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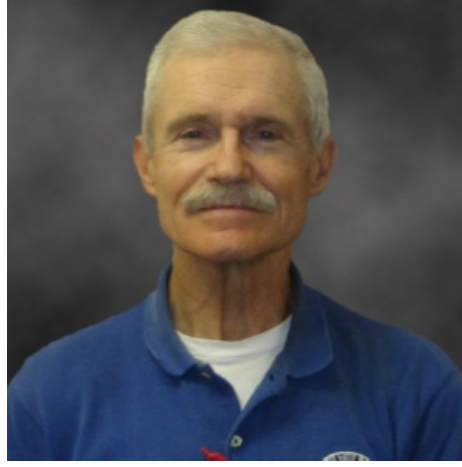
Beyond the Beach July 2023 Newsletter



Entrance to St. Augustine Beach City Hall

City Hall Update

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City Manager, Max Royle

TEAM CITY

Where to begin? How about with a peeve? You know, the kind you sometimes call a “pet” because it cuddles with your thoughts at 3 a.m. and makes sleep difficult. My pet peeve is so-called leaders with preening egos proclaiming from the hilltops that they and they alone are responsible for the successes of their organizations. To which I say piffle and pig shampoo (hogwash).

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Hurricane Preparedness

The 2023 Atlantic hurricane season is underway, running from June 1 to Nov. 30. St. Johns County Emergency Management’s 2023 Hurricane Preparedness Guide and other preparedness materials are available to the public at www.sjcemergencymanagement.com/pdf/SJC-Hurricane-Preparedness-Guide.pdf.

St. Johns County encourages its residents to sign up for emergency notifications at www.alertstjohns.com. Alert St. Johns enables St. Johns County to provide residents with critical information in a variety of emergency situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, water advisories, missing persons, evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods, and incidents that may pose a threat to public safety. By signing up, residents can choose to receive time-sensitive messages via phone call, text message, or email. Click on the links below for more information.

How are you going to receive Alerts and Warnings?

Receive alerts about emergencies by signing up for Alert St. Johns. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, water advisories, missing persons, evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods and incidents that may threaten public safety.

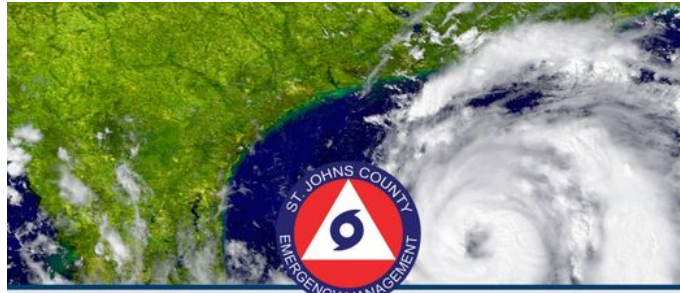
You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more.

www.alertstjohns.com



Alert St. Johns

Emergency Notification System



View St. Johns County's
2023 Hurricane Preparedness Guide
at www.sjcfl.us/hurricane





City offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, for the observance of Independence Day.

Tuesday's solid waste collection will be on Wednesday, July 5. There will be no yard debris or special collection this week.

4th of July - EVENTS

St. Johns County - FREE BEACH SHUTTLE SERVICE

[click below for details](#)



INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND FREE BEACH SHUTTLE SERVICE



JULY 1 - 4



10 A.M. - 4 P.M.



PICK-UP / DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

- ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH CITY HALL /
- ST. JOHNS COUNTY OCEAN AND FISHING PIER
- CORNERSTONE PARK /
- MICKLER'S LANDING BEACHFRONT PARK

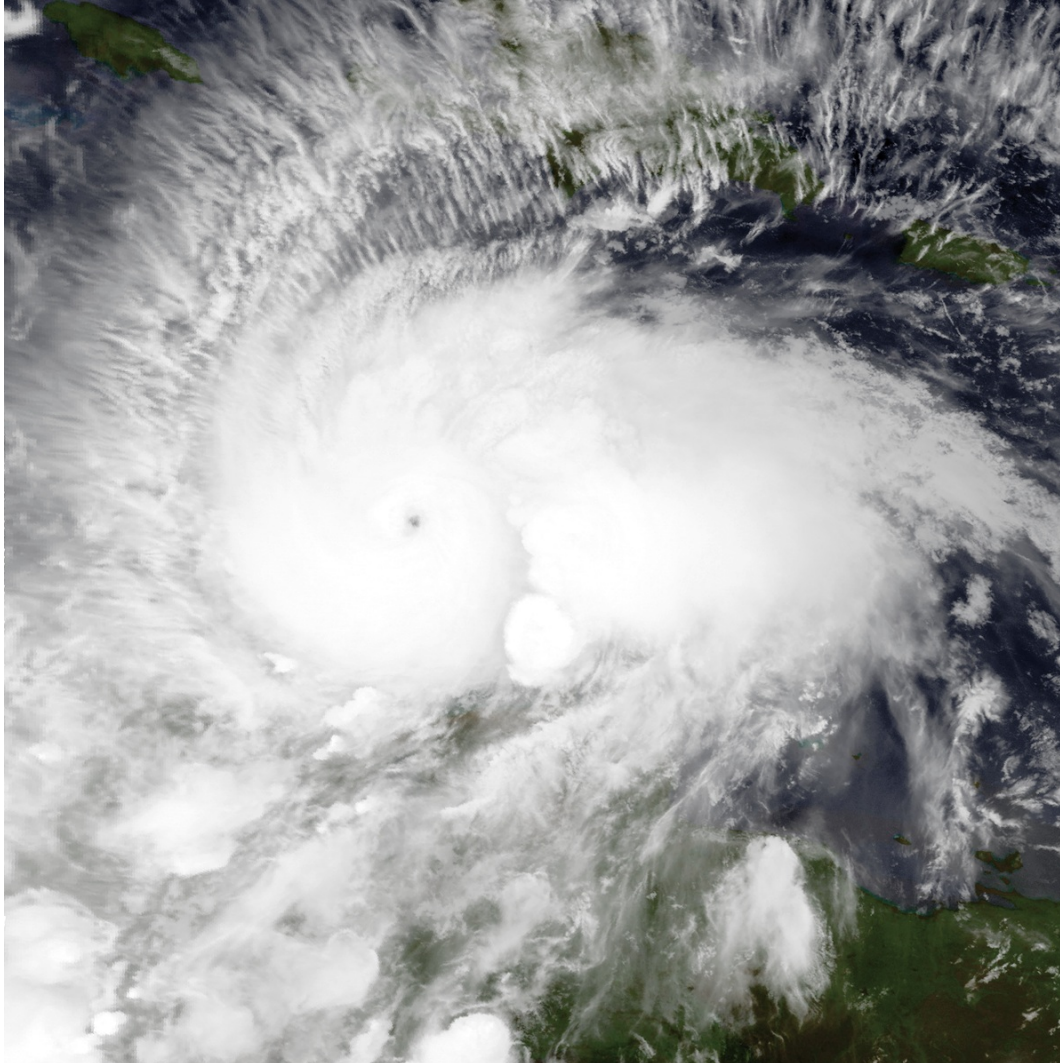


City of St. Augustine - Fireworks Over the Matanzas

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Hurricane Ian and Nicole FEMA Dune Enhancement Project



The Butler Beach Reach project is scheduled to begin mobilizing to the beach on July 6th and construction activity on the beach beginning July 10th. SJC has selected the contractor Phillips and Jordan to construct this project.

The Butler Beach Reach is the shoreline from Ocean Hammock Park through Bryn Mawr Ocean Resort, in addition to a 1,500 ft section from Mary Street going south.

What Residents Can Expect Along the Way

Construction Vehicle Access: Sand will be trucked in from upland mines to the beach access points throughout the project area. The sand will then be trucked along the beach to the placement area.

Intermittent Beach Closures: Sections of the beach with active construction will be closed off to the public. The constructed dunes will be planted with sea oats to increase dune resiliency.

On-Beach Driving: Access will be temporarily affected by the project. Expect Ocean Trace Road, Dondanville Road, and Mary Street to close at some point during the project. Beach driving from A Street will also be affected.

Thursday 7/6

1. Full closure of Ocean Trace Rd. The Contractor will begin to move heavy equipment to the Ocean Trace access.

2. A St to remain open with vehicles exiting off at Dondanville.

Sunday 7/9

1. A St to hard close at its normal 5PM

Monday 7/10

1. Contractor begin sand hauling from Ocean Trace rd with A St and OTR officially both closed to vehicles.

For more information, please go to: <https://www.sjcfl.us/CoastalProjects/index.aspx>

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CITY HALL
2200A1A SOUTH
ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH, FL 32080

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION
July 10, 2023, 6PM

SEPAC
July 13, 2023, 6PM

PLANNING and ZONING BOARD
July 18, 2023, 6PM

CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
July 31, 2023, 5:30PM

ATTENTION:
SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR ALL CITY MEETINGS
*ALL ATTENDEES WILL BE REQUIRED TO PLACE ELECTRONIC DEVICES AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS INTO A BIN SUBJECT TO INSPECTION.
*ALL ATTENDEES WILL PASS THROUGH A PASSIVE SCANNER PRIOR TO ENTERING THE SPACE.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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Sea Turtle Nesting Season - Important Information!

2023



Saint Johns County had a record - breaking nesting season last year with 1,235 nests

SEA TURTLE NESTING SEASON IS HERE



LIGHTS
OUT!

Nesting activities occur on St. Johns County's 41 miles of beach between **May 1-October 31** every year. Nesting activities include females entering the beach to lay eggs or hatchlings emerging from their nest. In 2022, Saint John's County Beaches had a record year of nesting - 1,235 nests compared to 822 in 2021. Residents and visitors have the honor of sharing their home with such an amazing species, and it is our duty to protect these vulnerable animals. If you have the luck to witness either of these activities, please make sure to watch from a distance, do not use any flashlights and do touch the animals.

- Fill in holes and knock down sand castles that may obstruct sea turtles' path.
- Do not leave toys, trash, tents, or beach furniture on the beach overnight.



No Flashlights or
Cell Phone Lights



Never
Touch Wildlife



Stay Off
Vegetation



No
Balloons



Fires and Fireworks
are Prohibited Year Round





Above: St. Augustine Beach resident, Jim LeClare holding a Softshell Turtle that he saved from being hit by vehicular traffic on A1A.

The **Florida softshell turtle** (*Apalone ferox*) is a [species](#) of [turtle](#) in the [family Trionychidae](#). The species is native to the Southeastern United States.

This species of turtle is mainly a Florida Turtle covering most of FL and into Southern Georgia

We know it was a female based on the size, where the females are much larger than the males.

For this save, it is important to note we still have a diverse variety of native Florida species still habituating St Aug Beach, in addition to white tail deer in Ocean Hammock Park, that make their way from Marsh Creek to the Beach.

So drivers need to be aware when driving on the roads and maintain the speed limits.

During the rescue, there were also other individuals to assist with the traffic. This is very important, when attempting to save wildlife in a highway, it is dangerous.

They were fortunate to be near a traffic light and to have others flag traffic as she was picked up and moved to the pond behind city hall.



SEPAC News!

*Sustainability & Environmental
Planning Advisory Committee*

Nominees Needed for Environmental Stewardship Awards

SEPAC is seeking nominations for the Anastasia Island Environmental Stewardship Awards. These awards will recognize individuals, businesses, and non-profit groups that are working to protect the Island's natural resources and enhance its ecosystem.

Nominations are due August 25, 2023. For more information and to nominate someone (including yourself), visit the City's website,

<https://www.staugbch.com/community/page/anastasia-island-environmental-stewardship-awards-nominations-due-august-25>

The objective of environmental stewardship is to reduce impacts on the environment, thereby protecting our natural resources through conservation and sustainable practices.

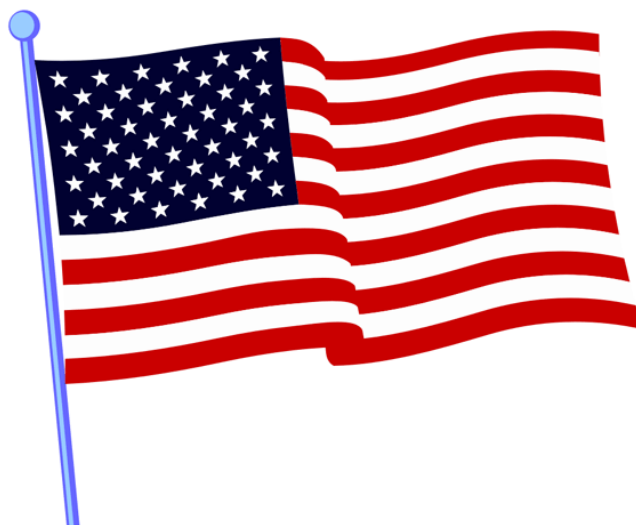
Yard work is hard work; we want to recognize your efforts!

If you've worked hard to create an environmentally friendly yard, the City of St. Augustine Beach wants to recognize your efforts! SEPAC would love to find out about any residential or commercial property within the City that contributes to the sustainability of our environment by promoting water conservation, reducing stormwater runoff, preserving the tree canopy, utilizing native plants, and increasing the biodiversity of Anastasia Island. If you think your yard has what it takes – or just to get more information on how to make your area more environmentally friendly, please visit:

<https://www.staugbch.com/bcbatb/page/environmentally-friendly-landscaping-recognition>

American Flag Rescue Program

The American Flag Rescue (AFR) program was initiated in 2019 after St. Johns County Solid Waste Management staff observed worn and damaged American flags in drop-off garbage containers at the Tillman Ridge facility. Although some flag collection containers already were in place in several stores that sell American flags, more collection points were clearly needed. The initial shipment of new flag collection boxes was funded by local radio personality Kevin Geddings. These units were placed in St. Johns County libraries. Of the nearly 1,000 flags collected in 2020, about 10% were reusable and these are available to the public. Damaged flags are retired according to established protocols by local Scout troops and veteran's organizations. An American Flag booklet provided by Supervisor of Elections Vicky Oakes is also available. For information about flag collection/retirement or site participation, contact Chris Benjamin at (904) 827-6980 or cbenjamin@sjcfl.us. Flags can be dropped off at City of St. Augustine Beach City Hall.



City of St. Augustine Beach Resident Self-Service module

You can access this module in one of two ways:

Go to our website –www.staugbch.com. Here you will find the link by selecting Resources -> Contact Us -> Self-Service Portal.

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