



*City of St. Augustine Beach Seal*

City of St. Augustine Beach  
June Newsletter

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# No plastic straws....



**... for a good cause!**

*No Plastic Straws for a Good Cause!*

At the April Special Commission Meeting, the St. Augustine Beach Commission passed an ordinance encouraging business owners and residents to stop using plastic straws, stir sticks, and similar items. These plastic items are NOT biodegradable and break down into smaller pieces when thrown away. This plastic waste damages our coastal ecosystem, especially harming marine life. We ask you to do your part in maintaining our beautiful oceans and beaches by using biodegradable or reusable items as substitutes for plastic.

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## **The FEMA App: Helping your family weather the storm.**

Hurricane season begins June 1. Download the free FEMA App, available for both Apple and Android, to stay up-to-date on weather notifications and emergency services.

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*Public Works Department*

## **Public Works Week**

In honor of Public Works Week (May 19-25), we would like to recognize the awesome work of our Public Works Department! From garbage pick up to beautification projects to maintaining the splash park, this team has it ALL covered. If you see a member of our Public Works Department out and about, please be sure to give them a wave and thank them for all they do!

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**POLICE . COMMUNITY . PARTNERSHIP**  
**August 6, 2019**



- Food and Beverages
- Music
- Goodie Bags
- Raffles ( Toddler to Teens )
- Exhibitors
- Emergency Vehicles
- Law Enforcement Personnel



**JOIN US FOR**



**A TRUE SENSE OF COMMUNITY**

**Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

**St. Johns County Pier—350 A1A Beach Blvd**

For more information , call St. Augustine Beach Police Department at (904) 471-3600 or [Contact@sabpd.org](mailto:Contact@sabpd.org)

*National Night Out  
Tuesday, August 6, 2019  
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
St. Johns County Pier*

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*Photo (left to right): Vice Mayor Margaret England, AGOSA Vice President Laura O'Neal, AGOSA President Sylvia Gortz, Tree Board/ Beautification Committee Representative Allen Altman, City Manager Max Royle, St. Augustine Beach Art Studio & Gallery President Paul Slava, Foreman Tom Large, Public Works Director Bill Tredik.*

## **First Wave of “ART CANS!”**

On May 23, 2019, the St. Augustine Beach Commission, Beautification Advisory / Tree Board, Public Works, St. Augustine Beach Art Studio and Gallery, and Art Galleries of St. Augustine (AGOSA) came together to place the first wave of “ART CANS!” for use in the community. The “ART CANS!” will be periodically placed in groups of 4 or 6 for use in The City, until all of the old cans have been replaced.

“ART CANS!” are old trash cans that have been “upcycled.” Instead of throwing these old cans away and purchasing new ones, AGOSA artists will design and paint them, thus saving money and the environment from unnecessary waste. These “ART CANS!” will enhance the curb appeal of the City, while maintaining a practical and cost-efficient use.

“We are looking forward to placing many more of these “ART CANS!” in the community to maintain our unique retro, beachy feel, along with promoting many other art sponsored events,” said Vice Mayor Margaret England. “We so appreciate our

partnership with St. Augustine Art Studio and Gallery and AGOSA, and look forward to working with them on art focused events!”

Be sure to start looking on the sides to the road when driving along A1A in St. Augustine Beach, and see if you can spot them! You can also share a picture of your favorite one on Instagram and tag @CityOfSAB and @agosa\_art\_walk.

AGOSA is a non-profit organization that works to provide opportunities for professional local artists to show their work in places additional to their usual gallery locations. If you are interested in painting a can, or interested in joining AGOSA, please contact Laura O’Neal at [lauraoneal811@gmail.com](mailto:lauraoneal811@gmail.com) or Sylvia Gortz at [thegallerygroup303@gmail.com](mailto:thegallerygroup303@gmail.com).

Artist Credit for the Cans: MaryRose LaCavera, Brad Jones, Mary Robinson, and Deane Kellogg.

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*The Best Summer at Your Library*  
*St. Johns County Public Library System*  
2019

School is out and that means it’s time to head to the library for summer reading fun! This year, the St. Johns County Public Library System is proud to announce a refreshed and fun take on library summer reading--**The Best Summer!** The Best Summer launches this year with a new logo, new reading logs, and new

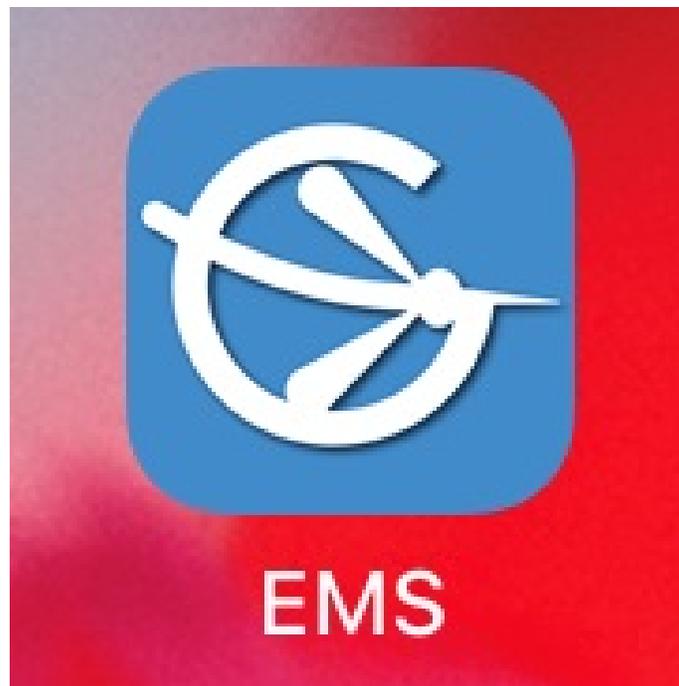
rewards for readers. There truly is something fun (and free) for the whole family! The Best Summer begins on June 3 for kids, teens, and adults.

Kids are encouraged to stop by the library for a free The Best Summer reading log. As kids read, they can track their progress and earn a new reward each week. Programs invite kids to visit with animals, learn more about local history, build with LEGO robotics, and more. Teens can connect with their peers in a welcoming space with programs just for them and earn prizes through fun library challenges.

As a community partner in education, SJCPLS encourages the whole family to read together during the summer break. The Best Summer invites adults to complete entries from a list of activities to earn local branch prizes. All entries will also be entered into a system-wide grand prize drawing for a \$140 VISA gift card at the end of the summer.

“Librarians understand that children who don’t read and learn during the summer months fall behind. It’s called the ‘summer slide’. The Best Summer offers incentives to keep reading skills sharp ahead of the new school year,” said Library System Director Debra Rhodes Gibson.

To register for the library’s summer reading program, The Best Summer, visit your closest branch library or bookmobile. To learn more about all of the summer programs, activities and resources at your library, visit the library’s website [www.sjcpls.org](http://www.sjcpls.org).



## Anastasia Mosquito Control App

The Anastasia Mosquito Control District now has an app that will make it much easier for St. Johns County residents to make service requests and receive important information, like fogging schedules and disease outbreak notifications. To download the free app search "MGIS" in the App Store or Google Play Store.

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*Entrance to St. Augustine Beach City Hall*

### CITY HALL UPDATE

May 6, 2019

1. Ms. Lynn Eberly and Mr. Tom Torretta of St. Johns County Council on Aging proclaimed May as Older Americans Month. Please visit the St. Johns County Council on Aging website for more information: <http://www.coasjc.org>
2. Ms. Beverly Raddatz, City Clerk, proclaimed May 5 to 11 as Municipal Clerk's Week. For more information, please visit the International Institute of Municipal Clerk's website: <https://www.iimc.com/.....>

[Read the Whole Article Here](#)



*Max Royle, City Manager*

### Paid Parking IV

I know: It seems like ages and ages ago that we provided you with our third installment describing the process of implementing paid parking in the city. By now you must be most eager for whatever late breaking news there is about the topic. Patience, dear reader....

[Read the Whole Article Here](#)

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## Commission Meeting Notice

Monday, June 10, 2019

6pm

St. Augustine Beach City Hall

2200 A1A South

St. Augustine Beach FL 32080

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# Special Meeting Notice

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## Planning & Zoning Meeting Notice

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

6pm

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*Samantha, Lani Rei, Smokey Bear, Vice Mayor England*



*Top Left - The Alligator Farm*

*Top Right - Captain Adam Morley, Vice Mayor England*

*Bottom Left - Attorney Jane West, Vice Mayor England, Jessica Gott*

*Bottom Right - Southern Horticulture*

## **Arbor Day Celebration**

The City of St. Augustine Beach would like to sincerely thank those who participated in and volunteered at the 2019 Arbor Day:

Our Sustainable Future Celebration. The City was able to distribute numerous trees, snacks, and reusable bags free of charge and educate the public about environmental issues that affect our coastal community.

The winner of the poetry contest, that was open to Pedro Menendez High School Students, is Samantha. The poster contest was open to the 5th grade class at R.B. Hunt Elementary and the first-place winner is Lani Rei, shown with her poster.

The Environmental Stewardship Awards are presented to individuals and businesses who reduce environmental impact, conserve resources, enhance ecosystems, and restore impacted natural resources. The individual awards were presented to Captain Adam Morley (The Litter Gitter), Jessica Gott (Matanzas Riverkeeper), and Attorney Jane West (Environmental Lawyer.) The business awards were presented to Southern Horticulture and The Alligator Farm.

Photo Credit: Mischele Miller Photography

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*Vintage Photo of Cattle Ranch*

**The Cattle Rancher**

Would you believe that the first cow to plant her hoof on the soil of North America did so not in Texas, but in Florida? Both Ponce de Leon and Menendez carried cattle on their voyages; however...

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*Beach Blast Off*

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A Note From Our Sponsors....



# LOCALS NIGHT

**EVERY MONDAY NIGHT 5-8 PM**

**\$3 Tecates, \$5 frozen margaritas & \$3 tacos**



**Live music • Complimentary valet parking**

**CELEBRATE WITH THE BEST OCEAN VIEWS ON THE BEACH**

**300 A1A Beach Boulevard, St. Augustine Beach**

Castaway Cantina - Locals Night

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