

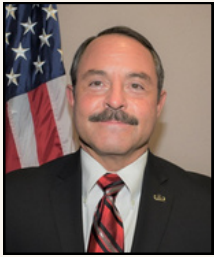


CITY OF SATELLITE BEACH BEACHCASTER

YOUR OFFICIAL CITY NEWSLETTER

MARCH - APRIL 2025

FROM THE COUNCIL DESK MAYOR STEVE OSMER



Community Workshops: Join us for Important Updates and Future Planning!

We are excited to announce two upcoming community workshops where we will share important updates on projects, budget goals, and initiatives that will shape the future of our city. We invite all residents to

attend and contribute to these discussions, as your input is crucial in ensuring we move forward together toward a brighter future.

Workshop 1: March 12th - Project Updates & Stormwater Management

Our first workshop will focus on completed and upcoming projects within our city, including key infrastructure improvements and initiatives that directly impact the community. We will also dive into an important issue affecting our environment and daily lives: **Stormwater Management**.

Stormwater is water that comes from rain, and it can have a significant impact on our environment if not properly managed. It can contribute to flooding, erosion, and pollution of our water systems. During this workshop, we will explain how we're addressing stormwater in our city, the methods being used to manage it effectively, and why these efforts are vital for long-term sustainability. The city is mandated by regulations to complete certain aspects of stormwater projects by a certain time. We will go into those regulations, why they are important and where the city stands currently with reaching the goal the state has set.

Additionally, we will present updates on the progress of various projects that have been completed and those that are on the horizon. Your questions and feedback will be welcomed as we discuss how these projects benefit our community.

Workshop 2: April 23rd - Homestead Exemption, Budget Planning, and Community Priorities

In our second workshop, we will cover several important topics that directly affect resident's day-to-day lives:

• Homestead Exemption

We will discuss the additional **Homestead Exemption** aimed at helping homeowners in our city save money on property taxes. This exemption will provide savings for qualifying homeowners, and we will explain how it works and how it benefits residents.

• The Importance of the Budget

The city's budget is a vital document that determines how resources are allocated to public services, infrastructure projects, and community programs. We will present the **goals**

for the upcoming budget year, outlining how we plan to prioritize funding for various city needs. This budget directly impacts the quality of services such as police, fire, public works, and recreation.

A key discussion point will be **millage rates**, which play a crucial role in determining the amount of property tax collected to fund these services. We'll explain how the millage rate affects your property taxes and how it aligns with the city's revenue needs.

• Employee Salaries and Benefits

A significant portion of the city's budget is dedicated to our **employees**, including police, fire, public works, recreation and support staff. We will discuss proposed changes to **employee salaries and benefits**, ensuring that our city can attract and retain talented individuals who provide essential services to the community. Fair compensation is key to maintaining a high level of service, so we want to hear your thoughts on how we can support our workforce while balancing budgetary constraints.

Why Your Input Matters

Both workshops are an opportunity for you to have a direct impact on the future of our city. As we discuss important projects, stormwater management, and the budget, we want to know what you care about most. The budget is not just about numbers - it's about how we allocate resources to support the quality of life in our community. Your input on where funding should be focused, how millage rates should be set, and how we support our city employees will guide our decisions in the months ahead.

We encourage residents to come with questions about how the city's financial decisions affect their lives, whether it's through the services we provide or the taxes they pay. This is your chance to be part of the conversation and help shape the future direction of our city.

Mark Your Calendars!

So, mark your calendars for **March 12th** and **April 23rd**! Bring your questions, ideas, and vision for the future of our community. Together, we can ensure that our budget reflects the priorities of all residents and that we are investing in the programs and services that matter most.

Let's work together to build a better city for all of us!

If you are unable to attend the workshops in person, you can watch them live online or view the recordings anytime on the city's website at www.satellitebeach.gov/meetings.

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.

December 18, 2024 - Regular Meeting - Cancelled

January 1, 2025 - Regular Meeting - Cancelled

January 15, 2025 - Regular Meeting

- Approved submitting a letter of intent for National Estuary Program Watersheds Grant funding for Westside Basin Water Quality Improvements in the amount of \$500,000.
- Approved applying for Assistance Firefighter Grant for Self-Containing Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)air compressor system in the amount of \$79,932.21.
- Approved Resolution No. 1068, supporting the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)Utility Wrapping Project.
- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1262 on second reading, which adopted the annual update to the schedule of capital improvements in the Comprehensive Plan.
- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1263 on second reading, which amends the beach parking program to remove any booting of cars for beach parking violations.
- Approved an amended contract with PCI Municipal Services, LLC for Parking Management and Enforcement Services.
- Approved revised Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)for PCI Municipal Services, LLC.
- Reappointed Steven Terry on Planning Advisory Board and reappointed Brittany Overmiller and Michael Vogt on Recreation Board; and appointed Mark Barton as a Primary Member on Board of Adjustment, James Brown as a Primary Member on the Recreation Board, Meredith Gibson as an Alternate on Library Board and Shaelyn Harris as an Alternate on Recreation Board.

February 5, 2025 - Regular Meeting

- Presented proclamations to the Teachers of the Year and Employees of the Year of Holland Elementary School, Surfside Elementary School, DeLaura Middle School and Satellite High School.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1264 on first reading, which authorized the appointment of a Special Magistrate to consider applications for reductions in code enforcement liens.
- Approved Resolution No. 1069, which approved the State of Florida Department of Transportation Local Agency Program Agreement for the construction of Jackson Avenue Complete Street Project.
- Reappointed Kevin Finegan on Planning Advisory Board; and appointed Trenton Bryant as a Alternate Member on Board of Adjustment and Mike Arnold as a Member on the General Employee Pension Plan Board of Trustees.

Upcoming Council Meeting Schedule

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



All Upcoming City Council Meetings are listed below:

- March 5, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- March 12, 2025 - Workshop
- March 19, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- April 2, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- April 16, 2025 - Regular Meeting
- April 23, 2025 - Workshop



EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR

HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
LEDRIANNE BROHEL - TEACHER OF THE YEAR
JESSICA FLORES - EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

SURFSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
CATHERINE MENTILLO, TEACHER OF THE YEAR
NADENE WILLETT - EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

DELAURA MIDDLE SCHOOL
JAIME MALTA - TEACHER OF THE YEAR
KAREN THOMAS - EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

SATELLITE HIGH SCHOOL
HEATHER PIERCE - TEACHER OF THE YEAR
SANDY VOHSALL - EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT



**TIME TO
KEEP IT DARK
MAR - OCT**


Artificial lights can be deadly for nesting sea turtles and hatchlings. They naturally head towards the brightest horizon. It causes confusion and leads to stranding or death.

Turn OFF the lights and let the ocean guide them home!




Tree Giveaway

The City of Satellite Beach was awarded with the IRA (Inflation Reduction Act) grant for trees! Our city has the lowest canopy coverage in the state at 14%. The ultimate goal is 30% canopy coverage. For this we would like to give away 3-gallon trees to Satellite Beach residents. If you would like a free native tree, please e-mail smartin@satellitebeach.gov to see if you qualify.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Join Us to Restore and Protect Our Dunes!

Help stabilize dunes, protect coastal ecosystems, and build resilience against erosion and storms at our dune restoration event!

Hosted by the City of Satellite Beach with support from Brevard County and Surfing Evolution

we'll provide supplies, planting guidance, and staff assistance at each site.

Bring water, snacks, sunscreen, a hat, and long sleeves for a comfortable day of community action. Want to lead as a planting organizer or have questions? Contact Carley Kestranek at Ckestranek@satellitebeach.gov.

Together, we can make a difference—let's protect our beaches!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS MARCH 29TH, 2025



YARD OF THE MONTH

THE CITY OF SATELLITE BEACH TREE AND BEAUTIFICATION BOARD IS LOOKING TO RECOGNIZE BEAUTIFUL YARDS FOR THE YARD OF THE MONTH AWARD. BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE LOOKING FOR LAGOON FRIENDLY YARDS THAT PROMOTE NATIVE PLANTS FOR CLEANER WATER AND AN OVERALL BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE. YARDS BEING CONSIDERED WILL HAVE NATIVE PLANTS, MADE AN EFFORT TO REMOVE GRASS AND PLANT NATIVES.

**Sustainable
Satellite on
Facebook!**



PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT

How to get involved with



SUSTAINABLESATELLITE



SAMSONS ISLAND WORK DAYS

Help Samson Island by performing trail maintenance, remove invasive species, and planting.

second Sunday of each month at 9am

TREE INVENTORY ASSISTANT

Help us mark, measure, determine species and record all trees on city property. We will provide all the tools and training you'll need.

Flexible hours



Reach out with questions to sustainability@satellitebeach.gov



RECYCLING MONOFILAMENT

In and around Satellite Beach

WHERE ARE THEY?

Bins are located at public parks adjacent to waterways, boat ramps, fishing piers, and beach entrances.

HOW ARE THEY USED?

These tubes are for recycling Monofilament fishing line. Just place your line through the top of the tube and go!

WHAT NOT TO DO:

Do not throw trash or other recyclables into these containers. It makes it very difficult to collect and recycle.



Making Our City Beautiful and Sustainable

The City of Satellite Beach Tree & Beautification Board spent Saturday, January 4 planting and clearing sections at the Municipal Building. As part of its beautification efforts, the plantings are focused on native species that are better for our local environment and also easier to maintain. All board members were present, and the group is organizing additional planting days. The NEW Tree & Beautification Board has numerous responsibilities that stem from the City of Satellite Beach's Tree Grant. This Grant allows the City to initiate an urban tree management program to protect and increase the existing tree canopy. To comply with the requirements of the grant we must also be part of "Tree City USA", which has the following requirements:

- Maintaining a Tree Board or department
- Having a community tree ordinance
- Spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry
- Celebrating Arbor Day

The Tree & Beautification Board consists of Nicolle Boujaber - Chair, Sondra Cappuccio Vail - Vice Chair, Sandy Grutta, Richard Pectol, Jessica Kochman, Lars Jones, and Beth Rieder. The Board also participated in Arbor Day on January 18th by giving away free trees and promoting the City of Satellite Beach's license plates, magnets, and decals. Multiple vendors participated in this day. Two trees were planted in honor of Frank Catino and Don Moore. The Tree & Beautification Board will be participating in several upcoming events, including Yard of the Month, the Sea Turtle Lighting Workshop on March 8th, Gopher Tortoise Day on April 10th, and multiple planting days.



CITY HALL PLANTING

The Tree and Beautification purchased plants and had a wonderful planting day at City Hall. The plants were installed to bring aesthetic appeal as well as biodiversity to the City Hall Forest for a suitable landscape that provides beauty and sanctuary for wildlife.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Did You Know?

Sec. 26-113. - Management of grass clippings and vegetative matter.

Grass clippings, vegetative material, and/or vegetative debris shall not be washed, swept, or blown off into surface waters, stormwater drains, ditches, conveyances, watercourses, water bodies, wetlands, sidewalks or roadways. Any material that is accidentally so deposited shall be immediately removed to the maximum extent practicable.

Important Safety Reminder: Proper Disposal of Hazardous Materials

Residents are reminded that propane gas containers, regardless of size, are considered hazardous waste and must not be disposed of in regular trash. These tanks, if improperly handled, can cause fires or explosions, posing a serious risk to Waste Management drivers, surrounding neighborhoods, and the community.

We have received several reports of residents being unable to return used propane tanks to retailers such as Lowe's or hardware stores, and some have resorted to disposing of them in the trash. This is extremely dangerous!

For safe disposal, propane tanks, as well as other hazardous items like batteries, can be dropped off at Waste Management's facility (3379 Samo Road)Melbourne. Please do your part to help maintain a safe environment by properly disposing of these items. Unfortunately, Satellite Beach is not currently offering a drop-off location for these items, and the Fire Department is not accepting them at this time. For now, please make use of the Samo Road location.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping keep our community safe!



WELCOME to Satellite Beach

Satellite Beach is excited to welcome five
new businesses to our community:

- Mattison Aesthetics & Wellness LLC: Offering personalized aesthetic and wellness treatments to help you look and feel your best.
- Bellas Skin Bar LLC: Specializing in premium skincare treatments and therapies for a radiant glow.
- Revenant Logistics: Providing reliable logistics services to meet delivery and supply chain needs.
- NativeEyes Home Watch: Ensuring property security through professional home monitoring services.
- BK Remodeling: Delivering quality craftsmanship for all your home improvement projects.

Support these local businesses and help our community thrive!

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Section 30-702. Landscaping in all zoning districts: (b) Maintenance (1) Landscaping shall be maintained in a neat and attractive manner and shall meet the following standards:

- a. Landscaping shall be healthy and free of weeds, refuse, debris and pests.
- b. Grass and weeds shall be no higher than six inches on improved lots, except that native grasses in landscapes and publicly owned conservation areas do not need to be cut as long as they are healthy, free of pest, weeds and do not constitute a fire hazard.



Beach Parking Reminder - Changes Effective February 1, 2025:

Effective February 1st, Park Satellite Beach ushered in its citation program, eliminating the use of boots and implementing a citation-only enforcement system.

Key Changes to the program include:

- **Daily Parking Violation:** If a vehicle fails to pay for daily parking and does not have a valid pass, the registered owner will receive a \$60 citation (\$10 all-day parking fee + \$50 fine). If unpaid after 30 days, the fine increases to \$100.
- **Safety Violation:** If a vehicle commits a safety violation, the registered owner will receive a \$70 citation (\$10 all-day parking fee + \$60 fine). If unpaid after 30 days, the fine increases to \$120.
- **Unpaid Citations:** Outstanding fines will be sent to the State of Florida, preventing renewal of vehicle tags until paid.

Parking Permit Updates:

- **Satellite Beach Residents** who have registered for a Beach Parking Pass are valid through December 2026.
- **Non-Resident Permits** for Pelican Beach and Hightower Park East follow a calendar year renewal process. If a non-resident permit has not been renewed, your renewal period has closed, and your pass has expired. You will need to reapply for a calendar year Beach Parking Pass, by visiting www.parksatellitebeach.org.

For questions about the Beach Parking Program, contact Brittany Retherford, City Manager at bretherford@satellitebeach.gov. For permit renewals, contact parksboffice@municipalparking.com. Office Hours: Tuesday–Thursday, 10:00 AM–4:00 PM.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATES

PROJECT STATUS

- The **South Basin Stormwater Improvements** project is complete. The project saw the construction of various best management practices (BMPs) to improve water quality in discharges to the lagoon. Treatment swales and a retention area were constructed throughout the southern region of the city, and a nutrient filtration box was installed at the Sports Park. New stormwater pipes were installed to replace failing pipes along Rosada Street.
- **Floating wetlands** were installed in the City Hall pond. These are designed to remove nutrients from the water prior to discharge into the lagoon. The City Hall wall is also complete.
- The **Roosevelt Baffle Box**, a new-generation nutrient and debris filtration device, is nearing completion.
- The **Jackson Avenue Streetscape** project has begun.
- **Road resurfacing** will be occurring at Delaura Middle School during school break, with a window of 3/14-3/23. Resurfacing of concrete roads throughout the city is still in progress.



STORMWATER AND YOU

WASH CARS,
NOT THE LAGOON

When washing your car, it's important to remember that our city's storm drains lead to the lagoon, and that wash water may contain harmful detergents and particulates. While residential car washing is an allowable discharge, there are best practices that keep these harmful effects to a minimum.

CAR WASHING
BEST PRACTICES

- **Use biodegradable products**
 - Use phosphate-free, water-based cleaners only
 - Avoid solvents and degreasers
 - Use smallest amount needed according to label
- **Wash on absorbent surfaces**
 - Wash on gravel, grass, or other pervious surfaces to allow water to infiltrate
 - Avoid washing on concrete or asphalt
 - Direct wash water to pervious areas
- **Divert wash water away from storm drains**
 - Protect drains from wash water
 - Use a low flow, auto-shutoff nozzle on your hose to minimize water volume and runoff
 - Use a wet/dry vacuum to collect wastewater
- **Go to a car wash instead**
 - At the car wash, dirty wash water is collected and recycled or sent to the sanitary sewer
 - Because they have zero discharge, car washes are lagoon-friendly



The Satellite Beach History Wall is now complete and on display in the Civic Center Lobby! The first guests included members of the city's Founding Families, honoring their legacy. This project, led by Ron Culp & Kerry Stoms, took nearly a year of research and design to bring to life. Special thanks to Peggy Ridley for her expert framing! The wall features 5 panels highlighting SB's history, plus tributes to Reg Leonard & Scotty Culp. Visit City Hall to check it out! Learn more & watch the 50th Anniversary videos at www.satellitebeach.gov.

SATELLITE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT



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POLICE DEPARTMENT



AL DODDS

Volunteer Citizens on Patrol
Volunteer ATV Beach Patrol

Satellite Beach Police Department Volunteer Spotlight: Al Dodds

Al Dodds is a volunteer with the Satellite Beach Police Department who has seen and done more than most could ever imagine. Since 2022, he has dedicated his time and efforts to the Citizens on Patrol (C.O.P.) and Beach ATV programs. His volunteer role is straightforward, but essential, serving as an extra set of eyes and ears for local law enforcement, helping with house checks, and supporting community events like the Founder's Day Parade and 5K races.

But Al's story stretches far beyond these local volunteer efforts. A military veteran, Al served in Vietnam as a K-9 sentry dog handler. His journey as a K-9 handler, however, didn't stop there. After serving in the military, Al and his dog, Tess, volunteered to assist law enforcement agencies in finding human remains, working on several cases with the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office. During this time, Al realized that law enforcement typically uses their own K-9s, and Tess had unique skills that were too valuable to be overlooked. When Al discovered the military's growing need for dogs to search for human remains, he and Tess underwent the necessary training and certification to maximize her talents.

In 2007, Al took a leave of absence from his role as the band director at St. Augustine High School to answer another call for service—this time in Iraq. Al and Tess were deployed, working with a private company contracted by the U.S. military to search for the remains of American soldiers missing in action. Together, they not only helped recover fallen soldiers but also uncovered mass graves, providing much-needed closure to families affected by the war. Tess' exceptional work earned her the U.S. War Dogs Association's War Dog Medal. Sadly, Tess passed away in 2012 at the age of 12. Al reflected, "She had a good, full life and put me all through the world. We saw 17 states and eight countries together. Some of those were just stops at the airport, but we were there."

Upon returning home in March 2008, Al retired from the St. Johns County School District and relocated to Satellite Beach. In 2009, he began teaching as the orchestra director at DeLaura Middle School. Now officially retired, Al hasn't slowed down much. An accomplished musician, you can find him playing bass with the Ron Teixeira Trio at Heidi's Jazz Club in Cocoa Beach. He continues to contribute to his community and remains an invaluable member of the Satellite Beach Police Department's volunteer team.

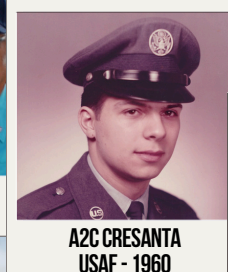
Al Dodds' life is a testament to service—whether in the military, as a dedicated volunteer, or through his ongoing contributions to the community. His impact, both near and far, is a lasting legacy of dedication and selflessness.

VETERANS SPOTLIGHT

VETERANS SPOTLIGHT: DOUG CRESANTA - USAF



DOUG WITH WIFE KATHY
2024



A2C CRESANTA
USAF - 1960



DOUG AND HIS '66
SHELBY GT350 MUSTANG

Doug was born in Indiana, PA and moved to Akron, OH at the age of 8. At 17, he was awarded his Eagle Scout badge for various environmental projects he spearheaded. Doug graduated from Garfield High School in 1959 and the very next day, enlisted in the Air Force. Basic training was conducted at Lakland AFB followed by technical training in Wichita Falls, TX as an Aerial Refueling Boom Operator. In 1961, Airman Cresanta was assigned to the 380th AR Squadron; Plattsburg AFB, NY (KC-97 G/F aircraft) which included a one-year deployment to Goose Bay, Labrador, Canada for standby alert duty. His next duty station was Blytheville AFB, AR with the 97th AR Squadron. A1C Cresanta was discharged from the USAF in Jun 1963. Doug enjoyed being in the aviation business, so he enrolled at Northrop Institute of Technology in Los Angeles to pursue certification as an Airframe and Power Plant Mechanic. Doug graduated top of his class in 1965. For the next 18 years, he was employed by TWA at LAX (1 yr) and then Albuquerque International Airport, NM. During those years, Doug worked on such aircraft as the Convair 880, Boeing 707 and 747. In 1980, he accepted a position with TWA for a 3-year contract to support transit flight operations at Jeddah Airport (King Abdulaziz International Airport) Saudi Arabia. Doug returned to the United States in 1983 and was hired by Peoples Express Airlines as a Maintenance Manager in Newark, NJ. When PE Airlines purchased their first 747, management selected Doug to become a Flight Engineer because of his extensive experience with the 747. PE merged with Continental Airlines in 1987, and Doug continued working as a FE and a 747 systems instructor until 1997. His next opportunity came with Gemini Air Cargo where he flew as a FE aboard DC-10-30 aircraft. In 2003, the Department of Defense activated the Civil Reserve Air Fleet to support Logistical Resupply missions into Iraq and Afghanistan. Doug participated in a dozen or so missions flying into and out of Baghdad and Bagram Airports. The USAF acknowledged their dedicated support by awarding crews with the Aerial Achievement Medal. Doug retired and moved to Satellite Beach with his wife of 39 years, Kathy, in 2015. He enjoys playing pedal steel guitar, travels to car shows with his 66 Shelby GT350 and has been volunteering with the SBPD since 2017. Doug has a son and a daughter, one granddaughter, and two great-grandsons.

Thank You for your faithful service to our Great Nation.

-By Ron Culp

SATELLITE BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Satellite Beach Fire Department Presents:



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.

Commitment:

Four (4) weeks Tuesday & Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm & one (1) Saturday session.

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.

Contact Julie to request an application.
321-773-4405 ext. 301



Chief David Abernathy LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On Friday, January 31st, Fire Chief David Abernathy was recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Space Coast Fire Chief's Association (SCFCA) Awards Banquet. Chief Abernathy has played an integral role in the SCFCA, demonstrating unwavering dedication and a commitment to excellence for decades. Throughout his tenure, Chief Abernathy has consistently gone above and beyond to support both the Satellite Beach Fire Department and fellow departments throughout Brevard County. His efforts to organize events that bring Fire Chiefs together for networking and collaboration have contributed to the strength and unity of the organization. His willingness to share knowledge, provide guidance and assist in the professional development of other fire service leaders has made a significant impact on the entirety of the Brevard County Fire Community. Chief Abernathy's dedication to the growth and success of both his own department and those around him made the perfect choice for this prestigious award.

Congratulations, Fire Chief David Abernathy for your commitment to the SCFCA!

YOU'RE INVITED

Please join the Satellite Beach Fire Department for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the new Fire Station!

Enjoy light refreshments and a tour of the station immediately following the ceremony.

DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025
TIME: RIBBON CUTTING - 3:00 P.M.
STATION TOURS - 3:15 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
LOCATION: 240 JACKSON AVENUE

2025 City of Satellite Beach Event Calendar

March 2025

February 28 - March 10 |
Community Dumpsters available in
Satellite Beach City Hall parking lot

March 1 | 8am - 12pm City Wide
Garage Sale - DRS Community
Center and homes around the city
8am - 3pm Electronic Recycling
Event - DRS Community Center

March 1 - October 31 | 9pm - 7am
Lights Out for Sea Turtles -
applies to beach front homes
and condos

March 1 | Easter Event Registration
opens to all - visit
www.playsatellitebeach.org

March 5 | 6pm Council Meeting

March 8 | 10am - 4pm Annual
Vintage Surf and Skate Show and
Swap - Satellite Beach Sports Park

March 12 | 6pm Council Workshop
- Project Updates & Stormwater
Management - Council Chambers

March 14 | 3pm New Fire Station
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony -
240 Jackson avenue

March 14 | 6:30pm Beachside
Smiles Movie Night - Frank P.
Catino Park (formerly DeSoto Park)

March 17 - 21 | Spring Break Camps
- DRS Community Center

March 19 | 6pm Council Meeting

March 20 | 5:30 pm - 7pm Business
Networking Event - Cadillac Cove

March 25 | 12pm Lunch and Learn
Recreational Opportunities -
City Hall Council Chambers

March 26 | 4pm - 6pm Library Story
Walk - Frank P. Catino Park
(formerly DeSoto Park)

April 2025

April 1 | Summer Activity
Registration Opens - Register
online or in person at the DRS
Community Center

April 2 | 6pm Council Meeting

April 5 | 8am - 12pm Trash Bash -
Pelican Beach Park

April 10 | 3:30pm - 5pm
Gopher Tortoise Day - Satellite
Beach Library

April 12 | 10pm - 12pm Breakfast
with the Easter Bunny
(Pre-Registration is required) -
Pelican Beach Park

April 15 | 6:30pm Lions Club Tri-Tip
BBQ Dinner - Pelican Beach Park

April 16 | 6pm Council Meeting

April 17 | 7:45pm - 9pm Flashlight
Easter Egg Hunt - Baseball Field at
Frank P. Catino Park (formerly
DeSoto Park)

April 19 | 8am - 12pm To Write Love
On Her Arms (TWLOHA) Move It 5k
- DRS Community Center

April 22 | 12pm Lunch and Learn
Managing Stormwater -
Satellite Beach Civic Center

April 23 | 6pm Council Workshop -
Homestead Exemption, Budget
Planning, and Community Priorities

April 24 | 5:30pm - 7pm Business
Networking Event - Cadillac Cove

Ongoing Events

Satellite Beach Farmers Market
DRS Community Center
Thursdays from 10am - 4pm

Volunteer Opportunities
The Recreation Department has
a variety of ways you can have
fun while giving back to the
community and earning academic
community service hours.
Age Restrictions apply. For more
information contact the
Recreation Department.

Beach Cleanups
First Sunday of each month at
9am, Hightower Beach Park
for more information, email
margaretthehuman@gmail.com

POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE



Teeny Bopper Nights continue each
month on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays
from 6:30 - 9:00PM for ages K-6th
grade. The cost is \$8.00, and the
Snack Bar will be open to purchase
snacks and pizza.

PAL COED Youth Basketball League:

Ages 5-6yrs/Cost: \$80,

Ages: 7-16yrs/Cost: \$100

Summer Basketball Registration

begins in March and in April at the
Teen Zone on Friday nights from
4:30-6:30pm. Summer basketball
season runs June thru August 2025.
Please note, due to the large amount,
we are no longer accepting
registration forms via email.

Looking for community service hours?

Please give us a call. Any
questions about any our youth
programs, please contact us at
321-777-8336 or Pal@satellitebeach.org.



Stay connected with the City of Satellite Beach
via Facebook, www.satellitebeach.gov, or the
Mighty Networks app by searching "Satellite
Beach Residents" and customizing your
notifications.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Join us for our annual

Breakfast with the Bunny

Saturday, April 12th at 10am

Pelican Beach Park
1525 Florida A1A, Satellite Beach

Egg Hunt for Ages: 0-6

Egg Hunt Tickets: \$10
Breakfast only tickets: \$5

Resident Registration Now Open
www.playsatellitebeach.org
Open registration begins March 1st



Hop into Easter Fun with Satellite Beach Recreation!

April 12 - Breakfast with the Bunny

Join us for an egg-citing day of Easter fun! Children from infants through 1st grade are invited to hunt for colorful eggs and enjoy the thrill as the Easter Bunny makes a grand entrance on a fire truck. The event kicks off at 10 AM, so don't be late!

Start your day with a pancake breakfast, brought to you in collaboration with the Satellite Beach Lions Club. It's the perfect way to fuel up for all the Easter festivities! There will be plenty of fun activities for everyone to enjoy, including a chance to snap a picture with the Easter Bunny, fun crafts, and a petting zoo.

Ticket Prices:

- **Children:** \$10 (includes breakfast)
- **Adults and older siblings:** \$5 (breakfast only)



This is a beloved community tradition that you won't want to miss. Remember, all tickets must be purchased in advance - no tickets will be available at the event.

Don't wait - this event sells out every year! Scan the QR code to register now and secure your spot for a day of Easter fun and memories.

April 17 - Flashlight Egg Hunt

Join one of our most anticipated events of the season - our Annual Flashlight Egg Hunt! Experience the thrill of hunting for Easter eggs in the dark, guided by your flashlight. From glowing eggs to golden eggs, you'll be on the lookout for the ones with golden tickets to win egg-citing prizes!

The Glow-in-the-Dark Easter Bunny will make a special appearance, and dessert vendors will add to the fun. Bags will be provided, so leave your Easter baskets at home, but don't forget to bring your own flashlight. This event is a whirlwind of excitement, so be ready for a night of fast-paced fun and adventure!

Flashlight Egg Hunt Details:

- **Cost:** \$10 per child
- **Arrival:** Arrive at DeSoto Baseball Field by 7:45 PM
- **Hunt Begins:** Promptly at 8 PM



Buy your tickets early - this event sells out every year, and you won't want to miss it! Remember, all tickets must be purchased in advance - no tickets will be available at the event. **Don't wait - this event sells out every year!** Scan the QR code to register now and secure your spot for a day and night of Easter fun and memories.

Spring Break Camps: March 17-21

Get ready for an action-packed Spring Break with our amazing camps! There's something for everyone, so don't miss out on the fun:

- **Nerf Camp:** Gear up for epic battles and thrilling missions!
- **Super Slime Party:** Where messy fun meets creativity!
- **Skate Camp:** Master new tricks and make new friends!
- **Dance/Gymnastics Camp:** Move, Groove, and Tumble!
- **Pre-K Dance/Pre-Gym Camps:** Little ones can join in the fun too!
- **Babysitting Bootcamp:** Learn valuable skills and become a certified babysitter!



For full details, check out our website or call for availability. Secure your spot today and make this Spring Break unforgettable!

For a full list of recreation classes, programs, and events, visit us 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 and Instagram @playsatellitebeach or check out the calendar at the front of the newsletter.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

Flashlight Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 17th at 8pm

DeSoto Baseball Fields
499 DeSoto Pwky Satellite Beach

Hunt begins promptly at 8PM
please arrive by 7:45PM

Ages 6-13
All tickets, \$10

Resident Registration Now Open
www.playsatellitebeach.org
Open registration begins March 1st



SAVE THE DATE!

Get Ready for Summer Fun!

Mark your calendars for **April 1st**, when registration for our amazing summer programs opens! The highly anticipated **Summer Recreation Activity Guide** will be out the first week of April, featuring all the incredible summer camps, swim lessons, and community activities offered to beachside residents. Don't miss out on the chance to secure your spot in these awesome programs - join us for a summer of fun and adventure!

SCAN ME



SATELLITE BEACH WOMEN'S CLUB

Please mark your calendars for November 1, 2025, Founders' Day/Marketplace. Stay tuned for details. We are staying focused on our service work.

We are offering two (\$1,000.00) scholarships to Satellite High School female seniors. The application is online with the Brevard Schools Foundation; deadline is March 9, 2025. <https://brevardschoolsfoundation.org/programs/scholarships>

We are supporters of the Super Hero Run annual event organized by Friends of Children of Brevard. It is April 26, 2025. If you're interested contact: Marilza at 321-543-5113 or by email: novaescardmarilza@gmail.com.

We want to remind all that March is **Women's History Month**. In 1987, Congress assigned this month to honor women's achievements. Notable women who paved the way are Sandra Day O'Connor 1st female appointed to the Supreme Court to Jackie Joyner Kersee winning two consecutive Olympic gold medals to Senator Margaret Chase Smith the 1st female senator. Women serving in the 119th Congress (2025-2027) are 25 Women in the US Senate and 125 Women in the US House of Representative. Women are working hard to break barriers and will continue to do so to have equal representation.

April is **National Library Month**: please consider donations to our local library and school libraries. SBWC Environment Service group is doing beach cleanup monthly. If you are interested in joining us at the beach contact Sharon: sroz52@gmail.com

If you are interested in joining Satellite Beach Woman's Club please contact Terry: terrytiller@gmail.com



SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB

Mark your calendars for the **Satellite Beach Lions Club Tri-Tip BBQ** coming **April 15th**. The Lions are hosting this all-you-can-eat tri-tip dinner at Pelican Beach Park from 6:30pm till dark. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased in advance or at the door. We'll be serving Tri-Tip, sausage, and burgers fresh off the grill, along with mac-n-cheese, baked beans, potato salad, and other sides, plus a big variety of desserts and beverages. We'll also have our traditional 50/50 raffle, so stay till the end if you buy a 50/50 ticket! Thanks to our partnership with the City, parking will not be enforced for this event. Park hassle-free and enjoy a delicious dinner and a fun evening with us. To purchase advanced tickets, ask any Satellite Beach Lions member, or stop by Complete Air and Heat (1395 S. Patrick). Call/Text Lion Alan at 321-917-5338 if you have any questions.



All proceeds from our fundraisers go to community service projects and donations to other worthy causes. Our biggest service project is our KidSight eye screening program. Our trained screeners tested over 4,000 students last year in 80 schools and preschools. Of those 4,432, just over 300 kids were found to have sight problems that no one had detected yet. This is just one way your support of our fundraisers makes a difference, and we thank you.

55+ CLUB OF SATELLITE BEACH

Your local 55+ Club wishes you a bright and beautiful spring!

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.

Every third Thursday of the month, the club sponsors Facts & Snacks – our version of a lunch and learn. It is held at the David R Schechter Community Center, 1089 S Patrick Drive. This program begins at 11:30am and included lunch.

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.

On Wednesdays, both during the day and in the evening, there are a variety of card and game activities to choose from. Pinochle, Rummikub, Bridge, Mahjongg, Poker, Canasta, Cribbage and more. With more than 20 different activities on our regular schedule, there's sure to be something to match your interests.



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

March 19th – Club Meeting - 10am
March 21st – Facts & Snacks – 11:30am
April 16th – Club Meeting – 10am
April 17th – Facts & Snacks – 11:30am



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/email Jill Blakeway, President, at 321-431-0038/ jillb215@aol.com.

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

ADULT PROGRAMING (AGES 18+)

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

Winter Reading Challenge

Continuing through March 26: Sign up for the Winter Reading Challenge and participate for a chance to win a gift basket.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Acrylic Pour Painting Party

Saturday, 3/1: 1 PM. Celebrate spring by creating an abstract painting. No experience required. Participants will need to return to the library the following week to pick up their art. Free and all material provided. Class size is limited. Ages 18+. Register with Reference at (321) 779-4004.

Crepe Paper Flower Class

Saturday, 3/29: 1 PM. Create your own crepe paper flower. Free. Class size is limited. Ages 13 and up. Register with Reference at (321) 779-4004.

Moonlighters Quilting Group

Monday, 3/10 & 4/14: 5:30 PM. All welcome. From 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM, create a quilt block for donation. Free and all materials provided.

Seaside Piecemakers Quilting Class

Monday, 3/17 & 4/21: 9:30 AM - 3 PM. Check the Seaside Piecemakers' website at SeasidePiecemakers.com for more information.

Indian River Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America

Friday, 3/21 & 4/18: 10 AM. Check Facebook page "Welcoming Stitches" for details.
Saturday, 4/12: 1 PM - 5 PM. Open to public and members. Embroidery stitching.

BOOK CLUBS

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

Speedy Saturday Walking Club

Saturday, 3/8 & 4/12: 9:15 AM. Meets briefly in the library before walking the nearby paved paths. Reading *The Mysterious Affair at Styles* by Agatha Christie in March and *Murder in the Locked Library* by Ellery Adams in April.

Tea Time Book Club

Monday, 3/24 & 4/28: 1 PM. Reading *A Short Walk through a Wide World* by Douglas Westerbeke in March and *Miss Morgan's Book Brigade* by Janet Skeslien Charles in April.

Tea Time Too Book Club

Tuesday, 3/25 & 4/29: 12:15 PM. Reading the same monthly titles as the Tea Time Book Club. Register with Reference at (321) 779-4004.

Satellite Beach Woman's Club Book Discussion

Friday, 3/14 & 4/11: 12 PM. Bring a book you want to talk about and a bag lunch.

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.



FOLLOW US

Friends of the Satellite Beach Library Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofthesatellitebeachlibrary>

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

EDUCATION & ASSISTANCE

Community Support Advocate

Friday, 3/14 & 4/11: 9 AM - 5 PM. Offers help with housing, jobs, SNAP benefits, social security benefits, health care and insurance, senior resources, and more. Schedule an appointment with the Reference Department at (321) 779-4004. Walk-ins will be accepted as availability allows.

AARP Driver Safety Program

Saturday, 4/26: 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM. 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

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

Master Gardener Clinic

Mondays: 10 AM - 12 PM in the lobby. Bring your gardening questions 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, 3/3 & 4/7: 6 PM - 7:30 PM. Playing from available tabletop games. Snacks provided. Join anytime.

Beachside Strummers

Friday, 3/14, 3/28, 4/11 & 4/25: 9:30 AM - 11 AM. Ukulele club. No instruction provided. Open to all.

Matinee Movies

Monday, 3/10 & 4/14: 1 PM. Watch movies for free at the library! Shown with closed captioning. 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.

MARCH/APRIL

Read Your Way to K: Toddlers

Wednesdays: 10 AM. Ages 15 months to 36 months. No registration required.

Read Your Way to K: Preschool

Thursdays: 10 AM. Ages 3 to 5. No registration required.

Brick Builders Club

1st and 3rd Wednesdays: 3:30 PM. Choose between a brick building challenge or free building. Ages 5 to 12. All materials provided. No registration required.

STEM Club

4th Wednesday: 3:30 PM. Ages 5 - 12. All materials provided. No registration required.

Cine-mania - Movies at the Library!

1st & 3rd Thursday: 3:30 PM. Recommended for ages 5+. Call for schedule & movie details. Bring a blanket.

March Family Game Night

2nd Thursday, 3/13: 3:30 PM. All ages. All materials provided. No registration required.

March Teen Specialty Event: Chef Fernando

Wednesday, 3/19: 1 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Specialty cooking class for teens. Learn about fresh spices and sample some delicious fare. Registration REQUIRED.

Teen Night

2nd Tuesdays: 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Call for schedule, activity & registration details.

Teen Anime Club

3rd Tuesdays: 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Call for anime showing and details.

April Teen Book Club

1st Tuesday, 4/1: 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Reading "They Both Die at the End" by Adam Silvera - call for more details. Registration REQUIRED.

Read to a Therapy Dog

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