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FORT INSIDER





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BY JOE SWEAT, MARKETING SPECIALIST

The sun was shining and the weather was sweet, as Bob Marley says in a song. It was a perfect day. The water was flat, crystal clear - a cool 78 degrees and the sun was definitely shining. We loaded up on our friend's boat about 9:00am and headed out to sea. The Voici Bernadette was set to sink between 11am and 12pm and we wanted to capture this historical moment.

The Bernadette crew was already ahead of us. The monster vessel of 180 ft took some hauling before reaching the drop site. Two tugs and a few head boats guided the old gal out to sea earlier that morning. She had seen her days and now was set to help inhabit

marina life below. Once was a trafficking drug vessel, now sent to enjoy one last ride upon the water before the boat will breath life back into our waters and that's all thanks to James Oppenborn of the St. Lucie Coastal Resource Manager and his crew, Mr. Mark Music, Mrs. Kathy Green, Mrs. Katrina Collins, and Mrs. Christa Stone.

This team worked effortlessly to see this vessel become the next artificial reef here in Fort Pierce. "St. Lucie County is extremely proactive in their efforts to sustain clean water and education is key. The Fort Pierce inlet is home to the Oculina Vericosa that begins only here in Fort Pierce and ends in Daytona. There is no other place that can grow the Oculina Corals. I am happy to report that due to SLC



Photo by: Damian Spotts

Artificial Reefs they have scientific data that shows the Oculina Corals are spawning faster than predicted."

-C.Stone

Avid anglers, divers, spearfishmen and the like know all too well what this means in the near future. Even snorkeling enthusiast will have a chance to see the future reef system as the wheel house will be visible from about 50 ft of water. As an avid, saltwater loving guy myself, I don't doubt you will. Sitting there on the boat as the tugs positioned the Bernadette, you could look straight down into the thick glass of bluewater as it stared back at you. As we approached the vessel, the ocean looked like the parking lot at ChicFilA. There was a multitude of boats encompassing the rusty ship.

The sheriff and United States Coast Guard trailed around ensuring a safe distance was kept. Everyone around had their recording devices out waiting to capture that special moment. A few drones were high in the sky and a plane was in passing just moments before the ship sunk.

A hatch blew open from the port side as people walked about the hull collecting banners of the companies who sponsored the event. It didn't seem like too much longer and the ship was going to be ready. VHF was turned up and almost every boat was silent, listening in. Normally, boats sitting near each other by the hundreds would be thumping some kind of music - yes, I'm speaking of the Cove, but this was different.



Everyone was so in tune with every movement. From the tug boats navigating to the dive boat circling.

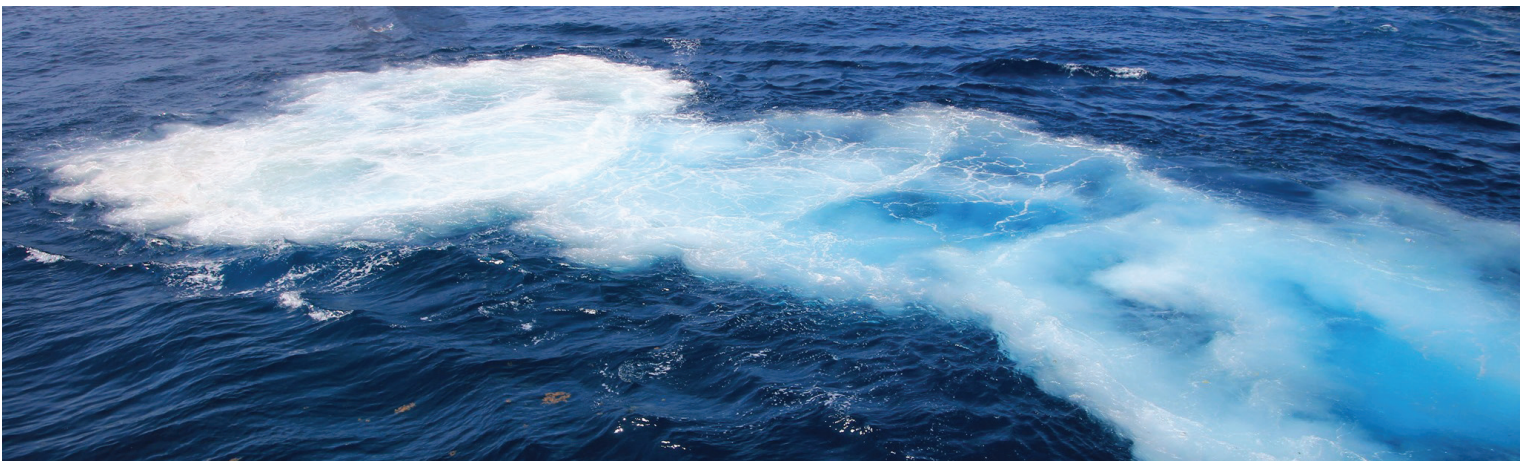
There was no count down. The only sound you began to hear came from the Bernadette. The tug boats unstrapped their cables, the dive boat moved further away, and everyone gave here space. Rushing water started pouring in. Water breached the hull from the port side; it sounded like a large waterfall nearby. Gradually, she began to tip. As soon as the wheel house was half way under, that was it. The boat sank fast. There was no boom, no explosion, just the sizzling of the sea hissing back as she took on more water.

Everyone was cheering it on was so excited knowing this was making history in the Fort. We had something to look forward too; something to add to our list, if you will.

To know this event reached national news is more than impressive and great for our little town. We have so much going on in the Fort right now; this just added to the

excitement, especially for us fishermen and divers. I think more and more people are realizing just how special this town is. Some would say "I don't know what it is about that lil' town, but it sure is special." Yeah, I agree with that statement. Well, if you are out cruising in your boat one day and want to check out Bernadette's new location, the latest coordinates below:

- Wheelhouse coordinates - $80^{\circ}02.985'$ $27^{\circ}23.870'$, $z=62'$ at crow's nest
- Bow coordinates - $80^{\circ}02.970'$, $27^{\circ}23.865'$, $z=78'$ at bow railing
- $z=102'$ at bottom





CRIME PREVENTION

BY AUDRIA WELLS, PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER

A group of local teenagers and their chaperones, who attended the Florida Attorney General's National Conference on Preventing Crime held received a special treat.

Former Tampa Bay Buccaneers linebacker and NFL Hall of Famer Derrick Brooks was gracious enough to take photos with participants of the conference recently held in Tampa, May 29-31, 2019. In the photograph, Brooks, who is wearing his Hall of Fame gold jacket, and is surrounded by a group of local teenagers and

chaperones, who represented the City of Fort at the conference. Through a collaboration between the City of Fort Pierce, Allegany Franciscan Ministries, Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County and an anonymous donor, 21 local youth attended the conference.

During the two days of workshops led by law enforcement officials, adults and teens engaged in sessions covering trends, empowerment strategies and decision-making.

As the opening speaker of this year's conference, Brooks has kept a promise he made seven years ago to do what he can to help find a solution to crime in our neighborhoods. Derrick Brooks Charities is one of the major sponsors of this annual event and along with the Florida Consortium of Urban League Affiliates manages the state's Black-on-Black and Youth Crime Prevention and Intervention grant programs.



Teach them in the way...

The Fort Pierce Police Department kicked off the 2019 Summer Camp Tour with a visit to Open Arms of Fort Pierce to discuss bullying with campers.

Officer John Fasanello and Officer Nicholas McWilliams led the students, between the ages of 5 and 11 in a lively, interactive discussion about what do if the child feels like they are being bullied. The Officers met with 60 children and encouraged the students to find an adult and then tell about the situation so the adult can determine how best to succeed.

This is the second year Open Arms has requested the visit and the officers and children look forward to it. The goal to educate the children about how to recognize and prevent bullying, said Officer McWilliams.



ROLL CALL

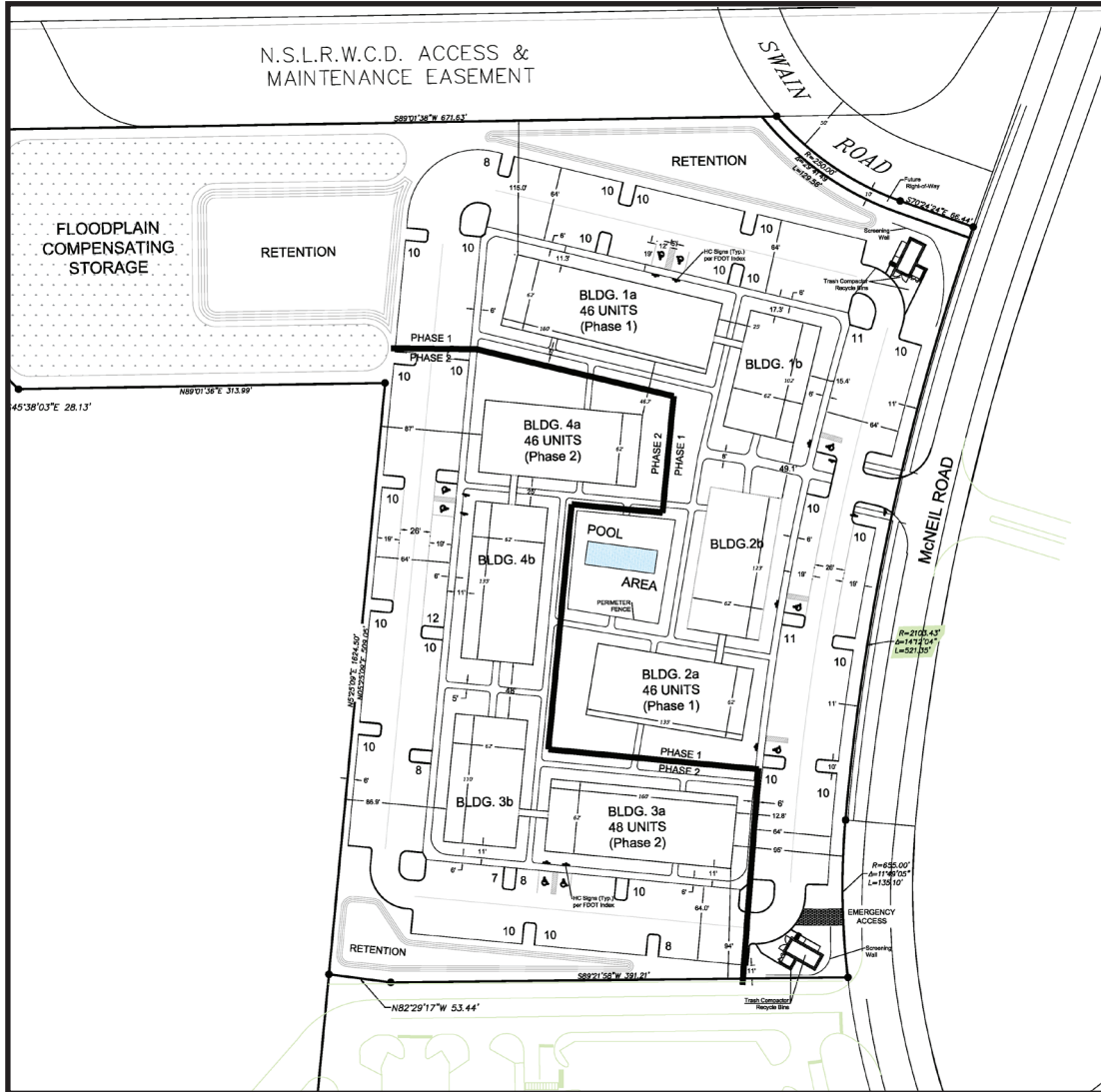
Fort Pierce Police Department Officers held a Front Porch Roll Call during Restoring the Village Beautification Day before heading out to patrol their zones. Each officer took time out to assist with the cleaning and of course, make time for the kids! Volunteers worked all day until they were done cleaning up along Moore’s Creek and 35th Street.

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Double Dribble.

Fort Pierce Police Department (FPPD) officers and staff engaged in a fun game of basketball with members of the Boys & Girls Club of St. Lucie County during the Lincoln Park Career Pathways Health & Job Fair 2019. The teams played the best out of 3, 5-minute games. During the second and last games, the teams were blended with officers and club members playing on teams together. The activities were a collaboration between Indian River State College, Boys and Girls Clubs of St. Lucie County and Police Department. FPPD Officers had a blast!

Site Development Updates



BLUE SKY COMMUNITY

The applicant, Blue Sky Communities along with the property owner, St. Lucie County have preliminarily proposed a 184 multi-family unit development on a vacant parcel to the north of Walmart. This project is also coupled with a request for Rezoning and Future Land Use change that would see the parcel changed from C-3, General Commercial Zoning and GC, General Commercial Future Land Use to R-5, High Density Residential Zoning and RH, High Density Residential Future Land Use. The preliminary start date of the project is anticipated to be Spring 2020 with a completion date sometime during the winter of 2021. This project is only at the Conceptual Development Plan stage and would still need to go through full Site Plan review. The Conceptual Development plan will move next to the Planning Board on July 9, 2019.



DAIRY QUEEN

The exterior façade is almost complete, and the interior build-out has begun. During this inspection, workers were on site installing the plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems that will be concealed above the ceiling. The next scheduled inspection is the “above ceiling inspection” for the plumbing, electrical and mechanical trades.

STARBUCKS

The 2200 Square Foot “shell building” is well underway. A shell building is a structure with an empty interior space that will be permitted and finished as an interior build-out, also known as a tenant build-out, following the completion of the shell building. The interior build-out permit has already undergone review and is ready for issuance.



CAMPING WORLD & GANDER OUTDOORS



LOOKING WEST

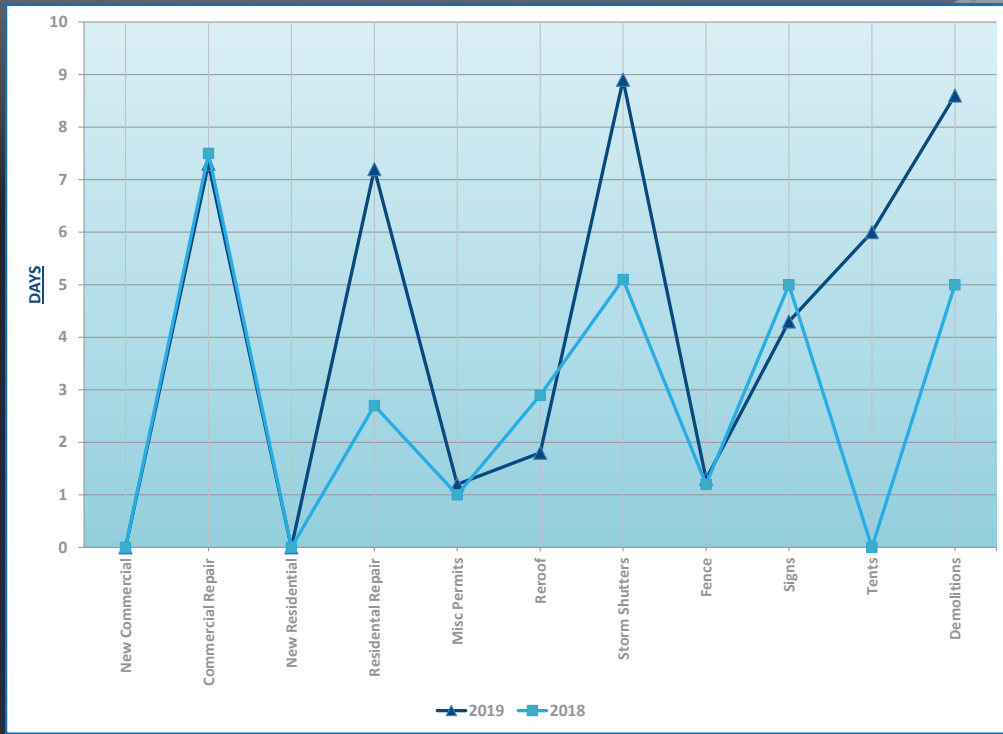
2121 and 2123 S Jenkins Rd, Camping World & Gander Outdoors- The “sitework” for Camping World, the part of construction that is not part of the structure including grading, stormwater drainage, paving and lighting is progressing quickly. A large section of the site, where the sitework is taking place, will be utilized as recreational vehicle (RV) parking for Camping World’s inventory.

Gander Outdoors has recently poured a slab and is in the process of preparing the site for the delivery and installation of pre-formed concrete walls. This type of construction is often referred to as tilt-up construction and is often completed quicker than traditional wood frame or concrete block construction.

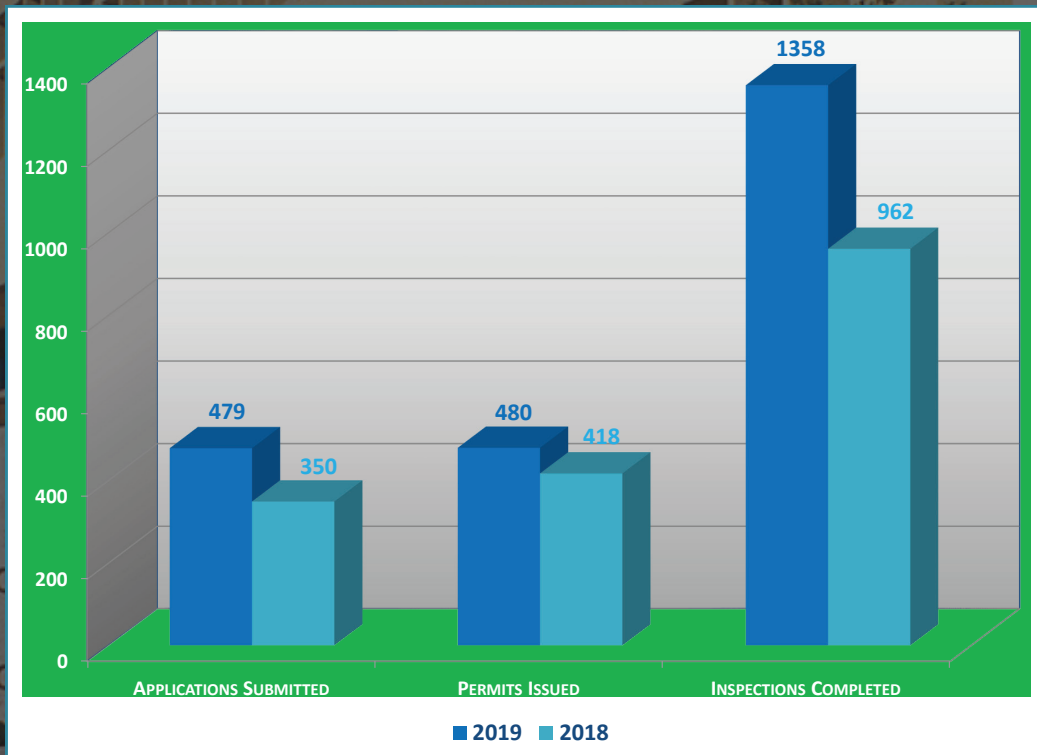
BUILDING CHARTS FOR MAY 2019

PLAN REVIEW PROCESSING TIME

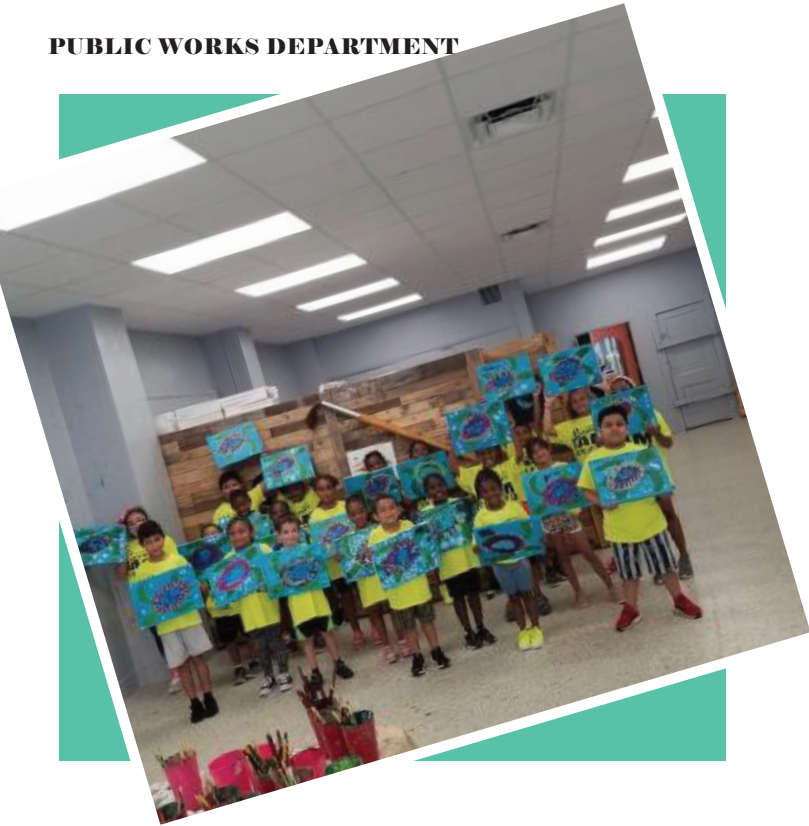
For permits with 0 days, either the review was not completed within the month, or there were no reviews for the entire month.



BUILDING PERMIT ACTIVITY REPORT



SUMMER JAM 2019!

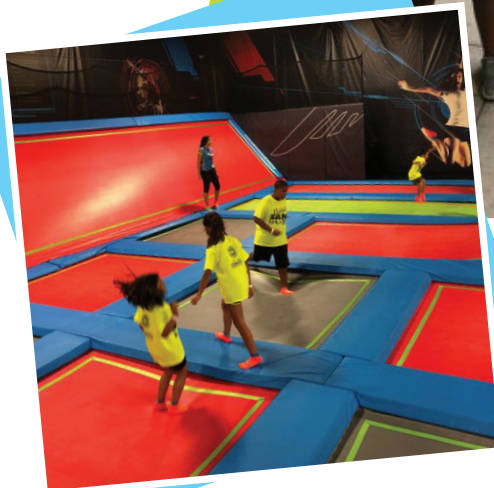


MIKE REALS, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

The City of Fort Pierce Summer Jam Camp started on June 10, 2019. The program currently has 68 children registered, campers ages range from five to twelve, junior counselors ages 13 to 15 years old. The Summer Jam camp will be 8 weeks during the summer break and offers a wide variety of activities, educational instruction and field trips.

During week 1 campers experienced making memories and new friends, they also will participate in the Summer Passport program sponsored by the Children's Service Council of St. Lucie County and the Saint Lucie County Chambers of Commerce and each of the programs that are for the 2019 Summer Learning program will be eligible to attend local field trips within the community. The Summer Jam Camp attended their first field trip to Swig of Color in Fort Pierce and next month they will adventure out on the River Lily Wildlife and Eco Tour Cruise in Port Saint Lucie.

In addition, every camper will benefit from the "free" STEM services offered by



SoRe Labs Inc. and sponsored by Children Service Council of St. Lucie County. Lit STE2M Labs and STEM Labs are programs designed to mitigate summer learning loss by improving grade level performance of students in their Math and Science courses using research-based strategies and inquiry-based STEM activities. These services will engage young minds in projects and experiments that meet Florida State Educational standards; exposing young eyes to minority pioneers in STEM related careers, and challenging students to socially responsible habits and mindsets.

On week 2, the Summer Jam Camp attended the World's Largest Swim Lesson at the Lincoln Park pool; the kick-off to the first day of summer, campers learned the fundamentals of water safety and swimming. They also, square off with each other at Saint Lucie Lanes for two hours of bowling. The week finished off with a trip to RUSH Jensen Beach for a little bit of jumping around, to release some energy.



RIVER WALK CENTER SALES REPORT MAY 2019

CLASSES	\$ 1,880.31
PARK PERMITS	\$ 2,149.99
SPECIAL EVENTS	\$ 500.00
FACILITY	\$ 7,547.26
TOTAL	\$ 9,949.06



DANIEL VISCONTI, IHGC MANAGER

It's already been a very productive few months of summer! We just conducted our first Junior Golf Camp June 10-13. Our second camp will be held July 15-18 which is a Monday through Thursday. The camp runs from 9-noon of instruction with lunch each day to follow. At a cost of \$80 per child, each participant will receive a tee gift, lunch each day, and drinks snacks throughout the day. If a child doesn't have their own clubs, we will have clubs for them to use during the week.

From a maintenance standpoint, we have already aerated our fairways TWICE and our greens ONCE. Our greens were completed on June 4th and have recovered beautifully in two weeks. The greens will be done again in early August for the second and final time of the summer. We will continue to work on fairways and bunkers throughout the summer to improve turf conditions and coverage as well as the consistency of our bunkers.

Many smaller projects either have been completed or will be completed in the next few months as well. We have repainted the deck around the Lunch

Box with a dark brown stain inclusive of a non-slip grit for safety. The structures near the range will be pressure washed and repainted including the picnic tables, awnings, bathroom, and range ball shed to provide a cleaner and fresher look.

We Thank You all for your support!! We will welcome any suggestions you may offer in an attempt to improve our operation. We ask your cooperation in spreading the word within the community through both social media and word of mouth, our greatest form of advertising.

Please check us out on Facebook for almost daily updates on the facility including Demo Days, Merchandise and Tournaments.

INDIAN HILLS SALES REPORT

	4/2019	5/2019
GOLF ROUNDS	2121	2068
GOLF FEES	\$36,060.70	\$25,937.70
RANGE TOKENS	\$1,381.34	\$1,728.91
MEMBERSHIP PASS	\$1,005.00	\$676.07
FOOD & BEVERAGES	\$5,048.73	\$4,949.85
MERCHANDISE	\$4,223.09	\$3,804.67
TOTAL	\$47,718.86	\$37,097.20



CITY MARINA FINANCIAL REPORT

	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
Dockage Reservations	202	160	205
Monthly Dockage	\$137,579.39	\$150,855.55	\$122,723.47
Transient Dockage	\$73,039.27	\$61,036.60	\$49,882.89
Electricity	\$6,287.02	\$5,508.27	\$5,095.69
Retail	\$32,112.35	\$21,804.87	\$12,158.20
Gas Sales	\$37,800.53	\$48,625.72	\$59,091.39
Diesel Sales	\$104,562.84	\$114,701.25	\$123,359.56
TOTALS	\$391,381.40	\$402,532.26	\$ 372,311.20

SHARON ENGLE, Interim Executive Director

Remember when movies were classics, and the Sunrise Theatre was the place to be? Well, this summer they are back on the Big Screen and FREE! On Sundays: July 14, 21 and August 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 3:00 pm. Bring a friend, escape the summer heat, treat yourself to some goodies at our full concession stand and have a great time at The Sunrise Theatre, enjoying the FREE Summer Time Movies!

Sponsored by Humana, the Summer Time Movie Series includes, six (6) FREE movies:

A Star Is Born,
Sunday, July 14 starring Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper, Dave Chappelle, Andrew Dice Clay;

Black Panther,
Sunday, July 21, starring Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan;

Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again,
Sunday, August 4, starring Dominic Cooper, Amanda Seyfried, Pierce Brosnan;

Bohemian Rhapsody,
Sunday, August 11, Rami Malek, Lucy Boynton, Gwilym Lee;

First Man,
Sunday, August 18; starring Ryan Gosling, Claire Foy;

The Big Lebowski,
Sunday, August 25, starring Jeff Bridges, John Goodman, Julianne Moore.

Tickets are available in person only at the theatre's box office located at 117 South Second Street, Ft. Pierce, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday - Friday and two hours prior to each movie. Limit 4 tickets per person. Tickets are subject to availability. For more information call 772-461-4775.

SUMMER MOVIES AT THE SUNRISE

Free SUMMER MOVIES

SPONSORED BY: **Humana.**

Movie Title	Rating	Date	Time
A Star Is Born	R	July 14	3PM
Black Panther	PG 13	July 21	3PM
Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again	PG 13	Aug 4	3PM
Bohemian Rhapsody	PG 13	Aug 11	3PM
First Man	PG 13	Aug 18	3PM
The Big Lebowski	R	Aug 25	3PM

SUNRISE THEATRE

Concessions Available



SUNRISE THEATRE FINANCIAL REPORT

Date	Show	Ticket Sales	Concessions	Other	Total Revenue
5/3 - 5/19	Beauty & the Beast	38,700.00	4,761.00	4,761.00	43,461.00
5/10/2019	St. Andrew's Spring Program	5,730.00	0.00	0.00	7,797.50
5/13/2019	Treasure Coast Sports Awards	225.00	94.00	94.00	4,432.13
5/17/2019	John Carroll High School Graduation	N/A	0.00	0.00	3,692.50
5/1 ~31/19	Jazz Jam - BB	910.00	395.00	395.00	1,305.00
5/1 ~31/19	Comedy Corner - BB	3,305.00	1,286.00	1,286.00	4,591.00
		48,870.00	6,536.00	6,536.00	\$65,279.13



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Follow us on Social Media as we continue to share #FortMade stories about the unique and creative people living the Fort Pierce dream. This city wouldn't be the same without the wonderful people in our community.

WELCOMING NEW BUSINESSES!

AFFORDABLE SWARAYZ
 ANGEL HOUSE OF COMFORT
 AUGI'S CONCRETE INC
 B&K TRAFFIC SCHOOL MULTI SERVICE
 BURGESS, CHRISTOPHER
 C & C TIRES AND MORE, LLC
 C & H TREASURE BOX
 CERTIFIED POOL AND SPA CLEANING
 DAYS INN & SUITES
 DESIGN KITCHENS
 DW RESIDENTIAL LLC

FORT PIERCE TRAINING CENTER LLC
 FOTEK, PAWEL
 ICONIC AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE
 JACQUES COSMETICS
 COLLECTION LLC
 L&M MARINE SERVICES LLC
 MAID TO KLEEN, LLC
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 MIRROR FINISHED DETAIL L.L.C.

QUICK STOP FOOD MART
 SALTY'S WATERSPORTS LLC
 SANCHEZ, JAIRO ANDRES
 SHAPIRO FAMILY DENTISTRY
 SHAPIRO, SETH
 ST LUCIE EXPRESS CAR WASH LLC
 SUPREME COMFORT CARE LLC
 THE CARLTON CENTER LLC
 TOWN STAR #480
 WOOLEY, GEORGE
 ZINDAGI BY THE SEA LLC



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
FORT PIERCE FARMER'S MARKET	EVERY SATURDAY	8:00 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
STARS OVER ST. LUCIE	7/4	6:00 PM - 9:30 PM	RIVER WALK CENTER
MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE CAMP	7/8	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	SUNRISE THEATRE
UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY	7/11	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	FORT PIERCE POLICE DEPARTMENT
THE PURE ZEPPELIN EXPERIENCE	7/20	7:30 PM	SUNRISE THEATRE



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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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