

This newsletter is a reflection of the interests and events involving our residents of Fairway Oaks and Pasco County. We welcome all submissions of articles, photographs, shared recipes and/or data to the web site and newsletter. Email your news and photos to Cliff Gill at reportercliffgill@yahoo.com or call him at 727-860-4903, or Nancy Wade at nmw0151@gmail.com or call 727-857-7060.







PASCO COUNTY LIBRARY - HUDSON EVENTS:

Tuesday Night Stitchers. Tuesday, April 12th, 2016 from 4:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. This group instructs and shares ideas with knitters of all skill levels, beginning to advanced. New faces are always welcome. The group gathers at the tables near the New Books section.

Movie Matinee

Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Come watch a recently released movie about a world where dinosaurs and humans live side-by-side. Freshly popped popcorn, a variety of seasonings, and water will be provided thanks to the Friends of Hudson Library. This event is free and open to all ages.

Hudson Friends Annual Spring Reception

Date: 4/16/2016 **Start Time:** 1:00 PM - **End Time:** 3:00 PM **Library:** Hudson Regional Library **Location:** Library Floor

Description: Join the Hudson Friends for some cake and coffee in honor of National Library Week. Current members can come and get to know other members. New members are always welcome.

Nature Coast Farmers' Market

Date: 4/9/2016 Start Time: 10:00 AM / End Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Library Floor

Description: Stop by for local produce, food, art, and crafts. Vendors

interested in participating in the market can call 727-645-3305.



Income Tax Day

April 18th, 2016 - Deadline for Federal income tax returns

Let Free File do the hard work for you with brand-name software or Free File Fillable Forms. IRS offers free online filing. All federal forms are free. It's free whether you draw a paycheck, are self-employed or are a small business owner. It's free whether you file a Form 1040, 1040EZ or 1040A. It's free whether you have mortgage interest to deduct, have kids in college or earn a little from the stock market. It's all free.



PASCO COUNTY FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Fairway Oaks residents can beat the winter doldrums by attending some of the varied fun activities and festivals along the Nature Coast, hosted by Pasco, Hernando & Citrus Counties Tourism and local communities.

Enjoy food, music, car shows, history and more at events during the months of January and February. Read all the details of the Nature Coast festivals at this link, and on the next pages.

http://naturecoaster.com/festival-season-kicks-off-this-weekend/

Crab and Shrimp Festival

When: Fri. 3/18/16 (free) and Sat. 3/19/16 (\$5 admission)

Where: SunWest Park, 17362 Old Dixie Hwy, Hudson, FL 34669

Family fun at a tropical paradise setting makes it the ideal weekend destination event for the whole family. Feast On Savory Seafood, Live Island Music / Entertainment, Craft & Art Show, Boat Show, Interactive Kids Area & More!



Chasco Fiesta

April 1, 2016 @ 5:00 pm – April 9, 2016 @ 10:00 pm

Downtown New Port Richey

This 9 day festival offers entertainment and fun for the entire family. Chasco Fiesta plays host to many activities that benefit 30 non-for profit organizations in the local area. Events include, a Coronation Ball, a World Record Beef Barbeque, 9 days of entertainment culminating with a concert featuring popular country music artists, a street carnival and a parade, Native American arts and crafts show, golf, softball and bowling tournaments, a flea market and one of the oldest boat parades in the State of Florida!!!

CARES SENIOR CENTER

CARES Rao Musunuru M.D. Enrichment Center:

The Hudson **CARES Rao Musunuru M.D. Enrichment Center** located at 12417 Clock Tower Parkway and also at the Elfers or New Port Richey CARES locations offer Travel Club bus trips to local festivals and events. The CARES senior centers also offer daily activities such as the "Silver Sneakers" exercise program, Yoga classes, line dancing, crafts and bridge. Each Friday at 6pm – 9pm the center hosts karaoke night with Roy. Cost is \$3 for karaoke night. Check the center's calendar for complete times and dates of their many diverse activities.

BUS DAY TRIPS:

PICKER'S PLACE - Friday, Apr 15, 2016

Pickers Place – Plant City Whether you're a collector or just looking for some nostalgia, there are plenty of vendors and booths that offer all kinds of treasures. Lunch on your own, includes transportation. Cost = \$20 Bus Leaves New Port Richey at 9am; Bus Leaves K-Mart in Hudson at 8:30am.

BASEBALL GAMES - Sunday, Apr 17, 2016

Tampa Rays - Cleveland Indians

This is our first game of the season. Seats in the lower corner section behind the visitor's bullpen. Includes admission and transportation. \$36 Bus Leaves New Port Richey at 11am; Bus Leaves K-Mart in Hudson at 1030am.

DISNEY ON ICE - Sunday, May 15, 2016

Disney On Ice –Amalie Arena, Tampa Celebrate a century of family entertainment. This performance of 100 years of magic. From hosts Mickey and Minnie to Cinderella and Snow White, you are sure to enjoy this show. GREAT SEATS TOO. Includes tickets and transportation. \$54 Bus Leaves New Port Richey 11am; Bus Leaves Hudson at 10:30am

Recipe of the Month:

Shrimp, Watermelon, and Feta Salad

Light, refreshing, and perfect for any time of year, this tasty salad can be tossed together in 15 minutes flat

Ingredients

- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 1/2 teaspoons honey
- 2 drops hot sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 pound jumbo cooked peeled and deveined shrimp with tails
- 1/2 small red onion, very thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced fresh mint or small mint leaves, divided
- 4 cups seedless watermelon, cubed or cut into small wedges
- 4 cups baby arugula
- 3 ounces feta cheese, crumbled (about 3/4 cup)

Directions

- Whisk together first 6 ingredients in a large bowl. Add shrimp, onion, and 2 tablespoons mint; toss well. Add watermelon, tossing very gently.
- Divide arugula among 4 serving plates; top with shrimp mixture.
 Sprinkle with feta and remaining 2 tablespoons mint.





Advertise on the Fairway Oaks FL Home Page and Web site!

Home owners, businesses and individuals can now promote their businesses, special events or hobbies on our new web page for a nominal fee. Special this year: since the web site is new, initial advertisers will get thirteen-months of advertising for the price of twelve months. Anyone advertising in 2016 will have their ad on the website through beginning of 2017.

Each ad will cost an initial set up fee of \$20 for a standard size ad 2 ½" by 3" or pixels of 450 x 258 with lines of text and graphic. Your own business card may be scanned and enlarged to fit this size and format easily. Advertising fees are set at \$25 per year for a Fairway Oaks homeowner and \$50 per year for a non-homeowner or business. This is a great way to get your company name and business known at a very affordable fee. Visit our web site at http://fairwayoaksfl.com/. Advertising copy may be changed throughout the year for a \$20 fee.

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Brian E. Corley, **Supervisor of Elections in Pasco County** announced in his upcoming April newsletter that Pasco County hosted another successful election.

Mr. Corley stated, "My staff and I are proud to have delivered another successful election for Pasco County on March 15, 2016, the Presidential Preference Primary (PPP). We had a strong voter turnout with a total of 103,575 votes cast in Pasco County, comprised of 28,759 vote-by-mail ballots, 17,305 early votes, and 57,511 votes on Election Day."

Other noteworthy Election Day stats are that all 112 polling locations were open promptly at 7:00 a.m., the Call Center fielded over 2,800 phone calls from poll workers and the public, and 111 of 112 precincts had modemed their results to the Election Support Center by 7:35 p.m., just 35 minutes after the polls closed.

The Board of Elections is now preparing for the upcoming Municipal Elections on April 12, 2016, in the cities of Dade City, New Port Richey, Port Richey, and Zephyrhills. Sample ballots for the Municipal Elections are available on their website at http://www.pascovotes.com/Elections/Sample-Ballots. In order to be eligible to vote in the Municipal Elections you must reside in one of the precincts within the official city limits.

2016 Pasco County OEM Hurricane Expo set for April 23rd

PASCO COUNTY, FL --- Pasco County's Office of Emergency Management is hosting the 2016 Hurricane Expo as a featured event of the Annual Cotee River Seafest. The Hurricane Expo will be held Saturday, April 23rd from 10:00 - 5:00 p.m. in downtown New Port Richey's Sims Park.

The 2016 Hurricane Expo will provide property and life-saving information, in a fun, upbeat environment designed for the whole family to enjoy. Watch live drone demonstrations and then take the controls. Pick up your copy of the 2016 Disaster Planning Guide. Children can also take part in our 'Get Ready. Set. Go! Scavenger Hunt' – while parents talk with area experts about all types of hazard preparedness.

"Don't wait until a disaster happens – prepare now," said Emergency Management Director Kevin Guthrie. "Having an emergency plan and having insurance coverage are the most important things families or business owners can do."

The 2016 Hurricane Expo offers residents the perfect opportunity to find out how to be ready for an emergency. Bay News 9 Meteorologist Juli Marquez will be on hand to answer weather-related questions. Representatives from the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, and the United Way will also be providing information about their role in emergency readiness, response and recovery.

Local government agencies will have experts available to talk about planning for your pets, flood protection for homes and businesses, how to register family members with special needs for evacuation assistance and how to become more involved. Local businesses and vendors will also be available to provide information and advice.

The 2016 Hurricane Expo is also a chance for you to meet your new Pasco County Emergency Management Director, Kevin Guthrie. "This is a great way to educate and protect yourself and your family," said Guthrie. "Stop by, have fun and chat with our experts."

