Heroes Remembered
National museum strives to honor fallen officers, support their families, and teach the public.

Veteran's Cemetery is Complete!
Volunteers’ dedication to refurbish memorial a testament to love and patriotism.

Titusville Mall is making a comeback!
Planet Fitness, Rebounderz Trampoline Arena make plans to fill former Sears store.
Summer is in full swing and the heat is beating down on our town, but that’s not stopping the myriad construction projects and developments currently in progress throughout Titusville. From new home construction and historic building renovation, to new businesses opening up shop, there is a lot going on and plenty to be excited about.

In this issue, you will find updates on apartment complex construction on DeLeon Avenue, new housing developments on the south and west-ends of town, and the next phases of road paving and resurfacing which will be occurring over the next few months. You will get a peek inside the American Police Hall of Fame and Museum, a national museum located right here in Titusville; and you’ll get a glimpse at the exciting things happening at Titusville Mall.

Also inside you will get information from Titusville Police Department on the new texting while driving law, in effect now; and new life-saving equipment recently received by Titusville Fire Department.

However, that’s just the tip of the iceberg of what’s happening in Titusville.

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Courtyard by Marriott

Site permits have been issued for a 152-room, five story hotel with an open deck on the roof located at 6225 Riverfront Center Boulevard.

Beachwave

Site plans are under review for a 16,800-square-foot commercial plaza located at the southwest corner of Garden Street and Indian River Avenue. The project includes a retail store, restaurant and second floor open air tiki bar and observation deck.

Life Storage Expansion

Site plans are under review for an expansion of the existing storage business located at 1903 Garden Street. The scope of work includes the demolition of two existing 1-story buildings and construction of one 3-story building consisting of indoor storage units.

Titusville Storage

Site construction is underway to redevelop the former Kmart building into indoor, climate-controlled storage located at 810 Cheney Highway.

Aero Electronics

Site construction is underway for a 10,000-square-foot addition to the existing building located at 411 S. Park Avenue.

Beat the Clock Escape Rooms

Construction is nearly complete on a new Escape Room business located at Titusville Mall, inside the former Hallmark store. Slated to open at the end of July, businesses and schools are already inquiring about field trips and team-building sessions they would like to plan at the attraction.

Extended Stay Hotel

Construction continues on a 124-unit 4-story hotel located at the southern terminus of Helen Hauser Boulevard adjacent to the new Durango’s restaurant.

Luna Trails

Site and building construction continues on an 84-unit, 3-story apartment complex located at the southeast corner of Sycamore Street and Deleon Avenue.

Salsa’s Mexican Restaurant

Interior buildout continues for a new restaurant at Titus Landing.

Blue Origin

Building permits have been reviewed and issued for two new buildings on the Blue Origin campus. Steel-frame construction is underway on the 26,313-square-foot TCAT (Testing and Clearing Tanks associated with manufacturing rockets) building. The foundation is complete for a 71,710-square-foot SCF (Surface Coating Facility) building.

DREAM Space Coast

Construction and renovation continues on the DREAM Space Coast luxury apartment building on South Washington Avenue. Units are officially being leased at this time.

Building Demolition

The old building at 313 Julia Street was recently purchased by Titusville Playhouse Inc. and demolished for future use. The building was constructed in 1901.
Julia Street Parking Landscape Lighting

Eight LED multicolor programmable spot lights that illuminate the perimeter landscape trees have been installed. The color of the lights can be changed depending on a holiday or event theme. The Community Redevelopment Agency decided to make the lights a permanent fixture after temporary lights were used at the past two Chamber of Commerce Longest Table events and were well received by attendees.

Park Preserve

Site construction is complete and home construction is underway for the 39-lot subdivision located at the southwest corner of Knox Mcrae and Park Avenue.

Street Resurfacing and Sidewalk Improvements

New sidewalks and sidewalk ramps will be installed along Orange Street between Lemon Street and Hopkins Avenue in the downtown as part of the Community Redevelopment Agency’s Sidewalk Infill Program. Work is expected to begin in late summer. In July, Palm Avenue was resurfaced from South Street to Garden Street, using CRA funds.

Hyatt Hotel

Site construction continues on a 119-unit hotel and a 2-story office/retail building at the corner of US 1 and Riverfront Center Boulevard (Formerly Vectorspace Boulevard).

La Hacienda

A new housing development is under construction on Country Club Road west of La Cita Country Club.

Forest Trace

Site construction continues and several homes are under construction for a 133-lot subdivision located on Sisson Road just south of San Mateo Boulevard.

South Carpenter Estates

Site construction continues on a 70-lot, single-family-home subdivision located west of I-95, north of Fox Lake Road.

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Ohvino

Interior construction is underway on Ohvino, a beer and wine restaurant, located at 319 South Washington Avenue. The owners expect the business to be open by the end of July.

Morgan & Morgan

Morgan & Morgan is moving into the former Kutryb offices at 407 S. Washington Ave in Downtown Titusville.

Titusville Towers Expansion

Engineering plans are under review for the expansion of the Titusville Towers Assisted Living Facility located at 405 Indian River Avenue. The proposed expansion consists of a Phase 1 addition totaling 3,332 square feet of dining, multipurpose area, library, laundry, and offices; and a Phase 2 addition of 1,767 square feet, consisting of a conference training room, break room, and additional administrative offices.

Fitness in the Park

A slew of exciting upgrades are coming to Sand Point Park! Installation of a Sway Fun wheelchair glider is scheduled for this month, along with eleven brand new Exofit exercise stations. The pedway, parking areas and main road have all been resurfaced. The Valencenti pavilion restrooms have all been repainted, the ceiling has been cleaned and sealed, and the flooring under and around the pavilion is scheduled for restoration, recoating and sealing, after which new railing will be installed.
Friends of the Cemetery

Back in October, we featured the extensive volunteer work being done on the Veteran’s Cemetery at 1143 Day Street. This 40-year-old cemetery fell into disrepair for several years, with many Titusville citizens forgetting that the cemetery was even there. In 2017, a passionate volunteer group, The Friends of the Cemetery, began the difficult task of revitalizing the cemetery grounds.

Today, we are thrilled to announce that the work and upgrades on the cemetery are now complete! The cemetery grounds have been transformed with beautiful new landscaping and several other upgrades. An iron archway now adorns the entrance to the cemetery grounds, with new pavers marking a path to the central flag area, which has been upgraded with several new flags and flagpoles.

“We have restored the cemetery into a very beautiful site for all residents to enjoy,” says Sam DiBlasio, President of Friends of the Cemetery. “I hope we get many more visitors to the cemetery to see what an amazing place we have made.”

The Friends of the Cemetery is always accepting donations for future upkeep of the cemetery grounds, including fertilizer, flower replacements, and maintenance. To donate or volunteer, contact Sam DiBlasio at 321-222-8738 or email diblasiosam@gmail.com.

To learn more or donate online, visit FriendsOfTheCemetery.com.

Work is continuing to take place on the interior of the Launch Now project at 300 – 310 S. Washington Avenue. This is the redevelopment of the old First Federal Savings bank and the Walker Hotel buildings into the Launch Now project consisting of a co-working office, retail space on the ground floor, and 20 boutique apartments. Recent interior work has included the installation of steel beams and supports to shore the second and third floors. Framing of the apartments has also begun per the approved historical site plans. A soft opening for the co-working space is expected in late 2019, with the apartments opening in the first half of 2020.

An old Naval cannon, donated by the Department of the Navy, has been restored to its former glory. Debris and overgrowth was cleared from the grave sites, beautiful new plants and landscaping has been added, and a grave directory has been added to easily find each of the 127 graves.

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Titusville Mall's New Lease on Life

Rebranded, refurbished, and for sale — our long-standing mall is making a comeback for the modern day.

Entering through the doors of the former SearsTown Mall, it is hard to imagine that a year has passed since the anchor store, Sears, closed up shop after more than 50 years in business. Despite the unfortunate changes that have occurred, several long-standing businesses remain open, and the ubiquitous mall walkers still show up to do their laps every day. There have been many positive changes and much progress in the past year in bringing this staple of our community back to life.

The road to now...

When the mall’s owner Jesse Wright, a commercial real estate broker in Torrence, California purchased the property in February of 2018, he faced the sizeable task of revitalizing the center in an era where indoor malls have become passé, and outdoor shopping venues are all the rage. To turn things around and bring back stores and customers, renovations began and new lease on life, which will house five rooms featuring themes like wizardry and magic (inspired by Harry Potter), a heist, a room based on the Hangover series of movies, and dual assassin rooms. The owners have hired in escape room artist Larry “Doc” Volz from Richmond, Virginia to install the rooms, and they plan to open by the end of July. The Titusville Mall Cinema recently finished their renovation after Satellite Cinemas closed last year. The theater not only offers $5.00 movie tickets on second-run showings of current films, they are also ramping up video game tournaments and live stage shows. The two front theatres have been converted into stages for live performances like magic shows and big-band music concerts, and of the remaining theater rooms, four show films and the remaining rooms will be used for films or converted for game tournaments. One big hurdle during renovation has been replacing equipment as funds became available, because Satellite Cinemas removed all of the projection systems when they left. The only thing remaining were two original film reel projectors that have been sitting upstairs for decades.

With the number of escape room companies in the U.S. growing from 22 in 2014, to over 2,300 in 2018, the Titusville area is looking to tap into this trend by opening their own escape rooms. The owners have brought in escape room based on the Hangover series of movies, and dual assassin rooms. The owners have brought in escape room artist Larry “Doc” Volz from Richmond, Virginia to install the rooms, and they plan to open by the end of July.

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“A fun, new future...

Entertainment is something Wright and McCotter are working diligently to bring more of to the mall, particularly for youth in the community. Over the past several months, the movie theater has reopened under a new name, and soon there will be an escape room opening in the former Hallmark store. "I think it’s something our community has always lacked," she says, noting the perception for many years that there’s nothing to do in Titusville. "We are looking for new ways to meet the needs of the community as far as entertainment goes. I think the escape room changes that."

With the number of escape room companies in the U.S. growing from 22 in 2014, to over 2,300 in 2018, the forthcoming Beat the Clock Escape Rooms is looking to tap into that growing popularity and create a great experience for people in Titusville. Locals Dawn Convey and Mark White have been working for over two months to bring their idea to life, which will house five rooms featuring themes like wizardry and magic (inspired by Harry Potter), a heist, a room based on the Hangover series of movies, and dual assassin rooms. The owners have hired in escape room artist Larry “Doc” Volz from Richmond, Virginia to install the rooms, and they plan to open by the end of July.

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“We don’t have another space like this in town,” Ms. McCotter said. “It’s a place where the community can come together and be open of the elements.”

McCotter says they are currently working with several interested parties to bring new businesses to the mall, including possible restaurants and other entertainment and lifestyle venues. As of now, they are at almost full capacity for tenants, with only three vacant suites available for business. Ms. McCotter, if a sale does occur, all leases will continue to be honored and all stores and businesses will be able to remain open. This should come as good news to the 25 businesses that are presently open in storefronts and kiosks throughout the mall, having an indoor place to shop, dine and spend their time.

BIG THINGS are coming...

To the business that the national businesses reportedly have signed letters of intent to lease out portions of the former Sears location. These businesses are Planet Fitness — who has over 1,800 locations nationwide — and Rebounderz Indoor Trampoline — who has 10 locations across the country. According to commercial property website LoopNet.com, Planet Fitness intends to occupy 20,000 sq. ft, and Rebounderz will take 40,000 sq. ft. It is important to note that leases haven’t been signed as of this date, and circumstances may change. Although management could not comment on these reports, it is worthwhile to note that at a Titusville Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on February 20, 2019, a conditional use permit was issued for the entire mall complex to allow for indoor recreational-commercial amusement activities. At this meeting, Mark Gurley, the founder and owner of Rebounderz, expressed his intention to open a location at Titusville Mall, and the company website currently has Titusville identified as a future location.

Wait, it’s for sale?

In June of this year, Wright listed Titusville Mall for sale at a price of $10.5-million. According to him and Ms. McCotter, if a sale does occur, all leases will continue to be honored and all stores and businesses will be able to remain open. This should come as good news to the 25 businesses that are presently open in storefronts and kiosks throughout the mall, having an indoor place to shop, dine and spend their time.

Meet the Candidate.

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Located right off of SR 405 in Titusville, just west of the bridge to Kennedy Space Center, the American Police Hall of Fame and Museum (APHF) sits as a stalwart reminder of the sacrifice that everyday citizens make when they choose to wear a badge and protect their local communities. Founded in 1960, it soon became the nation’s first national law enforcement museum and memorial dedicated to officers killed in the line of duty. However, today it is much more than a museum; it provides support to the families left behind when an officer gives their last, full measure of devotion.

The Early Years

Originally, APHF was located in a 3,500-square-foot building in North Port, Florida (Sarasota County), and was called the National Police Hall of Fame. In 1988, APHF — in coordination with the National Association of Chiefs of Police — purchased a three-story building in Miami, Florida that once served as an FBI complex. A few years later, the move was made to its permanent home here in Titusville where the current 50,000-square-foot building stands today.

Over the years, the collection of artifacts has increased to include vehicles from all over the country, weapons and law enforcement tools from throughout history, and unfortunately, more names on the memorial wall.
Talking Points

July 2019

To Serve, To Protect, To Educate

APHF has drawn countless visitors to its exhibits, which includes not only artifacts, but also demonstrations and training classes for both police officers and citizens, and an indoor shooting range. They regularly hold concealed weapons and self-defense classes, bringing in local residents, honoring the fallen officer who used to drive it.

A replica jail cell and other devices of punishment from throughout history — including a mockup electric chair and guillotine — help tell the story of how people have kept law and order since time immemorial. A simulated crime scene exhibit demonstrates how forensics is used to solve crimes, and displays on the walls depict some of the more notorious figures ever to be encountered by American police officers.

Also on display are pieces of aircraft wreckage and building girders from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack in New York City.

The museum’s dedication to educating the public continues to grow, and earlier this year they expanded their programs with the hiring of Chrissy Sokol, Director of Museum Education, to oversee field trips, educational activities and exhibits, outreach and interaction with teachers, parents and museum visitors. Working directly with Tara Dixon Engel, Vice President of Training & Strategic Development, Sokol has been instrumental in the development of future exhibits — to include STEM-based learning programs and partnerships with schools and other organizations.

Current Growth and Future Expansion

APHF is continuing to grow, and there are exciting things on the horizon. One of the newer items at the museum is a virtual shooting range that allows guests to try their hand at shooting virtual paper targets or engaging criminals in simulated life-or-death scenarios — all without the need for live ammunition. For a nominal fee, guests can see if they have what it takes to be a police officer, but more importantly, they can get an understanding of the stressful situations officers encounter, and the split-second decision-making they have to perform.

New this year is a program geared toward the students entering 3rd through 5th grades. Working in conjunction with Titusville Fire Department and the American Space Museum & Walk of Fame, Sokol helped to establish a new three-day summer program called Heroes of S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math).

The programs include funding to reimburse families for medical needs relating to line-of-duty injuries of disabled officers, working to make their lives better and show them love and appreciation for their sacrifice.

Helping Hands, Caring Hearts

One of the lesser-known programs — but arguably the most important — is the support APHF provides to the families of disabled and fallen officers. Year after year, the organization serves the families of fallen and disabled officers, working to make their lives better and show them love and appreciation for their sacrifice.

For more information on the museum, its exhibits and its future, or if you want to donate to the families left behind, visit www.APHF.org.

This program enabled local children to learn about different career paths as they relate to Law Enforcement, Fire Rescue and Space Exploration — apropos for us on the Space Coast. Throughout the camp, students toured the facilities of each organization, and learned with a hands-on approach to solve real world problems. The camp’s next session is coming up from July 29 – 31.

Another of the museum’s future plans is the creation of the 21st Century Crime Lab, which will be a free-standing lab/classroom environment that will allow students to enter the world of forensic science. In this experience, students will participate in real-world, hands-on experiments and activities focused on solving crimes and seeking answers through the application of STEM/STEAM disciplines, including DNA and fiber analysis, as well as ballistics.

The major announcement from APHF this year is the expansion of the museum building, increasing its size by 50,000 square feet; and the construction of the large Law Enforcement Memorial. This project will feature a 10-story tall infinity symbol with an adjustable 20-foot flame. This enormous memorial will be located adjacent to the museum, and visible from U.S. 1 and SR 405.

(For more information, see the Eternal Flame article on the next page.)

Workers prepare Christmas gifts for the children of fallen police officers as part of APHF’s program to support families.

To A Hall of Honor

The centerpiece of the museum facility is the 2,000-square-foot Memorial, which features marble panels inscribed with the names of law enforcement officers from around the nation who were killed in the line of duty. Presently, there are more than 10,000 names dating back to 1961, when the museum first started tracking and memorializing fallen officers.

In the center of the room, an American Flag rests over a large marble block dedicated to unknown peace officers. Started tracking and memorializing fallen officers in 1961, the museum has since grown to include a collection of firearms, which highlights the evolution of weapons used on both sides of the law. There are also different types of actual police vehicles and motorcycles ranging from early automobiles circa 1950s, to four-wheelers and jet skis used for off-road operations and drug interdiction.

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Announcing the Law Enforcement Eternal Flame

The American Police Hall of Fame in Titusville, FL announced a significant new law enforcement tribute on May 15, Peace Officer’s Memorial Day. The United States Law Enforcement Eternal Flame will be a 10-story tall infinity symbol burning an adjustable flame of up to twenty feet tall that blazes from a blue ‘memory rose’ petal. The flame will burn twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. This tribute monument has been hailed as the single most significant monument to law enforcement since President John F. Kennedy — 50 years ago — signed into law a proclamation naming May 15 as National Peace Officer’s Memorial Day.

Rush Construction, a premier Space Coast contractor, is in charge of the overall project, with the architectural and engineering services provided by Eleven 18 Architecture and Honeycutt & Associates. The selection for the contractor tasked to build the Eternal Flame tribute has been narrowed down to two major contractors out of Orlando, both of whom do special projects for the Disney parks.

Barry Shepherd, CEO at the American Police Hall of Fame said, “The sheer size and significance of this beautiful work of art will definitely make a statement, and will represent all law enforcement: past, present, and future. It has been on the drawing board for a couple of years but has been a company vision for a long time. We have already made a commitment to this project by purchasing five acres of vacant land directly adjacent to the Hall of Fame facility. We plan on breaking ground in January of next year, and we plan on holding our dedication ceremony in October of 2020, which is also the 60th anniversary of the Hall of Fame.”

“The Walk of Heroes will personalize and breath life into a commemorative brick pathway leading up to the flame. The Walk of Heroes will personalize and breath life into the flame for all who visit and all who passionately support those who serve.”

For more information on the United States Law Enforcement Eternal Flame please go to www.lefame.org and for more information on the American Police Hall of Fame please go to www.APHF.org.

“Not only will the Flame be a lasting tribute to our men and women in blue, but it will draw attention to our many other programs currently serving law enforcement nationwide,” Shepherd explained. “We will also give law enforcement supporters across America the chance to make their own personal statement of gratitude through a stunning commemorative brick pathway leading up to the flame.

The Historic Preservation Board has created and printed a Titusville Historic Landmarks brochure for residents and visitors to learn about the historic landmarks in the city. The brochure provides location information, science, and technology used in planning for hazards like sea level rise continues to improve.

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Flood-Damaged Former Coast Guard Auxiliary Building Demolished

The former Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 17-09 building located along the river at Sand Point Park, adjacent to the boat ramp, was recently demolished by the city. It was built in 1950 and at one time was owned by Rodney Thompson and family of Dixie Crossroads notoriety. The building had been badly damaged by flood waters resulting from Hurricane Irma in 2017. The land will remain vacant for the foreseeable future as there are no plans to replace the building at this time.

The City of Titusville Water Resources Department’s staff of water professionals is committed to ensuring the reliability and safety of your drinking water every hour, every day. We value our water consumers and the trust they place in us to provide them with high-quality, great-tasting drinking water. As part of that trust, we publish an annual water quality report, The Water We Drink.

Both federal and state law requires all community water systems to publish an annual water quality report in order to make consumers aware of the quality of their drinking water and the analyses and monitoring performed by their drinking water provider. The 2019 edition of Titusville’s drinking water quality report shows the results of water quality monitoring from the previous calendar year, January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

Water Resources uses the publication of its annual report as an opportunity to include information that we feel our customers can use and will find valuable, in addition to the required information. We work to produce a publication that is attractive and easy to read and understand. Residents with questions about water quality or the data presented in the report, can contact Titusville’s Water Production Superintendent at (321) 567-3877.

The 2019 edition of The Water We Drink 2018, is available online at www.titusville.com/ccr or at the Water Resources Department’s main page on titusville.com. A certified ADA compliant version is also available on the departmental page. Hard copies of the report are available from the Water Conservation Office at (321) 567-3865 and are mailed upon request. Braille copies of the report are available at the Moulting Dove facility and the City Clerk’s Office.

For more information, visit Titusville.com/Mobility

Did You Know?

It is illegal to drive with your hazard lights flashing. According to Florida law, drivers must only turn on their hazard lights if they are stationary. Hazard lights may seem like the right idea during blinding storms, but they are not!

“Hazard lights are just that — the signal of a hazard, and you use them when you have pulled over to the side of the road or are disabled or in an accident,” said Matt Nasworthy, American Automobile Association public affairs director for Florida. “You cannot use them when you’re moving. It only causes confusion. Other drivers have no idea what you’re doing.”
Did you know? —
Sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for 5 seconds. At 55 mph, that’s like driving the length of an entire football field with your eyes closed. (NHTSA, 2018) Texting while driving increases the risk of crashing by 23 times. (NHTSA, 2018)

Texting-and-Driving Law
On July 1st 2019, Florida made texting while driving a primary traffic offense, meaning law enforcement can stop motorists for just that offense. Florida Statue 316.395 is known as the “Florida Ban on Texting While Driving”. Additionally, the law bans the use of any handheld wireless communications devices in school and construction zones. This is a moving violation, motorist may receive a fine and up to 3 points on their license.

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K.I.D.S. Identification System
The Titusville Police Department offers a KIDS IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (K.I.D.S.). The K.I.D.S. envelope contains a Biological Information Form, a DNA swab and a disc to store the most up-to-date pictures of a child. This kit holds valuable information that can be immediately handed to law enforcement if a child goes missing. Titusville Police Explorers will be handing out the kits at upcoming “Back to School” Events in August. If you would like a K.I.D.S. kit at any time, please call Amy Matthews at the Titusville Police Department @ (321) 567-3921.

Community Watch Program
Titusville Police Department Community Watch (CW) Program offers multiple services for Titusville Citizens, including a vacation home check. CW members patrol residential neighborhoods and business parking lots while paying close attention to suspicious and unusual activities. CW provides a visible presence in our neighborhoods and in the City’s business areas.

In addition, they provide valuable assistance to our officers on the street. The vacation home check is a free service performed by CW members. If requested, your home is checked periodically while you are away. If you would like this service or would like information on how to join the CW team, please call 321-567-3913 or email Todd.StLouis@Titusville.com.

New Training Equipment
Titusville Fire Department celebrated the success of their first Heroes of S.T.E.A.M. Summer Camp program that ran from June 24th-26th. The camp was a collaborative experience between the American Space Museum, Titusville Fire Department and American Police Hall of Fame. Each agency had an afternoon with nine campers working through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics involved in each career path.

We launched the campers’ curiosity on Monday, June 24th at The American Space Museum. Campers learned the history of rockets through a tour of the museum and engineered their own paper air rockets to launch them on the heels of the Space X Heavy Falcon launch. Titusville Fire Department personnel brought out the engines, hoses and digital attack simulator for campers on Tuesday. After putting out a simulated fire, walking through a fire inspection, and learning about burn prevention you build up an appetite. The edible skin activity was a gross but tasty treat at the end of the day. Who knew that a finger print could point you in the right direction of solving a crime? The American Police Hall of Fame taught the campers about finger print analysis and patterns. Taking it one-step further, campers had to solve a “Who done it?” investigation in a staged crime scene investigation.

The July session is sold out, but we are full steam ahead for more camps next year! Follow Heroes of S.T.E.A.M. on our Facebook page for future camp dates.
Space Coast, FL - (June 19, 2019) – The Economic Development Commission of Florida’s Space Coast (EDC) announced today that Boeing [NYSE: BA] is relocating the headquarters of its Space and Launch division to Titusville, on Florida’s revitalized Space Coast.

“Through the work of the EDC and our community leaders, the Space Coast has seen the transformation of our local space industry, including the announcement of Boeing’s Starliner program in 2011,” said Lynda Weatherman, president and CEO of the EDC. “Boeing’s Space and Launch headquarters will be another turning point for our community, as it represents a new set of activities for Boeing on the Space Coast.”

“Looking to the future, this storied Florida space community will be the center of gravity for Boeing’s space programs as we continue to build our company’s leadership beyond gravity,” said Boeing Defense, Space & Security President and CEO Jim Chilton. “The time is right for us to locate our space headquarters where so much of our space history was made over the past six decades and where so much history awaits.”

“Boeing has been a dominant presence on the Space Coast for six decades, and this move represents a continuation of that legacy and future commitment,” said Jim Chilton, senior vice president of Space and Launch. “Expanding our Boeing presence on the Space Coast brings tremendous value for our commercial and government space programs through focused leadership, strategic investment, customer proximity and additional contributions to the vitality of the region.”

“Boeing will continue to be a dynamic space presence in its existing locations, contributing to the vitality of those aerospace hubs, collaborating with our regional partners, and inspiring future generations of space engineers, technicians and innovators,” Chilton said.

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Edward L. Brady operated a small grocery store at LaGrange from 1880 to 1886. With completion of the Jacksonville, Tampa & Key West Railroad spur reaching Titusville in 1885 and the promise of the town becoming the “center of commerce,” E.L. and his brother Louis A. decided to relocate their grocery business. In 1886 they moved into a wooden building on the southeast corner of Main St. and Washington Ave. After operating there for nearly nine years, the building was destroyed by the 1895 City fire. Shortly after the fire the Brady brothers built a new two-story brick building on the southeast corner of Julia St. and So. Washington Ave. and this became the home of E.L. Brady & Brother Grocery. Newspaper ads stated that they were dealers in groceries, grain and hay, all food products, handled produce of all kinds and were agents for MAPS Fertilizers. Delivery service was also offered. Edward moved to Miami in 1896 where he established a grocery business as E.L. Brady & Co. and Louis continued to manage their store in Titusville. In 1918 E.L. sold out his stock and dissolved his Miami grocery business. He returned to Titusville to devote more time to his groves and personal interests and sold his shares in the Titusville store to his brother Louis. E.L. Brady & Brother Grocery continued to operate under the same name and at the same location by the Brady family until the property was sold in 1945.
Florida’s hurricane season begins June 1 and runs through November 30. It is important to plan ahead so you are safe in an emergency. Prepare now for the risks associated with stormy weather and be prepared to act on that plan when alerted by emergency officials.

Here are a few tips to help you prepare in the event of a storm:

- A disaster supplies kit
  (first aid kit, water, canned food supply, etc.)
- Bring in anything that can be picked up by the wind
  (bicycles, lawn ornaments, patio furniture, etc.)
- Close windows, doors and hurricane shutters*
- Fill your vehicle’s gas tank and any gas cans you may have
- Obey evacuation orders
- Pet owners should have plans to care for their animals

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