email at mlarge@coasjc.org. Please do not hesitate to contact him to confirm your eligibility or to answer any questions you might have.

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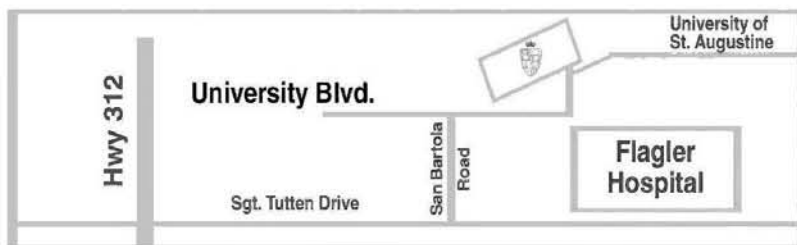
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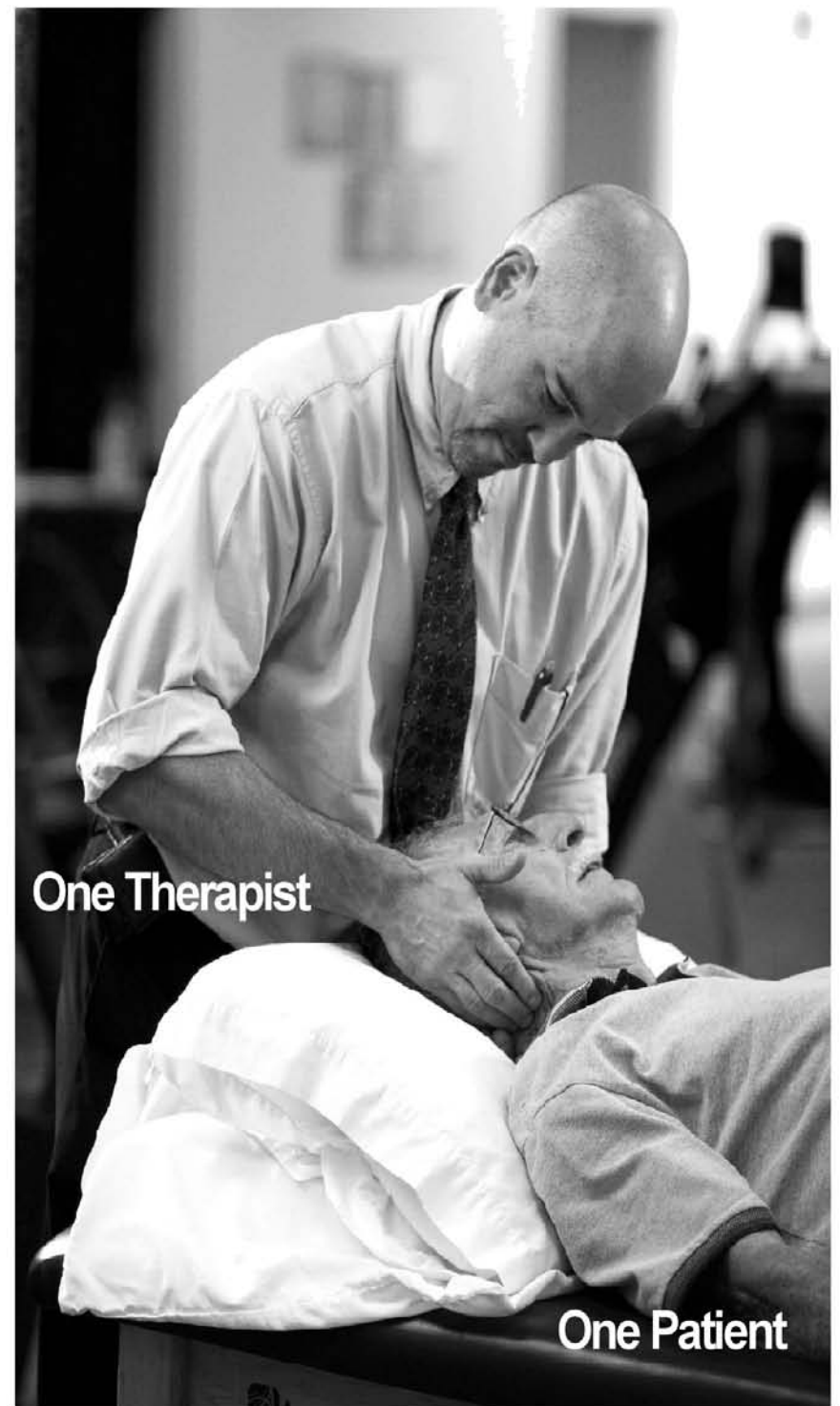
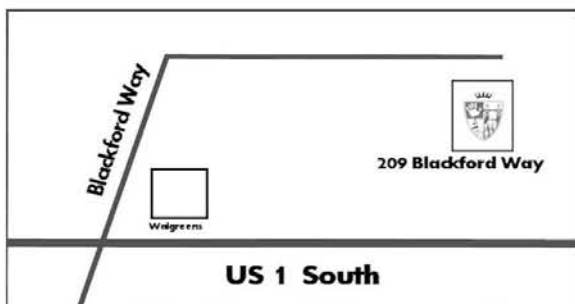
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I'm often asked, "how much resistance should I use during exercise and how many reps/sets should I do?" My answer is simple: use as much resistance as you can move safely and correctly through the full range of motion, and do as many reps as you can to the point of fatigue without compensation. Simply put, fatigue your system so it is challenged but avoid compensation to prevent injury.

Admittedly, I'm not as regular with my exercise as I should be. I grew up playing soccer in high school and college. After that, and putting on several post college pounds, I took up running. Life and injury gently nudged running out of my schedule to the point where I was not exercising at all. Several years ago, I took up swimming and thought swimming would be great. Water is relaxing and swimming is easy on the joints. With the resistance of the water is constant, I should get a good work-out, however, I had no idea the transition I would face going from land-based exercise to water.

All the things I had learned and heard about swimming are true, but swimming can be deceiving. Swimming and/or aquatic exercise is a great way to strengthen, condition and stay healthy. The force of the water opposes the force of gravity. Just as the force of gravity is constantly pushing me down, the force of water constantly pushes me up. Buoyancy uniformly lifts my body, decreasing joint compression, enabling me to exercise with less stress to my joints. But, just as the water provides uniform buoyancy – it also provides uniform, or constant, resistance AND more importantly, it does not allow the storing and use of "potential energy".

While walking, running, or lifting weights the body produces force to create a motion. When walking, the leg and foot are "weights" that the body must lift using energy. When the foot hits the ground and the "weight" is lowered, energy from the movement is absorbed and briefly stored in the tissues so it can be re-used as the foot springs forward, initiating the lift. Walking is an incredibly efficient system of mobility. Although the initiation may

be difficult because a body at rest tends to stay at rest, once in motion, potential energy is returned and used as kinetic energy over and over, until the motion is stopped. Unfortunately, because of the resistance of the water, this is not so with swimming or aquatics.

Swimming and/or aquatic exercise do not allow the use of potential energy. The water steals the energy. Even when pushing off the wall with the legs, the constant resistance of the water slows one down. Continuous strokes are needed to keep one moving. It seems almost unfair to watch as the energy simply is absorbed and moved away through the ripples of the water. To keep moving, one must keep generating more, and more, and more energy.

So, although swimming and aquatics are fun, enjoyable, a great/safe work-out routine for the joints, and a safe and constant work-out for the muscles, don't be fooled. Swimming and/or aquatic exercise can make you sore and tired just as much, if not more than any other form of exercise. Now, with the beginning of summer and so many wanting to get out and move after being sedentary for so long during covid, using the water can be a great way of getting back into shape. Follow the same considerations you would for any other form of exercise: consult you MD and PT. Follow a regular and progressive exercise routine. Allow your body time to adapt and change with the routine and don't overdo it the first few times out.

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St. Augustine to Host 56th Annual Meeting of the North American Vexillological Association

by Tatiana Diaz

The North American Vexillological Association's 56 Annual Meeting will be held for the first time in St. Augustine June 17 - 19 at Flagler College.

Kicking off the weekend will be NAVAs Preble Lectures by Charles Tingley, the senior research librarian at the St. Augustine Historical Society Research Library, and Alison Simpson, the command historian at Florida National Guard. Saturday's lineup of presentations include "The Flags of William Shakespeare," "The Sign Their Banners Bore: The Pine Tree Flag in the American Revolution," "Flags Happen," and many more.

NAVA designed a flag for their annual meeting in St. Augustine, one that seemed to encapsulate St. Augustine's Spanish roots and historical presence. "It's a tradition we started quite a long time ago, that we design a special flag for each conference," said NAVA President Peter Ansoff. "The flag usually echoes some aspect of the location where we're going to be. So (on the flag) you've got the Castillo (de San Marcos), and you've got The Cross of Burgundy, which is the old symbol of colonial Spain. And the colors - the red and yellow - are Spanish colors, and the ocean underneath."

For Ansoff, vexillology goes beyond studying flags and teaches us about ourselves and society. "What fascinates me about (flags) is there's an interesting duality," Ansoff said. "One the one hand, they're things, they're colored pieces of cloth... Flags really mean things to people."

They're the cause of major events, major conflicts, and major stories of reconciliation. So they have an active role in history and society. And that's what I find fascinating about them, they're just things, but they're also ideas that people latch on to and feel are very important."

NAVA was founded in 1967 and currently has over 800 members in North America. To find out more information on this year's annual meeting in St. Augustine and a full schedule of events, visit nava.org.



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St. Johns County Commissioners Vote to Place Proposed Sales Tax on November Ballot

During today's commission meeting, the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners voted 4 to 1 to send to referendum a proposed one-penny sales tax ordinance for voter approval on Nov. 8, 2022. Before election day, an independent certified public accountant will conduct an audit to examine several key factors. Those factors include the economy, efficiency and effectiveness of the program and how the program will accomplish goals and objectives. The audit report will be available to the public 60 days before election day.

"We have a problem, and we cannot raise impact fees any more than where they already are due to statutory limitations. This left us with only three options: raise the millage rate on our homes, propose the public votes yes or no on a one-cent sales tax increase, or do nothing and kick the can down the road for several more years," said Board Chairman, Commissioner Henry Dean. "I think it's important to let the voters decide."

Should more than 50% of voters approve the proposed ordinance, the sales tax increase will begin for ten years on Jan. 1, 2023. The proposed increase would take St. Johns County's sales tax from 6.5% to 7.5% of the sale of goods and services. For taxable personal property, the additional one-penny sales tax would only be collected on the first \$5,000. The additional sales tax would not apply to certain groceries, prescription drugs, medical products and supplies, or other goods and services exempt from taxation.

St. Johns County has developed a Frequently Asked Questions page regarding the proposed surtax increase. For more information, please visit <http://sjcfl.us/media/Surtax-FAQ.pdf>.

Sea Turtle Nesting Season



To comply with regulations that protect the turtles, beach driving and lighting rules are in effect May 1 to October 31. Vehicular traffic on the beach is only allowed from 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and all beachfront properties are required to reduce the impact of interior and exterior lighting which may impact nesting sea turtles. If You See a Turtle in Distress, find a sick / injured / dead sea turtle do not put them back into the water as they may need medical attention. Please call the Sheriff's Office:

(904) 824-8304, SJC Habitat Conservation: (904) 209-3740, or FL Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission's 24-hour Wildlife Alert Number: 1-888-404-FWCC (1-888-404-3922).

Computer Corner

by Steven Aldrich
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Order Pending ... Confirmation #400774

The latest email scam take on this form. The subject Says "Order Pending" or "Order Confirmation". The email goes on to show the total purchase price in BOLD letters so that you cannot miss it. It is always a hefty amount, that is just above the casual purchase threshold.

Maybe it's a Norton package for \$479.95, sometimes it's McAfee for \$639.00, or an Apple product for an even larger amount.

In every case these email "kindly" provide a phone number for you to cancel, stop, or contest the purchase. Right here, my friend, is where the scam setup is. Of course you know nothing about this purchase and you are frantic to stop it before your money is lost. And that phone number in bold is so enticing. All you need to do is call it...

This scam uses what is called an urgency tactic. They use something that causes you to feel highly anxious and afraid of losing your hard earned money. In this state, you will not stop and consider other ways to deal with the situation. You are afraid of loss, and there is a number right there that can prevent the loss.

The secret of course is to not call any number found in an email, no matter

how "official" it may look. As soon as you pick up the phone and call, you have provided the scammers knowledge that you can be scared into action. The heat will be increased on you.

Any email or phone call that causes you to feel the need to act quickly, should be suspected as a scam attempt. There are very few cases that a purchase can't be undone and refunded up to 30 days later. You have time!

In most cases even if a fraudulent purchase has been made, all one need do is call the credit card company and refute it. The phone number to call is on the back of your credit card, NOT in any email.

Please tell your friends about this article. Remind them that phone numbers in an email they get are never to be called. Coach them about how making hasty choices often leads to no good.

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