

SUNRISE CITY SPECTRUM



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Congratulations Aleshia Johnson!

2017 Youth of the Year Boys & Girls Club of St. Lucie County!!

We are extra proud of Aleshia since she also plays a vital role in the newly formed Fort Pierce Youth Council (YOCO). She serves as the Chair for YOCO and leads the team of 15 youth that are ambassadors for our Fort Pierce youth.





Left to right: Jamal Mosley, Leticia Cruz, Devoshay Johnson (IT Department Head) Anna Ward, Jerome Spivey

IT: Information Technologies

Technology drives_____. You fill in the blank. As our lives, needs and expectations have changed so has our dependency on technology and technological innovations. We once referred only to people and animals as being "smart"; however, due to the latest advances in technology we now have "smart phones," "smart watches," and "smart televisions." So with all the new smart innovations our systems and equipment should be relatively problem free right? Wrong!

Technology is forever changing and with those changes come the expectance for service providers to keep up, especially in the public sector. The City of Fort Pierce has long strived to offer the absolute best service and support to our fellow citizens and businesses through continual upgrades to our various systems. We'd like to highlight a few of those systems.

FPTV 27 - Video has become a force to be reckoned with in the public sector. Citizens now have the ability to view public meetings from the

comfort of their homes via television, computer, or smartphone rather than coming onsite. This added convenience has increased demand and expectation for these services tremendously. In April 2008, the project birthing FPTV 27 was launched. Using the latest technologies for PEG channels (public, education and government) at that time, the City of Fort Pierce moved FPTV 27 from project to reality and has been on the air for over 8 years now. Within that span of time, we've had the emergence of high definition TV. In 2014, the City of Fort Pierce upgraded its video assets from analog to digital via Swagit Productions. This was phase one of a three phased project being:

1. Video capture upgrades. (HD cameras and associated equipment)
2. Video processing, automation and broadcasting (TightRope Media Systems)
3. Audio capture and processing upgrades. (Dante digital audio system)

In 2015, phase two was completed with the purchase of TightRope Media Systems. This system is extremely feature rich and gave us future options for expansion and a single intuitive interface for scheduling, automation, and guide updates. It also gave our in-house IT staff the ability to manage the system without the need for a full studio production team as seen in most municipalities. There are plans

for digital signage and kiosks in the near future which integrate directly with this system.

In 2016, phase three was approved and arrangements were made for the implementation of our DANTE digital audio system. This system greatly improved our audio quality and capture ability. Alicia Rosenthal, the Planning Administrative Assistant, had this to say in response to the audio quality, "I like transcribing minutes now!"

PROJECTDOX

Our building department is one of the most active departments within the City of Fort Pierce, and as such, it is important to be as efficient as possible. Current business processes produce a lot of paper, which requires manual handling and can be very inefficient. To help eliminate these inefficiencies and other associated problems, IT and a few members of the building department took a trip to Wellington to preview ProjectDox. The building official and staff of the City of Wellington greeted us with open arms and shared with us how this application had turned their entire process around, all but eliminating in office visits and made their entire team more productive and responsive. They expressed how many contractors and major business partners love the ability to submit and complete most, if not all, of their businesses online. He was also kind enough to share the initial

resistance by some of the more traditional staff members, but he was glad to say they were eventually won over. This project is scheduled for implementation in the fall of 2017.

SECLICKFIX

Last but not least on our list is our community engagement app SECLICKFIX. Reporting issues can be somewhat tedious and problematic. Once the issue is reported, it must be routed. Once routed, it must be assigned. Sometimes

the category of the issue you're reporting. Input the address or allow your mobile device to provide location information via GPS and take a picture if you'd like. Next press send! The issue is automatically routed to the correct department. You can check for updates immediately via the app or the link on our website. This allows for extremely easy reporting, a high degree of transparency and accountability for all. These are only a few of the latest upgrades we've been working on in our



the party reporting the issue doesn't provide enough relevant information, which can result in the issue being misrouted or misassigned wasting time, resources, and effort. With our soon to launch SECLICKFIX app, reporting a pothole, street light out, debris in roadway, or graffiti issue is a synch. Simply download our app and select

efforts to: Provide community leadership, quality public service and a safe environment for all citizens, by an empowered team of employees motivated by pride in themselves and their work.

TRAFFIC STOP WITH ALL SMILES



▲ Officer Damian Spotts recently conducted a traffic stop of a Corvette and a three-wheeler on Delaware Avenue. Normally officers are supposed to remain objective, but Officer Spotts admits he was totally charmed by these drivers. Out for a Saturday afternoon ride with their dad, the girls were all smiles, so Officer Spotts took a few moments to check out the shiny pink rims on the Corvette, chat with the family and get a quick selfie before sending them on their way. No doubt they drove away with a favorable impression of one of our best officers, and that's a big success for everyone at the Police Department!



◀ Deputy Chief Kenny Norris and Lt. Robert Ridle were honored recently to meet students at Fairlawn Elementary School's Leaders are Readers Day. Both took some time out of their busy schedules to read to the children and talk to them about the Fort Pierce Police Department. It was all part of Celebrate Literacy Week, which encourages reading and learning among young people. Chief Norris and Lt. Ridle both understand the importance of working closely with schools to help our children make good choices and stay out of trouble. Their efforts are an investment in



The Fort Pierce Police Department had a great day recently recruiting new police officers at IRSC's Treasure Coast Public Safety Training Complex. Officer Brian Avilla led the effort with assistance from Det. Onese Rene, as well as one of our newest officers, Jesse Love. Chief Hobley-Burney stopped in to encourage potential recruits to consider being part of a promising future at the Police Department, and many people showed a sincere interest. Hopefully, we will have some great new people on-board in the not-too-distant future thanks to a well-planned and top-notch recruiting effort.

CHICK-FIL-A

Chick-Fil-A has filed their request for Site Plan approval to construct a 4,989 square foot restaurant complete with drive-thru service, an indoor playground, and outdoor cafe dining. The selected site is located at the north east corner of the Okeechobee Road and Jenkins Road intersection adjacent to Walgreens. This new restaurant seeks to complement the public investment in improving the surrounding intersection and roadways. The selected site for the Chick-Fil-A is to the north of the future home of the Wawa gas station/store approved by the City Commission in mid-2016.

Elevation - Entry

Elevation - Front

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Exterior Elevations
See Finish Schedule for more information

EXTERIOR LIGHTING

MP-1, ST-1, EXTERIOR LIGHTING

MP-2

BRICK 1 (BR-1)

BRICK 2 (BR-2)

AGE

FRONT ELEVATION

ENTRY ELEVATION

Lennar Homes began construction of the Bent Creek planned community in 2006 with approval to complete 692 single-family homes, clubhouse, pool, and various recreational amenities across the 268 acre site. Approximately 155 homes, clubhouse and community entrances were completed by 2008, when construction stalled due to limited demand in the housing market. Lennar Homes has been coordinating with the Planning & Building Departments in preparation to resume construction within the development. Lennar has re-established a sales office within the community to market and pre-sale homes, present home customization options, and provide existing residents with information regarding new construction activities.



2ND ANNUAL HIGHWAYMEN ART SHOW AND FESTIVAL



The Department of Urban Redevelopment, along with the dedicated Highwaymen Event Team, hosted the 2nd Annual Highwaymen Heritage Trail Art Show and Festival on Saturday February 18 from 10am-4pm. Twenty of the "Original" and "2nd Generation" Highwaymen were in attendance to meet collectors and display and sell their art while enjoying the celebration of their contribution to the rich cultural history of Fort Pierce. More than 30 food, novelty and public service vendors also participated.

The annual event included an educational component for children in Fort Pierce middle schools to learn about the Highwaymen and to participate in an Art Contest leading up to the event. Mayor Hudson announced the winners at noon at the event. The winners' art departments received \$300 for First Place; \$250 for Second Place and \$200 for Third Place. The winning artists received engraved 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place medallions and \$25 gift cards. All Art Contest entries were on display at the event in the Kid's Zone. 1st Place Winner - Victoria Jacquin, Fairlawn Elementary; 2nd Place - Ashley Richard, Fort Pierce Magnet

School of the Arts; 3rd Place - Alessandro Ferrera, Francis K. Sweet Elementary.

Guided trail tours using the City's trolley were conducted throughout the day. Visitors from across the United States, as well as Canada, France and Germany were in attendance. The Fort Pierce Jazz and Blues Society provided a live concert from noon until 3:00pm. The Kid's Zone was jammed packed with children who enjoyed bounce houses, the Coloring Corner and having their faces painted. The Department of Urban Redevelopment collaborated with the A.E. Backus Museum and Gallery that hosted a Highwaymen Open House Weekend February 18 and 19. Sponsors for the event included Varsity Sports Shop, Fort Pierce Utilities Authority, BannerWorks of South Florida, Onyx Magazine, the Florida Humanities Council, FortPierceTours.com, Visit Florida, and the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 359.

The self-guided Highwaymen Heritage Trail totals ten stops with beautiful informative markers that capture the lives and times of

these mostly self-taught landscape artists who have strong local, state, national and international significance. The markers, significant public art and informative website are chocked full of oral histories, professional research, video and dynamic images that help convey the plight, fortitude, entrepreneurial spirit and accomplishments of these late Jim Crow-era African American Florida Hall of Fame artists from Lincoln Park, an iconic minority neighborhood in Fort Pierce.

The Trail and accompanying website -TheHighwaymenTrail.com- are part of a multi-year project underwritten by two grants from the Florida Humanities Council (FHC), funding from the City of Fort Pierce and hundreds of staff hours.

The Highwaymen Event Team: (City Staff) Libby Woodruff, Karen Mike, Shyanne Helms, Brandon Creagan, Caleta Scott, David Williams, Derrick Johnson, Frank Amandro, Jack Andrews, Joe Sweat, Kori Benton, Michelle Kubitschek, Mike Reals, Vennis Gilmore, Mayor Linda Hudson; (Citizens) Doretha Hair Truesdell, Linda Fasano, and Pamela Carithers,

The 3rd Annual Event will be held Saturday, February 17, 2018.



WINNERS OF THE 2ND ANNUAL HIGHWAYMEN ART CONTEST



1st Place

Victoria Hilton - \$25 gift card

Fairlawn Elementary School - \$300



2nd Place

Ashley Richard - \$25 gift card

Fort Pierce Magnet
School of the Arts - \$250



3rd Place

Alessandro Ferrera - \$25 gift card

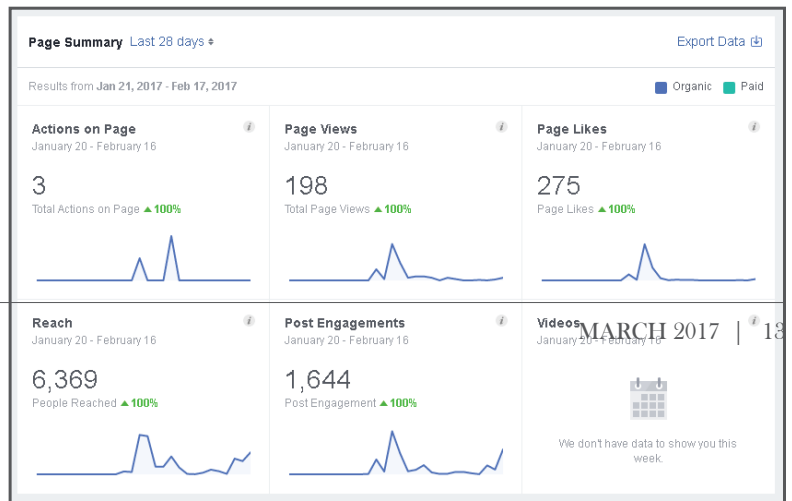
Francis K. Sweet Elementary - \$200



Fort Pierce Animal Control now has its own Facebook page!

In an effort to increase our RTO (return to owner) rate, we have begun posting pictures of animals that were picked up as strays in the hopes of reuniting these pets with their owners. We are also sharing posts with other Facebook groups that are focused on missing and lost pets.

In the first few weeks, we have almost 275 likes and managed to reach over 6000 people. We are very excited to utilize social media in our efforts to reach the public and help reduce the number of unclaimed animals.





Are you ready for new outdoor recreation in Fort Pierce? You're in luck! The Indian Hills Recreation Area, which officially opened last week, features a canoe/kayak launch, a walking and biking trail, and some pretty awesome exercise stations around the perimeter of the lake.

Not only is this a great place to workout, it is also essential to keeping our lagoon clean. There are informational kiosks which allow visitors to enjoy the improvements while being educated about the stormwater protection system. Highlights of this project include: expansion of the 17 acre stormwater treatment lake and 12 floating "islands," which not only take care of fluctuating water levels, but also produce oxygen, remove nutrients and pesticides from the water, and provide a habitat for wildlife utilization.

Over the past several years, the City of Fort Pierce has been progressively addressing the water quality of the Indian River Lagoon and is continuously committed to keeping our precious waters clean. The City's successful implementation of stormwater quality improvement projects have undoubtedly assisted with the cleanliness of our Indian River Lagoon.

The address is 52 Savannah Rd.





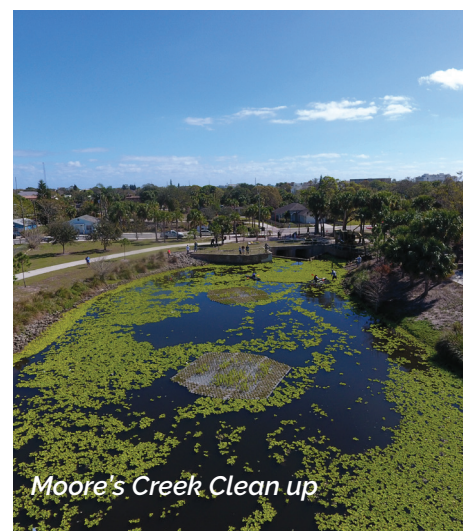
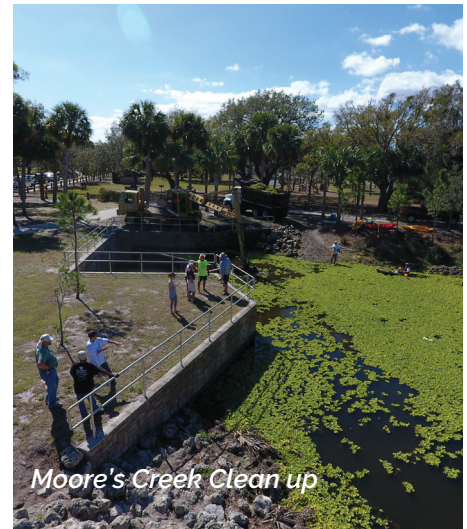
With the ribbon cutting for the Indian Hills Recreation Area, the Public Works Department has been busy making some enhancements to the Public Works compound.

The Indian Hills Recreation Area has created an attraction for our community and the number of visitors increases by the day. Wanting to continue the landscape theme throughout the compound, the visionaries within this department set forth a path to connect the north and south areas of the project and give the appearance of one large recreation area.

Beginning at the south compound along Savannah Rd. all of the Wax Myrtle hedges were removed from the fence line creating a clear line of sight to the amenities located there. All of the equipment located on the north side of the laydown yard is in the process of being relocated and eventually landscape berms will be added to block the view of the materials stored within the fence. Continuing into the Public Works compound, the Wax Myrtle's were removed from around the fuel island, and a decorative sign was placed at the end of Public Works Drive directing visitors to the recreation area parking lot. Sod

was placed along the employee parking lot and the Solid Waste vehicle staging area, along with the planting of Sabal Palms and installation of irrigation pipes. These visual enhancements now give the perception that the Indian Hills Recreation Area is one large project.

The Public Works Department recently joined forces with elected officials, the County and a team of volunteers to begin ridding Moores Creek of the recent Pistia (lettuce weed) bloom. Once a rhythm was established, the day proved to be very successful with 5.65 tons of material being removed from the creek.



▼ *Below is the tonnage average*

Month	FY 12/13	FY 13/14	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	
Oct		81.21	112.33	113.48	110.09	
Nov		67.07	92.05	99.31	125.00	
Dec		102.54	125.89	151.31	148.30	
Jan	37.15	112.88	118.99	129.62		
Feb	30.83	93.07	99.66	124.52		
Mar	32.37	94.56	113.52	128.41		
Apr	32.37	110.17	122.31	129.52		
May	35.41	112.18	110.36	123.49		
Jun	29.04	100.43	111.3	150.25		
Jul	38.63	119.67	120.67	112.92		
Aug	51.50	103.37	104.84	135.84		
Sep	54.94	110.83	121.05	133.72		
TOTAL TONNAGE	342.24	1,207.98	1,352.97	1,532.39	383.39	↑
Avg. tons per month	38.03	100.67	112.75	127.70	127.80	236.07%

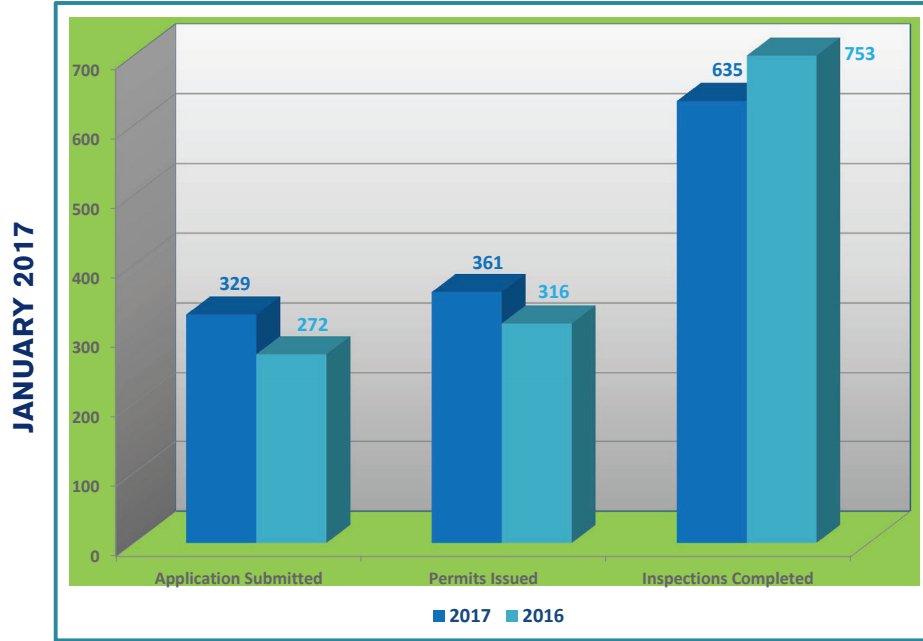
TREASURE COAST PIRATE FEST



RIVER WALK CENTER SALES REPORT JANUARY 2017

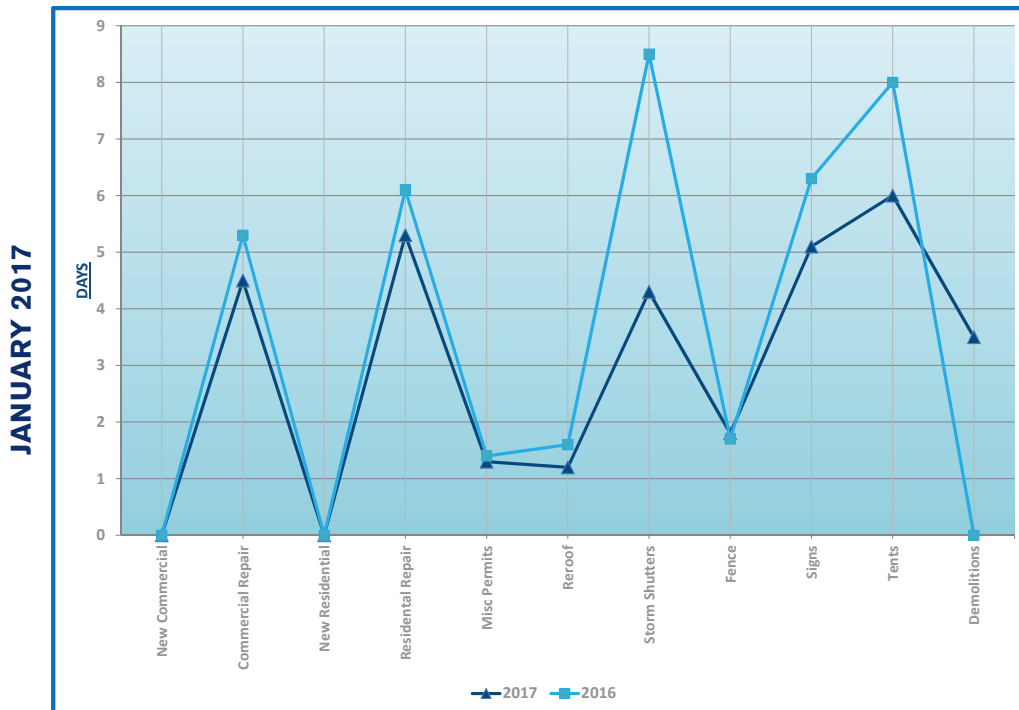
CLASSES	\$ 1,513.04
PARK PERMITS	\$ 1,262.50
SPECIAL EVENTS	\$ 2,315.00
GARDEN CENTER	\$ 819.02
MARAVILLA CENTER	\$ 584.27
OLD CITY HALL	\$ 1,291.62
RIVER WALK CENTER	\$ 3,379.63
YOUTH ACTIVITIES (HDRC)	\$475.00
TOTAL	\$ 11,640.08

BUILDING PERMIT ACTIVITY REPORT



PLAN REVIEW PROCESSING TIME

For permits with 0 days, either the review was not completed within the month, or there were no reviews for the entire month.





There was quite a bit of damage done to the driving range net by Hurricane Matthew. The range was closed to the public while the damage was assessed by an insurance company. The driving range is an important part of Indian Hills Golf Course. Our customers like to warm up before their rounds, so the range was open to irons only until the net could be repaired. The repair job was put out to bid and a company was contracted to make the repairs. Three heavy equipment lifts were brought in to do the job. We had to stop the irrigation on the range before they arrived so the turf could support the weight of the

close the range and turn off the irrigation system. Although every precaution was taken, there was some damage to the turf. The range is now fully open and functional, and we are repairing turf damage along the net line. With our Fort Pierce City Championship scheduled for March 18th and 19th, we must make sure the driving range is in the best condition possible. We are working diligently to this assure that this will be accomplished.



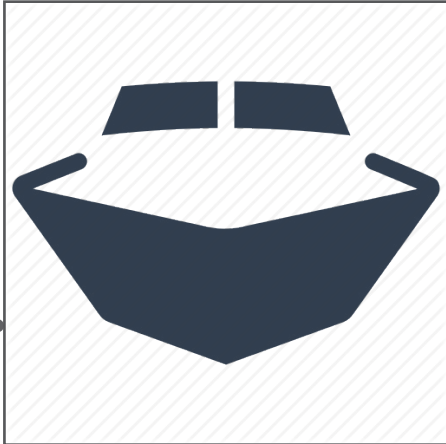


INDIAN HILLS SALES REPORT

	12/2016	1/2017
Golf Rounds	2940	4136
Golf Fees	\$69,444.55	\$134,887.68
Range Tokens	\$4,235.15	\$2,353.84
Membership Pass	\$3,105.00	\$4,748.85
Food & Beverages	\$3,713.96	\$5,336.41
Merchandise	\$2,494.20	\$2,900.48
Total	\$82,992.86	\$150,227.26



Additional wi-fi antennas were installed at the City Marina to allow tenants internet access at a higher speed and to provide continuous service. Modem speed has been increased from 50 to 100 (MBPS) megabits broadband per second, and the number of wi-fi antenna towers increased from 15 to 18. This upgrade to the wi-fi will spread out the usage demand on each tower making streaming and computer use more available without reducing interruption to the end user.





CITY MARINA FINANCIAL REPORT

	NOV	DEC	JAN
Dockage Reservations	272	174	144
Monthly Dockage	\$92,308.78	\$99,879.95	\$110,411.30
Transient Dockage	\$69,069.07	\$168,178.10	\$45,375.41
Electricity	\$4,110.54	\$4,180.06	\$4,081.79
Retail	\$18,363.69	\$17,788.92	\$17,148.82
Gas Sales	\$8,418.16	\$19,692.65	\$17,757.40
Diesel Sales	\$65,968.77	\$135,660.90	\$45,151.12
TOTALS	\$311,101.70	\$445,880.50	\$239,925.84



The 2016/17 Annual Sunrise Theatre Members Reception was held Friday, January 27 prior to the sold out Johnny Mathis performance at the Sunrise Theatre in historic Downtown Fort Pierce. The two hour member reception was held in the Black Box Theatre featuring appetizers from local Fort Pierce restaurants and music by Mr. Motown, Curtis Hill. At the reception, the Sunrise Theatre Foundation announced the "Pave The Way For Sunrise Kids Brick Campaign" which offers the purchase of an everlasting, personalized, engraved brick at the entrance to the theatre. The Sunrise Theatre Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds to provide children the opportunity to experience live theatre and promote arts education.



Johnny Mathis with fans

Membership has its benefits. One of the most popular, starting at the \$250 and above membership level, gives you the eligibility to join your favorite stars at a "Meet and Greet" opportunity before or after select shows. Here members Dr. Ron and Kip Lyman laugh it up with comedian Jay Leno before his performance on February 16, and Keshana Barron and Mellissa Hatcher enjoy a photo op in the green room with Johnny Mathis.



Jay Leno with fans

SUNRISE THEATRE FINANCIAL REPORT

Date	Show	Attendance	Total Expense	Total Revenue	Gain/(Loss)
1/14	Up Up & Away	575	\$36,875.18	\$31,506.50	(5,368.68)
1/15	Air Supply	759	\$50,951.28	\$49,034.49	(1,916.79)
1/21	Kenny Rogers	1,033	\$90,854.90	\$107,572.56	\$16,717.66
1/25	Artrageous	132	\$17,654.23	\$7,274.88	(10,379.35)
1/27	Johnny Mathis	1,074	\$86,721.96	\$111,311.92	\$24,589.96
1/28	American Bandstand	421	\$35,813.54	\$25,884.32	(9,929.22)
1/29	Arlo Guthrie	431	\$42,079.52	\$28,199.32	(13,880.20)
Date	Rental	Attendance	Total Expense	Total Revenue	Gain/(Loss)
1/6	Ron White	2,319	\$119,903.00	\$152,050.30	\$32,147.30
1/13	Memories of Elvis	745	\$19,748.70	\$26,957.63	\$7,208.93
1/20-22	Late Night Catchism	531	\$10,538.89	\$17,970.62	\$7,432.03
1/31	In The Mood	946	\$38,965.06	\$44,475.00	\$7,432.03
1/1-30	Jazz Jam - BB (Rental)	442	\$1,555.92	\$3,533.00	\$1,977.08
1/1-30	Comedy Corner - BB (Rental)	307	\$3,938.70	\$6,639.00	\$2,700.30
TOTALS			\$555,600.58	\$612,409.54	\$56,808.96

We welcome the following new businesses to the City of Fort Pierce.

BUSINESS NAME

TYPE OF BUSINESS

ALMAELIZABETHEVENTDESIGNER	UNCLASSIFIED
BACK FORTY, INC.	UNCLASSIFIED
CARRILLO, CINDY ELIZABETH	BEAUTY SHOPS
CATO EMPLOYEE SERVICES L.P.	MERCHANT-NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000
CMII TAX & MULTI-SERVICES, INC	INCOME TAX SERVICES
COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION & DESIGN	SECRETARIAL SERVICES
COMPLETE TRANSMISSION	MACHINE/REPAIR-N/E 3 PERSONS
CUMBERLAND FARMS #9773	FILLING STATION
DE LA CRUZ LAWN SERVICE	LAWN SERVICE AND CARE
DIFRANCESCO, PAYTON	BEAUTY SHOPS
DISCOVER RECRUITING & STAFFING	AGENTS/AGENCIES-EMPLOYMENT
ENTERPRISE RENT A CAR / TRUCK	RENTAL CARS/TRUCKS/RECREATIONAL VEHICLES
FAT DADDY'S ITALIAN AMERICAN DELI	CAFE/RESTAURANT-OVER 25 SEATS
GIGI AND NICKO TAX SERVICES	INCOME TAX SERVICES
GOLDEN BEAR RESTAURANT	CAFE/RESTAURANT-OVER 25 SEATS
GOMEZ TAXES INC.	INCOME TAX SERVICES
GRANT, CHRISTINA L.	BEAUTY SHOPS
INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL OF REAL ESTATE	SCHOOLS - BUSINESS
KAY, MARISSA	BEAUTY SHOPS
MILLER MECHANICAL OF SOUTH FL.	CONTRACTORS, GENERAL OR SPECIALTY
MURAWSKI, MEGAN NICHOLE	BEAUTY SHOPS
PET LIFE	MERCHANT-\$10,000 N/E \$30,000
PUPUSERIA LA SALVADORENA	CAFE/RESTAURANT-OVER 25 SEATS
SHAMY'S RIB AND CHICKEN SHACK	CAFE/RESTAURANT-OVER 25 SEATS
SMG CLEANING SERVICE	CLEANING & LAWN SERVICE
THE ART OF JEWELRY	MERCHANT-NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000
TRI-COUNY ANIMAL HOSPITAL, LLC	MERCHANT-\$10,000 N/E \$30,000
TRUE BLUE WATER COMPANY LLC	UNCLASSIFIED
WALSH SUMMERS, GLYNNA G.	BEAUTY SHOPS

UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
FORT PIERCE FARMER'S MARKET	EVERY SATURDAY	7:00 AM - 1:00 PM	MARINA SQUARE
GREEN MARKET	EVERY WEDNESDAY	12:00 PM - 6:30 PM	MARINA SQUARE
AVENUE D MARKET	EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY	8:00 AM - 10:30 PM	AVENUE D PLAZA
FRIDAY FEST	3/3	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM	MARINA SQUARE
RICK SPRINGFIELD	3/3	8:00 PM -10:00 PM	SUNRISE THEATRE
CITY COMMISSION MEETING	3/6	6:30 PM	CITY HALL
SCOTTY MCCREERY	3/10	8:00 PM -10:00 PM	SUNRISE THEATRE
CHOW DOWN FOOD TRUCKS	3/11	4:30 PM - 9:00 PM	RIVER WALK CENTER
COFFEE WITH THE MAYOR	3/17	8:00 AM	FORT PIERCE YACHT CLUB
TASTE OF THE SEA & SANDY SHOWS FESTIVAL	3/18	10:00 AM - 10:00 PM	RIVER WALK CENTER
RIVERSIDE BLUES 2017	3/19	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	MARINA SQUARE
OYSTER RESTORATION	3/23	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	FORT PIERCE YACHT CLUB
HOOKED ON MUSIC FESTIVAL	3/25	11:00 AM - 11:00 PM	MARINA SQUARE



Mission Statement

To provide community leadership, quality public service, and a safe environment for all citizens, by an empowered team of employees motivated by pride in themselves and their work.

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