



CITY OF SATELLITE BEACH BEACHCASTER

YOUR OFFICIAL CITY NEWSLETTER

JULY—AUGUST 2026

MILITARY HONOR WALL UNVEILING

IN HONOR OF

AMERICA'S 250TH BIRTHDAY

Scotty Culp Municipal Complex

565 Cassia Blvd

Satellite Beach, FL 32937

7:30am-9am

07.01.2026

Looking Back, Looking Forward: Celebrating Nearly 70 Years of Service

The City of Satellite Beach was incorporated on August 3, 1957, and next year we will celebrate our 70th anniversary. This milestone provides an opportunity to reflect on our history, recognize what we have accomplished together, and look ahead to the future of our community.

At the June 17th City Council meeting, City staff presented a comprehensive overview of the services we provide, the accomplishments we have achieved, and the challenges we face as we continue serving our residents. We encourage everyone to review the presentation, which is available on the City's website.

Whether or not you have an opportunity to watch the presentation, we hope you will take time to learn more about the work performed by each department. Every day, our employees work to provide high-quality services that help make Satellite Beach a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family.

Getting Involved

One of the things that makes Satellite Beach special is the involvement of our residents. We welcome opportunities to collaborate with residents, businesses, and community organizations.

This year, two City Council seats will be on the ballot in November. We also have several advisory boards that provide residents with an opportunity to become involved in local government and help shape the future of our community. Serving on a board is a great way to learn more about how the City operates and to gain experience before potentially seeking elected office. Visit the City's website to learn more and apply!

Our website also contains extensive information about the City's history, services, accomplishments, and future plans. We encourage residents to explore these resources and learn more about their local government.

Looking Ahead: Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget

As we plan for the future, we invite residents to participate in the upcoming budget process.

On July 29th at 6:00 p.m., the City Council will hold a Special Meeting at City Hall to review the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year. During this meeting, the Council will establish the tentative millage rate, and staff will present information regarding employee benefits, compensation, capital projects, and operational priorities.

This year also marks the completion of the City's first Zero-Based Budget process. This approach required departments to justify expenditures from the ground up and helped ensure taxpayer dollars are spent as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Staying Connected

We understand that it can be difficult to keep up with everything happening throughout the City. Staff works hard to communicate through newsletters, website updates, social media, public meetings, and community events.

We are committed to continuing to improve our communication efforts. If you ever have questions, need clarification, or want to verify information you have heard, please contact us. Every department's contact information is available on the City's website, and our staff is always willing to meet with residents to discuss City matters.

Understanding the South Housing Annexation

Recently, there has been significant social media discussion regarding the South Housing area and decisions that originated with its annexation in 1999.

To help ensure residents have access to factual information, the City is creating a dedicated webpage that will provide historical documents, timelines, and background information regarding this property.

The annexation was considered during a period when Satellite Beach was largely built out, taxable values had stagnated, and opportunities for future growth were limited. The question was placed before voters, who approved the annexation by a remarkable margin of 77 percent.

That decision helped preserve several important community assets, including approximately one-half mile of uninterrupted beachfront at Hightower Beach and the Sports Park, where generations of residents have participated in youth sports, visited the dog park, and gathered for community events.

The decisions made at that time reflected a commitment to maintaining Satellite Beach as a family-oriented community. Nearly three decades later, those values remain central to our mission.

We encourage residents to review the information that will be available on the City's website or to schedule a meeting with the City Manager to discuss the history and facts surrounding this topic.

Dogs on the Beach Pilot Program

Community engagement continues to shape City policies and programs.

Did you know the City's Dogs on the Beach Pilot Program began with a resident suggestion?

Following discussions with residents, the City Council authorized a pilot program in December 2025. The program operated from January through April 2026 and generated a wide range of feedback. While many residents enjoyed the opportunity, others expressed concerns.

Rather than making an immediate decision regarding a permanent program, the City Council directed the Sustainability Board and Recreation Board to jointly evaluate the issue and develop potential recommendations.

 A public workshop will be held on Tuesday July 14th at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Subject matter experts will discuss various aspects of allowing leashed dogs on the beach, including both benefits and challenges.

Most importantly, we want to hear from you.

 A community survey will be available from July 1 through July 31. Residents can participate by scanning the QR code included with this article or by visiting the City's website.

 Survey results will be shared with both boards before their second workshop on Thursday, August 20th, where they may consider a recommendation to the City Council.

This process reflects the City's commitment to transparency, public participation, and thoughtful decision-making.



Scan this QR code to reach the survey for Dogs on the Beach!



For nearly seven decades, the City of Satellite Beach has been committed to serving its residents. While our community has evolved over time, our mission remains the same: providing excellent services, maintaining a high quality of life, and preserving the unique character of our city.

We encourage you to attend a meeting, volunteer for a board, participate in community discussions, or consider serving in elected office. The future of Satellite Beach depends on engaged residents who care about their community.

Thank you for allowing us to serve you. We look forward to continuing that service for many years to come.



Thank you to the staff and volunteers who helped place flags around City Hall on Memorial Day!

CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

City Council meetings are open to the public and available to view on the City's website at www.satellitebeach.gov. For more information on an item, please contact the City Clerk at (321) 773-4407 or clerk@satellitebeach.gov.

April 22, 2026, Workshop

- Received a presentation on the proposed FY 2026-27 Budget, millage rate, 10% Reduction exercise, Salary and Benefits costs, and Capital Improvement Program

May 6, 2026, Regular Meeting

- Swearing in of new Police Chief, Ronnie Kinsey.
- Held a public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 1286 on second reading, pertaining to expanding the Dogs on the Beach pilot program; the Council referred the topic to the Recreation and Sustainability Boards to hold a Joint Meeting to discuss the topic and determine a balanced approach to the program for Council consideration.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1287 on first reading, adding "Amusement Center" as a permitted use in the Commercial Zoning District.
- Adopted Resolution No. 1072, which amended Recreation Department fees.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1288 on first reading, amending the Fiscal Year 25-26 Budget.
- Reappointed Mark Barton to the Board of Adjustment and Yena Williams to the Library Board, and appointed Mark Barton as an Alternate on the Tree & Beautification Board.

May 20, 2026, Regular Meeting

- Presented a proclamation for National Public Works Week.
- Presented a proclamation for Emergency Services Week.
- Swearing in of Eric Tippins as Fire Captain.
- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1287 on second reading, adding "Amusement Center" as a permitted use in the Commercial Zoning District.
- Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 1288 on second reading, amending the Fiscal Year 25-26 Budget.

June 3, 2026, Regular Meeting

- Presented a certificate recognizing Celina Coryell and Keira Merrick for their State Championships in Track events.
- Approved a Quit Claim Deed of Delaura Court Right-of-Way
- Approved utilizing Brevard County Contract for Dredging and Sediment Management Continuing Consulting Services and approve the agreement between the City of Satellite Beach and Applied Ecology, LLC for Construction Engineering and Related Consulting Services.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1289 on first reading, prohibiting the sales/rentals of concessions on any beach within the City.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1290 on first reading, allowing rentals of LSV's (Low Speed Vehicles) as a conditional use to the Commercial Zoning District.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1291 on first reading, regarding animated signs.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1292 on first reading, pertaining to hours of operation for certain businesses.
- Approved Ordinance No. 1293 on first reading, providing for replacement of dune crossovers.

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

JULY 1, 2026—CANCELLED

JULY 14, 6:00 PM—FIRST JOINT MEETING BETWEEN RECREATION AND SUSTAINABILITY BOARDS RE: DOGS ON THE BEACH

JULY 15, 6:00 PM—CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

JULY 29, 6:00 PM—SPECIAL MEETING RE: BUDGET

AUGUST 5, 6:00 PM—CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 19, 6:00 PM—CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 20, 6:00 PM—SECOND JOINT MEETING BETWEEN RECREATION AND SUSTAINABILITY BOARDS RE: DOGS ON THE BEACH





VETERAN SPOTLIGHT:

HONORING THOSE THAT SERVED BY RON CULP



Gary Johnson was born in Plymouth, Indiana, and raised by his mother, Marilyn, a dedicated schoolteacher who instilled in him patriotism, a love of reading, and the value of perseverance. He attended Plymouth High School and, as a junior, served as a student manager for the basketball team that won the 1982 Indiana State Championship. After graduating in 1983, Gary sought experiences beyond his hometown. Wanting to see the world, challenge himself physically, and jump out of airplanes, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1984. After completing Infantryman/Mortarman (11C) training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he spent four years as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Shortly before a deployment to the Sinai Peninsula, he met Donna Szabo, a schoolteacher from Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. They maintained their relationship during his deployment and married on July 11, 1987.

Following his military service, the Johnsons moved to Satellite Beach in 1988 so Gary could attend Florida Tech while Donna taught elementary school in Cocoa. Using the GI Bill, he earned a bachelor's degree in Aviation Management/Flight Technology, became a Certified Flight Instructor, and volunteered with the Satellite Beach Volunteer Fire Department. After graduating in 1992, the family moved to Pittsburgh, where Gary earned a master's degree in Industrial and Labor Relations from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and developed an interest in law. They returned to Florida in 1994 so he could attend Nova Southeastern University School of Law. A 1996 legal internship at Fort Rucker, Alabama, inspired him to pursue the Army JAG Corps. He graduated in 1997, passed the Florida Bar, and was commissioned as a First Lieutenant in 1998.

Over the next 16 years, Gary served in a variety of legal leadership positions throughout the Army. As an Administrative Law Attorney with U.S. Army Central Command, he deployed to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Afghanistan during the initial combat operations following September 11, 2001. He later served as Defense Counsel for the 82nd Airborne Division, Chief of Military Justice for U.S. Army Special Forces Command, and Brigade Judge Advocate for the 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, deploying to Kirkuk, Iraq, for 15 months during the 2007 troop surge. Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 2011, his final assignment was as Chief of the Army's JAG Recruiting Office at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He retired in 2014 after 20 years of service and 50 static-line parachute jumps.

After retirement, Gary worked as a career counselor at George Washington University Law School before moving back to Satellite Beach with his family in 2016. In 2018, he returned to Florida Tech and to his lifelong passion for aviation. As one of the university's most experienced flight instructors, he has accumulated more than 3,100 flight hours in single- and multi-engine aircraft. He continues to work part-time as a check airman conducting flight evaluations for Florida Tech students and also serves as a pilot for Skydive Sebastian.

Gary and Donna have been married for 39 years and have two children. Their son, Alex, lives in Washington, D.C., works for the U.S. Department of State, and served as an Army Reserve officer. Their daughter, Lindsay, is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy (Class of 2014) and an Air Force pilot who has flown both the A-10 and F-35. Donna retired in 2024 after a distinguished 36-year teaching career spanning six states. Today, Gary and Donna enjoy traveling and spending time with family and lifelong friends.

Thank you Gary for your faithful service to our Great Nation!



SATELLITE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT



PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL BOX

SATELLITE POLICE DEPARTMENT
510 CINNAMON DRIVE
SATELLITE BEACH, FL 32937
(LOCATED IN LOBBY)

**THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL
BOX IS AVAILABLE FROM**
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8 A.M. 4:30 P.M.

**THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL
BOX ACCEPTED PRESCRIPTIONS:**

- PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS
- PRESCRIPTION PATCHES
- OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS
- VITAMINS
- PRESCRIPTION SAMPLES
- MEDICATIONS FOR PETS

**PRESCRIPTIONS NOT ACCEPTED
FOR DISPOSAL:**

- OINTMENTS,
- LIQUIDS OF ANY KIND,
- AEROSOL CANS
- INHALERS
- NEEDLES
- CHEMOTHERAPY DRUGS
- THERMOMETERS

**? QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS REGARDING OUR
PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL BOX MAY
BE DIRECTED TO:**

✉ Records@satellitebeach.gov
☎ 321-773-4400

**DEPOSIT YOUR UNWANTED
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS HERE!**
Keep prescription medicine away from
our children and out of our water supply!

MedReturn

YES – Accepted

- Prescriptions
- Prescription Patches
- Prescription Medications
- Over-the-counter medications
- Vitamins
- Samples
- Medications for pets

STOP

These items are
not accepted
for this collection unit.



MedReturn
Drug Collection Unit

SAFE. SECURE. RESPONSIBLE.
PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY
PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT
PROTECT OUR FUTURE

THE CALL SOUNDS REAL. THAT'S WHY IT WORKS.

Can you spot the SCAM?

These are real scams that have been reported to our agency and other local Law Enforcement Agencies.



SCAM 1

PAYING A UTILITY OR SERVICE PROVIDER

You receive a call or text from an unknown number claiming to be from your utility company, delivery service or a service provider. The unknown caller or text states your account is past due and will be disconnected, or your package will be delayed unless you make an immediate payment.



BIGGEST RED FLAGS

- They say you must pay immediately to avoid disconnection.
- They demand payment with gift cards, prepaid cards, or cryptocurrency.
- They call from an unknown number.
- They ask for personal or banking information.



ASK YOURSELF

- Why am I being pressured to act immediately?
- Can I verify this by calling the company directly using a number I trust?
- Why is a utility or service provider asking for gift cards or crypto?

SCAM 2

FAKE WARRANTS – PAY BY GIFT CARD, BARCODE, OR BITCOIN

You receive a call from someone claiming to be a police officer or federal agent. They say you have a federal warrants for your arrest for missing jury duty or contempt of court. They say you can pay a fine or bond immediately to clear the warrants.

They may instruct you to:

- Withdraw cash and go to convenience store to have barcodes scanned to send the payment.
- Purchase gift cards
- Make a payment at a Bitcoin machine.



BIGGEST RED FLAGS

- Law enforcement will NEVER call you about warrants.
- Law Enforcement will NEVER ask you to pay a fine or bond over the phone.
- No court or law enforcement agency accepts payment with gift cards, barcodes, or Bitcoin.
- They may tell you not to hang up or to keep it a secret.
- They may send you barcodes or give you instructions on how to transfer money.



ASK YOURSELF

- Why would I have a FEDERAL warrant if I have never been in any criminal proceedings?
- Why would a police officer ask me to pay with gift cards, barcodes, or Bitcoin?
- Can I verify this by calling the court or law enforcement agency directly using the official number?
- Why am I being told to keep this a secret?

SCAM LOSSES REPORTED TO THE SATELLITE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT (LAST YEAR)



BITCOIN SCAMS

OVER
\$60,000
IN ATTEMPTED SCAMS

MORE THAN
\$50,000
LOST TO SCAMMERS



**DON'T BE
THE NEXT
VICTIM.**



GIFT CARD, BARCODE, ZELLE & PAYPAL SCAMS

OVER
\$65,000
IN ATTEMPTED SCAMS

MORE THAN
\$16,000
LOST TO SCAMMERS

NOT SURE IF IT'S A SCAM? HANG UP AND CALL US.

THE SATELLITE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT IS HERE TO HELP.

IF SOMETHING DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT, CALL OUR NON-EMERGENCY # (321) 773-4400.

WE'D RATHER ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS TODAY THAN TAKE A FRAUD REPORT TOMORROW.



Red, White + Lagoon Blue

DON'T LET YOUR CELEBRATION POLLUTE

Everything left in the streets, like fireworks debris, plastic, and litter can wash into storm drains and pollute the Lagoon. Please be **mindful** and **safe**.



Visit satellitebeach.gov/stormwater

COLD SNAP DAMAGE? CONSIDER THESE REPLACEMENTS

This past winter's cold snap took a toll on many landscapes throughout Satellite Beach. If you lost shrubs, trees, palms, or flowering plants, now is a great opportunity to replace them with species that provide beauty, wildlife benefits, and lower maintenance requirements. When selecting replacement plants, consider native species that are adapted to our coastal environment and more resilient to future weather extremes.



SHRUBS

Simpson's Stopper

- (Myrcianthes fragrans)
- Fragrant flowers and colorful berries.
 - Attracts birds and pollinators.

Yaupon Holly

- (Ilex vomitoria)
- Extremely tough and adaptable.
 - Available in shrub, small tree, and weeping forms.
 - Attracts birds and pollinators.

TREES

Dahoon Holly (Ilex cassine) & American Holly (Ilex opaca)

- Classic holly appearance with glossy green leaves and bright red berries.
- Excellent wildlife tree.

Cabbage Palm (Sabal palmetto)

- Florida's state tree remains one of the most reliable palms for coastal landscapes, offering excellent cold tolerance and storm resilience.

OTHER

Walter's Viburnum (Viburnum obovatum)

- Extremely tough native shrub or small tree form
- Can be trimmed into hedges or left natural
- Handles cold, drought, and pruning well

Saw Palmetto (Serenoa repens)

- One of the most durable natives
- Great ground-level "palm shrub" structure
- Excellent wildlife value
- Very drought and cold tolerant

Native Plant Guide

UF IFAS Extension



hello



Fireworks are an iconic symbol for the 4th of July and a phenomenon that brings great joy to many throughout the year. However, fireworks are not all fun and games, and have a great impact on the world around us.

Fireworks, Wildlife and our Lagoon

One of the best ways to reduce impacts on animals and the environment is to enjoy a public fireworks display instead of setting off fireworks at home.

Concentrating fireworks in one location helps reduce noise pollution and limits widespread disturbances that can frighten birds, mammals, reptiles, and other wildlife.

Pets also experience less stress when fireworks are confined to designated areas. Keep your pets indoors and comfortable this holiday season.

Public displays help reduce litter and debris on our beaches and in our waterways. Fireworks should never be launched into the ocean, lagoon, canal, storm drains or any waterway.

Fireworks Safety On & After Independence Day

Despite burn bans and state or county ordinances, fireworks activity often continues throughout July and into August. This means the risk of fires, injuries and emergency calls are a reality. If you choose to celebrate with fireworks, the Satellite Beach Fire Department encourages you to follow these important safety guidelines

Post-Holiday Fireworks Are Risky

- Leftover fireworks are often stored improperly, or become unstable in Florida's heat and humidity.
- People may be less cautious once the holiday excitement fades.
- Dry patches between summer storms increase fire risk.
- Even small items like sparklers can burn at extremely high temperatures and easily ignite clothing, dry grass, or nearby structures.



Common Calls SBFD frequently responds to:

- Brush and grass fires from discarded fireworks
- Burns to hands, face, and eyes
- Fires on roofs or in yards from falling debris
- Trash can fires from improperly disposed fireworks

Safety Reminders

- Never relight "dud" fireworks
 - Wait 20 minutes, then soak them in water
- Keep a water source nearby, such as a hose or bucket
- Light one firework at a time and maintain a safe distance
- Supervise children at all times
 - Sparklers are not as harmless as they seem

Proper Firework Disposal Tips

- Pick up all trash and firework debris
- Never throw fireworks that are still hot or active directly into trash cans
- Soak all used and unused fireworks in water for several hours
- Place fireworks in a metal container whenever possible, instead of plastic or cardboard

Help us keep Satellite Beach safe by making responsible choices.

If you see a fire or emergency, call 911 immediately. For wildlife emergencies, please contact Wild Florida Rescue (321-821-7881) or Florida Wildlife Hospital (321-254-8843).

STORMWATER AND YOU

WHAT IS AN ILLICIT DISCHARGE?

Stormwater is rainwater that runs off impervious surfaces into structures and conveyances such as inlets and swales. This water ultimately ends up in the Indian River Lagoon. An illicit discharge is any non-stormwater discharge/dumping into the City's stormwater system, including, but not limited to:

- Paints, oils, and solvents
- Cleaning and equipment washing waste
- Vehicle fluids
- Commercial vehicle washing
- Lawn clippings and yard debris
- Construction waste such as concrete and grout
- Cooking oil and grease
- Laundry wastewater/ detergent

HOW CAN I HELP?

- Do not dump or discharge anything around or on streets, curbs, stormwater drains, ponds, or swales.
- Dispose of all hazardous materials and vehicle fluids at an authorized collection center.
- Keep your vehicle properly maintained.
- Blow lawn clippings back onto the lawn.
- Never wash paint, stucco, grout, concrete, or other construction materials into the stormwater system.
- If you see an illicit discharge, report it to Community Development at (321) 773-4409.



Understanding Pervious vs. Impervious Surfaces

Why It Matters in Satellite Beach



WHY IT MATTERS FOR SATELLITE BEACH

- ✓ Reduce flooding & standing water
- ✓ Protect the Indian River Lagoon and local waterways
- ✓ Maintain groundwater levels
- ✓ Support the City's stormwater management system

For Questions or Assistance, Visit: www.satellitebeach.gov
(321) 773-4409



NO FERTILIZER!

Keep harmful nutrients found in fertilizer from washing off lawns into storm drains. Help protect the Indian River Lagoon this rainy season.

FERTILIZER BAN

JUNE 1ST - SEPT 30TH



LUNCH & LEARN City Speaker Series

UNDERSTANDING THE CITY BUDGET

Join us for a free lunch and an informative session as we break down the City Budget, what it funds, how it's built, and why it matters to you. Whether you're curious about city priorities or just want to better understand where your tax dollars go, this is a great opportunity to learn & ask questions in a relaxed setting.

12pm - 1pm
July 28
Satellite Beach Civic Center
Scotty Culp Room
321-773-4407

When Fronds Go Wrong: Do's and Don'ts of Yard Waste Disposal

When you trim your palm fronds and other vegetation in your yard, it might be tempting to stack the debris on the storm drain or in the gutter. When placed this way, yard waste will often end up in our storm drains and pipes, clogging them and potentially causing flooding. When it decomposes in the stormwater system, vegetative debris may also contribute to nutrient pollution that harms our lagoon. Some points to remember:

Do... Put it in the Cart

- If possible, yard waste should be cut to lengths of four feet or less and placed in your green 96-gallon cart for collection.
- You may also use your trash cart for yard waste if it is not mixed with household trash and set out on the correct day for vegetative debris pickup.

Don't...

- Don't place yard waste in plastic bags.
- Don't mix in other debris that is not yard waste (such as wood fencing, doors, landscaping timbers, etc.).
- Don't obstruct or conceal fire hydrants or water meters.
- Don't place yard waste on vacant lots, City streets, medians or parks.

Do... Put it by the Curb

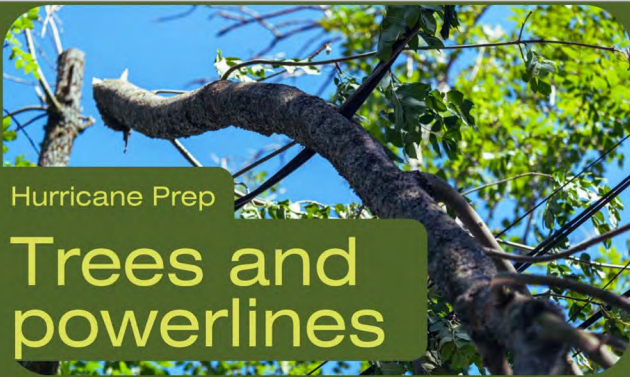
- If you are unable to fit yard waste in your cart, you may place it by the curb.
- When placing yard waste at the curb for collection, **do not place it on or in storm drains or in any manner that could obstruct drainage.** Place it behind the curb and off the road and gutter.

Do... Report Issues

- If you see a clogged storm drain, report it to Public Works at (321) 777-2309 or email sbpwprojects@satellitebeach.gov.
- If you see improperly managed yard waste, report it to the Community Development at (321) 773-4409 or email cdd@satellitebeach.gov.
- Remember: Yard waste generated by landscape contractors or tree removal workers must be disposed of by the contractor.



The Satellite Beach Sustainability Board is offering free solar assessments for homeowners and businesses. **If interested, contact Steve Gillem at Stevegillem@gmail.com.**



Hurricane Prep

Trees and powerlines

Trees in contact or within 10ft of power lines have the potential to conduct electricity and pose serious threats like fires during storms!

How You Can Prepare:

- For safety, only use qualified line-clearance tree trimmers when working near power lines. Contact FPL or submit a vegetation management request through their online services to schedule tree trimming around utility lines.
- Avoid trimming trees too close to an approaching storm. Loose branches and debris may not be collected before severe weather arrives, creating a significant safety hazard and increasing the risk of property damage.
- When pruning or trimming trees, focus on removing select interior branches to thin the canopy. A properly thinned canopy allows wind to pass through more easily, reducing wind resistance and helping minimize storm-related damage.
- PPE (Personal Protective Equipment): Use It! Wear safety glasses, gloves, and appropriate closed-toe footwear to help prevent injuries while working.

FPL
Vegetation
Request
Portal



**Don't
take
the
risk!**

PLASTIC FREE JULY



Ditch the Disposable
Discard plastic properly

Florida Statutes § 379.233

Balloon releases are illegal in Florida and harmful to marine life.



✓ Use reusable bottles instead of bottled water

✓ Buy products with less packaging

✓ Use refillable cleaning products when available

✓ Bring reusable shopping bags

✓ Refuse unnecessary plastic utensils

WM Three
Basic Rules
to recycling



SATELLITE BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB



Please join us in congratulating our new
GFWC SBWC 2026–2028 Officers!



Deborah Ruscillo, President	Terry Miller, 1st VP	Deb Masse, 2nd VP	Barbara Fowle, Recording Secretary	Robin Gearheart- Saylor, Corresponding Secretary
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GFWC Satellite Beach Woman's Club asks you to **Save the Date** for **Founders Day/Marketplace celebration on Saturday, November 7, 2026**. The theme is **"Discover Our Hidden Gem, Small Town Charm, Big Florida Feeling!"** If you are interested in an outside vendor space contact Caroline Blalock at cblalock@satellitebeach.gov. For inside vendor space, contact Jacquie Silvernail at JacquieSilvernail@gmail.com.

SBWC Environment Service group is doing beach cleanup monthly. If you are interested in joining us at the beach contact Sharon at srozos52@gmail.com.

The Satellite Beach Woman's Club invites all women in our community to join us in serving our community. To learn more, contact debmasse@yahoo.com or visit gfwcsatellitebeachwomansclub.org.

SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB



The Satellite Beach Lions Club has long made vision care one of its signature community services. In addition to the KidSight screening program, the Club also helps to facilitate eye exams, glasses, and, in some cases, eye surgeries for people in need. This service is not highly advertised because resources are limited. As long as the Club has the funds and the people to work the cases, services are available.

What we do: We facilitate and pay for eye exam services and prescription eyeglasses for children and adults with financial need. Once eligibility is verified, the Lions club member will direct the client to a partner eyecare facility to make an appointment for an exam. Glasses will be made by the referred facility. Clients have a limited choice of standard frames to choose from.

Who qualifies: Those with a proven financial need, who are Brevard residents for at least 6 months, and are U.S. citizens or green card holders can qualify. Clients must be willing to answer detailed questions about income and expenses, and can only receive services once a year.

How to request help: Send an email to VisionHearing@sblionsclub.org detailing your need and contact info to begin the process. Someone from the Lions Club will reply with further instructions and a request to meet in-person to discuss eligibility.

SATELLITE BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB PRESENTS

Founders Day

PARADE & CRAFT VENDOR MARKET

11.07.2026
9AM -3PM



Artwork is an adaptation of poster created by
DeLaura students Enzo Scalise, Parker
Myhurum, Olise Cozier, and Uriah Cabrera



PARADE STEPS OFF AT 11 AM FROM DELAURA MIDDLE
SCHOOL. ENDS AT THE DRS COMMUNITY CENTER WHERE
OVER 200 SPECIALTY VENDORS ARE FEATURED!



Scan here for more information on the 55+ Club!



Interested in joining the 55+ Club?

More information about the 55+ club and our activities can be found at www.55plusclubofsb.com, or by scanning the QR code. You can also contact our President Vicki Stevens at 321-446-3206 or alaska11.vs@gmail.com.

Fishing Group

Fishing outings are now taking place on the first Thursday of each month. This schedule will give members time to organize their calendars and obtain any necessary fishing license or gear for the selected location. For more information, please contact Fishing Club Coordinator, Michael Sands at 910-232-7543 or mich.sandsjr@gmail.com

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Celebrate Parks & Recreation Month - July 2026

July is Parks and Recreation Month, and this year's national theme, "**The Power Of**", celebrates the incredible impact parks and recreation have in strengthening communities and enriching everyday life.

In Satellite Beach, parks and recreation are more than places and programs—they are where neighbors connect, families create memories, and community comes to life. Through high-quality facilities, accessible programming, and welcoming public spaces, we create opportunities for residents of all ages to stay active, build relationships, and enjoy meaningful experiences together.

From yoga and fitness classes to art programs, youth activities, special events, athletics, and countless opportunities to gather and play, our department is proud to support a healthy, vibrant, and connected community while continuing to invest in sustainable parks and recreation spaces for future generations.

Throughout July, we celebrate the many ways parks and recreation demonstrates The Power Of what brings us together:

- **The Power of Connection** – Creating spaces where friendships grow, cultures connect, and community thrives.
- **The Power of Play** – Inspiring creativity, joy, learning, and lifelong recreation opportunities.
- **The Power of Community** – Bringing people together to celebrate, connect, and build lasting memories.
- **The Power of Nature** – Preserving and providing access to the natural spaces that restore and inspire us.
- **The Power of Belonging** – Ensuring every resident feels welcomed, included, and valued.
- **The Power of Well-Being** – Supporting physical, mental, and social health through recreation and active living.

Join us this July as we celebrate The Power of Parks and Recreation and discover new ways to Play Satellite Beach!



SUMMER FUN IS HERE!

PLUS, FALL PROGRAMS ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER.

Summer is in full swing, and the City of Satellite Beach Recreation Department has something for everyone to enjoy! Our **Summer Activity Brochure**, featuring programs and events running through August, is available now at satellitebeach.gov/recreation.

Explore a wide variety of summer camps and activities designed to keep participants active, engaged, and having fun all season long. Offerings include Plant Camp, Spanish, Yoga, Dance, Art, Volleyball, Boating, Cheer, Swim Lessons, and much more.

In addition to seasonal camps, we continue to offer many of our popular year-round programs including Rhythm in Motion dance classes, adult fitness and exercise classes, tennis leagues, adult art classes, and yoga programs.

Register online for added convenience or visit the Recreation Office—we're always happy to help you find your next favorite activity.

And don't forget to look ahead! Our Fall Activity Brochure will be released in mid-August, featuring even more opportunities to stay active, learn something new, and continue to play Satellite Beach!

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Operating Hours –

Mondays 9am – 8pm
Tuesdays 12pm – 8pm
Wednesday – Thursday 9am – 6pm
Friday – Saturday 9am – 5pm
Closed on Sundays

 **CLOSURE: The library will be closed on Friday, July 3rd & Saturday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.** 
Happy 250th birthday, America!

SPECIAL EVENTS:

☆ **Puzzle Swap Month: August:** Exchange one of your puzzles for one of ours. Repeat as desired. Puzzles in good condition with all pieces only, please!

☆ **Celebrate America 250 The Basics: Separation of Powers:** Saturday, 8/29 3 PM: Presentation by the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast. Speaker is UCF Ph.D. Professor Christopher Spinale.

☆ **July Summer Reading Program Special Events, Ages 5-12:** Tickets REQUIRED to attend, with LIMITED AVAILABILITY 9 AM the day of each event. Each attendee must be present to claim their ticket. Wednesdays, 10 AM 7/1: Silent Disco 7/8: Florida Wildlife Hospital 7/15: Brevard Mosquito Control 7/22: Mad Science Fire & Ice Show Thursday, 7/23 at 3:30 PM: Alligator Frank Robb

ADULT PROGRAMMING (AGES 18+): Please contact Reference at (321) 779-4004 for up to date information.

ARTS & CRAFTS:

Crochet Classes: Free and materials provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own. Craft swap box will be available. Ages 18+. Register with Reference.

Beginner Class: Tuesday, 7/7 & 8/4 1 PM: Learn basic crochet stitches.

Intermediate Class: Tuesday, 7/14 & 8/2: 1 PM: Attendees should be comfortable with basic chaining and single crochet stitches, as this class will build on those skills.

Diamond Painting Craft Hour: Tuesday, 7/21: 1 PM: Diamond painting is a simple technique similar to paint by numbers. Free, all materials provided to make a flip flop magnet. Ages 18+. Register with Reference.

Pressed Flower Gifts: Saturday, 7/25: 11 AM: Make personalized greeting cards, bookmarks, or gift tags using real pressed flowers. Free and all materials provided. Ages 18+. Register with Reference.

Moonlighters Quilting Group: Monday, 7/13 & 8/10: 5:30 PM: All welcome. Free and all materials provided. (From 6:00 - 6:30 PM, create a quilt block for donation.)

Indian River Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America: Friday, 7/17 & 8/21 10 AM: Check Facebook page "Welcoming Stitches" for details.

BOOK CLUBS: See Reference for next meeting's book.

Comic Relief Book Club: Monday, 7/20 & 8/17 6 PM: A graphic novel reading club for adults. Call for latest book title

Tea Time Book Club: Monday, 7/27 & 8/24 1 PM: Reading "The Thursday Murder Club" by Richard Osman in July. August title is "This Book Made Me Think of You" by Libby Page.

Tea Time Too Book Club: Tuesday, 7/28 & 8/25: 1 PM: Reading the same monthly titles as the Tea Time Book Club.

Satellite Beach Woman's Club Book Discussion: Friday, 8/14 12 PM: Bring a book you want to discuss and a bag lunch.

EDUCATION & ASSISTANCE:

Birding for Beginners with the Florida Audubon Society: Wednesday, 8/26: 9:30 AM: Enjoy birdwatching tips at the library, and a walk in Gleason park for birdwatching in action, weather permitting. All ages welcome!

Community Support Advocate: Friday, 7/10 & 8/14: 9 AM - 5 PM: Offers help with housing, jobs, SNAP benefits, social security benefits, health care & insurance, senior resources, and more. Schedule with Reference.

One-on-One Basic Tech Help: Thursdays by appointment only. Free 30 minute session! Register with Reference.

EXERCISE CLASSES: Yoga with Nancy: Tuesdays: 4:30 – 5:30 PM. Please bring your own yoga mat. \$5 fee payable at class.

HOBBIES AND FUN:

Adult Game Night: Monday, 7/6 & 8/3: 6:00 - 7:30 PM: Playing from available tabletop games. Snacks provided. Join anytime. Ages 18+. Free.

Matinee Movies: Monday, 7/13 & 8/10: 1 PM: Watch free movies at the library! Shown with closed captioning. Refreshments provided. Call or check our website for movie details.

Learn to Play the Ukulele: Friday, 7/24 & 8/28: 11:30 AM: Classes start with beginner instruction for the first half hour, and end in a jam session to improve skills. Ukuleles available to check out before the class starts. Ages 18+. Free. Register with Reference.

Beachside Strummers: Friday, 7/24, 8/14 & 8/28: 9:30 - 11 AM: Ukulele club. No instruction provided.

"15 Minutes of Fame" Indie Film Festival: Saturday, 8/22: 11 AM: All day event. First show begins at 11am with a new show every hour. Come anytime. Free. Visit EtheridgeProductions.com for further information.

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

Please note the only youth program in August is Read to a Therapy Dog. Regular programming will resume in September. Thank you!

July Read Your Way to K: Toddler & Preschool: Thursdays: 10 AM. Stories, crafts & more! Ages 1 to 5. No registration required.

July Brick Builders Club: Wednesday, 7/1: 3:30 PM. Choose between a brick building challenge or free building. Ages 5 to 12. All materials provided. No registration required.

July Mad About Music: Wednesday, 7/15: 3:30 PM. Enjoy a story and learn about music! Ages 5 - 12. All materials provided. No registration required. First come, first served.

July Cine-mania: Thursday, 7/2 & 7/16: 3:30 PM. Movies at the library. Recommended for ages 5+. Call for schedule & movie details. Bring a blanket. No registration required.

July Teen Night: Tuesday, 7/14: 6 PM. Ages 13 to 17. Come out for pizza, games, and raffle giveaways!

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.