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## **City of St. Augustine Beach January Newsletter**

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# Climate Change Challenge Survey



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## Climate Change Challenge Survey

The City of St. Augustine Beach Sustainability and Environmental Planning Advisory Council (SEPAC) is conducting a Climate Change Challenge survey until March 25, 2020. Both property owners, renters, and visitors in The City of St. Augustine Beach are requested to participate. The survey will only take about 15 minutes to complete and can be found here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SABCLIMATECHANGE>.

“SEPAC is extremely concerned about many environmental issues that affect our beach community, especially sea level rise and climate change,” said Sandra Krempasky, SEPAC chair. “We designed this survey to not only inform us of what we can do as a board, but educate our residents on what they can do to help protect our unique coastal ecosystem.”

This survey will be used for educational purposes, to help gauge the perceptions of the community toward climate change and the motivation of individuals to reduce their carbon emissions, and to examine lifestyle

choices in relation to climate change.

The results will be presented at the annual Arbor Day Celebration on April 17, 2020 at St. Augustine Beach City Hall (2200 A1A South, St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080.) The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

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*Go Green SAB logo*

## **Go Green SAB**

The City of St. Augustine Beach is going green! Single-use plastics have long lifespans, impacting local habitats and natural areas, and are not easily recyclable. Eliminating the use of these products decreases litter on our streets and reduces plastics in the environment (especially the ocean).

Starting January 1, 2020, the City is launching a “Go Green SAB” campaign, which encourages businesses in the limits of St. Augustine Beach to voluntarily eliminate the use of these products. To recognize the efforts of businesses who have done so, the City will issue a “Go Green SAB” window cling, as well as mention their efforts on social media and in the City’s monthly e-newsletter.

“It is our goal to get every business in the City limits involved in this campaign,” said St. Augustine Beach Mayor Undine George. “We are excited to be a leader in environmental protection and hope other



Cities will follow our example.”

If a business wishes to participate, they can visit the City Manager's Office (2200 A1A South, St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080) to pick up a window cling starting January 2, 2020. Since this is a voluntary campaign, the City is relying on the word of business owners and managers and will not be conducting inspections or penalizing organizations who do not wish to participate.

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*In Photo, Left to Right: Troy Jones, St. Augustine Beach Public Works; St. Augustine Beach Commissioner Dylan Rumrell; Taryn Montgomery, Beaches Go Green Director of Operations; Dilyn Jackson, Beaches Go Green; Bill Tredik, St. Augustine Beach Public Works Director; Max Royle, St. Augustine Beach City Manager*

## **Putting Butts Where They Belong: City of St. Augustine Beach partners with Beaches Go Green for Ash Can Project**

The City of St. Augustine Beach has partnered with Beaches Go Green to put butts where they belong! Cigarette butts, now an official form of litter, have plagued St. Augustine Beach for far too long. The City decided to combat this by partnering with Beaches Go Green to place “ash cans” in strategic places around the City, like at participating businesses, beach access points, and pier park.

“I am very excited to get to be part of such an impactful project,” said Commissioner Dylan Rumrell. “It is our goal for these cans to reduce litter on our beaches, protect our wildlife from harmful chemicals found in tobacco products, and beautify our City.”

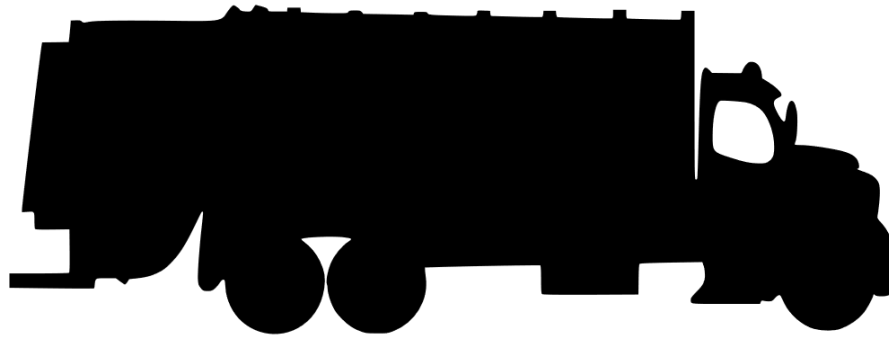
According to Keep America Beautiful, cigarette butts are the most littered item on the planet. One study showed that the littering rate of cigarette butts decreases by 9% with each added ash can! Cigarette

butts contain plastic fibers that can take up to five years to break down. These same butts also contain nicotine and other hazardous chemicals that leach out almost immediately into the environment and harm wildlife.

Keep America Beautiful Cigarette Butt Litter Study:

[https://kab.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/LitterinAmerica\\_FactSheet\\_CigaretteButtLitter\\_0.pdf](https://kab.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/LitterinAmerica_FactSheet_CigaretteButtLitter_0.pdf)

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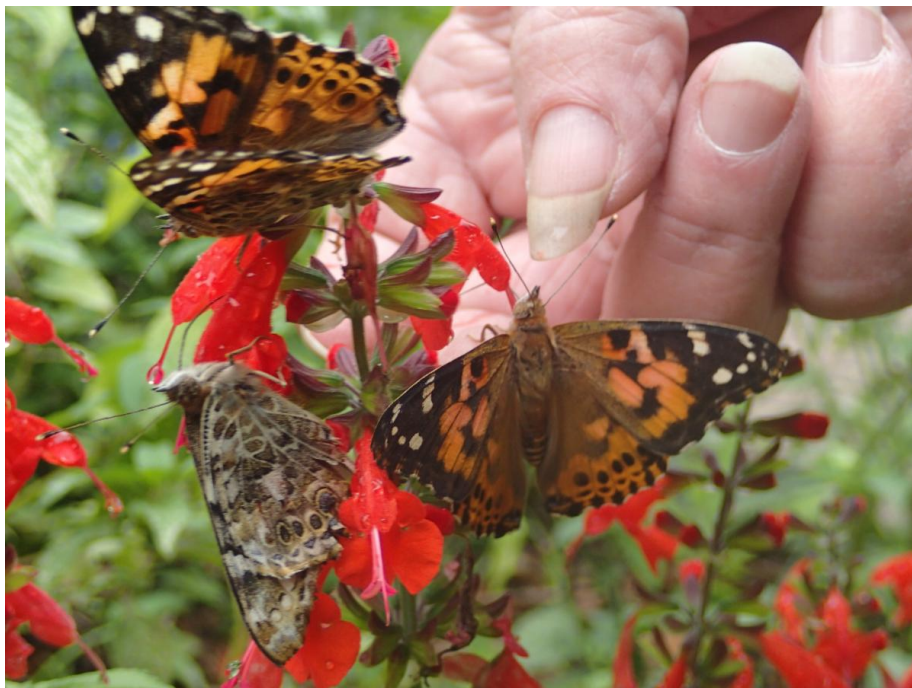


Garbage Truck

## City Office Schedule & Trash Collection Update

- City offices will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, 2020 and Monday, January 20.
  - No yard waste or special pickup will be collected December 19 - January 7.
  - Special and yard waste pickup will resume January 8, 2020
  - January 1, Wednesday: No pickup of yard trash/special waste and recyclables.
  - January 2, Thursday: Wednesday pickup of recyclables will be done on Thursday. Pickup of Household waste will be normal.
  - January 3, Friday: Thursday pickup of recyclable will be done on Friday. Pickup of household waste will be normal.
  - Monday, January 20 pickup will be moved to Tuesday, January 21.
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## December Radio Show



*Butterfly Release*

## **Sustainable Living Presentation**

On Tuesday, January 28 from 1-2pm at Anastasia Island Library (124 Sea Grove Main St., St. Augustine), join Park Naturalist Kelly Ussia for an interactive presentation about how to make your lifestyle more sustainable. Do you already have the reusable bags and water bottles, but want to know how to have a bigger environmental impact? Then this talk is for you. This program is FREE and seating is on a first-come, first-





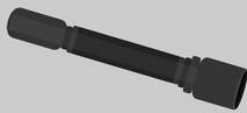
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## **With temperatures dropping, can you handle the fish?**

While many anglers sing the praises of Florida's warmer fishing months, seasoned anglers know that winter can offer great fishing opportunities for some of the state's most sought-after fish species. As the temperatures drop, you'll spot many.....

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### Emergency Car Kit

Plan long trips carefully, listening to the radio or television for the latest weather forecasts and road conditions. If bad weather is forecast, drive only if absolutely necessary.....

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## **Ron Parker Memorial Ceremony**

On January 12, 1975, Deputy Beach Marshal Ronald Parker was shot and killed while investigating an abandoned automobile disabled in the dunes. Officer Parker died serving the people that he had sworn to protect. Every year in January a memorial is held at the Ron Parker park on to remember the sacrifice that Ron Parker made for the community.

Event: Ron Parker Memorial Ceremony

Date: Friday, January 10th, 2020

Time: 11:00a.m.

Location: Ron Parker Memorial Park 607 Old Beach Road

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*Entrance to St. Augustine Beach City Hall*

## **CITY HALL UPDATE**

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*Max Royle, City Manager*

## **WORST PRACTICES IV**

Time for the fourth installment in our series of worst public management practices. Today we'll highlight two...

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## Commission Meeting Notice

Monday, January 6, 2020  
6 pm  
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# Sustainability & Environmental Planning Advisory Committee

Wednesday, January 8, 2020  
6 pm

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Interview Candidates for City Attorney Position

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## Planning & Zoning Board Meeting Notice

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## **Beach Driving Passes**

St. Johns County Beach Driving Passes are on sale! St. Johns County resident passes are \$50, non-resident passes are \$100, and handicap passes are \$40. Passes will be available during normal business hours at the following locations:

- Tax Collector's Main Office – 4030 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine
- Tax Collector's DuPont Center – 6658 US 1 South, St. Augustine
- Tax Collector's Julington Creek Office – 725 Flora Branch Blvd., St. Johns
- Tax Collector's Ponte Vedra Office – 151 Sawgrass Corners Dr., Suite 100, Ponte Vedra Beach
- St. Johns County Beach Services Office – 901 Pope Rd., St. Augustine
- St. Johns County Ocean and Fishing Pier Gift Shop – 350 A1A Blvd., St. Augustine

Residents must present a valid I.D. with a St. Johns County address or present proof of property tax payments in St. Johns County to purchase a resident pass. When requesting a handicap pass, a handicap hangtag or proof of qualification must be presented. Disabled military are eligible for a free annual pass by presenting military I.D. or a letter from Veterans Affairs verifying disabled status. Vehicles accessing the beach do not need a beach pass until March 1, 2020. After March 1, 2020, beach passes will be available for purchase (at the same rate) at the tollbooths.

For more information about annual beach driving passes, please call the St. Johns County Beach Services Office at 904-209-0341. Visit the Reach the Beach Mobile App or <http://www.sjcfl.us/beaches> for current beach access updates and beach driving conditions

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*Snow in Jacksonville*

## **Snow in Florida**

The South's worst winter storm of the century

glazed Jacksonville with snow and ice on Dec. 23, 1989, closing bridges, confounding traffic, disappointing merchants and freezing the noses of those who ventured outside.

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## A Note From Our Sponsors....



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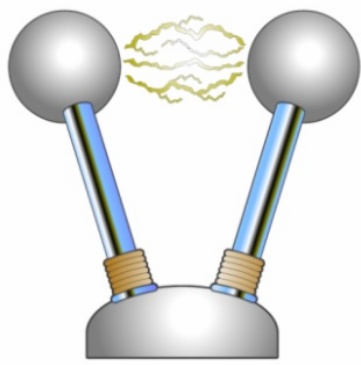


*Mischele Miller*  
*Photography*

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Commercial / Residential / Marine  
904-826-3900

*Heath Electric  
Residential. Commercial, Marine, 904-826-3900*

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