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City of St Augustine Beach  
March Newsletter

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Millie's Adventure



[Link to YouTube Video - Millie's Adventure.](#) Millie the dog, with the help of Officer Jensen, demonstrate how to properly use the City's crosswalk flags.

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*City of St Augustine Beach Police Chief Hardwick and Officer Kelly pose for a photo at the January 4, 2019 Commission Meeting.*

## **Officer Kelly Celebrated for his Service**

At the January 4, 2019 City of St Augustine Beach Commission meeting, Officer Russell Kelly was recognized for his ten years of outstanding service to the City of St Augustine Beach Police Department. Officer Kelly serves as a Beach Patrol Officer, working to keep both residents and visitors safe as they enjoy relaxing in the sand or swimming in the ocean.

"The St. Augustine Beach Police Department is lucky to have Officer Kelly," said St Augustine Beach Police Commander Lee Ashlock. "Throughout his tenure with the department, his dedication and reliability have been unmatched."

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Image of a Water Droplet Falling from a Leaf

## **Stormwater Pollution Prevention**

The City of St. Augustine Beach is taking steps to improve the quality of our surface waters by reducing the amount of pollution carried to our waterways by stormwater runoff. Stormwater is water that originates from rain and enters the City's stormwater system. Precipitation that is not absorbed into the ground due to an impervious surface, like concrete or asphalt, is considered stormwater runoff.

The City's stormwater system is designed to collect stormwater runoff in catch basins and storm drains and channel that water to The City's Mizell Road retention pond by using a network of caches and underground pipes that make up our stormwater system.

A variety of toxic pollutants are washed from the streets and parking lots into storm drains, waterways, and ultimately to the

Intracoastal Waterway. These pollutants include: leaking oil, antifreeze, and gasoline from motor vehicles; copper dust, which is released from motor vehicle brake pad linings; rubber tire dust; soaps and chemicals used to wash motor vehicles; waste motor oil from vehicles, lawn mowers, and small equipment; and fertilizers, pesticides, and insecticides. This type of pollution is called non-point source pollution since it comes from many unidentifiable sources making it hard to regulate and prevent. Stormwater pollution has a significant effect on surface waters and is a major problem in cities all over the country.

#### How you can help:

- The best way to reduce stormwater pollution is to stop it at its source. Keep your storm drains clean and free of debris. Remember that pollutants flushed down storm drains directly affects the quality of our waterways and could possibly make them unsafe for boating, fishing, swimming, and other water related activities.
- Don't work on your car in a place where oil and grease could be washed into street gutters. Used motor oil should be contained and taken to a collection center. Most automotive shops provide this service.
- Grass clippings should be bagged and disposed of with yard waste. Dumping grass clippings down a storm drain can slow storm water flow and clog the drains.
- Do not wash dirty paint brushes under an outdoor faucet. Chances are the dirty rinse water will flow into a storm drain and into our waterways. Water-based paints and oil-based paints should be left in the original paint can and be discarded with special pickup on Wednesdays (Please note – one must call Public Works, 904-471-1119, to arrange a special pickup.)
- Pet dropping should not be discarded into storm drains or left in the yard. Clean up pet droppings and dispose of them in the garden, trash bins, or in the toilet.
- When washing your vehicle, park on grass or some other area that can absorb the runoff water. Washing your car on the street sends all the chemicals used to clean your car into a catch basin and directly into our water.
- Use pesticides sparingly and don't fertilize right before it rains.

Dumping waste down storm drains is not only bad for the

environment, it is illegal too. If you have questions or a complaint,  
please call the  
City of St. Augustine Beach Public Works Department at  
904-471-1119, or email at [Public-Works@cityofsab.org](mailto:Public-Works@cityofsab.org).

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Kids Ocean Day Florida Logo

## 10th Annual Environmental Education Fair

The Friends of A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway are proud to announce the 10th annual Kids Ocean Day Florida, Environmental Education Fair for elementary school students on Friday, May 3rd at Anastasia State Park in St. Augustine Beach.

This special event promotes awareness, education and the encouragement of good stewardship for the protection of the environment for students.

The Fair, which includes hundreds of elementary school students, is by special invitation to area school children who will participate in environmental learning stations and aerial art at Anastasia State Park in St. Augustine Beach, for a day of fun learning about environmental conservation and wildlife.

The theme for the day is “Wave of the Future” and the highlight will be the creation of students forming an aerial art piece in the sand, taken by photographer, John Merriam of Merriam Multimedia. Activities will feature hands on learning and fun for all, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Adding additional educational opportunities, arts students from area high schools will submit poster designs created for the event with an official selection and a people’s choice selection announced in April 2019, with recognition and prize awards presented to the winners.

“We are thrilled to reach the ten year milestone on our annual Kids Ocean Day Florida event,” said Friends of A1A president Bill McClure. “We know that thousands of children have benefited from experiencing the educational programming of this event.

We’re grateful to our partners who provide professional educators and experienced volunteers to share their knowledge with younger generations, and helping to create the wave of the future,” he said.

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Image of a Tree

## Letter from Attorney West

On Monday March 4, the City of St. Augustine Beach will consider two ordinances that will have long-lasting benefits to our local coastal environment. The first ordinance is a ban on the retail use of single-use plastic bags. The second ordinance is a ban on the retail use of single use Styrofoam and plastic straws. In the wake of other Florida municipalities adopting single-use plastic bans, the time is right for the coastal barrier island City of St. Augustine Beach to take meaningful action that will benefit generations to come....

[Read the Whole Article Here](#)



Photo of St Augustine Beach City Manager, Max Royle

## PAID PARKING - Part 3

It may seem that I'm going to inflict endlessly on you these articles about paid parking in our fair City, but as former Mayor and Commissioner Gary Snodgrass was wont to say....

[Read the Whole Article Here](#)

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Photo of Entrance to St Augustine Beach City Hall

## CITY HALL UPDATE

At its February 4, 2019 regular meeting, the St. Augustine Beach City Commission took the following actions:

1. Celebrated Officer Russell Kelly's 10 years of excellent service to The City of St Augustine Beach as a Beach Patrol Officer. He was given a plaque by Chief Hardwick.....

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## A Message from Police Chief Hardwick

Children should always be buckled up or in a proper child restraint and should encourage everyone to buckle up for safety.  
Safety Belts

- Florida law requires the use of seat belts or child restraint devices by drivers of motor vehicles, all front seat passengers and all children riding in a vehicle under 18.
- Florida's safety belt law is a primary enforcement law, meaning that an officer can stop a vehicle and issue a citation simply for observing a safety belt or restraint violation.
- Children should be in the rear seats until at least age 12, since deployed front seat air bags can be dangerous to children.

### Child Restraints – Car Seats and Booster Seats

- Florida law requires children age 5 and under to be secured properly in a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device.
- Children ages 0 to 3 must be in child restraint devices of a separate carrier or a vehicle manufacturer's integrated child seat.
- Children age 4 and 5 must be in a separate carrier, integrated child seat or booster seat.
- The best child seat is one that fits your child, fits your car and that drivers will use correctly every time.
- Read the car seat's instruction manual and the portion of your vehicle's owner manual when you install a car seat.
- Remember to check for car seat and booster seat recalls.
- Refer to the official Florida Driver License Handbook for more information on seat belts and child restraints.

INFORMATION SOURCE: [WWW.FHSMV.GOV/SAFETY-CENTER](http://WWW.FHSMV.GOV/SAFETY-CENTER)

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## Town Hall Meeting Notice

Thursday, February 28, 2019

5:30 pm

The Courtyard by Marriott Hotel

605 A1A Beach Blvd

St. Augustine Beach FL 32080

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The Courtyard by Marriott Hotel, 605 A1A Beach Blvd,  
St Augustine Beach, FL 32080

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# Special Meeting Notice

## Pay To Park

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

6pm

St. Augustine Beach City Hall

2200 A1A South

City of St. Augustine Beach FL 32080

Special Meeting Notice, Pay to Park  
Tuesday, March 5, 2019; 6pm  
St. Augustine Beach City Hall; 2200 A1A South  
St Augustine Beach, FL 32080

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Photo of the Commission Room inside St Augustine Beach City Hall

## Monthly Meetings

**CITY COMMISSION:** The City of St. Augustine Beach will hold a regular City Commission meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room at City Hall. This is a public meeting and the public is invited to attend.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD:** The City of St. Augustine Beach will hold a regular Comprehensive Planning & Zoning Board meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room at City Hall. This is a public meeting and the public is invited to attend.

**TREE BOARD/BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** The City of St. Augustine Beach will hold a regular Tree Board/Beautification Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room at City Hall. This is a public meeting and the public is invited to attend.

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# ARBOR DAY 2019

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

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904-295-2271

Arbor Day 2019 Sponsorship Opportunity  
Contact Cindy Walker, [cwalker@cityofsab.org](mailto:cwalker@cityofsab.org), 904-295-2271

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Photo of the Shrimp Boat Fleet

## The Blessing of the Shrimp Boat Fleet

The Blessing of the Fleet in St. Augustine is a historical ceremony dating back...

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A Note From Our Sponsors....

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