



# Beachcaster

Your Official City Newsletter

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## From the Council Desk

by Vice-Mayor Mike Chase

### *Where Progress Prevails:*

Satellite Beach has always been a unique community, where pride through community involvement has set the precedent for the City's *PROGRESS* for decades. In August of 1957, the residents voted to incorporate as the Town of Satellite Beach to prevent construction of a large trailer park in an area where single-family homes and commercial development were viewed as the more desirable path to *PROGRESS* for the early City of fifty homes and one restaurant.

The early citizens of Satellite Beach had a healthy sense of self-sufficiency and Community Service where *PROGRESS* has matured through decades of volunteerism. Examples include the donation of over 6,000 volumes that began the original library's collection and the development of the City's original recreation center that was financed with money earned from the volunteer concession stand. These are only a few examples of continual *PROGRESS* through community service that earns Satellite Beach the title of being a Unique Community. Today, *PROGRESS* remains evident in the more than 10,000 volunteer hours that accumulate each year to support the *PROGRESS* of youth and public service programs within our City.

On March 3, I had the opportunity to host a Town Hall Meeting where we continued down the path of those early volunteers to discuss *PROGRESS*. A few of the *PROGRESSIVE* ideas we shared that evening include:

- Collection day for unused prescription medications.
- Pedestrian / bike access to Atlantic Plaza without encountering A1A.
- Use of alternative fuels, such as solar, wind, and hydrogen.
- Advancement in handicap accessibility to the beach.
- Encourage the use of bicycles in the City by the installation of bike racks at each park, beach access, and local shops.
- Eco-friendly transportation, such as golf carts, also generated a tremendous interest.

During the Town Hall Meeting, we also discussed our favorite things about Satellite Beach. Descriptions of *PROGRESS* include: "Beautiful and Clean," "Small Town Feel," "Safe and Secure," "Ocean Access," "Schools," "City Responsiveness," "Helpful and Caring," "Recreation Facilities and Programs," and "the



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Library." The overwhelming response was "It Feels Like Home." This hometown quality of life is evident in the laughter witnessed daily in the parks, on the neighborhood streets, and within the recreation programs that touch the daily lives of us all. We recognize that quality of life is more than the necessity of City Administration, Fire and Police, or Public Works; but also encompasses the 'Wants' of those amenities that support our social interaction through our Recreation programs and the accessibility to the environment that surround our daily life. These are our favorite things that make Satellite Beach "Feel Like Home" and support a community for a lifetime.

As we build on our success, we continue to ask how we balance *PROGRESS* with the small-town atmosphere that we treasure, while weighing developmental and commercial opportunities that promote the quality of life and stability for the City.

### **The *PROGRESS* Challenge:**

*PROGRESS* begins with participation and will occur once we collectively apply our reason and our skills. Your city government is all about participation. Through supporting the eleven City Boards, there are many that already participate in the City's *PROGRESS* ([satellitebeachfl.org/SummaryofBoard.aspx](http://satellitebeachfl.org/SummaryofBoard.aspx)). Not all of us have the time to formally participate; however, all of us have great ideas for *PROGRESS*.

I have two challenges where you may help me better understand the type of *PROGRESS* you wish to see in your city and continue that self-sufficient 'can-do' attitude of our early pioneering citizens.

■ Send me an email ([mchase@satellitebeach.org](mailto:mchase@satellitebeach.org)) with the *PROGRESS* you envision for our city. Please

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# An Introduction to Sustainability: Why conserving energy and being efficient makes sense

By: Helmut Kohler, Jr.

*[Editor's Note: In 2010, the City received a grant funded by the U.S. Department of Energy for \$200,518. The primary task is to replace inefficient air conditioning and lighting in the Civic Center that has been in use since the building was built in 1966 and identify energy savings in other City buildings. The City's share of this project is \$3,780. This is 1.9% of the total project cost. In its efforts to promote energy efficiency, the City requested that the grant award include funds to publish articles addressing energy efficiency in each issue of the Beachcaster while the work is under way.*

*Following is the first of that series of articles that will run until April 2012. As his introduction indicates, the author is well qualified for this task. It is our hope that these articles will provide residents and businesses with ideas and resources to help reduce energy consumption and, in so doing, save money.]*

Greetings residents and businesses of Satellite Beach! I am the City's new Energy Conservation and Efficiency Columnist. This position is part of a grant that the City was recently awarded to improve the energy efficiency of several municipal buildings. In addition to making these City facilities more environmentally friendly, they will also become more pleasant places to work and visit, and importantly, less costly to operate. The goal for my position is to let you know what energy conservation and efficiency is all about, and keep you up-to-date on the City's progress with its valuable work to improve its buildings. As work on those buildings progresses, you will be updated in future issues.

Before giving you some of my background, let me say that it is an honor and privilege to be working with the wonderful City of Satellite Beach. I am a junior at the Florida Institute of Technology, pursuing a Bachelors of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Science, with minors in Management and Sustainability. Before transferring to Florida Tech last year, I spent two years working for a construction company that specialized in energy efficient buildings and renovations. Whilst there, I became a project manager for energy operations, overseeing commercial building energy audits, retrofits, and ENERGY STAR ratings. I was also Project Manager for LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certifications. LEED is a rating system by the U.S. Green Building Council that verifies a facility's sustainability of design, and/or operations. In that role, I managed the certification of the first ever LEED Platinum-rated commercial building in the State of Idaho. I am currently also working with Florida Tech to develop a system for making their buildings LEED certified.

So, what is sustainability? The most commonly used definition for the Latin-derived term comes from the Brundtland Report of 1987: "[Being] sustainable... meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." The practical application of that is simply to not be wasteful or use more than is necessary. Conducting ourselves in a sustainable way means being efficient and conserving wherever possible.

There are many benefits to conserving energy and being efficient. The primary direct benefit is saving money. There is a very simple relation between energy conservation and savings: using less will cost less. There are cascading indirect benefits to doing so, as well. Our current primary energy sources come from burning fossil fuels, such as oil or coal. These sources are finite and limited, so they are heavily governed by the economic rules of supply and demand. Therefore, by reducing your usage and saving money on your utility bills, you are also reducing the demand for your energy fuel source. Once enough people do the same, this aggregate reduction in demand can lower prices or, at least, slow the rate at which price rates are going up on these increasingly scarce resources. This same reduction in demand and consumption will prolong the availability of the fuel source, thus offering more flexibility in the energy markets and allowing more time for suitable alternative and renewable fuel sources to be developed and propagated throughout the market.

There are also many common misconceptions about conservation and energy efficiency. The first is that it is difficult to do. Many of the most productive ways of conserving are simple things that we can do just by being conscientious. Things like turning off the water while

brushing your teeth, or turning off the lights when you leave a room. There is also a notion that being efficient has to cost a lot of money, which is not true. In fact, many energy-conserving products cost the same or less than their traditional counterparts, like showerheads or toilet flush valves. We will talk more about how you can conserve energy and make your home or business more efficient in a future edition of the *Beachcaster*.



Helmut Kohler (left) being presented with the ENERGY STAR award for a commercial building that achieved a perfect efficiency score of 100.

If saving money isn't enough, how about making money? The Space Coast has been hit hard by cut-backs at NASA's Kennedy Space Center, and with the impending end of the shuttle program later this year, the effects will be even more pronounced. However, there is hope for a rebirth of the job base in our area, if we can reinvent ourselves as a leader in energy technologies. After attending the annual Sustainability Conference at Florida Tech recently, I have witnessed great possibilities to capture this emerging market that has the potential to make significant positive impacts to our local economy.

There are some local organizations leading the way, such as the Space Coast Energy Consortium, which is made up of local business leaders and scholars for the purpose of promoting the utilization of the amazing human capital we have here with expertise from the space program. This organization is also working on attracting energy-related businesses to the region, which will benefit the local economy and job market. The Florida Solar Energy Center, which is a research institute of the University of Central Florida, is also located locally and is leading the way on development of plentiful solar power into usable, fiscally-viable energy that can be utilized on a widespread scale. They are also working with the City, auditing and making recommendations for the retrofits as part of the aforementioned energy grant.

Right here in Satellite Beach, we have the clearest example of the economic benefit of energy efficient

businesses. As you probably know, Lighting Science Group, a leader in ultra-efficient and eco-friendly LED lights, is based in our city. What you may not know is that LSG has multiple facilities here, including their international headquarters, research and development, engineering, and manufacturing facilities. This cutting-edge company is growing exponentially and currently employs over 450 people working multiple shifts to meet their ever-increasing demand. This innovative organization also holds well over 100 patents, with numerous more pending, and has projects in place around the world. They are constantly upgrading and expanding their facilities and, in so doing, employing more people, including those that are highly skilled and paid.



Workers at Lighting Science Group's bustling manufacturing facility right here in Satellite Beach.

As you can see, there is proof positive that acting in a responsible fashion, through energy efficiency and conservation, has tangible benefits. Additionally, we can use this strategy in our personal lives and in business. The benefits are there for all; we just have to be aware and then take action. Our city is doing so, our universities are doing so, and our businesses are doing so. Being sustainable can help sustain us and our community. Through working together and promoting best practices, we can all benefit from being energy efficient.

**I welcome and encourage your inquiries and feedback. If you wish to contact me, please send an email to: [energy@satellitebeach.org](mailto:energy@satellitebeach.org). For those people who do not have email, please contact City Hall at 773-4407 to leave a message, and I will return your call.**



## Council Highlights

### January 19, 2011, Regular Council Meeting

- Approved a Change Order to the contract with Goodson Paving for DeSoto Parkway resurfacing by reducing the contract amount by \$2,577.70.
- Authorized the execution of a Change Order to the contract with Don Luchetti Construction for Cassia Phase I and II drainage projects by reducing the contract amount by \$73,129.88.
- Authorized the purchase of an Aquatech vac truck, based on the Florida Sheriff's Bid No. 10-18-0907 in the amount of \$252,012, and the addition of a root cutting attachment at a cost of \$7,200. The purchase of the vac truck is the required City match for the grant funds received for the Cassia Phase I and II drainage projects, which was funded in the amount of \$979,988.62.
- Authorized the sale of three surplus vehicles for salvage and the donation of a 1993 Pontiac Bonneville to Satellite High School for educational purposes.
- Approved agreement for mast arm traffic signal enhancement at the intersection of State Road A1A and Shearwater Parkway with HP Communities, LLC (Pelican Coast), who will contribute \$75,000 toward the cost of the signal improvements.
- Approved agreement with HP Communities, LLC (Pelican Coast) for Hightower Beach Park overflow parking on HP Communities' lot located across A1A from Hightower Beach Park; however, delayed any implementation of the development of the parking lot at this time due to economic concerns.
- Approved agreement between the City and the Fraternal Order of Police for Contract Year 2010-2011.
- Authorized submission of a grant application for the City to participate in a joint grant project with Brevard County, whereby the City will provide matching funds of up to \$8,000, and Brevard County will provide an in-kind match of \$17,000 and provide the work necessary to monitor and analyze data from a city stormwater drainage basin.
- Appointments to Boards:
  - Reappointed Lucia Watson as a regular member of the Library Board.

### February 2, 2011, Regular Council Meeting

- Awarded bid for the north City limits outfall stormwater improvements (FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant) to Masci Corporation in the amount of \$1,112,052, contingent upon successfully resolving an outstanding easement issue. This project will be funded through a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant, which will

pay 75% of the cost, with the remaining 25% being divided equally between the City, Brevard County, and the Brevard County School District.

- Voted not to retain consulting services for representation in Tallahassee on legislative issues.
- Authorized interested Council members and City Manager to attend the Legislative Action Days in Tallahassee, March 21-22.
- Appointments to Boards:
  - Reappointed Tom Willet as an alternate member of the Board of Adjustment.
  - Appointed Steve Rutsis as an alternate member of the Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee.

### February 16, 2011, Regular Council Meeting

- Authorized the purchase of extended warranties for the vac truck sewer-cleaning machine in the total amount of \$13,661. Funding for the vac truck and extended warranties is part of the required match for the City's Cassia Phase I and II drainage projects.
- Authorized the execution of Addendum to Agreement for the Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City and Quentin L. Hampton Associates, which extends the agreement to March 23, 2012.
- Appointments to Boards:
  - Changed appointment of Colleen McNatt on the Recreation Board from an alternate member to a regular member.

### March 2 and March 16, 2011, Regular Council Meetings

- Established June 8 and 22 as the regular Council meetings for the month of June, and cancelled the July 6 Council meeting.
- Approved submission of a grant authorization under the Highway Safety Grant Program in the amount of \$300,000 to purchase and install a mobile data terminal system for the City Police Department, with a total project cost of \$300,000 and no City match.
- Appointments to Boards:
  - Reappointed David Daleiden as a regular member of the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Board.

City Council meetings are regularly held the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 565 Cassia Boulevard. The complete agenda package is available at the Satellite Beach Library beginning the Saturday prior to each regular meeting, at Satellite Beach City Hall during normal business hours, and on the City website ([www.satellitebeachfl.org](http://www.satellitebeachfl.org)).

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put “My Progress Challenge” in the subject line and let me know your ideas for a better Quality of Life. I will respond to each email and confirm your participation. A list will be tabulated and presented to City Staff and the City Council.

■ Next, the use of eco-friendly transportation, such as golf carts, generated great interest during the Town Hall Meeting. This topic is not new and represents a significant challenge to legally execute for the City. With enough citizen support and interest, we can develop a *PROGRESSIVE* approach for implementation. Please send me an email (mchase@satellitebeach.org) with your interest and thoughts on eco-friendly transportation.

There are few words that can excite the imagination more than the word “*PROGRESS.*” Through awareness, reasoning, and open communication, Satellite Beach is the City ***Where Progress Prevails.***

Enjoy the day,  
Vice-Mayor Mike Chase

**Town Hall Meeting**

**Hosted by  
Councilman Scott Rhodes**

***Wednesday, May 11  
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.***

Councilman Scott Rhodes will host the City’s second Town Hall Meeting of 2011 on Wednesday, May 11, from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at the David R. Schechter Community Center Meeting Room located at 1089 South Patrick Drive.

Councilman Rhodes would like to encourage citizen dialogue at this Town Hall Meeting relating to citizen perceptions and expectations of City services and taxes.

The Town Hall Meetings have been growing in citizen acceptance, and Councilman Rhodes’ May 11 Town Hall Meeting will provide citizens with an opportunity to voice their opinions on services and taxes as the City prepares the FY 11/12 Budget.

Please plan to attend the May 11 Town Hall Meeting!

***Visit the City Website:  
www.satellitebeachfl.org  
For the Latest  
Council Agenda Packet.***

**June Regular Council meeting dates will be June 8 and June 22.**

**City Holiday Schedule**

**City Offices Will Be Closed On Memorial Day ~ Monday, May 30**

**There will be NO Yard Waste or Recyclables collected on Memorial Day ~ May 30.** Normal service will resume on Monday, June 6, for Yard Waste and Recyclables.

**21-Day Salute to the Flag**



Join the City in this annual event by flying the American Flag at your residence from Flag Day (June 14) through Independence Day (July 4).

***Interested in volunteering to raise and take down flags at the Scotty Culp Municipal Complex? Call Scotty Culp (773-8391) to volunteer.***

## Please Join Satellite Beach in Welcoming These New Businesses to Our Community!

All East Coast Services	Handyman	595 Jackson Avenue	773-4651
Alpine Yogurt Cafe	Restaurant	1024 Highway A1A, Suite 114	777-3437
Sharon Beth Barnett	Real Estate	1790 Highway A1A, Suite 109	259-9115
Barrier Island Massage	Massage Therapy	599 Sherwood Avenue, Suite 206	368-3787
Gabriele's Therapeutic Massage		1215 Highway A1A	431-7864
Gulfbreeze Construction	Certified Building Contractor	1180 South Patrick Drive	406-1566
The Healing Spa	Cosmetology/Salon	1024 Highway A1A, Suite 130	948-7990
Islander Accounting	Accounting/Tax Prep	1127 South Patrick Drive	600-8040
JK Industries	Wholesale Service	1290 Highway A1A, Suite 201	226-1112
Kennedy Space Center Federal Credit Union		100 Scorpion Court	773-1501
Lighting Science Group	Lighting Research/Develop.	1180 South Patrick Drive	779-5520
Live Clue	Computer Software	1127 South Patrick Drive, Unit 28	507-0363
Load-It	Boat Sales/Service	1180 South Patrick Drive	406-1566
Nautic Studios	Web Marketing & Consulting	565 Jackson Avenue, Suite C	684-7460
Pingston Electric	Electrical Contractor	595 Jackson Avenue	773-4651
Pink Chair	Cosmetologist	1024 Highway A1A, Suite 130	(407)797-1114
Practice Wise	Consulting Service	1275 South Patrick Drive, Suite F	610-4964
Satellite Beach Sandwich & Ice Cream Shop	Restaurant	1210 Highway A1A	No Phone
Vintage Emporium	Retail	1180 South Patrick Drive	406-1566

## City Receives Redevelopment Award



The City of Satellite Beach received the "Creative Organizational Development and Funding Award" from the Florida Redevelopment Association for the expansion of Hightower Beach Park. The project was completed through the partnership of the City's Community Redevelopment Agency, Montecito Community Development District, Satellite Beach Woman's Club, and Brevard County.

If you have not visited Hightower Beach Park since the completion of the expansion project, be sure to stop by and enjoy this beautiful City park!

At a recent County Commission meeting, Brevard County Commissioner Mary Bolin, center, presented Mayor Joseph Ferrante and Community Redevelopment Director Laura Canady with a resolution recognizing the City's award for Hightower Beach Park from the Florida Redevelopment Association.



## Adult Heartsaver CPR Courses

Satellite Beach Fire Department will be offering the following **American Heart Association CPR 2-Year Certification Courses**. The Fire Department is certified to teach Adult, Child/Infant, Choking CPR, and use of an Automated External Defibrillator.

Classes are held at the Satellite Beach Fire Department on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon. Cost is \$35.00 for each class, and First Aid books are available for an additional \$15.00.

- > **May 21**
- > **June 18**

### PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Registration and payment guarantees you a spot in the class. Make checks payable to: **City of Satellite Beach** and mail payment to:

Satellite Beach Fire Department  
1390 South Patrick Drive  
Satellite Beach, FL 32937

If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Department at 773-4405 between 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Pelican Beach Park Seasonal Lifeguard Schedule

Hours: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays: May 24 until school resumes  
Weekends: Through October 31  
Holidays: Through October 31

## Child Safety Seat Inspection and Installation Assistance

The City of Satellite Beach is once again offering inspection and assistance in the installation of Child Safety Seats. As part of the Police Department Community Services Program, Lori Cribb has completed training by the National Child Passenger Safety Program for this purpose. Inspections and installation assistance will be done at the Satellite Beach Police station by appointment only.

Please call Lori at 773-4400, Extension 145, for more information or for an appointment.

Visit the City Website

[www.satellitebeachfl.org](http://www.satellitebeachfl.org)  
for the latest updates on City news.

## Police Department Crime Report ~ January & February 2011

<b>Total Events This Period:</b>	<b>4,756 *</b>
<b>Total Calls For Service:</b>	<b>1,091</b>
<b>Total Traffic Stops:</b>	<b>935</b>
<b>Arrests:</b>	<b>50 Adult; 10 Juvenile</b>
Alarm	48
Assault/Battery	10
Assist Other Agency	56
Burglary	7
Burglary-Vehicle	1
Disturbance	87
DUI	12
Fraud	3
Narcotics Activity	14
Suspicious Incidents	229
Theft	21
Vandalism	8
Warrant Arrest	1

\* Other officer activity (not a call for service)

In February, Police arrested two men who committed a daylight robbery at Walgreen's pharmacy. The two suspects entered the store, demanded pills, and led store personnel to believe they had a gun. A

customer observed the robbery and called 911, providing the tag and a description of the vehicle. The customer followed the suspects until they were apprehended.

Police, fire, and emergency personnel responded to a gas line explosion on March 2 at Las Olas Beach Club condominiums. There were no injuries. The explosion was quickly contained.

**REMINDER:** During emergency incidents, avoid travel through and around the scene for your personal safety and safety of police, fire, and emergency personnel. During critical incidents, emergency personnel are responsible for managing radio and telephone communications, car and pedestrian traffic, as well as responding to unfolding events. Please limit or avoid contact with responders unless you are providing information important to the event.

### Irrigation Rules During Daylight Savings Time

- Irrigation is limited to no more than two days per week.
- Residential irrigation at odd numbered addresses or no addresses is allowed on Wednesdays and Saturdays.
- Residential irrigation at even numbered addresses is allowed on Thursdays and Sundays.

**New phone books will be delivered soon. As a reminder, used phone books can be recycled in curbside recycling bins.**

#### Wondering what to give as an anniversary or birthday gift, or just want to remember a friend?

What better gift than a "Save the Beach" engraved brick, placed with others on the paver walkway at Pelican Beach Clubhouse? It's a lasting and memorable gift for only \$50. Pick up order forms at City Hall, 565 Cassia Boulevard.



### Blessing of the Fleet

The Banana River Sail and Power Squadron has been preparing a great list of events for National Safe Boating Week, which runs from May 21-28.

The Blessing of the Fleet Celebration begins with the annual mariner's tradition of the Blessing on Saturday, May 21, from 11 a.m.-noon. The Blessing Boat, with Father Anthony Welle on the bow, will be joined by the Satellite Beach Police boat. All boaters are welcome to meet at the west side of Dragon Point, which is at the junction of the Indian and Banana Rivers. Monitor and listen for instructions on VHF Channel 71 during the event. Following the Blessing of the Fleet, everyone is invited to take part in a prime rib luncheon at the Eau Gallie Yacht Club. Reservations are required, so please call 220-7776.

Banana River Sail and Power Squadron is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting safe boating through education. They offer free vessel safety checks upon request. Meetings are held the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Satellite Beach Civic Center. Additional information is available on the Banana River Sail and Power Squadron website ([bananariversps.org](http://bananariversps.org)).

## Safe Disposal of Unused Prescriptions

We often receive requests for the Satellite Beach Fire Department to dispose of unused prescriptions after the passing of a loved one or as a result of a change in medications by their primary care provider. Safely dispose of unused medication in household trash. Some small steps that can make an important difference in safeguarding lives and protecting the environment are:

- Follow your medication prescriber's instructions and use all medications as instructed.
- DO NOT FLUSH unused medications, and DO NOT POUR them down a sink or drain.
- DO discard unused medications in your household trash by following these steps:
  1. Pour medication into a sealable plastic bag. If medication is a solid (pill, liquid capsule, etc.), crush it or add water to dissolve it.
  2. Add kitty litter, sawdust, or coffee grounds (or any material that mixes with the medication and makes it less appealing for pets and children to eat) to the plastic bag.
  3. Seal the plastic bag and put it in the trash.
- Remove and destroy ALL identifying personal information (prescription label) from all medication containers before recycling them or throwing them away.
- If you are unsure of what to do with your unused medications, call the pharmacy where the prescription was filled.

Finally, you can visit the Fire Department website ([satellitebeachfire.com/Meds.aspx](http://satellitebeachfire.com/Meds.aspx)) to view a step-by-step video on how to dispose of your unused medications.

## Join The Beach Cleanup



Thank you to UCF Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity for participating in the February cleanup.

Join volunteers at Pelican Beach Park on:

- Saturday, May 14, at 8:00 a.m.
- Saturday, June 11, at 8:00 a.m.

Cleanup supplies will be provided by Keep Brevard Beautiful. Bring your own reusable water container. Don't forget your sunscreen.

Community service credit can be gained through participation for programs such as Bright Futures and many others. Scouts, church groups, school groups, families, etc., are encouraged to participate.

For details, contact Judy de la Rosa at [Judy@MitchRealty.com](mailto:Judy@MitchRealty.com) or 960-0436.

## Scotty Culp's 90th Birthday Celebration

Join Us  
Monday, May 9  
5:30 p.m.

**Scotty Culp Municipal Complex**  
**565 Cassia Boulevard**

Enjoy an Ice Cream Social as you wish Scotty Culp a Happy Birthday!

Donations of uncrushed aluminum cans will be accepted to support Scotty's tireless recycling efforts to raise funds to beautify the Satellite High School campus.

**Come to the birthday party and make this a memorable celebration!**

## Congratulations to 2010 City Employees of the Year



2010 Employees of the Year were honored on March 16 at Pelican Beach Clubhouse. Pictured with City Manager Michael Crotty (far left) are, from left, Part-Time Employee of the Year, Patti Noe, Police Department Administrative Assistant; and Full-Time Employees of the Year, Firefighter/Paramedic Rhiannon Iverson and Finance Director Brenda Raver.

## Waste Management Service Requests

Simplify Waste Management customer service requests by accessing the City website, [www.satellitebeachfl.org](http://www.satellitebeachfl.org), and clicking on the "Service Request" quick link. It's easy and provides for instant documentation of your service request.

Residents without Internet access can call City Hall, 773-4407, for assistance with service requests. Residents may also continue to contact Waste Management at 723-4455 for service requests.

Remember your living or deceased pet with an engraved brick, available for \$50. Order forms are available at Satellite Beach Recreation Department or at the Dog Park.



As yet another successful basketball season comes to a close, we would like to thank all of the wonderful businesses who sponsored our teams this year. It is because of your generosity that we can continue with our programs.

Congratulations to all of our coaches, players and parents for a fun and great season. We look forward to seeing you all on the courts this summer. Registration is underway, and games will begin the weekend of June 3. Check out our website for further information and registration forms.

Congratulations to our two teams who won their divisions. The 10-12 year-old team was coached by **Sgt. Paul Creatura** and **Doug Cook**, and was sponsored by **Platt, Jacobus, Fielding, Ville Law Offices**. The team consisted of **Deanna Barberi, Conner Cook, Kira Creatura, Bryce Fielding, Conner Kaminski, Garrett Kaminski, Maddy Miller, Cameron Sutton, Jeremy Sutton** and **Reno Cook**. The 13-15 year-old team was coached by **Brian Hart** and **Ian Hart** and was sponsored by **Uncle Bob's Self Storage**. The team consisted of **James Befanis, Suzy Dillingham, Austin Downie, Dylan Hannan, Mackenzie Hart, Dylan Lowdermilk, Quinn Lowdermilk, Michael Mejas, Jordan Painter, and Blake Quillen**.

Summer is quickly approaching, and the kids are ready to have fun! The **PAL Summer Program** is just the place. Beginning May 30, join your friends Monday - Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. New this year and on a three week trial basis, we will be opening at 8:00 a.m. and closing at 5:00 p.m. For detailed information and pricing, please visit our website, [satellitebeachpal.org](http://satellitebeachpal.org), or give us a call at 777-8336. Drop-ins are always welcome!

Mark your calendar: Our **Annual Adult Only Mini Bunko Night** will be held **Saturday, May 28**. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., and the dice roll is at 7:00 p.m.

Please visit us at [www.satellitebeachpal.org](http://www.satellitebeachpal.org) for more information regarding our programs.

## Animal Control

Animal control regulations apply to all pets, including cats and dogs, and are enforced by Brevard County Animal Services and Enforcement, a.k.a. Animal Control.



When outside the confines of your property, pets must be on a leash. On your property, the pet must be confined in a fenced area, restrained by leash or rope, or personally supervised at all times. It is the responsibility of the person in control of an animal to remove any excretion caused by the animal.

If found in violation by the Animal Control Office, owners are subject to a \$55 citation for the first offense. If an animal is at large and the owner cannot be found, it is taken to South Animal Care and Adoption Center located at 5100 West Eau Gallie Boulevard. In addition to a \$55 citation, the owner must pay a \$35 impound fee and \$30 transport fee.

If you wish to report a neighborhood pet problem, contact Animal Control, 633-2024.

## Angel Food Ministries Can Stretch Your Grocery Budget

There is an alternative to the increasing rise in grocery store prices. Take advantage of great savings on variety packages for \$21, \$31, or \$41, individually prepared meals (ten) for \$28, after-school snacks, fruit/vegetable boxes, and specialty meat combos. Everyone is eligible to participate. There is no limit to the amount of food that any one person may purchase.

Check out the varied options by picking up the current monthly menu at the Recreation Department, 1089 South Patrick Drive, or at Our Father's House, 535 Cassia Boulevard. Pick up is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Visit [www.ofhsb.org](http://www.ofhsb.org) to place an order online. Call Alice at 243-5670 for more information.

### **April**

Deadline: Sunday, April 17  
Pick Up: Saturday, April 23

### **May**

Deadline: Sunday, May 15  
Pick Up: Saturday, May 21

**Satellite High School** Principal **Mark Elliott** has been named Administrator of the Year by the Florida Music Education Association. The announcement was made by Dr. **Brian Binggeli**, Superintendent of Brevard Public Schools. This prestigious award is presented to administrators who have exhibited a passion and support for music education. More kudos to Mr. Elliott . . . Brevard Art Educators Association (BAEA) proudly congratulated Mark Elliott as the 2011 Outstanding Principal Supporting the Arts. "He supports the school's art program and the art teachers, and the importance of the arts to the community," according to BAEA President **Christina DeLorey**.

Satellite High School Awards Night will be held on Monday, May 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the school theater. The ceremony will be held to recognize outstanding students for scholarship, community, and athletic achievements, according to **Jane McDermott**, Awards Night Chairman.



Shelbie Parks, member of the Satellite High School Pole Vaulting Team, limbers up to begin her rigorous training session on the ramp at the school stadium. Jessica Stern is the Pole Coach. (Photo by Scotty Culp)

**Surfside Elementary School** Future Problem Solving Teams represented the school in an outstanding manner at the district competition. Team B took second place in the district for the Booklet Competition, and Team D also placed in the Booklet Competition. The following students advanced to the state competition in Cape Canaveral: **Patrick Blair, Olivia Heideman, Sylvia Tammen, Martin Wilson, Ben Kingsley, Kelly Straehla, Jeremy Sutton, and Sam Willett**. Alternates include **Joanna LaTorre, David Benne, David Christiano, Ethan Leary, and Summer Rhodes**.

**Carol Longmuir** retired after serving as Surfside's secretary for twenty-seven years. **Pam Carlo** from Jupiter Elementary School is the new secretary.

The **Satellite Beach Woman's Club** has been partnering with **Sea Park Elementary School** for six years. Eight ladies and two of their spouses volunteer twice per month for about 45 minutes each visit. The volunteers use the time to work with students in first

through third grade on reading and math skills. The volunteers read with students, and practice vocabulary, reading comprehension, and math skills, such as reviewing time and money, and basic math facts.

"We appreciate the time the volunteers donate to our students each month. The staff and I feel that it is very beneficial to the students. I know it has been very rewarding for our volunteers, as well. We hope to continue this partnership in years to come," said **Ena Leiba**, Principal.

Mentors are: **Jeanne Roach; Kitty Wade; Susan and Edwin Myers; Joan and Robert Glass; Penny Hurley; Nancy Persse; Beth Davison; Peggy Baker; and Betsey Pastoor**.

**DeLaura Middle School** Future Problem Solvers participated in the Brevard competition. Two teams qualified and advanced to the state competition.

DeLaura Choral Ensemble students gave an outstanding stage performance, as well as a performance at the sight-reading portion of the musical assessment in Titusville.

More than thirty pieces of artwork from DeLaura art students were on display at the Melbourne Square Mall, reported **Claudia Shirley**, Principal.

**Holland Elementary School's** **Kassie Erenstoft** was one of the finalists for Brevard Public Schools 2011 Teacher of the Year. Although she was not the winner, the second grade teacher was congratulated by Dr. **Brian Binggeli**, Superintendent of Schools, during a recognition ceremony. **Diane Phillips**, Cocoa High School, was crowned the winner.

## Turtle Season Regulations

Lights out on the beach regulations for Turtle Season begin May 1 and continue through October 31. Beachfront property owners are required to turn off outside lights facing the ocean.

It is requested that no flash cameras or flashlights be used on the beach during this time period. Please take precautions so the nesting turtles or hatching turtles are not disturbed with lights or noise. Lighting scares away would-be nesting sea turtles, and attracts hatchlings toward the road, instead of the surf.



**Rufus Fairbanks Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR)**, proudly nominated **Joseph Steckler** for the Community Service Award at a recent meeting. A relentless volunteer officer, his intent is to make people aware of the many assistance programs available, how to access them, and not to be afraid to ask for help. Mr. Steckler especially serves the Ministry to the Sick and Homebound. In the fall of 1992, he began his formal education in the area of senior services while enrolled in the Pastoral Ministry Program developed by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Orlando. After three years of intensive study, he was commissioned by the Bishop as a Pastoral Minister for the elderly and those needing assistance. Joe initiated and established Joe's Clubs for adult day care, publishes newspaper articles, speaks to seniors and interested groups, prepares his radio broadcast, and makes himself available when crisis or unexpected situations occur. This noteworthy gentleman was selected as one of eight in the nation to receive the National Community Service Award to be announced at the DAR National Continental Congress in Washington, DC, on June 29, 2011.



From left, Betty Green, Vice Regent and Community Service Award Chairperson; Joseph Steckler, recipient; and Wanda Kahler, Regent, Rufus Fairbanks Chapter, DAR. (Photo by Scotty Culp)

**Satellite Beach Beautification Board** was pleased to have a special guest at its recent meeting. **Pat Utecht**, a two-term Mayor, Councilman, and volunteer who has served on countless County and City advisory boards, provided the leadership in purchasing sixteen acres of land, now known as DeSoto Sports Park. The City honored Pat at an unveiling of a plaque inscribing his many accomplishments. The plaque, cemented in granite stone, may be seen at the entrance to the park near the parking lot for the tennis courts.

The Beautification Board continues to recognize the Public Works Department for the colorful and seasonal plants surrounding the Scotty Culp Municipal Complex. Knowledgeable **Phil Cline** is the Grounds Crew Leader.

I'm sure bird watchers have seen a variety of migratory birds in our beach neighborhood. Two that distinguish themselves are the Painted Bunting and the Hummingbird. A pair of male and female Buntings frequent my feeder at

least daily. The distinctive, brightly colored combinations include a deep blue head, red under parts, green back, and a red rump. The female has an overall greenish plumage that is darker above than below. Keep birdseed in your feeder and, hopefully, you'll see these spectacular birds.

The Hummingbirds have been seen here since December, and have a mottled green back, grayish under parts, and an extended bill. They love brightly colored foliage for nectar, and are attracted to the Red Cape Honeysuckle. This vine propagates so easily and flourishes, trimmed or spread, through runners when it is allowed to climb.



Cars often slow down, or even stop, to see groupings of the White Ibis bird. They are easily spotted with a red/orange face, a long, curved bill, and long legs. They dig in lawns and feed on grubs. (Photo by Scotty Culp)



Grandma and City Recreation Director Kerry Stoms, left, is pictured with her granddaughter, Eloise Joyce Hughes. Jenni Hughes is the proud mother. Kerry, a Satellite High School class of 1970 graduate, has faithfully served our city since 1974. Jenni graduated from Satellite High School in 1997. (Photo by Scotty Culp)

If you see a home deserving of Yard of the Month or a Spruced Up Yard recognition, call City Hall, 773-4407, or **Scotty Culp**, 773-8391. Be sure to note the house number and street. The recipient will receive a certificate signed by Mayor **Joe Ferrante** and Beautification Board Chair **Judie Kraemer**. A beautification sign will be placed in the yard.

The “**21-Day Salute to the Flag**” begins on June 14 (Flag Day) and ends on July 4 (Independence Day). With this event approaching, my volunteer community family will be aware of our patriotic endeavor. Please call me at 773-8391 so your names are on my date book. Fifty-one flags are raised at 7:30 a.m. and retired at 5:30 p.m. at the Scotty Culp Municipal Complex (Civic Center), located at 565 Cassia Boulevard. Don’t wait for my call to volunteer!

It is always pleasant to remember early settlers in Satellite Beach that have not “faded away.” **John and Ethel Perrot**, who now reside in Melbourne, lived in a beautiful two story home on Cinnamon Court. John was Vice-Mayor and a member of City Council from 1972 - 1977. He is a charter member of the Satellite Beach Lions Club, where he served as second Vice-President and past District Governor. The twosome decorated their home at Christmastime beyond all imagination.

Unserviceable American Flags can be dropped off at the VFW Post Home 4643 located at 1252 Highway A1A or at the Satellite Beach Library.



Not limited to SB residents. \$5/yr. dues. Contact Marty Hindsley at 777-8313 or [mhindsley@yahoo.com](mailto:mhindsley@yahoo.com).

- ❑ **Seminar, Thursday, May 5** – 12:30 p.m. at DRS Comm. Center by Florida Caregiver Services. A light lunch will be served. RSVP to 773-6458.
- ❑ **Every Monday, Bingo** – 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., S.B. Civic Center. Cost: \$5 for cards. Must be a member to play. Potluck last Monday of the month.
- ❑ **Every Tues., Wed., & Thurs., Indoor Walking Group** – 8:30-10:00 a.m., DRS Comm. Ctr. Gym. 7:30-8:30 a.m. May 24-August 1. No walking May 30.
- ❑ **Every Tuesday, Line Dancing** – 1-2 p.m. at the DRS Community Center. Cost: \$2 per session. Attendees must be a 55+ Club member.
- ❑ **Every Wednesday**, at the DRS Comm. Center Game Room – **Mahjongg**, 9:00-11:30 a.m.; **Pool, Table Tennis, Cards & Games**, 6-9 p.m.
- ❑ **Every Thurs., Cards & Games** – 9:00 a.m. at the DRS Community Center Game Room.
- ❑ **1st Tues., (every other month) Dinner Gang** Call Floss at 773-6073. Group will break for the summer and return in September.
- ❑ **1st Wednesday, Arts & Crafts** – 12:00 p.m. at the DRS Comm. Center. A small fee will be collected. Call Betsy at 779-9775 for current craft. *Meet at Betsy’s in June and July.*
- ❑ **1st Thursday, Free Blood Pressure and Glucose Checks** offered by Visiting Nurse Association, 9:30 a.m., at DRS Community Ctr.
- ❑ **2nd Wed., Early Bird Dinner** – Call Joan at 777-0238 for current meeting location.
- ❑ **3rd Wed., Lunch Bunch** – *April 20*, Abby’s Cove; *May 18*, Bunky’s. Call Laverne Johnson at 725-6610 to RSVP.
- ❑ **2nd Friday, Bunko** – 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at DRS Community Center in April and Bizzarro’s in May. Cost: \$5 per person; \$7 for guests. Must purchase tickets prior to meeting. Call Barbara, 773-3050.
- ❑ **Movie Group** – Meets last Friday of the month. Call Louise Daley at 773-6946 for information.
- ❑ **Travel Group** – Call Terry Mellon, 773-7705.
- ❑ **Recruit a New Member!** – The top five 55+ Club members who recruit the most “new members” until the December meeting receive a nice prize.

Visit the City Website  
[www.satellitebeachfl.org](http://www.satellitebeachfl.org)  
 for the latest updates  
 on City news, including  
 current and past  
 editions of the  
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### Green Trash Cart Etiquette

These are a few tips on how to get all of your trash removal needs fulfilled and maintain community aesthetics. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

- ✓ The green cart(s) should not be put out for collection prior to 5:00 p.m. on the day before collection, and should be brought in by 8:00 p.m. on the day the trash is collected.
- ✓ The contents should not exceed the capacity of the green cart, and the lid should be able to close. (This is to keep the contents from blowing out and prevent damage to the collection truck when they are emptied.)
- ✓ On non-collection days and times, carts should be stored next to your house.

## FAMILY SPECIAL EVENTS

### May 15, Rhythm in Motion Dance Recital



Enjoy this recital presented by Satellite Beach's own dance ensemble, "Rhythm In Motion." This year's theme will be *All That Dance*, and features dance students from 3 years to adults. The recital will be held at the Satellite High School Performing Arts Auditorium with a different show at 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Satellite Beach Recreation Department beginning April 12. The cost will be \$9 for adults and \$7 for ages 4-12 for a single recital, or \$13 for adults and \$10 for youth for both recitals.

### June 17, Stuffed Animal

**Beauty Pageant** – This will be the Nineteenth Annual Stuffed Animal Beauty Pageant, and is best suited for ages 2-12. Is your favorite stuffed animal waiting to be discovered? Fluff and dress them in their finest for the Pageant. Ribbons and certificates are awarded to all. The event will be held Friday, June 17, at 10:00 a.m. at DRS Community Center. The pageant is free, but please RSVP to 773-6458!

## CLASSES FOR YOUTH

### Summer Activity Brochure

is available on line at: [www.satellitebeachrecreation.org](http://www.satellitebeachrecreation.org) or can be picked up at the Satellite Beach Recreation Dept. Below is a sampling of our exciting programs.

### If you like Arts and Crafts!

Cooking & Crafts, Ooey n' Glooey Crafts, Crafts & Courtesy, Art Texture and Mixed Media, and Balloon Art. These craft classes are offered to a wide range of ages, and early sign-up is advised.

### Do you have a passion for

**Music and Theatre?** Try guitar classes for youth, Summer Guitar Camps, "Sound of Music" musical theatre, or Mr. Science's Weird Music Instruments Camp. These summer programs are popular and fill up quickly, so please sign-up early.

**Mr. Science Summer Camps** are wacky science fun! Try Spy Training Camp, Rocket Camp, Mystery Detective Camp, Magicians Science & Wizards Camp, Electricity Camp, Crazy Inventors Camp, ZAP Camp, Robo-Wars Camp, Flying Aces Kite Camp, or Weird Music Instruments Camp. These camps are for ages 7-13, and are held from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Camps range from three to five days a week.

### Grab your water shoes!

Ms. Tiffany and Ms. Danielle will be offering weekly Marine Camps beginning June 6. Each week long camp travels to a different location. To view the camp itinerary, go to [www.satellitebeachrecreation.org](http://www.satellitebeachrecreation.org) or call the recreation office. Mini-Marine Camp, for ages 6-7, is also offered this summer. The Summer Activity Brochure has additional information about a rowing camp, swimming classes, and a surf-fishing clinic.

**Get Your Game On** – Several sport classes are offered, with dates ranging from monthly to every six weeks. Look in the Summer Activity Brochure for details on Tae Kwon Do, Volleyball, Baton Twirling, Tennis, Archery, and Skateboard lessons.

**Special Kids Action Mini-Camps** offered this Summer are: Hip Hop Dance, Fun Dance, Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Get Your Game On, Jazzercise, and Ninja Kids Training Camp. A Mini-Camp is held several days in a row, and tends to meet for only part of the day. Several Sport Mini-Camps are also offered, teaching and improving skills for Track and Field, Baseball, Basketball, Volleyball,

Soccer, Rowing, and Tennis.

### Full Week Camps for Sports

Check out the variety of full week camps that are being offered this summer, including Wrestling, Volleyball, Football, and Basketball.

**Tiny Tots Gym** – This is a class for toddlers and their caregivers, in which they experience physical activities designed to enhance and develop gross motor skills, coordination, social interaction, and cooperative play. Caregivers must stay with the child. The program is for ages 18-36 months, and will meet on Thursdays, 10:45-11:30 a.m., from June 16-July 28, at the DRS Community Center. Cost is \$45 for this session.

**Lil' Sports** – Reed Tompkins will continue to teach ages 3-5 throughout the summer. Programs begin at the first of each month and meet on Friday mornings and Friday evenings. The monthly cost is \$30.

**Little Dragons** – One of our most popular programs for ages 3 1/2 - 5. John Leep offers classes on Tues., 4:30-5:15 p.m., and also Thursdays, 4:30-5:15 p.m., beginning the first of each month. Cost is \$25 per month.

**Jr. Safe Boating Course** – The Banana River Power Squadron will teach ages 11-17 the lessons necessary for them to obtain a Boating Safety Education ID card, as required by FL State Law Enforcement, to operate a boat. Attendance at the three-day course is required, and students must pass the final exam. The course will be held at the DRS Community Center on June 6-8 and July 25-27 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Pre-payment of the \$10 registration fee is required to join the course.

**Fall Creative Playtime Classes** – The Recreation Dept. has a series of classes that promote positive growth development for motor skills, speech, and socialization through the use of music, story time, and play. Classes are held at the DRS

Community Center, and parents/ caretakers are required to stay and participate. An additional lab fee is paid at the first class. Sign up now to ensure you have a spot for the fall!

**Infants 6 weeks-11 months** meets on Saturdays, 9:00-10:15 a.m., August 13-September 17. Cost is \$38.

**Babies 12-22 months** meets on Fridays, 9:30-10:30 a.m., August 12-September 16. Cost is \$38.

**Toddlers 20-36 months** meets on Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m., August 23-September 13. Cost is \$36 for this session. A second class meets on Fridays, 10:00-11:30 a.m., August 19-September 16. The cost is \$41 for this session.

**ACTIVITIES THAT KEEP YOU MOVING**

**Tennis Classes** – Classes are held on Mondays for beginner and intermediate players. Beginner players, ages 6-9, meet from 4-5 p.m.; Ages 9-12 meet from 5-6 p.m.; Ages 13-Adults meet from 6-7 p.m. Intermediate players ages 10 and older meet from 7-8 p.m. A new five-week session begins on May 2. The cost is \$55 for each session. Four-week classes will begin June 6 and July 11 following the same times as above.

**Pick-Up Games**

**Volleyball** for adult coeds is held each Monday, 7:00-10:00 p.m., at the DRS Community Center Gymnasium. The cost is \$1.25, paid at the door.

**Basketball** for men is held each Sunday, 7:00-10:00 p.m., at the DRS Community Center Gymnasium. The cost is \$1.25, paid at the door.

**Tennis for Ladies Doubles** is offered Monday and Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. at the DeSoto Tennis Courts.

**Tennis for Mens Doubles** is offered Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, at 8:00 a.m. at the DeSoto Tennis Courts.



Beachside Little League Opening Day was March 5. Satellite High School Jr. ROTC presented the colors. A fun time was had by all.



The new skate ramp was constructed by many volunteers, lead by Kelly Cavanaugh and Matt Price. The ramp is complete and is seeing lots of use.



The East Coast Sailing Association participated in an "Adopt-A-Park" work day on Samsons Island. The work day was a great success. Good job, guys!



The Brevard Montessori School of Satellite Beach learns about recycling. From left: Maia Keefe and Callahan Johnson, holding the pizza box.

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## About The Library



**Barbara's Book Chats** – Monday, April 25, at 1:00 p.m., *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens. New members are always welcome. Contact Barbara in the Reference Department at 779-4004 for details.

**Great Decisions 2011**: Presented by the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast, Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. **Educational Reform**, April 26; **Horn of Africa**, May 10; **Sanctions and Nonproliferation**, May 24. Call Mary Nicolay at 723-6169 for information.

Thank you to the **Friends of the Library** who made the annual book sale fundraiser a success.

**Family Story Time with Ms. Marlana** – Thurs. at 11:00 a.m. for ages 3 and up. No sign-up is required.

Vote for your favorite **Florida Teens Read** title during April. Visit [www.floridamedia.org](http://www.floridamedia.org) to vote. See the Florida Teen Read display in the Library.

**Teen Advisory Council** – Ages 12-18. Saturday, April 23, at 2:00 p.m. We will be making READ posters to celebrate National Library Week and Support Teen Literature Day. Saturday, May 21, at 2:00 p.m., help plan teen programs and earn volunteer hours.

**Teen Book Club** – Ages 12-18. Celebrate National Poetry Month with a Poetry Slam on Tuesday, April 26, at 6:00 p.m. Earn two volunteer hours for attending. Discussion of the winner of the Florida Teen

Read 2011 Award, Tuesday, May 24, at 6:00 p.m.

**Teen Top Ten Reading Challenge** – Have you read all ten titles? See Ms. Marlana for information.

**Friends Board Meeting** – Monday, May 9, at 2:00 p.m. Open to the public.

**Story Times** – May 4 and 5 only to allow staff time to prepare for summer youth programs beginning in June. Story times will resume in the fall. Contact Youth Services for information.

**Children's Book Week** – May 2-8. Pick up your Wimpy Kid bookmark and reading log.

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover at the Library** Monday, May 3, at 3:30 p.m. Bring a stuffed animal to hear *When the Library Lights Go Out*, and then leave your animal to spend the night in the Library. Come back the next day and see what it did at the Library while you were away!

**Read to a Dog** – Saturday, May 7, at 2:00 p.m., for ages 5 and up. Read your favorite story to Space Coast Therapy Dogs. Registration is required; limited to 15.

Volunteers needed for **Book Bucks Program**. We need teens, ages 12-18, to work the reading club desk during the summer. Registration for volunteers starts May 1. Participation in a mandatory training session is required on May 21 at 3:00 p.m.