



**Citizens for Ponce Inlet**

# Newsletter

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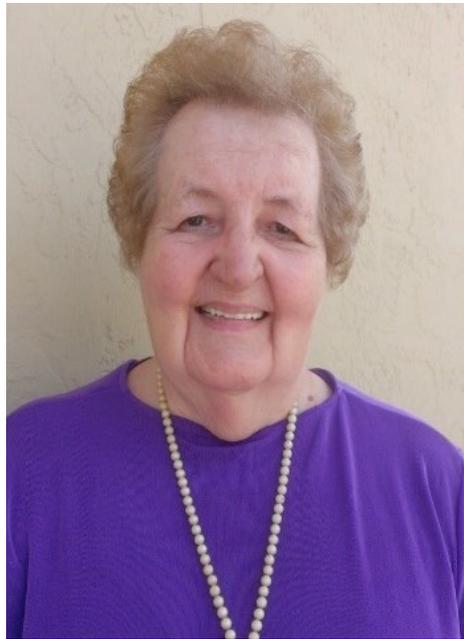
**SPRING 2016**

## MARY HOSS NAMED 2016 PONCE INLET CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Mary Hoss was named Ponce Inlet Citizen of the Year for 2016. The award is given annually to a resident or town employee who has made major contributions to the community.

The recipient is chosen by a vote of previous Citizen of the Year recipients and members of the board of Citizens for Ponce Inlet which bestows the award. The award was presented to Ms. Hoss at a ceremony at the Community Center April 14.

A record number of Lifetime Achievement Awards were also presented at the ceremony. These awards are given to members of the community for their continued service to Ponce Inlet over a period of at least 20 years. The six recipients of the Lifetime awards were Hazel Dauksis, Wilda Hampton, Bill and



Mary Hoss

Shirley Hibbert, Edwina Knox and Carolyn Sprague.

Mary Hoss began serving the town almost as soon as she moved here in

1994. She spent 16 years as a volunteer member of the Town's Board of Adjustments, which she chaired for the final five years after serving six years as vice chairperson. She then moved to the Planning Board as vice chairperson.

In 2011 she was elected to the Town Council. She served as vice-mayor and was re-elected in 2013 and again last year—this time by a majority of over 70 per cent.

She has also been an active member of the Ponce Inlet Women's Club and Garden Club of Ponce Inlet. She launched the Women's Club Scholarship Committee and has served as its chairperson for nine years. She also serves on the Garden Club Scholarship Committee, as well as the Women's Club's Admissions and Programs Committees.

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The Citizens For Ponce Inlet Newsletter is published four times yearly to inform the citizens and businesses of Ponce Inlet about matters which may be of interest or have an impact on them. The newsletter is not a public forum and no editorial articles or letters will be accepted for publication.

The Town of Ponce Inlet's arrangement with the Citizens For Ponce Inlet organization is that the Town of Ponce Inlet covers the cost of the printing of the newsletter in exchange for running information from all of the Town's departments. The Citizens For Ponce Inlet organization puts the newsletter together to include articles from all of the various organizations within the Town. The Citizens For Ponce Inlet organization also pays for the mailing and handles other local distribution. Though the printing varies from one issue to the next based upon its size, the Town of Ponce Inlet spent \$7,200 in total for the four issues published last fiscal year.

The newsletter does not accept paid advertisements so please consider becoming a member of the Citizens For Ponce Inlet by completing the form on the last page of this publication. Your membership helps defray the costs of the many activities of this organization including postage for the newsletter, the annual Candidate's Forum, and the Citizens of the Year awards event.

All comments, questions, and articles for submission should be directed to:

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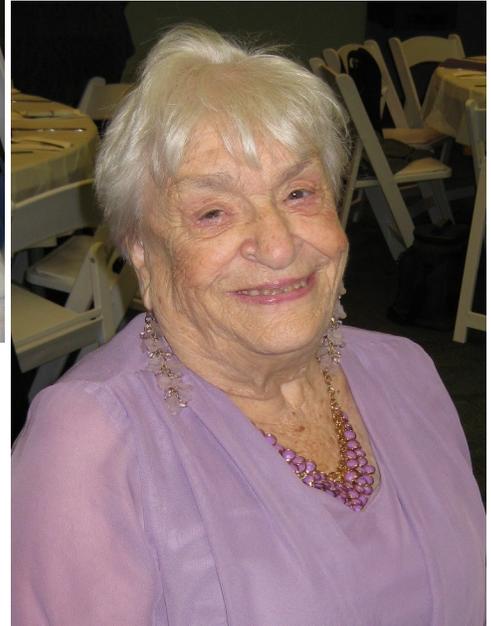
Hazel Dauksis

Lifetime achiever Hazel Dauksis was named for her diligent work as a board member of the Ponce Inlet Community Center. She is also a long-time member of Ponce Inlet Lions Club as well as the Women's Club and Garden Club. She was Citizen of the year in 1998.

Edwina Knox's service to various town groups spans at least 40 years. She was a founding member of the Garden Club and is an active member of the Women's Club. She was Citizen of the Year in 1992.

Wilda Hampton joined the Lighthouse Association in 1973, a year after she and her husband Quentin moved to Ponce Inlet. She served as its president for many years during the 1990s. She also was a founding member of the Art Guild of Ponce Inlet. She served on the board of the Ponce Inlet Community Center from its beginning and was a Women's Club member for many years. As a member of the

Planning Commission she participated in the Town's original comprehensive planning review. She served on the Commission for over a decade and was named its chairperson in 1986. She was the 1991 Citizen of the Year.



Edwina Knox



Wilda Hampton



Bill and Shirley Hibbert

Shirley Hibbert (1997 COTY) served as president of the Garden Club and also held office in the Women’s Club. Bill Hibbert (1999 COTY) is a past president of the Ponce Inlet Community Center Board. Both have participated in many other volunteer activities for the Town.



Recipients with their plaques: (Top-l-r) Bill Hibbert, Shirley Hibbert, Edwina Knox. (Bottom l-r) : Hazel Dauksis, Mary Hoss, Carolyn Sprague



Carolyn Sprague

Carolyn Sprague has volunteered her time for the town since moving here in 1981. She has worked for the Garden Club and the Ponce In-

let Community Center, serving on both boards. Her efforts managing the Flea Market have raised over \$100,000 for the center to the benefit of the community. She was named Citizen of the Year in 1990.

After she received her Lifetime Achievement Award and left the podium, CFPI Chairman Jim Hinson noted that she had run 44 Flea Markets. “46,” she called back from the audience.

The guest speaker at the presentation was Council member Lois Paritsky. She offered many good suggestions on ways that citizens could take to minimize the threat of identity theft.



Lois Paritsky

# TOWN MANAGER



## From the Town Manager, Jeaneen Witt...

With the roar of the Speedway and Bike Week we have welcomed in the Spring of 2016. Ponce Inlet has a lot to offer those who enjoy the outdoors during this time of year. Using our pristine view of both the ocean and the intercoastal waterway as a frame for our lovely island home, we provide many wonderful parks, trails, and boardwalks for your enjoyment and offer access to some areas that would otherwise be out of reach. Spring attracts many events to Ponce Inlet and we hope that you have been enjoying those held so far in 2016 – Historic Racing Parade, Community Day, Ponce Preserves the Planet, the Children's Easter Party and Paddle-Out Poverty. We have more just ahead—

Turtle Day (April 23<sup>rd</sup>), and the Veteran's Memorial Day Event (May 30<sup>th</sup>). Please sign up on the Town's website for Town News and LIKE us on Facebook to stay up to date with the latest information on these and other Town events.

**Town Regular Election – 2016.** Ponce Inlet's election is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Two seats will be up for election on the Town Council this year. Seat 2 and Seat 4 will be open for two year terms. Qualified candidates must be a resident of the Town for at least twelve (12) months and a registered voter in Volusia County for six (6) months prior to qualifying period. Qualifying period will begin on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> and will end on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at noon. If you are interested in serving your Town in this manner, please contact Deputy Town Clerk Kim Cherbano at 386-236-2150 for more information.

**Spotlight on.....Amy Dowling,** Administrative Assistant of Public Works



This issue we would like to spotlight Amy Dowling. She is the friendly voice when you call down to Public Works. Amy started working in the Public Works Division in February of 2015. Amy moved to the area after her husband

retired from Law Enforcement. She has worked in many industries owning her own Businesses, and holds a degree in Business Administration and Management. She has spent many years in the Septic, Drainfield, and Lift Station Industry. Her Business serviced large Commercial Accounts, including Theme Parks in Orange and Osceola County. Directly before joining the Town Staff, she owned her own Business acting as an Independent Contractor in the Chiropractic/Medical Field.

She worked with Accident and Injury patients, holding Certifications as a Licensed Massage Therapist, Registered Chiropractic Assistant, and Certified Personal Trainer. Upon her hire with Public Works she quickly acclimated to the varied duties of the Department, using her life experiences to help her excel. She has been a team player, and a big help in keeping all of the Public Works files and permits in order among many other duties. If you are in the neighborhood of Public Works, stop in and say hello, and ask to see a photo of her new puppy.

**Town Holiday Closings.** Town offices will be closed on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day and Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day.

**Hurricane Season Is Almost Here** Make sure your information is up-to-date in our CodeRED® Emergency Notification System. The system will distribute emergency messages via telephone to targeted areas or the entire Town at a rate of 1,000 calls per minute. CodeRED® employs a one-of-a-kind Internet mapping capability for geographic targeting of calls, coupled with a high

speed telephone calling system capable of delivering customized pre-recorded emergency messages directly to homes and businesses, live individuals and answering machines.

Ponce Inlet residents and businesses are welcome and encouraged to enter their contact information for home, business, and mobile phones so they may be contacted by the system in the event of an emergency. It is important for town residents and businesses customers to register, especially if they use unlisted numbers, cell phones, or VOIP. Those who do not register their address and phone number may not be notified with CodeRED® in the case of an emergency. Registration is confidential, free, and easy. Please go to the Town's web page at [www.ponce-inlet.org](http://www.ponce-inlet.org) and click the CodeRed® link for more information and to register.

**Town Businesses on Website.** Please check out our webpage for a directory of Ponce Inlet businesses. You'll be surprised by the variety of services so close at hand. This is a compilation of those within the Town limits who have obtained the required business tax receipt (formerly known as occupational license). This business directory is updated once each year following the renewal of licenses and can be found as a link to the Town's home page – [www.ponce-inlet.org](http://www.ponce-inlet.org).

**Wanted:** Interested Citizens to serve on Town Boards. The Town Council seeks interested citizens to serve on our advisory committees. To

view the current vacancies, you can visit our website: [www.ponce-inlet.org](http://www.ponce-inlet.org) or call Town Hall. Please note that you must be a resident and a registered voter of the Town of Ponce Inlet in order to be appointed to the various boards. We appreciate your interest in serving as a volunteer in your community.

**Town Council & Board Meetings.** Unless notice is provided otherwise, the Town Council meets the third Thursday of every month, 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 4300 S. Atlantic Avenue. Special meetings are scheduled and noticed as needed. The agendas are for all Town Council and Town Boards are posted at Town Hall, and on the website. For your convenience, all Town Council and Town Board meetings are now live-streamed so that you may listen from the comfort of your home through the Town's website. The audio of all meetings is also archived on the website. Both the live and archived meetings can be found by clicking on the audio streaming icon on the front page. Live streaming plays through Windows Media Player.

Please visit our website [www.ponce-inlet.org](http://www.ponce-inlet.org) for all public meeting notices and minutes, general information, and status of current or upcoming projects. Further, be sure to read the back of your utility bills for special announcements and important information. If you haven't already done so, please sign up for our email list through the website. Just please be informed that in doing so your email address becomes a public record and we must provide it to anyone upon request..

# Police



Frank G. Fabrizio  
Chief of Police

## AC4P Policing Initiative

The Ponce Inlet Police Department is one of only a handful of law enforcement agencies in the nation to take part in a grassroots effort that began on a college campus and has evolved into an international "pay it forward" movement. The movement first developed in the aftermath of the April 16, 2007 Virginia Tech Tragedy, when student leaders and a VT professor initiated a cultural shift on campus – the Actively Caring for People Movement. Two thousand green actively caring wristbands were distrib-



uted across the Virginia Tech campus to individuals performing acts of caring with instructions to pay it forward. By passing on the wristband when a person observed someone else performing an act of



kindness, it reinforced positive behavior, building the Virginia Tech community from its damaged aftermath.

**What is AC4P Policing?**

AC4P stands for “Actively Caring for People.” This process has been researched, implemented, and proven successful in various settings across our country and the world, from industry to educational and community settings. AC4P Policing brings this process to police officers around the country.

AC4P Policing hopes to bridge the divide between the community and law enforcement by training officers to deliver positive consequences in ways that help to cultivate interpersonal trust and actively caring behavior among police officers and the citizens they are hired to serve.

When a Ponce Inlet Police Officer observes a citizen actively caring for people in the community, the officer will provide the citizen with a uniquely serialized blue AC4P wristband to immediately recognize the citizen for their act of caring within the Town of Ponce In-

let. The officer will also document the reason the citizen was recognized and this act of caring will be shared through the Department’s various social media programs.

The Ponce Inlet Police Department then encourages each AC4P wristband recipient to “pay it forward” and transfer the wristband to another citizen whom a recipient witnesses actively caring for people in the community. To ensure that each original recipient of an AC4P wristband from the Ponce Inlet Police Department does not go without a wristband for their initial act of caring, the Department will provide a free replacement wristband to any recipient who “pays it forward.” To request a replacement

Ponce Inlet Police Department decides to share your story through our social media programs, we will only share your story and we will not release any of the contact information you voluntarily provide us.

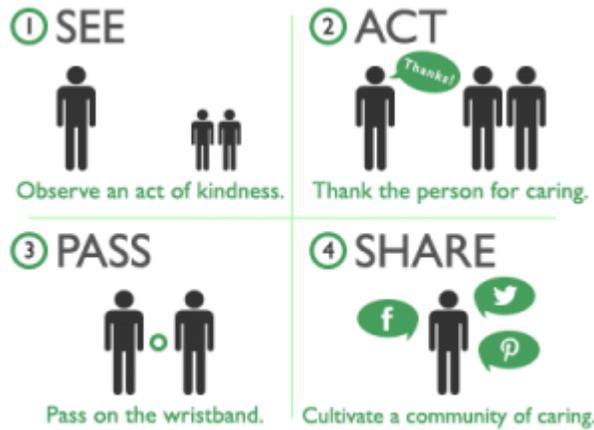
If you would like more information about the program, you can go to the national [AC4P Policing](http://www.ac4p.org) website or watch the below Fox News story about the program.

<http://video.foxnews.com/v/4349936151001/beyond-the-dream-actively-caring-for-people/#.Vvk3fPKiVQk.email>

**PONCE PARTNERS**

The Ponce Partners Program is designed to be a safety net for those who are elderly, live alone, are disabled, or have a medical condition that is potentially incapacitating. Any resident of Ponce Inlet can become a member by completing a short request form.

When you become a Ponce Partner, you simply agree to contact the Police Department by phone each day any time before noon. If we do not hear from you, we will call you to ensure that you are all



wristband, we ask that you provide us with the details surrounding the act of caring that you recognized another citizen for via email. If the



right. If we are unable to reach you by phone, we will send an officer out to your residence to check on your well-being.

All too often, those who are ill, elderly or live alone injure themselves and can't call for help. This program is set up to ensure some form of communication each day, and, best of all, the program is offered to you *Free of Charge!*

If you or anyone you know is interested, all you have to do is contact the Ponce Inlet Police Department or go to the "Forms" link on the Town of Ponce Inlet website to get a copy of our application.



### Avoiding Senior Scams

Financial scams targeting seniors have become so prevalent that they're now considered "the crime of the 21st century." Why? Because seniors are thought to have a significant amount of money sitting in their accounts.

The estimated dollar amount stolen is a whopping \$2.9 billion annually. That figure is most likely lower than the reality because many cases are never reported due to embarrassment and other factors. The statistics do not just pertain to the elderly (defined by these studies as anyone over 55), but the AARP reports 25 percent of all scams are perpetrated on victims over this age.

Financial scams also often go unreported or can be difficult to prosecute, so they're considered a "low-risk" crime for the perpetrators. However, they're devastating to many older adults and can leave them in a vulnerable position with little time to recoup their losses.

It's not just wealthy seniors who are targeted. Low-income older adults are also at risk of financial abuse. And it's not always strangers who perpetrate these crimes. Over 90% of all reported elder abuse is committed by an older person's own family members, most often their adult child.

### Tips for avoiding scams

1. Be aware that you are at risk from strangers—and from persons closest to you.
2. Do not isolate yourself—stay involved with friends, family, and community activities!
3. Always tell salespeople that come to your door or call you on the phone: "I never buy from (or give to) anyone who calls or visits me unannounced. Please send me your information in writing."
4. Shred all receipts with your credit card number.
5. Use direct deposit for benefit checks to prevent checks from being stolen from the mailbox.
6. Never give your credit card, banking, Social Security, Medicare, or personal information over the phone unless you initiated the call.
7. Be skeptical of all unrequested offers and thoroughly do your research if you're seeking any type of services. Also be sure to get references when possible.

### REMEMBER: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!

Many of us have a parent, friend or neighbor who would benefit from a friendly reminder that seniors are prime targets for scam artists. "We can help prevent them from losing their money, their dignity and their sense of security," said Ken Hunter, president and CEO of the Council of Better Business Bureaus.

Caregivers can take some steps and identify red flags to help protect their elderly parents from scam artists and fraud against elders, according to the Better Business Bureau. These include:

Get involved with seniors' financial decisions as much as possible, especially when [managing personal finances](#) has become a burden.

Never allow your elderly parent to give out personal banking information, credit card numbers or Social Security numbers to someone who has called (or at least warn them against it). Popular scams include promising information on [new health miracle product](#), a charitable donation, or confirmation of a sweepstakes win.

If a salesperson will not provide written information about his or her company—including the company's name, address and telephone, do business with someone else.

If someone calls from a "government agency" requesting money, ask for a certified letter on an official letterhead.

Visit the homes of elderly relatives regularly. Ask about phone calls

they've received (con artists tend to develop relationships with their lonely victims and prey on their need for conversation.). And watch for a full mailbox. Large numbers of mailings from promotion companies could indicate that the elderly person is on a "sucker list."

Tell your parent never to hire someone who shows up at their door. If they are told their plumbing needs to be fixed, or the roof needs repaired, the scammer may take money, but never do the work.

Tell your parents never to make an "on-the-spot" decision. If the person says you have to take the offer immediately or you will miss the opportunity, it is likely a scam. Legitimate companies do not pressure people to act without taking the time to look into the deal.

[Avoid investments that promise huge profits](#) with no risk. "High-return" investments are not guaranteed and legitimate companies will tell consumers about possible risks involved.

Put the senior's phone number on the National Do Not Call registry by phoning 1 (888) 382-1222 or visiting [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov) (this will help to limit phone calls from telemarketers.)

Fraud against older Americans is a serious problem affecting thousands every year. These tips can help prevent your aging parent from falling victim to scams.

The Ponce Inlet Police Department wants to keep you and Ponce Inlet safe. Always remember that safety comes with staying AWARE and ALERT!

## Fire and Rescue



**Dan Scales Fire Chief**

Welcome Spring! The Ponce Inlet Fire Department has had a few changes already this year. First, we would like to wish the best of luck to Jeni Simken in all her future endeavors, and welcome Becky Hugler as our new Administrative Assistant. Becky comes to us after two years with the Ponce Inlet Police Department where she was the part time Office Specialist.



**Smoke Alarms (Smoke Detectors): You remembered to set your clock ahead but did you remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors?**

One of the most important fire safety devices for the home is the

smoke alarm. After becoming available in the early 1970s, home smoke alarm sales grew rapidly and the price fell. Today, smoke alarms sell for under \$15.

The primary job of the smoke alarm is to protect you from fires while you are asleep. Smoke alarms should be located between any sleeping persons and the rest of the house and outside bedrooms or sleeping areas.

Smoke alarms only have a useful life of about ten years. At that age they should be replaced, even if they seem to be working. This will assure that the alarm will be working when you need it.

If you have any questions regarding some alarms, please feel free to contact Lt. Derek George at (386) 322-6703 or send an email to [firemarshal@ponce-inlet.org](mailto:firemarshal@ponce-inlet.org).



### Prepare Now for Hurricane Season 2016

Now is the time to make preparations for upcoming hurricane season. Even though it was a quiet 2015 hurricane season, every year is different. We know that we could enter into a busy cycle for future hurricane seasons (with past

years being very busy) and for this reason I would ask all of you to check your kits to be sure you have a fresh supply of batteries as well as other necessary items. Remember, we are a short time from the next hurricane season (starting May 1). For more information about how you can be prepared, please visit:

<http://www.volusia.org/services/public-protection/emergency-management/>

or <http://www.ponce-inlet.org>, and click on the Emergency Management link.

### **SUMMER SAFETY**

As the weather warms up, more residents will be going to the local beaches.

Please be aware of the dangers, take appropriate safety measures and make sure that family members and babysitters are trained in First Aid and CPR.

#### **Beach Safety**

Children should be monitored **constantly** on the beach. Take small children by the hand when crossing traffic. Do not sit, lie or place personal property in the driving or parking areas.

#### **Ocean Safety**

Always swim in front of a lifeguard.



## **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**



*Aref Joulani, Director*

### **PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION**

#### **Protecting Our Water Resources**

On March 11<sup>th</sup>, the Town of Ponce Inlet hosted a *Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources* training course for “green industry” professionals, with the goal to enhance their knowledge and judgment in the field. Members of the Ponce Inlet Planning and Development Department attended this training along with staff from five other municipalities. This course was taught by industry experts from the University of Florida and the Department of Environmental Protection. The main topics touched on were water conservation and pollution reduction; proper landscape design for the right plant in the right place; creating healthy plants with proper fertilization and irrigation; and integrated pest management.

The course was intended for professionals working on a daily basis to care for and maintain public and private landscapes. Part of their role as professionals is to teach customers how to properly care for their landscape and the impact they have on our natural resources. This course was designed to provide a full range of guidance for green industry workers to continue the improvement of conservation and best practice methods. A few key points included proper mulching to retain moisture around plants; blowing lawn clippings back onto the grass to create compost; and keeping yard waste debris from entering storm drains where it can contribute to oxygen depletion in water bodies as it decays. Another important point was that proper watering (as opposed to over-watering) is necessary to avoid straining the natural aquifer system and draining the soil of nutrients. Creating operating zones for sprinkler heads and knowing the proper hydration of specific landscapes saves water and money. Also important is placing the right plant in the right place, which is good practice for plant survival, especially in salty or shady conditions. Lastly, the course touched on pest management and proper use of fertilizers.

The course provided a certificate of completion from the Department of Environmental Protection. The class was a

great success with a 100% pass rate for all who attended. More information can be found at [http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/professionals/BMP\\_overview.htm](http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/professionals/BMP_overview.htm).

## BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

### Single-Family Residential Development Trends

Since the beginning of 2013, Ponce Inlet has experienced an increase in the number of single-family home permit applications. Although the number has fluctuated from year to year, the overall trend reflects growth in permit activity. This trend has coincided with improvements to the economy and the local real estate market. The chart below shows the number of single-family home permit applications per quarter. In 2013, the Town received a total of nine such applications. This number dipped to five in 2014, but rebounded last year to 13. Five single-family permit applications have been received so far in 2016. If the trend continues, the Town could expect an additional 11 new applications for 16 total this year.

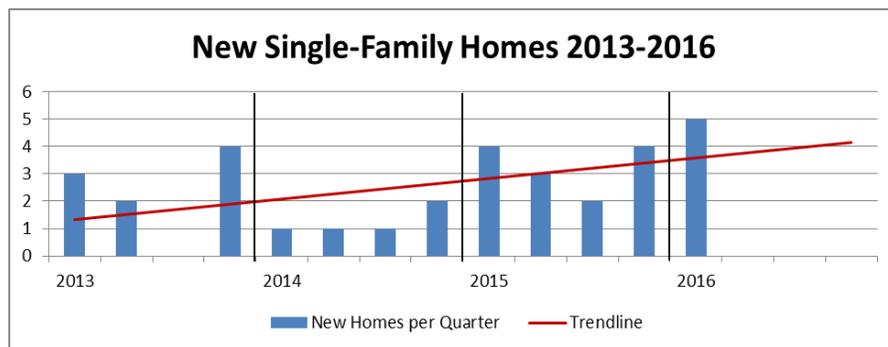
end of each year. If this pattern holds true in 2016, then the number of applications will decline during the spring and summer, but pick back up in the fall. Regardless, the final number in 2016 should be equal to or slightly higher than in 2015.

Another trend worth mentioning is development in the Las Olas subdivision. Since its creation 15 years ago, construction of individual homes has been sporadic and infrequent. As of March 2016, only 11 homes had been completed out the 70 lots available. However, since December 2015, five new applications in Las Olas have been submitted. That is as many in four months as were submitted for all of Ponce Inlet in 2014. These trends point to a busy year for construction in Las Olas and Ponce Inlet.

### Flood Insurance News

The Town recently completed the FEMA verification cycle that rates how a community is enforcing its flood-plain management regulations for the Community Rating System (CRS). This rating determines the score the Town receives and is what the insurance compan-

rating to determine flood insurance premium reductions for residents. CRS Classes are rated from 9 to 1. Today, most communities enter the program at a CRS Class 9 or Class 8 rating, which entitles residents in Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) to a 5 percent discount on their flood insurance premiums for a Class 9 or a 10 percent discount for Class 8. As a community engages in additional mitigation activities, its residents become eligible for increased NFIP policy premium discounts. Each CRS Class improvement produces a 5 percent greater discount on flood insurance premiums for properties in the SFHA.” The lower the Class rating number, the greater the discount received. With the verification cycle concluded, we are proud to announce that the Town has once again achieved a classification rating of 5. This means that Ponce Inlet property owners will continue to enjoy the 25% flood insurance discount that we have had for several years. Ponce Inlet, along with Volusia County, and recently Port Orange, are the only jurisdictions with this low of a rating.



However, the quarterly pattern of application submittals suggests a somewhat smaller number. More home permit applications are submitted during the beginning and

ies look at when issuing new or According to the FEMA website, “The CRS uses a Class rating system that is similar to fire insurance

Also, FEMA has provided the Town with the preliminary flood zone maps for the upcoming mapping cycle that will take effect in 2017. The maps show which properties are located in a Special Flood Hazard Area. The maps are available for public view in the Planning & Development Department, during regular business hours Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm. The Town will be sending out notices in the future to residents that will be affected by the mapping changes.

# Public Works



Public Works General Manager  
Keith Gunter

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[adowling@ponce-inlet.org](mailto:adowling@ponce-inlet.org)

## WHAT IS STORMWATER?

Stormwater is water from rain that “runs off” across the land instead of seeping into the ground. This runoff usually flows into the nearest canal, lake or ocean. The runoff is generally not treated.

Stormwater runoff can convey more than just water to canals, rivers, and lakes. It



carries dirt, grease, trash and more from roads, parking lots and other hard surfaces right into storm drains and ditches. They empty directly into our waterways. Stormwater can also carry excess nutrients, like phosphorus, which turns our canals, lakes and streams green and smelly and harms fish, plants and other wildlife.

Retention ponds, built to temporarily hold water so it seeps away slowly, fill up quickly after a rainstorm and allow solids like sediment and litter to settle at the pond bottom. Then, they release the water slowly.

## STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO PROTECT STORMWATER QUALITY AND AVOID POLLUTING OUR DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE:

Don't dump hazardous substances such as motor oil, antifreeze, yard fertilizers, household chemicals, or other wastes onto pavement, patios or into storm drains.

Prevent excess runoffs of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers by using them efficiently.

Never drain pool water into or toward a sanitary sewer manhole installed in the street.

Direct car wash soap onto your lawn rather than directly into storm drains.

Practice street sweeping, picking up litter and disposing leaves and yard waste. Do not dump grass clippings, leaves or branches into the storm drains.

Participate in local garbage and debris pickup days and recycle household hazardous materials to prevent storm drain contamination.

Remember to always pickup after your pet, and dispose the waste in a nearby trash can. The Town has installed several Dogi Waste cans to help remove litter from our streets.

For more information about Stormwater, please visit Town Hall or the Public Works Yard to pick up an informative brochure. You can also access information on Stormwater from the Town Website, or by visiting [www.sjrwm.com](http://www.sjrwm.com).

## Town-Wide Water Improvement Project:

As you are probably already aware, we are in the process of upgrading the Water System. We appreciate your patience throughout this process, and hope that you will call the Public Works Department if you have any questions.

## Town-Wide Water Meter Project:

The Town of Ponce Inlet is in the process of replacing all residential water meters. You may see one of our Public Works staff swapping out your old meter for a new one. We are currently replacing meters at Harbor Village, and will be working our way South from there.



**Water Meter Access:** Please keep your water meters clear of vegetation, vehicles, and other obstacles as this hinders meter readings and repairs. *Ready access to your meter is a must. Meters that need to be re-read due to blocked access are subject to additional fees.*

## Town-Wide Tree Trimming Project:

The week of May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be performing our Annual Tree Trimming Project throughout the Town. This helps maintain the health of the trees and keeps the overhanging limbs trimmed back to height specifications.

**Town-Wide Storm Drain**

**Cleanout Project:**

The Town will be performing its Annual Storm Drain Cleanout to ensure adequate drainage in all streets and neighborhoods. It will be completed the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>.



**Leaving Town?** If you are leaving town, we recommend that you turn off the water supply to your residence. This prevents any leaks from occurring within your property, and will avoid a high utility bill and costly repairs. If you contact the Utility Billing Department with this request, staff can also lock your meter to prevent meter tampering and theft. There may be a fee for this service. Contact 236-2151 for more information.

**Know Your Watering Days:** Next to air, water is the most important resource for the preservation of life. Water is a finite commodity which, if not managed properly, will result in shortages in the near future. Conserving water is imperative to ensuring that we have this precious resource in the future for not only ourselves, but our children and grandchildren. A great way of preserving this resource is through proper watering, and in knowing your watering days.



Homes with odd numbered or no addresses may water on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Homes with even numbered addresses may water on Thursdays and Sundays and non-residential properties water on Tuesdays and Sundays. .

Along with following your designated watering days, please water only when needed and not between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Water for no more than one hour and no more than 3/4-inch per zone.

Restrictions apply to all water sources including private wells and pumps, ground or surface water, and water from public and private utilities.

Don't forget to check your in-ground irrigation system to make sure there are no broken or missing sprinkler heads. Be sure to check the sprinkler system valves for leaks too. Sprinkler heads can lose around 20 gallons per minute. That's 300 gallons if the zone runs for only 15 minutes. Multiply that by 2 times per week, and that's over **2,400 gallons per month for just one broken sprinkler head!**

For more information on watering and watering restrictions please visit Volusia County's website [www.volusia.org/water](http://www.volusia.org/water).

**Solid Waste, Yard Waste & Recycling:**

Household trash (solid waste), Yard Waste, and Recycling services are provided by Waste Management.



**Regular Pick Up Schedule:**

- Monday/Thursday-Household trash**
- Monday- Recycling**
- Wednesday - Yard Waste**
- Thursday- Bulk/White good items**

**Residential Yard Waste:** When you remove weed trees, bushes, plants, dead trees and limbs, or clear excessive vegetation, **please make sure you place all vegetation debris curbside, on your property.**

- \*Do not block sidewalk or streets.
- \*Do not place on storm drains.
- \*Do not place waste on empty lots as Waste Management does not collect from vacant lots.

**Contractor Generated Debris:**

Please be aware that if you hire a contractor to perform any type of work on your property, the **contractor** is responsible for taking the debris to the landfill. Please do not allow contractors to place debris (vegetative or construction) on the right-of-way for pickup, as this can result in Code Enforcement action against the property owner.

**Scheduling a Debris Pickup:**

If you should have any questions, or if you would like to request a specific pickup at your property (there is no extra charge for this residential service), please call **Waste Management at 386-615-7781.**

**Recycling Bins:** If you find yourself in need of recycling bins, please stop by the Public Works Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. or call to have them delivered directly to your home.

**Call Before You Dig:** It is required by State law that you contact Sunshine State Locates at 1-800-432-4770 before doing any digging (hand or machine). This will prevent damage to buried cables, water lines, sewer lines, etc. and an unnecessary expense to you should you damage a utility.



## Ponce Inlet Historical Museum

The Ponce Inlet Historical Museum covers the history of Ponce Inlet from the 1700s to present day. Did you know that Ponce Inlet, then Ponce Park, was a bootleggers delight with the passing of the eighteenth amendment in 1919, which started prohibition in the United States? Below is an excerpt from the “Town of Ponce Inlet Historic Site Survey,” which can be found on the Town’s website:

“Rumrunners came from the Bahamas or Cuba through Mosquito Inlet, burying their cargos in the woods surrounding Ponce Park until they could be retrieved and sold to buyers as far away as New York. Rival rumrunners often hijacked each other’s cargo, either on the water or by digging it up...

“One local rumrunner craft, the *Ripple*, ‘came in five successive Thursdays with 500 cases in each load’ (Hebel 1963). The *Ripple* later burned at sea. Another local rumrunner craft, the *Memory*, was noted for the speed with which she outran federal agents (Hebel 1963).

“Perhaps the most famous rumrunners to operate in and around Ponce Park were the McCoy brothers. Residents of Holly Hill, the McCoy brothers made regular trips to the Bahamas to procure high quality rum and would anchor in Mosquito Inlet or off Daytona Beach until the liquor could be distributed. Equipped with fast schooners and pick-up crafts, the

brothers were able to outrun any of the boats operated by federal agents, and eventually moved up the east coast to New York, where they delivered the ‘real McCoy’ to countless speak-easy establishments in the city (Davies 1995:38).”

Please visit the museum for more information about the History of Ponce Inlet.

PIHM is about to concluded another great **Lecture Series** this Spring, entitled “Prehistoric Florida.” Please join us for the last presentation, which will be held at **10:30 a.m. in the Town Council Chambers** at Ponce Inlet Town Hall, 4300 South Atlantic Avenue on April 19th. “A Closer Look at Lyonia: Native Plants” will be presented by Melissa Hughes, Program & Outreach Coordinator, Lyonia Preserve.

An audio file for previous presentations can be found on the Town’s website under Audio Streaming, just select the month of the presentation you would like to hear and then select the title.

Ponce Inlet Historical Museum is always seeking volunteers to help with educational programs, guided tours, and visitor information. Training is provided. Applications are available at Town Hall. For more information please call Amy Zengotita at (386) 761-2408 or email at [azengotita@ponceinlet.org](mailto:azengotita@ponceinlet.org)

Please visit the Town Calendar on the Town of Ponce Inlet’s website and Town’s Facebook page for coming events and programs!

### **Park Spotlight:**

*Ponce Preserve*  
4400 block of South Atlantic and  
South Peninsula Drive

The Ponce Preserve is the town’s largest park with approximately 40 acres stretching from the Atlantic Ocean to the Halifax River with over 3,000 feet of nature trails. Sitting at the heart of this park is the Green Mound State Archaeological Site, an ancient Indian midden dating back to 800 A.D.

The terrain varies, from the ocean dunes, through terraced palmetto patches and maritime hammock to the wetlands adjacent to the Halifax River. You’ll find many of our native plants in the Preserve including Florida lantana, southern red cedar, cabbage palms, Simpson’s stoppers and oak trees. At the base of the Green Mound is a live oak estimated to be more than 400 years old. The Preserve has been added to the East Section of the Great Florida Birding Trail and is an excellent site for bird watching.

The parking lot and restrooms on the east side of Peninsula Drive give direct access to the nature trails through the park. The boardwalk begins directly across the street and offers two places to launch canoes and kayaks while meandering one-third of a mile across the marsh out to the Halifax River. Three covered gazebos offer visitors a place to relax and enjoy unspoiled views. Funding for these projects was provided by the Ponce deLeon Inlet & Port District of Volusia County and the Florida Inland Navigation District. The



**Spring Lecture Series**

"A Closer Look At Lyonia: Native Plants" presented by Melissa Hughes, Program & Outreach Coordinator, Lyonia Preserve  
 April 19, 2016 at 10:30am  
 Town Council Chambers at Ponce Inlet Town Hall, 4300 South Atlantic Avenue

*Ponce Preserve Boardwalk over the Marsh*

Garden Club of Ponce Inlet provided the benches throughout the park and landscaping at the entrance island. The center portion of the Preserve is home to two nature themed playgrounds, one located near the parking lot and one a short walk along a new trail at the center of the park adjacent to the wildlife observation tower. A covered picnic pavilion is located between the parking lot and playground and fitness stations are located along the trails.

On the east side of Atlantic Avenue, a handicapped accessible dune walkover provides access to the pristine beach. There is also a small parking area with handicapped parking available.

Funding for the construction of the recreational facilities was provided by the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program and

Volusia ECHO grants. Look on the Town's Calendar for Programs in the Parks events throughout the year in Ponce Preserve, including night sky tours, bird watch walks, and trail tours.



**Special Events**

The Town of Ponce Inlet has numerous special events throughout the year. To determine if your event requires a Special Event permit, please review the Special Event regulations in the Town's Code of Ordinances. All questions should be directed to Amy Zengotita.

**Save the Date: Future Events**  
**Ponce Inlet Historical Museum**

**Turtle Day**

Sat., April 23rd, 10am-3pm  
 Marine Science Center, 100 Lighthouse Dr.  
 Educational, Family event showcasing the work of the Marine Science Center Sea Turtle Hospital with exhibitors, food, & music  
 386-304-5543

**Programs in the Parks**

"Tour of Ponce Preserve's Native Plants" presented by Full Moon Natives  
 April 22, 2016 at 11am  
 Ponce Preserve, 4400 S. Peninsula in the Peninsula entrance parking lot.

Contact Amy Zengotita for more details (386) 761-2408



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# PONCE INLET LIGHTHOUSE

The Ponce Inlet Lighthouse had a very busy Winter season. We had many guests from all over attending our programs, visiting our museum houses and climbing the tallest lighthouse in Florida.

Our VIP volunteers came out with great support and helped out with the on-site events for our visitors as well as events on location in other parts of the county. Our volunteers read the Nelly the Lighthouse Cat book to over 3400 students in their classrooms during the first week of March. The hard work of our dedicated volunteers is why the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse can reach out so strongly into our community.

On March 19<sup>th</sup> we celebrated our amazing Lighthouse volunteers during the annual awards dinner. The event was held at the beautiful community building at Harbour Village.



Tana White (l) receives her volunteer award certificate from Program Manager Mary Wentzel

Our volunteers at the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse are a awesome group of people. They are all wonderful to work with but also great fun to invite to dinner.



Volunteers Arthur Hahn (l) and Alan Bestwick

crued to date 2,337 volunteer hours. All of our volunteers are appreciated for their great support of the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse. A great time was had by all at this important event.

Two of our special volunteers accrued over 500 volunteer hours. For their significant level of commitment to the Lighthouse, Tana White and Jennifer Gill received their Lighthouse Brick that will be placed on our commemorative walkway.

Our Executive Director Ed Gunn opened the evening with some very kind words for our dedicated volunteers. Our lead docent John Mann, who has accrued over 4,000 volunteer hours, spoke about two special men who we recently lost. Mr. Bob Callister and Mr. Don Garrett, who were important members of our Ponce Inlet Lighthouse family and will be missed by all of us.

Allen Bestwick and Art Hahn were commended for their great commitment and volunteerism. Allen Bestwick has accrued to date 1,619 volunteer hours and Art Hahn has ac-

Our Spring upcoming educational events include: International Museum Day on Saturday, May 14, from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm; Memorial Day

Weekend at the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse (May 28 – 30) with special activities from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm each day. ; Flag Day on Saturday, June 11, from 10:30 pm to 2:30pm. ; Independence Day Weekend at the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse (July 2 – 4) with special activities from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm each day.; National Lighthouse Day on Saturday, August 6, from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm. ; Spirit of '45 Day on Sunday, August 14, from 10:30 am. to 2:30 pm. ; Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on (August 20 and 21) from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm.; For more information on any of these events please call or email Mary at (386)761-1821 ext. 18 or wentzel@ponceinlet.org.

# MARINE SCIENCE CENTER

The Climb to the Moon 2016 events can be found on our website at [www.ponceinlet.org](http://www.ponceinlet.org). The 2016 dates are filling up fast so don't miss the opportunity to toast the setting sun with a sparkling beverage and enjoy tasty hors d'oeuvres by moonlight. Limited to only 25 participants per evening, Climb to the Moon events sell out a few months in advance. We suggest you be sure to make your reservations early by calling Karen at (386) 761-1821 ext. 10.



Program Manager Mary Wentzel presents Jennifer Gill with a Lighthouse Brick certificate in thanks for her more than 500 hours of volunteer work at the Lighthouse.

The Preservation Association is always looking for individuals interested in becoming a lighthouse volunteer. Those wishing to do so may contact Programs Manager Mary Wentzel by email at [mwentzel@ponceinlet.org](mailto:mwentzel@ponceinlet.org) or by phone at (386) 761-1821 ext. 18.

You can also learn more about volunteering opportunities online at [www.ponceinlet.org](http://www.ponceinlet.org).

A rare Kemp's ridley sea turtle is recovering at the Marine Science Center (MSC) after being accidentally hooked by a man fishing in Ponce Inlet on March 30. Local beachgoers brought the 10.5-pound juvenile turtle to the MSC sea turtle hospital. The Kemp's ridley is a critically endangered species and is considered the rarest sea turtle found in Florida. Immediately after its arrival at the MSC, the turtle was examined and provided fluids and pain medication. Turtle Rehabilitation Manager Melissa Ranly removed the hook and treated a gash on the turtle's shoulder. Later in the day, an X-ray revealed that this was not the turtle's first encounter with a fishing hook. It became apparent that a previous fisherman had caught the turtle, but was only able to remove part of the hook. The remainder of the hook had lodged deep within the turtle's esophagus. Staff veterinarian Dr. Craig Pelton performed an endoscopy on the turtle on April 4, and removed the hook from the esophagus. The juvenile animal is a member of the most endangered species of marine turtle in the world. MSC staff has dubbed the 10.5-pound turtle "Renny," an Irish name meaning "small and mighty." Renny has begun to recover following the procedure. Employees continue to monitor his condition and have begun to offer him food. Turtle Rehabilitation Manager Melissa Ranly noted that the animal is under close observation to detect any complications. She emphasized the turtle's situation, saying: "We need to ensure his digestive tract is functioning properly and help him gain weight, as he is slightly underweight." Once a widespread and common marine animal, the Kemp's ridley sea turtle is among the most critically endangered animals in the world. "Without protection and conservation

efforts the species could certainly be on the edge of extinction," Ranly said. Once Renny regains his health, the MSC will release him back to the ocean. Most sea turtles have lifespans of 50 years or more, giving this young sea turtle a second chance for both himself and his species.

MSC Director Michael Brothers highlighted the lesson to be learned from this turtle's situation, saying: "This case shows how important it is to bring sea turtles caught by hook into the sea turtle hospital, rather than just cutting the line." Brothers added that fishing hooks will not work themselves out and will "ultimately become infected."

Despite the injury, the sea turtle is in stable condition and is recovering in a pool at the MSC's intensive care unit. Marine Science Center patrons can view the turtle from the hospital's observation deck.

The Marine Science Center is an environmental learning center providing rehabilitation for sick and injured sea turtles and seabirds. Visitors can learn about marine life in the center's exhibit hall, which includes a 1,400-gallon touch pool, a 5,000-gallon artificial reef aquarium, living reef, octopus and moray eel exhibits, and a gift shop. They also can watch turtles and birds receive specialized care, visit habitats for bald eagles and wading birds, walk along the nature trail, and climb the observation tower. Since opening in 2002, the Marine Science Center has cared for more than 17,000 sea turtles and more than 1,300 gopher tortoises, freshwater turtles and snakes. The Mary Keller Seabird Rehabilitation Facility at the Marine Science Center has received more than 14,000 birds since opening in 2004.



# MARINE SCIENCE CENTER SUMMER CAMP 2016

100 LIGHTHOUSE DRIVE, PONCE INLET, FL 32127 (MAIN #) 386-304-5545

Get ready for another exciting summer of exploration and adventure at the Marine Science Center



Here are some of the things campers will experience: seine netting, exploring the estuary and beach, fishing, squid dissection, canoeing, snorkeling, meeting live raptors, owl pellet



dissection, and a reptile encounter. They will learn about Florida's amazing ecosystems through games and crafts.

Note: Please make sure your child has closed-toed water shoes and is prepared to get wet. (Wearing their bathing suit under their clothes is a great idea). Please bring sunscreen, a packed lunch and water



We are offering 9 camps for ages 6 through 15, so there is plenty of opportunity for your son or daughter to experience the fun, adventure and learning that they will receive at camp. Our camps listed below are on a first come, first served basis and fill up fast.



Email or call to reserve your space:  
Shell Webster (Education Coordinator)  
Email: [mscedu@volusia.org](mailto:mscedu@volusia.org) phone: 386.304.5529

Camp starts at 9 am and ends at 4 pm. (Except Canoe days) Campers can be dropped off as early at 8:30 am

WEEK 1	2 DAY CAMP	Thursday June 16th and Friday June 17 <sup>th</sup>	\$80.00	6-8 years old
WEEK 2	5 DAYS	Monday June 20th to Friday June 24th	\$200.00	9-15 years old
WEEK 3	5 DAYS	Monday June 27th to Friday July 1st	\$200.00	9-15 years old
WEEK 4	2 DAY CAMP	Thursday July 7th and Friday July 8th	\$80.00	6-8 years old
WEEK 5	5 DAYS	Monday July 11th to Friday July 15th	\$200.00	9-15 years old
WEEK 6	5 DAYS	Monday July 18th to Friday July 22nd	\$200.00	9-15 years old
WEEK 7	5 DAYS	Monday July 25th to Friday July 29th	\$200.00	9-15 years old
WEEK 8	5 DAYS	Monday August 1st to Friday August 5th	\$200.00	9-15 years old
WEEK 9	2 DAY CAMP	Monday August 8th and Tuesday August 9th	\$80.00	6-8 years old

APRIL 23 • 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.

# TURTLE DAY



## MARINE SCIENCE CENTER 100 LIGHTHOUSE DRIVE, PONCE INLET

A fun festival celebrating sea turtle and seabird rehabilitation

Fun for the entire family. Environmental exhibits, seminars, touch tank, food, entertainment & more!

**FREE ADMISSION ALL DAY**

For more information, please call 386-304-5545 or visit [marinesciencecenter.com](http://marinesciencecenter.com).



**RITTER'S**  
FROZEN CUSTARD  
*Legendary Ice Cream*

Alexis Lenssen, CFP(r)  
**RAYMOND JAMES**

*Friends of*  
**Marine Science Center**

**WAYNE'S**  
*solar*

# LIONS CLUB

## Ponce Inlet Lions Participate in Volusia County Food Drive By Lion Jeff Follmer

In late January 2016, the Florida District 35-O Region 3 Lions Leadership decided on an idea that would involve all the 15 Volusia County Lions Clubs (of which Ponce Inlet is a part). It would create a large community service project that would benefit our motto of "We Serve" as well as provide a community service that was innovative and not often done. Specifically, this was to conduct a short food drive that would provide food to all needy/homeless children in the County to eat during their Spring Break when school cafeterias are closed beginning March 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Ponce Inlet Lions Club immediately embraced this initiative and notified Town residents that all food collected would go to the deserving children that attended Longstreet Elementary School, a Title 1 school and an adopted partner of the Lions Club. Collection Blue tubs and other receptacles were put out by the Lions at the PICC, Town Hall Admin Center, Town condominiums, businesses etc. Numerous town residents got involved in the drive one way or another and lots of food was generously donated by the residents. Cash donations made were delivered to Halifax Urban Ministries (HUM) to buy more food. Many trips were made by the Lions to ferry the collections to Longstreet Elementary where they were subsequently distributed by the staff to the appropriate children in time for their Spring Break.

Overall, the drive lasted about four weeks (ending on April 12<sup>th</sup>) during which time many Town residents stepped up to the challenge and generously donated a great amount of food and support for the children. The Staff of Longstreet Elementary expressed their gratitude to both the Town and the Lions for this generous outpouring of caring and support. It appears the other 14 Lions clubs also experienced similar generous giving and an estimated 2,300+ needy children were "served" in Volusia County at the end of the Drive.

The Lions meet monthly – the first Wednesday of the month at 6 PM – at the Ponce Inlet Community Center for fellowship, food, and fun. Our meetings are intended to bring members together and plan activities where we can assist those in need. We are always looking for new



L - R Lions Bill Lampe, Bill Milano (kneeling), Bob LeDone, Ruth Snyder, Jeff Follmer, Jack Stefano, Jim Hinson.

members to help with our mission. See our website for more information: [PILions.org](http://PILions.org).



Ponce Inlet Lions standing behind the Timucuan Oaks Park Fountain purchased by the Lions in memory of founding member Constance Hunter. (L - R) Lions Jay Thompson, Jeff Follmer, President Shirley Okhovatian, Rick Gray, Ed Kocis and Ruth Snyder.



Lions David Jacobs, Jeff Follmer, Rick Gray, Ed Kocis and Ruth Snyder. Sitting on Bench are Lions Anne Peacock-Jacobs and Hazel Dauksis. Hazel is the last surviving charter member of the Ponce Inlet Lions Club.

## PONCE CHURCH

Ponce Church meets Sunday's 10:00am at the PI Community Center: 4670 S. Peninsula next to the fire station. Everyone is welcome at Ponce Church. Our members and visitors are from many different faith backgrounds and are very active in our community outreaches (Restore Hope Daytona). We feed approximately 150 meals to the homeless every Saturday at 320 North Street in Daytona Beach. Our winter hours are as follows: 4:30pm set up, serve at 5:00pm. We provide uplifting music and serve meals such as carved ham, grilled hot dogs, chili dogs and chips, pizza, sandwiches, baked beans or rice and beans, even pasta! Some of our volunteers consist of residents of Ponce Inlet and surrounding cities. Everyone is welcome to join us at our North Street Feast and serve. You are also welcome to bring a dish, or you can also bring water, chips and/or cookies. If you're unable to join us

but would like to contribute, you can visit our website at: [PonceChurch.com](http://PonceChurch.com) - 100% of all donations go toward the purchase of food, thank you. We also invite you to visit [Restore-HopeDaytona.com](http://Restore-HopeDaytona.com) and learn about Legacy Housing for age-out foster girls. We work together in helping these young women with our sister church Ormond Church founded and pastored by our oldest son Rich Tidwell. Together we endeavor to provide safe and stable housing for these girls so they do not become part of the at-risk population of homelessness and trafficking. By providing a safe support system the girls are able to graduate high school, enroll in a local college and obtain employment. If you would like to support this outreach, please email Pastor Nina at: [nina@restorehopedaytona.com](mailto:nina@restorehopedaytona.com). Or call 386-308-1533. Thank you. See you Sunday, 10AM at Ponce Church

**320**  
**North Street**

Set Up - 4:30  
Serve - 5:00

**WHAT WE NEED:**

T-Shirts SHOES  
JEANS SHORTS

Food/Water to Share

*Come Join Us*

# GARDEN CLUB OF PONCE INLET



By Jane Magrady

Our Garden Club members started 2016 with our Annual Tea, hosted by Joyce Belcher and Marie Spitzfadden, themed “Teatime with the Bears”.



Ladies sported a variety of hats and the décor was shades of pink with lovely teapots, cups and of course, bears, on each table. Music was provided by the New Smyrna Beach Dulcimer Society.



Raffle basket winner Betsey Lindley



(l-r) Carol Sauka, Cindy Eichenberg and Carol McCready



(l-r) Linda Shade, Joanne Doyle and Cynthia Johnson



Edwina Knox (l) and Sherry Utter



Left: Jane McGrady and Elvira LaBarre



Our January meeting had a very interesting presentation by Jay Thurrott from the Florida East Coast Bromeliad Society. Jay began

growing bromeliads in the 70's and now grows more than 700 varieties at his home in Port Orange. Bromeliads are



Jay Thurrott (r) with new member

flowering plants with 16 varieties native to Florida. They are grown for their leaf colors, patterns and flowers. Jay showed us eight of the most common groups of bromeliads, which include Spanish Moss and the Common Pineapple. Some bromeliads grow in soil, others are epiphytic, growing on trees. Jay had some lovely displays with plants attached to driftwood – the plants use their roots to hold on, not to eat and drink. Bromeliads are remarkably free of pests



*Garden Club of Ponce Inlet, Inc.*  
4670 South Peninsula Drive • Ponce Inlet, Florida 32127

The Garden Club of Ponce Inlet cordially invites you to participate in the **34th Annual Arts, Crafts, and Plant Show** on October 7-8, 2016 at the Ponce Inlet Community Center.

**Thursday, October 6** - Set-up will be from 3:00 till 7:00 PM. Outside Vendors, or those coming from long distances may set-up beginning at 7:00 AM on Friday, Oct. 7.

**Friday, October 7** - Show open to the public from 10:00 AM till 4:00 PM

**Saturday, October 8** - Show open to the public from 10:00 AM till 4:00 PM

**Spaces (maximum two per Vendor):**

Inside spaces vary -- 8'X8', 6' x 10' w/table & 2 chairs 2 days \$50.00 **SOLD OUT**  
Outside spaces 12'x12' (no table or chair) 2 days \$30.00

Reservations are made at time of receipt of the Vendor's check. The limited number of inside spaces will be assigned on a first come/first served basis. The building is locked overnight. Security is NOT available for the outside spaces.

Lunch is available for purchase.

NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER SEPTEMBER 11, 2016.

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Please return this portion with your check and a brief description your arts/crafts or submit a non-returnable photo.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Spaces \_\_\_\_\_ Inside **SOLD OUT** \_ Outside \_\_\_\_\_ Need Electric Outlet Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to the **Garden Club of Ponce Inlet**. Return payment with application to:

Garden Club of Ponce Inlet  
c/o Jane Magrady  
4642 Riverwalk Village Ct.  
Ponce Inlet, FL 32127

For question call Jane Magrady at 386-265-5120 or email: [jmagrady@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jmagrady@cfl.rr.com)

and no parts of the plants are poisonous, making them a good choice for many Florida gardeners. At the Timucuan Oaks Grand Opening on January 31, 2016, the Garden Club was one of several organizations recognized for their support. The Garden Club was also represented at Ponce Inlet Community Day on Saturday, February 27, and Ponce Preseves the Planet on March 5, with activities for children related to gardening and environmental awareness.



Diane Smith (l) and Arlene Conklin

In March the group took a bus to nearby DeLand for a tour of The Museum of Art – DeLand, which consists of Galleries at 600 Woodland and 100 Woodland Avenue in historic DeLand.

Our docent helped us see more deeply into Will Barnet’s Graphic Retrospective (70 Years). We then moved on to Jim Couper: “There Are No Other Everglades In The World” — a quote from Margorie Stoneman Douglas’ classic book The Everglades: River of Grass. At the downtown location we viewed a special exhibit California Impressionism: Selections from the Irvine Museum of Art. This venue is located amongst DeLand’s unique shops and restaurants so that everyone could enjoy a lunch and pick up a special gift, before returning home.

### SAVE THE DATE (S):

The Annual, “Wheely Awesome” Ice Cream Social will be **Sunday, May 1, 2016 from 1-4.**



Your \$2.50 entry fee will open the doors to delicious Ice Cream & Cake, the Kid Zone, Prizes and Surprises! There will also be a Raffles, a Bake Sale and a White Elephant Sale. The Raffle Baskets are amazing this year! Don’t forget the contest for the best decorated wheels – decorate your bicycle, golf cart, or even your wheelbarrow and join us!

### FALL ARTS & CRAFTS SALE

The Annual Arts, Crafts & Plants Sale will be **October 7 & 8, 2016**. Applications are available to interested vendors.

At our February meeting we had a very interesting and informative presentation by Kevin Bagwell of Full Moon Natives at the corner of Taylor and Fern Park Drive in Port Orange. Kevin and his wife specialize in native Florida plants and in particular those that attract butterflies and hummingbirds.

Here are his "Top 10 Reasons to Consider Going Native in Florida:"

- 1) Native Plants Are One Tough Customer
- 2) Promoting Biodiversity
- 3) Natives, A Natural Education Resource -

- 4) Bee Smart
- 5) Eliminates the Need for Pesticides
- 6) Diversity Is Good for The Eye
- 7) Manage Your Own Storm Water, Help Decrease Flooding
- 8) Stop The Spread of Invasive Exotic Species
- 9) Preserve Our Natural Heritage
- 10) Let's Make Manicured Lawns a Thing of the Past

Kevin’s point #4 tied directly into our March program - "A Taste of Honey" presented by Martin Athern, a member of Bees without Borders. A 2006 study showed that pollinators (such as our local honey bees) are declining in drastic numbers. We know that providing a toxin-free native plant garden of nectar and pollen rich plant material can only help our buzzing friends. Pollinators' fertilize more than 187,000 flowering plants throughout the world. Each of us can help improve the situation by providing more flowering plants and using less fertilizer. We also learned some of the healthy properties of honey. Martin and his wife had some honey products for sale at the close of the presentation. More information is available at UF/IFAS Extension Volusia County.

The following officers will be inducted at the May 27th meeting to serve for 2016-2017.

- President – Faye McHugh
- Vice President – Liz Finch
- 2nd Vice President – Jo Curcio
- Treasurer – Sally Ostby
- Recording Secretary - Diane Bell
- Corresponding Secretary – Leslie Ward

The Garden Club of Ponce Inlet  
Invites YOU to a "Wheely Awesome"  
Ice Cream Social  
Sunday May 1, 2016  
1-4 pm \$2.50



Cake, Ice Cream, Bake Sale  
Kid Zone, Prizes, Raffles, White Elephant  
Get your wheels and wheel over for a  
Wheely Awesome Time  
Best Decorated Wheels Prize  
Ponce Inlet Community Center  
4670 S. Peninsula Dr.

Garden Club Members Rosemary Capocci and Marilyn Krabbe keep a close eye on local landscapes. The winner of the monthly Beautification award is invited to our monthly meeting and also receives a certificate, a lovely plant and a stake in their yard for the month.



Ben Roberts and Marilyn Krabbe

This month's winners are: Ben and J.J. Roberts of 4784 Michael Lane.



At the March meeting, two new members were inducted, Yvonne Misleh and Jeanine Reno. The club currently has over 140 members. Luncheon meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Ponce Inlet Community Center (PICCI) at 10:30 a.m. For more information about attending a meeting or becoming a member, please stop by the PICCI office. April 27th is our very special Arbor Day meeting where we pay tribute

to the Town of Ponce Inlet for their continued efforts to maintain the status of Tree City. The Margie Jones Memorial Scholarships will be awarded to local high school seniors at this meeting. Town officials, teachers and students, along with their parents, will be in attendance.

Thanks to the community support for our special events, the club is able to continue to fund scholarships for local students and projects to beautify our town. Other easy ways you can help out is to save box tops and labels for education and pop tops to support Ronald McDonald House. Just drop these by the PICCI office addressed to Sherry Utter and she will make sure they go to good use.

### Spring Gardening Tips:

Perennials are in the garden centers now – a good one to look for is Lantana, which is tolerant to heat, pests and disease. An added bonus is that butterflies love Lantana! Plant them in the sun in well-

drained soil. Remember that flowers require richer soil than shrubs, so use some good potting soil.

Vegetables to plant now are tomatoes, peppers, southern peas, summer squash, cucumber, watermelon, cantaloupe, bush bean, pole beans, collards, eggplant and corn. It's a great time to plant herbs to use in your home cooking! Keep your seedlings moist and you will have a healthy crop.

Now is the best time to plant citrus and other semi-tropical plants, giving them a full growing season to root in before winter. It's also time to fertilize any of your existing citrus plants. In fact, spring is the time to fertilize all your flowering

shrubs and trees – Azaleas, Bottlebrush, Magnolias and Oleander, as well as Bougainvillea, Plumbago, roses and other perennials. If you haven't already fertilized your palms, you should do so now. A healthy plant will withstand cold, insects and disease much better than one that is nutrient deficient. And remember "the seeds you plant today become the flowers of tomorrow".

## PICCI POINTS



by Susie Hagey

Here it is! Time to review the past few months and time to tell you what's coming up at the Ponce Inlet Community Center. Our past three months have been eventful. The PICCI board members have really worked hard to raise monies to keep the doors open at the center.

On February 12, PICCI had a special plated and served dinner/dance. PARALLEL "Ponce Living Legends" entertained the full house. Chicken Cordon Bleu was on the menu. All seemed to enjoy the night.

Community Day for our residents and visitors was held Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> chaired by board members Peter Finch and Jerry McHugh. Each year we have this day set aside so the participants will learn more about the business services, social activities and town services offered in Ponce Inlet. Displays & 'samples' were available from town government, the

Marine Science Center, the Lighthouse, businesses, local clubs, the Community Church, the restaurants and gift shops. This was a free event. Approximately 100 residents attended. If you missed this event, then mark February of next year. Most all enjoyed the morning.

PICCI's 46<sup>th</sup> Flea Market was held during the first week of March. Carolyn Sprague has chaired this event 46 times. How amazing! We have so many volunteers for the flea market and we appreciate all they do. This time Lil Cocce, chair; along with Carol Schrader, Caroline Russell and Bernie and Rose Marie Capocit are being recognized for the work they do in the 'clothing' room. **THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS!**

This flea market raised \$2,066.60. We did not make as much as we usually do as donations were down. Our next flea market will be during the first week in October. We hope you will think of PICCI when you are getting rid of items. We depend on the community to help us out. We collect items year 'round.

During the middle of March, we had a 'sold out' St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance. Kathy Griscom and Kathy Cannon & others donated a mystery basket to be raffled off. The raffle brought in over \$600 extra dollars. Thank you to both Kathys & others. Faye McHugh and her 'crew' made the Irish Coffee. Donations of over \$200 were gathered for this. Thank you Faye & 'crew.' It's hard to list all of our contributions of help and items.

We want you to know we appreciate each of you and everything you do to make our community so great!

At the end of March, PICCI had a Soup & Salad Night. It was a Community Affair – a time to catch up on what's happening in Ponce Inlet. All of the soup was donated, so thanks go out to the PICCI Board Members who donated and to other residents and friends such as Carol Schrader, Marsha Fuller, Heather Johnson and Diane Bell. It was a fun night!

What's new at the center? We hope you have noticed our new round tables & folding chairs. We now can handle more people at our events. Jim Volz chaired the committee who selected what we now have. Good Job, Jim!

In appreciation for all the time donated by many ladies to work at PICCI, a luncheon was held at the Inlet Harbor Restaurant in April. It is a small way to say **THANK YOU** to all our volunteer office workers. They do a great service to our community, for without them we could not open the doors.

Speaking of volunteers for the office, we are always looking for ladies to help us. We have openings for mornings 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and afternoons from 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please call the volunteer office at 760-0615 if you can help us for one time a month or more. Great way to meet many people!

Things seem to slow down during April, May and June. We're feeling things out for the RED, WHITE & BLUE Dinner/Dance in May! Keep watching out for further news on this. Let us know if you're interested.

#### A FEW REMINDERS:

The Ponce Inlet Community Church meets each Sunday at 10 a.m. All are invited.

We do rent the center for weddings, parties, etc. We regret the resignation of Faye McHugh and will miss her and her talents. Maureen Day (386-212-3700) will now be in charge of rentals. Call her for any questions on renting.

Keep up with what is going on at PICCI by picking up a calendar of events each month, by checking the sign out front, by reading our bulletin boards located on the wall on either side of the front doors outside or by googling our web site at: [Ponceinletcommunitycenter.com](http://Ponceinletcommunitycenter.com)

Send us your ideas and suggestions...and enjoy our beautiful town.

# PONCE ANIMAL WELFARE



## Creature Feature

By Jo Ellen Basile

*“A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast...”*

*--Proverbs 12:10*

**Ponce Animal Welfare (PAW)** is a citizens group dedicated to humanely controlling free-roaming (stray) cats in Ponce Inlet through trap-neuter-return (TNR), a proven alternative to trap and kill animal control that saves taxpayer money. Contact (386) 316-2991.

### TNR Coordinator NEEDED

Due to health issues, I am no longer able to continue the hard work of trapping and coordinating our TNR program here in Ponce Inlet, which I have done for Ponce Animal Welfare for seven years.

Although we have dedicated caregivers that feed the cats each day, we need someone energetic who can assist those who find stray cats with trapping, ensure existing colony areas are kept clean and TNR rules followed, and help with lost, sick, or injured animals.

I also am moving out of town, so all traps and carriers belonging to

PAW will be available at a new location. Ruby Maalouf, PAW caregiver and fosterer, will now have the equipment. You may still call me for advice and call Ruby for equipment at (386) 689-9780.

### Milo aka Midnight

For seven years, members of PAW have followed the mysterious, roaming tomcat known as Midnight to some and Milo to others. We even thought for a time that there were two of them. At last, after many people have tried many times to catch him, he was finally caught and neutered on March 9. Special thanks to Terri and Rip for giving Milo (shown below) a chance for a peaceful life without having to fight to be the toughest guy around town.



### General Information

You must **register your pets** at the Police Department. Registration is FREE and helps in the event your pet is lost. The town website, [www.ponce-inlet.org](http://www.ponce-inlet.org), has a **Pets Lost & Found** link (on the left) for posting lost or found pets.

Ponce Inlet police officers certified in **animal control** respond to animal calls and enforce the mandatory spay/neuter ordinance. Call dispatch at (386) 248-1777.

The Halifax Humane Society's **Redinger Clinic**, (386) 310-4935,

600 Mason Avenue in Daytona Beach, is open to all Volusia County residents. The clinic offers spay/neuter and basic vaccinations at greatly reduced rates.

Remember that only LICENSED trappers can trap in Ponce Inlet, but commercial trappers often do not consider the suffering of the animals.

Please consider methods of prevention before trapping. Ask trappers what they will do with the animals, make sure they set traps only on your own property and that they contact PAW or the town Police if they trap a cat. Raccoons can be transported to a humane society for euthanasia or released on a 40+ acre property if they have WRITTEN landowner permission.

### Donations

PAW consists of just a few local citizens. We really need additional help, either by donations to help with vet bills or donations of pet food, which we distribute to those in need who have pets.

### Sick/Injured Wildlife Numbers

Florida Wildlife Hotline	(888) 404-FWCC
Marine Science Center Live turtles	(386) 304-5544
Volusia Turtle Patrol Dead sea turtles	(386) 763-0977
Seabird Rehab Center	(386) 304-5530
Daytona Wildlife Raccoons & other mammals	(386) 767-2500
East Coast Wildlife Rehab All wildlife/birds	(386) 334-2237

## Ponce Inlet Women's Club



**PIWC Pink Lady Talk**  
By Sandy Wester,  
Publicity Chair

At the General Meeting on February 10, Mary Lee Sturno, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, announced the proposed slate of officers for 2016-2018 as selected by the Nominating Com-

mittee. They are: President, Joann Doyle; Vice President, Cathy Bauerle; Treasurer, Linda Schade; Recording Secretary, Kris Thompson; Corresponding Secretary, Alice Washington. Since there were no nominations from the floor the slate was accepted. Outgoing Vice-President, Ada Landers will install the new officers at the April 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

New members of the Club were introduced along with their sponsors. The new members are: Barbara Miller, Judith Beaumont, Jeaneen Witt, Brenda Snow, Lori Finitz, Joan Baker, Laura Meyers, Pamela Grado, Lois Butterfield and Elaine DiBenedetto. Each new member was presented with a carnation and given the opportunity to say a few words about themselves to the membership. As is the custom of the Club, each new member is a model in the Spring Fashion Show Luncheon.

Ponce Inlet Community Day at the Community Center was held on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Incoming PIWC President, Joann Doyle and Scholarship Chairperson Mary Hoss, hosted the Women's Club table at this event. They answered questions about the Club's fundraisers, charities, membership and invited women to attend a general meeting so they can see what we are all about.

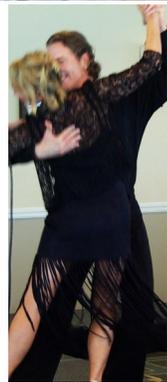
**This was a banner year for PIWC: collectively, PIWC raised over \$23,000 with its signature Benefits for the year: Kudos to patrons of Holiday Boutique & Fashion Show Benefit to support educational scholarships, charities & youth cultural programs!**

Mary Hoss, Scholarship Chairperson of PIWC, has announced that two Genesis Scholarships will be



**New Members  
February 2016**

# PONCE INLET WOMEN'S CLUB FASHION SHOW



awarded at the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. The recipients are Hanna Leslie and Emily Snodgrass. Each recipient will receive a \$1000 scholarship to help further her education. Both young women are University of Florida students.

The PIWC is proud to announce that to date they have awarded \$41,479.00 in Scholarships. Three scholarships are funded by PIWC. They are the Foundation Scholarship at Daytona State College, the Helping Hand Scholarship at Daytona State College and the Genesis Scholarship awarded by the Ponce Inlet Women's Club.

The PIWC looks forward to continuing support of women, through scholarship, in their educational pursuits.

At the Ponce Inlet Veteran's Memorial service on Monday, May 30, PIWC President, Joann Doyle will present a wreath in honor of our Veterans.

Save the Dates for 2016-2017 to help PIWC with its mission :  
**Holiday Boutique Benefit**, Wednesday, November 9, 2016  
**Hearts of the Sea Valentine Cruise**, February 12-19, 2017  
**Spring Fashion Benefit**, Women's International Day, March 8, 2017.

### **Ponce Inlet Women's Club Fashion Show Scholarship Benefit Raises over \$14,000**

Benefit Chair Dr. Kay Brawley is pleased to announce that the net proceeds raised by the 168 patrons attending this year's Ponce Inlet Women's Club (PIWC) Fashion Show Luncheon held on Wednesday, March 9 at the Shores Resort and Spa exceeded

\$14,000. PIWC thanks the many businesses and community citizens that gave generously with raffle and auction prize donations valued in excess of \$12,000 to make this benefit the best benefit over the years. The proceeds will benefit the Scholarship Fund at Daytona Beach College, the DBC Helping Hands Program, and other local social service and cultural organizations.

Local organizations supporting the event include the Guild of the Museum of Arts and Sciences (MOAS), the Guild of the Symphony Society, Ponce Inlet Garden Club, and Harbour Village Women's Network.

Ann Dunbar, President of PIWC, presented the Guilds of Museum of Arts & Sciences and the Symphony Society with checks for both organizations' youth programs.

Dillard's of Daytona provided the models--eight new club members--with designs, addressing resort, chic casual to elegant evening: Laura Meyers, Lois Butterfield, Lori Finitz, Helena Montgomery, Brenda Snow, Jeaneen Witt, Barbara Miller, and Nancy Argo; escort male models: Kent Arce-neaux and Barry O'Brien. Guest Fashion Commentator Una Poole, former Vice President of Clinque in New York, focused on the new trends of the fashion industry in color this season, dominated by pale rose and serene blue, conveying freshness, warmth and tranquility.

Merchants and establishments, who contributed donations for the grand prizes, raffle gifts and silent/live auction include: ABC Fine Wines & Spirits, Caleb of

*Absolutely Ballroom*, Dr. Michelle Foley & Amy Frederick of Parks Dermatology, Dillard's, Artist Arlene Davey, Dr. Curtis Schalit FL Oral & Facila Surgical Associates, Shores Resort & Spa, Cherise's Salon, The Flower Market of Ormond, Martha Davis Designs, Museum of Arts & Sciences, Daytona Beach Symphony, Aunt Catfish, Crabby Joe's, Down the Hatch, Artist Doreen Hachit, Hair by Nancy Fowler, the Hair Factory, Hidden Treasure Grill & Rum Bar, Inlet Harbor, Jerry's Tiki Bar, Kohl's, LeBijon Hair Salon, McKenna's Place, the National Employment Counseling Association, Park Lane Jewelry, Perfectly Polished, Racing's North Turn, Riverview Spa, Stonewood Grill, WalMart, Dolores Peck, Pam Quillian of Cruise One, Verde Salon, Accountant Shirley Okhovatian, Una Poole, Entertainer Kent Arce-neaux, Entertainer Loreale Mullins, Entertainer *Frank Sinatra*, Artist Rose Yovaisis, DJ Music Arthur Poole and numerous friends and members of the Ponce Inlet Women's Club.

The PIWC objective is a united effort for the welfare of the community. The Club invites all women in Ponce Inlet, especially those who have just moved here, to come and check-out our Club and perhaps become members. The Club meets the second Wednesday each month September through May at 10:30am in the Ponce Inlet Community Center. Please stop by the Community Center to pick up an application for membership.

***HEARTS OF THE SEA***  
**SEVEN NIGHTS FUND RAISER**  
**CARIBBEAN CRUISE**  
**FEBRUARY 12 –19, 2017**



The Ponce Inlet Women’s Club presents a Valentine’s week of Romance aboard **Royal Caribbean’s OASIS Class ship, OASIS OF THE SEAS**. You will **LOVE** our itinerary from **Port Canaveral** to the **Western Caribbean** with ports of call to - **HAITI, JAMAICA, and COZUMEL**.

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There are limited numbers of cabins available in these categories and at the listed above prices. Other categories are available at current promotional rates. Please call or email for pricing.

To the above cruise fare, please add Gov’n’t Taxes and fees of \$118.45 pp. MyTime Dining is the option for our group.

Deposit required at time of reservation: \$250 per person or \$500 per cabin.

Final payment will be due November 14, 2016



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**OASIS OF THE SEAS – WESTERN CARIBBEAN ITINERARY – FEB 12-19, 2017**

# Ponce Inlet Veterans Memorial



**Bill Wester, President, Ponce Inlet Veterans Memorial Association**

were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. To help remind Americans of the true meaning of Memorial Day, a Moment of Remembrance was passed on December 2000 which asks that 3 p.m. local time be set aside for all Americans to voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing, for a moment of silence. Our Ponce Inlet ceremony will include guest speakers, a fly-over, dedication and wreath laying, a firing squad and taps. All are invited to join us to observe a moment of remembrance and respect for those who gave all.

The Ponce Inlet Veterans Memorial wants to thank all of you for your continued support. We are still selling commemorative brick pavers to help fund our effort to maintain the Memorial. As we receive orders we add about 10 pavers each month to the site. The commemorative brick pavers are 12"x12"x3" and cost \$125. They can contain up to nine lines and have a seal of the appropriate service. Pavers can be ordered to commemorate family members or friends and would be a wonderful birthday or memorial gift. The donation is deductible. Order forms for the pavers can be obtained from a box at the Memorial or from the Ponce Inlet town website: <http://www.ponce-inlet.org/pages/index> under Our Town.

On Monday, May 30, 2016 at 09:00 AM the Ponce Inlet Veterans Memorial Association will celebrate Memorial Day with a ceremony at the Memorial at Davies Lighthouse Park. Please note the earlier start time so it will be cooler for the attendees and participants. Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. The holiday was officially proclaimed in 1868 when flowers



Governor Scott presented a medal to Florida veterans, including a contingent from Ponce

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