

# CITY OF SATELLITE BEACH

# BEACHCASTER

YOUR OFFICIAL CITY NEWSLETTTER

**JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2025** 

#### FROM THE COUNCIL DESK MAYOR STEVE OSMER



### Beach Parking Program Update

Since the Beach Parking Program became effective in September of 2023, The City has received valuable feedback with both pros and cons of the program,

specifically the use of boots. As the City listened to our residents evaluate the program, some lessons were learned, and "kinks" had to be worked out. As with all implementations, it takes time to figure out "what works best!"

The City staff and Council met during a regular Council meeting on Wednesday October 16, 2024, to discuss changes to the current program and decided to reconvene our Beach Parking Ad Hoc Committee. They met on Monday October 21, 2024 and provided Council their recommendation to give two citations and then boot on the third violation. Council discussed this on November 6, 2024 and decided to get rid of the boot altogether and only issue citations.

### Effective February 1, 2025, the following changes will be enforced:

If a vehicle fails to pay for daily parking and doesn't have a valid pass, the registered owner of the vehicle will be issued a citation of \$60.00, which includes the \$10.00 all-day parking fee, and a \$50.00 fine per violation. This fine will increase to \$100.00 fine if unpaid after 30 days.

If a vehicle completes a safety violation, the registered owner of the vehicle will be given a citation of \$60.00 fine per violation. This fine will increase to a \$120.00 fine if unpaid after 30 days. Citations that continue to go unpaid will be sent to the State of Florida to ensure payment when registered owners go to renew their vehicle tags.

Additionally, the Council has decided to align permit

durations with the calendar year, which upon renewal, Satellite Beach residents will receive permits valid for two years and will expire biannually on December 31st. Residents will need to renew their permits every two years by providing proof of residency and vehicle registration.

The non-resident annual parking pass for Pelican Beach and Hightower Park East is free upon registration. Non-residents also have the option to register for an all-lots pass, which permits parking at any beach for an annual fee of \$75. Permits will also be issued for the calendar year and will expire each year on December 31st.

Please note that beginning January 2025, PCI Municipal Services will no longer be available at the Farmers Market on Thursdays. Instead, services will be offered at their office located at 476 Highway A1A, Suite B, Satellite Beach, from Tuesday-Thursday, from 10am and 4pm.

We hope this will address any concerns and assist everyone with the renewal process. Thanks to everyone who shared constructive feedback.

If you have any further comments for the Beach Parking Program, please reach out to the City Manager, Brittany Retherford by email at bretherfordesatellitebeach.gov.



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you're set up, don't forget to customize your notification preferences to stay informed!

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#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

For more information on an item listed below, please contact the City Clerk's office at (321) 773-4407 or clerk@satellitebeach.gov.

#### October 2, 2024, Regular Meeting

- Presented a Proclamation to the Fire Department recognizing October 6-12, 2024, as Fire Prevention Week.
- Held a public hearing and adopted on second reading Ordinance No. 1258, which amended the design requirement for platted private streets in new subdivisions from 50' to 40'.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1260 on first reading, which amended the future land use map for 1071 South Patrick Drive.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1259 on first reading, suspending the Beautification Board and forming the Tree & Beautification Board.
- Adopted Resolution No. 1065, relating to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program.

#### October 9, 2024, Emergency Meeting

Adopted Resolution No. 1066, declaring a state of local emergency due to potential disaster conditions related to Hurricane Milton.

#### October 16, 2024, Regular Meeting

- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1260 on second reading, which amended the future land use map for 1071 South Patrick Drive.
- Approved the Final Plat for Towns at Tortoise Cove, located at 1071 South Patrick Dr.
- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1259 on second reading, suspending the Beautification Board and forming the Tree & Beautification Board.
- Approved reconvening the Beach Parking Ad Hoc Committee to discuss and make recommendations to the City Council on using booting for beach parking violations.
- Approved the recommendation from the Frank P. Catino Dedication Ad Hoc Committee to re-name Desoto Park Frank P. Catino Park.

#### November 6, 2024, Regular Meeting

- Police Chief Jeff Pearson administered the oath of office to Police Officer Steve Carroll.
- Approved a final amendment to Resilient Florida Program Grant Agreement.
- Approved two Local Trail Management Grants for Samsons Island from Florida Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$186,000 and \$12,983.
- Approved the removal of Section 5, subsection c from the Development Agreement with Doubles Hoagies, Inc.
- Approved waiving rental fees for regular user groups utilizing City facilities for 2025.
- Approved Coastal Quilters and East Coast Sailing Association to pay the resident fee for facility rentals for five years.
- Approved staff's recommendation for holiday decorations for a cost not to exceed \$5,000.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1261 on first reading, which approved the final budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget.
- Appointed Sandy Grutta, Jessica Kochman, Richard Pectol, Sondra Vail and Nicolle Boujaber-Diederichs as Primary Members and Lars Jones and Beth Rieder as Alternate Members on the Tree & Beautification Board.

#### November 20, 2024, Special Meeting

• Adopted Resolution No. 1067, accepting and approving the results of the November 5, 2024, City Election.

#### November 20, 2024, Regular Meeting

- Approved retaining Lobbying Services with Smith & Associates.
- Approved Interlocal Agreement with Brevard County School Board regarding DeLaura Court.
- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1261 on second reading, which approved the final budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget.
- Swore in new Councilmembers, Mike Chase and Stephen Sams and Mayor Steve Osmer.

#### December 4, 2024, Regular Meeting

- Elected Mark Boyd as Vice Mayor.
- Approved amendment to an agreement with Fountains Homeowner Association.
- Approved 2025 Council Meeting calendar.
- Approved Resolution No. 1068, supporting the Florida Department of Transportation utility wrapping project.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1262 on first reading, which adopted the annual update to the schedule of capital improvements in the Comprehensive Plan.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1263 on first reading, which amends the beach parking program to remove any booting of cars for beach parking violations.
- Appointed Councilmembers as liaisons on City boards and as representatives on the Space Coast League of Cities and South Beaches Coalition.

#### **Upcoming Council Meeting Schedule**

All City Council meetings are open to the public and available to view live on Facebook Live on the City of Satellite Beach's page; or live or archived meeting videos are also available on the City's website at www.satellitebeach.gov.

#### Following are the upcoming City Council meetings:

January 1, 2025 – Cancelled January 15, 2025 February 5, 2025 February 19, 2025



#### PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT



WHAT IS
HAPPENING IN
THE CITY OF
SATELLITE BEACH
AS SPRING
NEARS

In The City Of Satellite Beach, January brings cardinals singing, spoonbills nesting, manatee activities increasing, and deer mating. February prompts spring with ospreys and purple martins nesting. Wild turkeys, moles, and skunks are breeding, crappies are spawning and new life is all around. Watch for woodpeckers drumming, Snook, and Spanish mackerel are close to shore. Fishing season in the IRL has begun for spotted trout! This time of year is perfect for nature observation in our beautiful city!

RIGHT WHALE MIGRATION CAN BE OBSERVED OFFSHORE. TO REPORT A RIGHT WHALE SIGHTING, CALL 1-888-979-4253

S U S T A I N A B I L I T Y T I P
PRUNE TREES AND ADJUST WATERING SCHEDULES.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL EVENT 2025**

Post Fireworks

# Beach Clean-Up



HIGH TOWER BEACH, 815 FLORIDA A1A, SATELLITE BEACH
PELICAN BEACH PARK, 1525 FLORIDA A1A, SATELLITE BEACH

#### **JANUARY 2ND 2025 | 8 AM - 11 AM**

After the fireworks and fun, let's keep our beaches clean and safe! Join us for a post-fireworks cleanup and help protect our coastline. Every piece of litter counts!

**FEEL FREE TO JOIN!** 



Gloves + trash bags will be provided. Please bring water.

satellitebeach.gov/rec





# FLORIDA ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

January 18th 2025 9am-2pm 499 Desoto Pkwy

Annual Tree Planting

Native plant sale

Plant Related Vendors

> Food and Drinks for Purchase









unding for this project provided by the Inflation Reduction Act and the USDA Forest Service, Urban and Communit Forestry Program in partnership with the Arbor Day Foundation. The City of Satellite Beach and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service are equal opportunity



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#### PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT

# **SUSTAINABILITY NEWS**



WHAT YOUR CITY IS
DOING TO STRENGTHEN
OUR DUNES AND PROTECT
OUR BEACHES...

Staff has been actively removing invasive plant species from our conservation areas, starting from Hightower going south and extending to the preserves and dunes. This vital work helps restore native vegetation, which is crucial for maintaining a healthy ecosystem, especially along our beaches.

By managing invasive plants, we enhance biodiversity, support native species, and strengthen the resilience of our habitats against erosion and climate change. This positive effort benefits our environment and enriches our community for everyone.

Brevard County will plant sea oats, panic grass and beach elder throughout the Mid Reach in March/April 2025.

### 2025 SEA OAT PLANTING

It is particularly important that the young plants not suffer from foot traffic. Foot traffic damages dune plants, and habitual foot traffic kills them. Once the plants are gone, the chances of dune erosion are greatly enhanced, even from relatively mild weather.



Our Planning Department will soon launch new GIS (Geographic Information System) capabilities, making it easier than ever

to view your zoning and land use codes. Stay tuned for this user-friendly tool designed to enhance accessibility and streamline your planning needs!



### Sustainable Satellite on Facebook!

The Satellite Beach
Sustainability Board is offering
free solar assessments for
homeowners and businesses.

If interested, contact
Steve Gillem:
stevegillem@gmail.com

#### 2025 SCHEDULE CITY SPEAKER SERIES LUNCH AND LEARN

January 28: Brevard Zoo Updates & Future Aquarium
Plans February 25: Community Paramedic Program
March 25: Recreational Opportunities
April 22: Recycling Brevard
May 27: Hurricane Preparedness
June 22: City Forestation Awareness
July 22: City Budget
August 26: Contracting for Your Home
September 23: National Library Sign Up Month
October 28: Pedestrian Safety
November 25: Waste Management "Talking Trash"
December 23: IRL Project Updates

Take a break, have lunch on us and discover important city programs and initiatives making a difference in our community! A great opportunity to get informed, ask questions and connect with city representatives who are dedicated to serving you. Whether you are interested in new projects, community resources or getting involved, we've got you covered!

THE CITY OF SATELLITE BEACH AND CADILLAC COVE PRESENT...

# Networking & Mingle

Join us every 3rd Thursday of the month for our community and business networking event. Discover a fantastic opportunity to connect with local business owners and community members!

#### 2025 BUSINESS NETWORKING SCHEDULE

JANUARY 16TH
FEBRUARY 20TH
MARCH 20TH
APRIL 24TH
MAY 15TH
JUNE 19TH

JULY 17TH
AUGUST 21ST
SEPTEMBER 18TH
OCTOBER 16TH
NOVEMBER 20TH
DECEMBER 18TH

If you are interested in sponsoring an event, please email Melissa Jacobs at mjacobs@satellitebeach.gov for more information.

### Frank P. Catino Park: A Tribute to a Community Leader

On Friday, November 8th, the community came together to honor Frank P. Catino with the dedication of the newly renamed Frank P. Catino Park. This tribute celebrates Frank's decades of service as mayor, councilmember, and tireless advocate for environmental preservation, particularly his work to protect and restore the Indian River Lagoon.

Frank's leadership was instrumental in shaping the park, including securing funding for the stormwater pond that now enhances the space. His passion for community, sports, and the environment has left a lasting legacy that will be cherished for generations. Special thanks to Courtney Barker, Laura Smith, and Sean Cribbon for proposing the renaming and making this event possible.

As the ribbon was cut, the park was unveiled as a lasting symbol of Frank's dedication to our city and its future.

Thank you, Frank, for all you've done to make our community thrive!



#### 2025 CITY OF SATELLITE BEACH EVENT CALENDAR

JANUARY 2025

JANUARY 1 | NEW YEARS DAY |
NO COUNCIL MEETING CITY HALL OFFICES CLOSED

JANUARY 15 I 6PM COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 16 | 5:30PM BUSINESS

NETWORKING EVENT 
CADILLAC COVE VIP ROOM

January 18 | 9am - 2pm Florida Arbor Day Celebration -Frank P. Catino Park

(FORMERLY DESOTO PARK)

JANUARY 20 | MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY - CITY HALL OFFICES CLOSED

JANUARY 28 | 12PM LUNCH AND LEARN | BREVARD ZOO UPDATES AND AQUARIUM CONSERVATION CENTER PLANS -CIVIC CENTER FEBRUARY 2025

FEBRUARY 5 | 6PM COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 8 | GROM FEST -PELICAN PARK

FEBRUARY 15 | SAMSON ISLAND OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 17 | PRESIDENTS DAY -7:30AM FLAG RAISING AT CIVIC CENTER

FEBRUARY 19 I 6PM COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 20 | 5:30PM BUSINESS NETWORKING EVENT -CADILLAC COVE VIP ROOM

FEBRUARY 22 | AUTISM 5K

FEBRUARY 23 | LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

FEBRUARY 25 | 12PM LUNCH AND LEARN | COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC PROGRAM -CIVIC CENTER **MARCH 2025** 

MARCH 1 | CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

MARCH 5 | 6PM COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 8 | 10AM - 4PM ANNUAL VINTAGE SURF AND SKATEBOARD SHOW AND SWAP -SATELLITE BEACH SPORTS PARK

MARCH 14 | 6:30 PM - BEACHSIDE SMILE MOVIE NIGHT - FRANK P. CATINO PARK (FORMERLY DESOTO PARK)

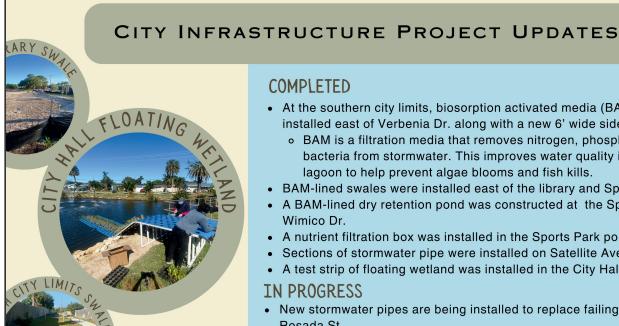
MARCH 19 | 6PM COUNCIL MEETING

nappy new year!



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#### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**



#### **COMPLETED**

- At the southern city limits, biosorption activated media (BAM) swales were installed east of Verbenia Dr. along with a new 6' wide sidewalk.
  - o BAM is a filtration media that removes nitrogen, phosphorous, and bacteria from stormwater. This improves water quality in discharges to the lagoon to help prevent algae blooms and fish kills.
- BAM-lined swales were installed east of the library and Sports Park.
- A BAM-lined dry retention pond was constructed at the Sports Park along Wimico Dr.
- A nutrient filtration box was installed in the Sports Park pond.
- Sections of stormwater pipe were installed on Satellite Ave & Sunrise Ave.
- A test strip of floating wetland was installed in the City Hall pond.

#### IN PROGRESS

· New stormwater pipes are being installed to replace failing pipes along Rosada St.

### STORMWATER AND YOU



#### PREVENT POO-LUTION:

#### WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH UNSCOOPED DOG POOP?

#### **Fast Facts:**

- It is estimated that 40% of people don't pick up after their dog.
- The average dog excretes 340 grams (0.75 pounds) of waste per day.
- The piles can take a year or more to fully break down.
- One gram of dog waste contains 23 million fecal coliform bacteria. That's nearly twice as much as human waste!
- Just two days of dog waste from 100 dogs would contribute enough pollution to close a beach, and all watershed areas within 20 miles of it.
- Dog poop can negatively affect human health and the environment.

### **HOW CAN I HELP?**

• Help protect our waterways. Always pick up after your dog and place the bag in a trash receptacle. Scoop it. Bag it. Trash it.

#### POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE

#### **TEENY BOPPER NIGHTS**

With the holidays, we have an update on Teeny Bopper nights. We will then be taking some time with our families over the holidays and will reopen January 18th, 2025. Enjoy this special time with your families and Happy New Year!

#### SBPAL BASKETBALL

Games begin January 10th and 11th. Stop by the gym on Friday evenings and all-day Saturday to watch some great basketball and cheer on your team. Final games and tournaments will be played in March.

#### SBPAL VOLLEYBALL

Registration begins February 4th for girls 10-16 years of age and the cost is \$100 for the 10-game season. Forms can be found on our

web site after the first of the year.

#### SATELLITE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Satellite Beach Police Department Achieves 4th Excelsior Recognition for Excellence

On Thursday, October 3, 2024, The Satellite Beach Police Department achieved the highest level of state accreditation from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA). The Police Department was granted reaccreditation and awarded "Excelsior Status", the most prestigious achievement in accreditation, by the CFA Commission at the October conference. Excelsior Recognition is reserved for criminal justice agencies that have received accreditation five consecutive times over a minimum of 15 years and complete a rigorous three-day onsite audit, with zero compliance issues. This is the department's 4th Excelsior Recognition from CFA.

Accreditation is a voluntary review process that demonstrates the agency's commitment to complying with CFA's 240 accreditation standards. Every three years, independent auditors spend three days at the agency reviewing all required policies and procedure for proof of compliance. Additionally, the inspectors conduct extensive interviews, facility inspections and shadow agency personnel.

The Satellite Beach Police Department has been an accredited law enforcement agency since receiving its initial certification in 2000 and was the first state accredited police department in Brevard County. To achieve and maintain state accreditation certification, the department must prove compliance, uniformity and consistency with CFA accreditation standards. These standards reflect best practices regarding life, health and safety issues, and essential law enforcement requirements. Accreditation helps ensure accountability and transparency that enhances confidence and trust in law enforcement among the communities they serve.



"It was an honor to accept this award on behalf of the Satellite Beach Police Department," said Police Chief, Jeff Pearson. "This ongoing effort is a true testament of the commitment to professionalism from our entire team. The hard work and dedication of our officers and staff is what led to this great accomplishment and is to be commended. Our community can be confident that the Satellite Beach Police Department is exceeding statewide standards."

We are incredibly proud of our Satellite Beach Police Department for their unwavering commitment to excellence and dedication to serving our community with integrity.

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#### SATELLITE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

# SATELLITE BEACH WELCOMES TWO NEW EMPLOYEES TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Angela is a Florida State graduate and brings 17 years of experience as a retired law enforcement officer. As a former officer, she has a deep understanding of the unique challenges and responsibilities of being a 911 dispatcher, making her a perfect fit for our team. A proud Satellite Beach resident, Angela is excited to serve the community she calls home and brings a wealth of experience—and a touch of Christmas cheer to our department! We are thrilled to have her on board and look forward to the incredible contributions she will make.



Ashley is an Air Force
veteran, former 911
Emergency Dispatcher,
and most recently worked
with the Brevard County
Sheriff's Office Jail
Investigative Services Unit.
As a proud Satellite Beach
resident, she's already
familiar with our
community and is eager to
contribute her expertise to
enhance our department's
operations.

We are excited to have Ashley on board and look forward to the positive impact she will have on our department and the community we serve.

#### SATELLITE BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

# THE SATELLITE BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THE CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY SPRING 2025 FEBRUARY - MARCH

#### **OUR ACADEMY**

The Satellite Beach Fire Department Citizens Fire Academy (CFA) is designed to create a fun and educational atmosphere for the public to learn and to experience.

Each session will feature an expert instructor who will use their experience and

skills to assist each student in both classroom and hands-on demonstrations. Past students have ranged in age from mid-20's to over 80 years old! Certain activities may involve a moderate degree of physical exertion. Participation in any portion is entirely voluntary. Most health concerns are easily accommodated.

#### COMMITMENT

CFA is a four (4)-week Academy held Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and includes one (1) Saturday session.

#### **APPLICANTS**

Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age or older and a resident of the City of Satellite Beach, or the owner/operator of a business in the City.

To apply, please contact Julie at 321-773-4405 ext. 301 to request an application. There is no cost for the course.

#### SATELLITE BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT



At the City Council meeting on Wednesday, November 20th, we had the honor of celebrating Chief Abernathy's extraordinary milestone: 40 years of dedicated service to the City of Satellite Beach.

Chief Abernathy's remarkable career is a legacy of unwavering commitment, exceptional courage, and deep passion for protecting and serving our community. For four decades, he has answered calls in times of crisis, demonstrated resilience in the face of danger, and shown compassion during life's most challenging moments.

His leadership and mentorship have shaped the next generation of public servants, setting a standard of honor, integrity, and dedication that inspires all who work with him. Beyond the physical demands of the job, Chief Abernathy's sacrifices and steadfast commitment to his team and the community stand as a testament to his character.

On behalf of the Council, his colleagues, and the entire community, we extend our deepest gratitude for his selfless service. Congratulations, Chief Abernathy, on this incredible achievement—here's to 40 years of heroic service and many more years of health, happiness, and success!

Federal Pacific panel breaker malfunctions are the cause of an estimated 2,800 fires each year. As a result, electrical companies recommend that homeowners replace any Federal Pacific panels with new, up-to-date circuit breakers.

Federal Pacific Electric (FPE) circuit breaker panels with Stab-Lok circuit breakers are at risk for breaker malfunction and fire.

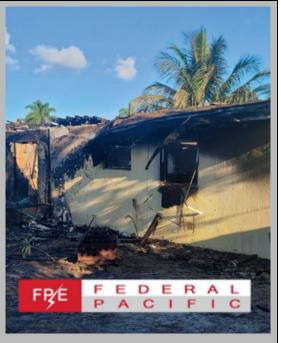
Older homes built between 1950 and 1990 may have FPE circuit breakers. Millions of their panels were installed in homes across the country. Yet, as the years passed, electricians and home inspectors often found FPE panels failed to provide proper protection to homeowners. Experts now say that FPE panels can appear to work fine for years, but after one over-current or short circuit, they can overheat and become fire hazards.

#### HOW DO I KNOW IF I HAVE A FPE Stab-Lok BREAKER?

Check the label on the front of the panel that may read "Federal Pacific" or "FPE" and the breaker itself may read "Stab-Lok" either on the face of the panel or a label inside the panel door. The Stab-Lok breakers are usually red on the break switch.

If you establish that your home still has a Federal Pacific breaker immediately contact a licensed electrician to discuss your replacement options.

The website <u>www.energystar.gov</u> has information regarding federal tax credits you may qualify for to upgrade your electric panel.



YEARS

www.energystar.gov/about/federal\_tax\_credits/electric\_panel\_upgrade



#### Mark Your Calendars!!!

City Wide Garage Sale and Cleanup

#### MARCH 1st

Dumpsters will be available for residents of Satellite Beach at the City Hall Parking Lot (565 Cassia Blvd.) from

Friday, February 28th until Monday, March 10th



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#### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### Jan 18th - Florida Arbor Day

Celebrate Florida Arbor Day with us as we learn about the benefits of trees in urban environments and the importance of tree planting and proper care! The celebration will include an annual tree planting, native plant sale, environmental vendors, food trucks, and more. Come join the fun at Frank P. Catino Park (formerly DeSoto Park), 499 DeSoto Parkway, from 9am-2pm. For more information, or to register as a vendor, please contact Shane at smartin@satellitebeach.gov.

#### Feb 8th - GROM Fest

Surfing stars of tomorrow take to the waters at Pelican Beach Park from 8am-3pm for the annual Space Coast Grom Fest, hosted by the Space Coast Board Riders Club. In addition to surfing competitions, there will be a beach cleanup, live entertainment from multiple bands, art, surf and skate vendors, and food trucks! Visit "Space Coast Board Riders Club" on Facebook for more information and bracket registration.

#### Feb 15th - Samsons Island Open House

Experience Satellite Beach's 52-acre island nature preserve! Explore the preserve's trails & enjoy a free boat ride. Ongoing event activities include conservation education, bird watching, and more. FREE boat transportation reservations between 9:30am - 2pm must be made in advance online at www.satellitebeach.gov/rec. Spaces are limited, RSVP early to secure your space.

#### Feb 22nd - Austism 5K

The Autism Coalition of Brevard presents the Annual 5K Run/Walk for Autism Awareness. Race begins at 8am in the DRS Community Center, 1089 S. Patrick Dr. Free kids fun run starts at 9:15am. Refreshments provided for all participants. Proceeds benefit families affected by Autism in Brevard County. Visit <a href="https://www.brevardautismcoalition.com">www.brevardautismcoalition.com</a> for more info!

#### Feb 23rd - Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

Enjoy this community pancake breakfast at the Satellite Beach Civic Center from 8am - 12pm. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased in advance at the PAL Office, Complete Air and Heat or from any Satellite Beach Lion's Club member.

March 1st - City Wide Garage Sale - TWO WAYS TO SELL!!! Sell at the DRS Community Center from 8am-12pm: Individuals or organizations can rent a 10'x10' space for \$15 in the DRS parking lot to sell their garage sale items. Registration opens in January. Sign up online at <a href="https://www.Satellitebeach.gov/recreation">www.Satellitebeach.gov/recreation</a> or call 321-773-6458.

OR City-Wide "At Home" Garage Sale
Sell from your own home: Satellite Beach residents can call

321-773-6458 and provide your garage sale location for inclusion in a master "City Garage Sale" flyer listing. Location listings will be available for distribution on Friday, February 28th.

#### **ONGOING EVENTS**

#### Satellite Beach Farmers Market

Our Satellite Beach Farmers Market runs until the Thursday before Memorial Day on May 22, 2025, takes a break for summer and then restarts after Labor Day on September 4, 2025. The market is held at the DRS Community Center, 1089 S. Patrick Drive Satellite Beach, on Thursdays from 10am-4pm. For vendor information, please email cblalock@satellitebeach.gov or call the Rec Dept at 321-773-6458.

#### Volunteer Opportunities

The Satellite Beach Recreation Department has a variety of ways you can have fun, give back to the community, and earn academic community service hours. Age restrictions apply. Details may be found on our website: <a href="https://www.satellitebeach.gov/recreation">www.satellitebeach.gov/recreation</a> and click on the side link "Volunteers".

#### **Beach Clean Ups**

Help keep our beaches clean! Volunteers can participate in sponsored beach cleanups at Hightower Beach Park. Grabbers, buckets, trash bags and gloves are provided. Bring your own drinking water. Meet at 9am the first Sunday of each month, organized by Margaret at margaretthehuman@gmail.com. Sign up on our volunteer page by visiting our website.

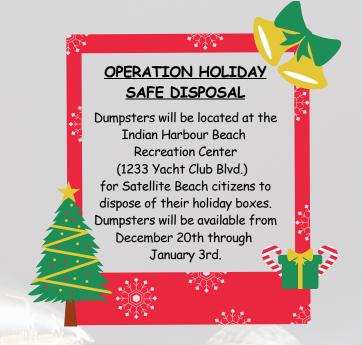
#### **PAL Youth Teeny Bopper Dances**

Open to K-6th graders. Held at the Teen Zone, 1089 S. Patrick Drive, Suite 107 on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 6:30-9pm. Cost is \$8 per child. For more information contact Police Athletic League (PAL) at 321-777-8336.





Explore our complete schedule of classes and events online at www.satellitebeach.gov/recreation, or simply scan the QR Code to view the Activity Brochure. For the latest updates, make sure to follow us on Facebook at Play Satellite Beach.



#### SATELLITE BEACH WOMEN'S CLUB

GFWC (General Federation of Woman's Club) Satellite Beach Woman's Club in partnership with the City of Satellite Beach, would like to thank everyone for coming out to Founder's Day, despite the rain. The parade which included our schools and community participants were amazing; they performed in the rain and touched our hearts. Thank you to all who participated in the event.

GFWC SBWC has awarded three teacher grants, two to DeLaura MS and one to SHS teachers at \$500.00 each. Beach cleanup team from August- October our members collected over 60 pounds of trash. We collected 19 pounds of aluminum tabs for Ronald Mc Donald House in the last 6 months of 2024. In December, SBWC members rang Bells for the Salvation Army. We gave 360 Christmas cards with 1st class stamps affixed for Daily Bread (250) and The Veterans Transition Center (85) and the Women's Center (25) and sent a cash donation. Several members knitted and crocheted 102 scarves for Operation Gratitude. These scarves are distributed to US Military families around the globe.

The Haven for Children takes in children in need. SBWC presented them with meals once a month. Additionally, we donated children's books for their house library. A club member knitted 32 scarves for them as cooler weather approaches. If you are interested in joining Satellite Beach Woman's Club please contact Terry: <a href="Marytiller@gmail.com">Marytiller@gmail.com</a>



#### SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB

Happy New Year, Neighbors! The Satellite Beach Lions Club wishes you a happy and healthy 2025. Let's start the year with some good news. The Pancake Breakfast we cancelled in October has been rescheduled for Feb. 23rd. We hope to see you at the City Civic Center that Sunday between 8am-12pm for a delicious pancake and sausage breakfast. Juice, coffee, and milk are included. As usual, you can add an egg for \$1.

Tickets are only \$5 per person. If you have the ticket from the original date in October, it is still good - we are not reprinting tickets for this event. The Oct. 13th ticket is THE ticket. Advanced tickets are available from any SB Lion or you can buy them at Complete Air and Heat (1395 S. Patrick Dr.) - cash only. Tickets will be available at the door, and we can take cash or credit cards there. Mark your calendars and tell your friends to meet you there!



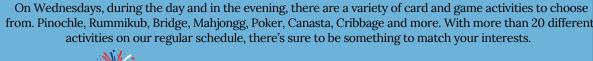
#### 55+ CLUB OF SATELLITE BEACH



Happy New Year from your local Senior social club!!! Seniors 55 or older are welcome to join and city residency is not a requirement. Membership can be completed at the David R. Schechter Community Center by paying the \$10 yearly dues and filling out an informational card. OR – You can now join or renew your membership on our website www.55plusclubofsb.com. An additional \$1 service fee is added for this convenience.

On Mondays, bingo is held at the Civic Center. The Satellite Beach Fire Department comes every third Monday of the month to check blood pressure. Doors open at 9:30am and close promptly at 11am as play begins. Bingo is open to the public.

To keep you moving and get your steps in, the 55+ Club offers walking and dance classes 3 times per week. The walking group meets at the DRS Community Center gym on Tuesdays from 8-9am; Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8-9:30am. The Club's regular line dance class is held on Tuesdays from 1 – 2pm at the DRS Community Center. The cost is \$2 payable to the instructor at the door. Our beginning line dance class is held on Thursdays from 1 – 2pm at the DRS Community Center. The cost is \$3 payable to the instructor at the door. Jazz with June is held on Fridays from 1 – 2pm at the DRS Community Center. This class is free of charge; however, the instructor takes donations which in turn are given to local animal charities.





Save the date! We hope to see you at the following events.

January 9th - Morning Coffee Social - 10am January 15th - Club Meeting - 10am January 16th - Facts & Snacks - 11am February 13th - Morning Coffee Social - 10am February 19th - Club Meeting - 10am February 20th - Facts & Snacks - 11am



More information about the club and our activities can be found at www.55plusclubofsb.com, on our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/55plusclubofsatellitebeach/ or by scanning the QR code. You can also call or email Jill Blakeway, President, at 321-431-0038/jillb215@aol.com.



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#### SATELLITE BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Satellite Beach Public Library Information:

https://www.brevardfl.gov/PublicLibraries 751 Jamaica Boulevard, Satellite Beach, FL 32937 Main Phone: (321) 779-4004

> Operating Hours: Mondays: 9am-8pm Tuesdays: 12pm-8pm Wednesday - Thursday: 9am-6pm Friday - Saturday: 9am - 5pm Closed on Sundays

NOTICE - NEW HOURS!

With the start of the new year, the library's hours have changed! Wednesday and Thursday hours are now 9am - 6pm: enjoy an extra hour at the library in the evening. Other weekday and weekend hours remain the same.

The library will be closed on Wednesday, January 1st for New Years Day and Monday, January 20th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

ADULT PROGRAMING (AGES 18+)

Please contact the Reference Department at 321-779-4004 for the most up to date information.

<u>SPECIAL EVENTS</u> January Puzzle Swap

Throughout the month of January, stop by the library to swap one of your puzzles for one of ours. Repeat as many timés as désired.

Speed Puzzling Competition

Saturday, January 25th at 1pm. Celebrate national puzzle month by joining our library's speed púzzle competition. Registration required: sign up as a group or individual. Máx group size is 4. Smaller groups will be combined to 4. Register with Reference at (321) 779-4004.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Thursday, January 30th - Saturday, February 1st. Hours to be determined. Support your local library with your purchase. Cash or check only.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Acrylic Painting Classes

Tuesdays, January 14th - Tuesday, February 25th at 2pm. Learn tips, tricks, and neat techniques from instructor Joan Kisner, professional artist. Cost: call for details on cost (covers instruction and materials, payable directly to the instructor please). Class sizes are limited. Register with Reference (321) 779-4004.

Custom Hot Chocolate Mix Class

Friday, February 7th at 11 am. Customize your own hot chocolate mix, then seal and decorate for gifting. Free. Class size is limited. Register with Reference at (321) 779-4004.

**BOOK CLUBS** 

Pick up your copy of the next meeting's book at the Reference Desk.

Speedy Saturday Walking Club

Saturday, January 11th & Saturday, February 8th at 9:15 am. Meets briefly in the library before walking the nearby paved paths. Reading Mission Impawsible by Krista Davis in January and Things You Save in a Fire by Katherine Center in February.

Tea Time Book Club

Monday, January 27th and Monday, February 24th at 1 pm. Reading *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters in January and *The Nature of Fragile Things* by Susan Meissner in February.

Tea Time Too Book Club

Tuesday, January 28th and Tuesday, February 25th at 12:15 pm. Reading the same titles as the Tea Time Book Club. Register with Reference at (321) 779-4004.

SOMETHING NEW! Brevard County Libraries Launch New App. The new BCL Go app puts the power of the library in your hands! Visit the library or call (321) 779-4004 for more information.



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https://www.facebook.com/friendsofthesatellitebeachlibrary

Brevard County Libraries Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/brevardcountylibraries

**EDUCATION & ASSISTANCE** 

Using Library Apps

Monday, January 6th at 1pm Learn how to use the new Brevard County Library Go app and how to access our versatile online libraries, Libby and Hoopla, for free with your Brevard County library card. Bring your own device to log in and explore.

AARP Driver Safety Program

Saturday, February 22nd from 9:30am - 3:30pm. This program is intended to help drivers 50 and over drive safely on the road. Costs \$20 for AARP members with card and \$25 for non-members. Cash or check only. Registration required: call (321) 805-6772 to register. One-on-One Basic Tech Help

Thursday mornings by appointment. 30-minute session. Register with Reference (321)779-4004. Free!

Master Gardener Clinic

Mondays from 10am - Noon in the lobby. Bring your gardening guestions and plant problems.

**EXERCISE CLASSES** 

Yoga with Nancy

Tuesdays from 4:30pm - 5:45pm. Please bring your own yoga mat. \$5 fee payable at class.

HOBBIES AND FUN

Adult Game Night

Monday, January 6th and Monday, February 3rd from 6 pm - 7:30 pm. Playing from available tabletop games. Snacks provided. Join anytime.

Beachside Strummers

Fridays, 1/10, 1/24, 2/14, & 2/28 from 9:30 am - 11 am. Ukulele club.

Matinee Movies

Monday, January 13th and Monday, February 10th at 1 pm. Watch movies for free at the library! Refreshments provided. Call or check our website for movie details.

YOUTH EVENTS

Please contact the Youth Services department at (321) 779-6134 for the most current information & schedules.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY Foam "Snow" Party

Read Your Way to K: Toddlers

Thursday, January 2nd at 11 AM. Ages 3 - 12. Join us outside for foam, games, and more to celebrate the new year. Bringing a towel is recommended. Come to the library's meeting room a little earlier, at 10:45 AM, for a dance party and craft. No registration required.

Wednesdays at 10 AM. Ages 15 months to 36 months. No registration required. No meeting 1/1.

**Preschool Story Time** Thursdays at 10 AM. Ages 3 to 5. No registration required. No meeting 1/2.

Brick Builders Club

1st & 3rd Wednesday at 3:30 PM. Choose between a brick building challenge or free building. Ages 5 to 12. All materials provided. No registration required. No meeting 1/1. Robotics Club

2nd Wednesday at 3:30 PM. Ages 8+. All materials provided. Registration REQUIRED. STEM Club

4th Wednesday at 3:30 PM. Ages 5 - 12. All materials provided. No registration required. Cine-mania – Movies at the Library!

1st & 3rd Thursday at 3:30 PM. Recommended for ages 5+. Call for schedule & movie details. Bring a blanket. No meeting 1/2.

Family Game Night

2nd Thursday at 3:30 PM. All ages. All materials provided. No registration required. Teen Night

2nd Tuesday at 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Call for schedule, activity & registration details. Teen Anime Club

3rd Tuesday at 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Call for anime showing and details.

February Téen Book Club

1st Tuesday, February 4th at 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Reading "Legendborn" by Tracy Deonn call for more details. Registration REQUIRED.

Read to a Therapy Dog

3rd Saturday at 1 PM. Space Coast Therapy Dogs. Ages 5 to 17. Registration REQUIRED one week prior to the event.