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# What's Happening in TITUSVILLE

Here are the Newest Updates for What's Going On in Town

Happy Summer Titusville! It's a season of celebration, not only of our nation's independence, but also of this magazine. That's right, Titusville Talking Points is celebrating its five year anniversary! We're so proud of the work and development that has evolved throughout our city in the past half decade, and look forward to even more progress in the future!



This issue, we take a look at some very exciting updates to the downtown area, including a huge expansion to the Titusville Playhouse and the completion of our new Historic Tour App, out now on web, Android, and iOS. We also take a look at some great businesses and industries opening up in town, a new STEM program for Titusville youth, fun things to do this summer and more!

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## Titusville Ballet & Jazz



A site plan is under review for a 15,300-square-foot dance studio to be located east of S. Washington Avenue and west of Riveredge Drive.

## Parrish Park - Coast-to-Coast Trailhead



A site plan is under review for site improvements including: paved parking and drive aisles, access ramps, new parking lot and stormwater and landscape improvements located at 1 A. Max Brewer Memorial Parkway, on the east-side of the river.

## MJW Consolidated



Site and building permits have been issued and ground work has begun on a 13,400-square-foot office and fabrication shop/warehouse at 1825 Shepard Drive.

## Elizabeth Townhomes



A sketch plat has been approved for 28 two-story townhome units to be located south of E. Whispering Hills Road and east of Elizabeth Avenue.

## Chipotle at Titus Landing



A site permit has been issued for a 6,475-square-foot restaurant building consisting of one 2,400-square foot Chipotle and one 3,750-square-foot restaurant space located at 2560 S. Washington Avenue.

## Mutter Office Building

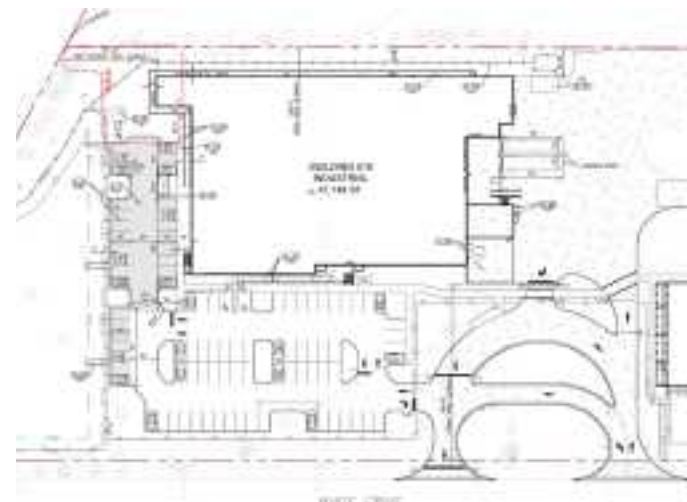


A site permit has been issued for a 2,316-square-foot office building located at 346 S. Washington Avenue.

## Lockheed Martin Expansion



A site permit has been issued for improvements to an existing facility and a 46,601-square-foot industrial building located at 1400 White Drive.



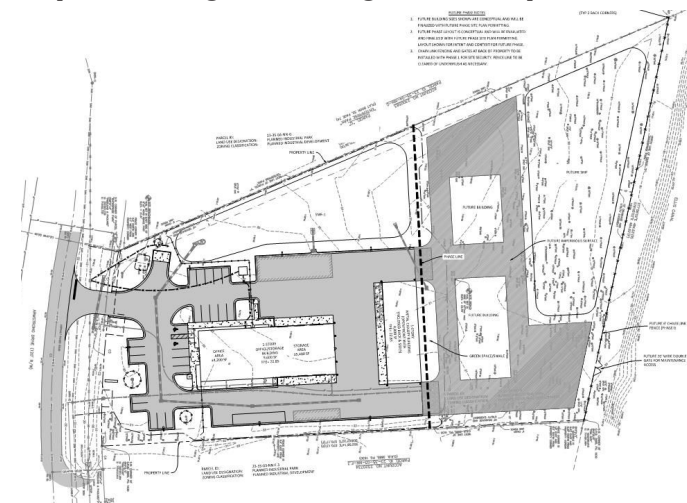
A site plan is under review for a 178,993-square-foot manufacturing plant and office building located at 1103 John Glenn Boulevard. This facility will be part of Lockheed Martin's expansion of their Fleet Ballistic Missile Headquarters.

## Aspen Dental



Site and building construction is nearing completion on a dental office located at the corner of SR 405 and Cheney Highway.

## Alpha-Omega Training and Compliance



A site plan has been approved for a 9,600-square-foot office and storage building located at 1540 Armstrong Drive, for AOTC, Inc., an environmental, health & safety, and compliance business.

## Chaffee Drive



A site permit has been issued for a 9,221-square-foot warehouse and office located north of Chaffee Drive.

## Canopy Living ALF



Site construction continues for a 49,913-square-foot assisted living facility located at 2805 Cheney Highway.



## Verona Subdivision



Site work is complete and construction continues on multiple single-family homes.

Elsewhere on the site, a sketch plat has been approved for Village D, the second phase of the Verona Subdivision. This section will consist of 79 single-family homes on 121 acres.

Also, a sketch plat is under review for Village B, the third phase of the Verona Subdivision, comprised of 174 single-family homes on 117 acres.

## Falcon's Roost



A preliminary plat/site plan has been approved for a 28-lot single-family home subdivision on 53 acres located east of Apollo Elementary School, north of Knox McRae Drive.

## Courtyard by Marriott



Site and building construction continues for a 152-room, five-story hotel with an open deck on the roof, located at 6225 Riverfront Center Boulevard, across from the Police Hall of Fame.

## Riverwalk Apartments



A site plan is under review for a 210-unit apartment complex located east of S. Washington Avenue and west of Riveredge Drive.

## Dream Space Coast Apartments



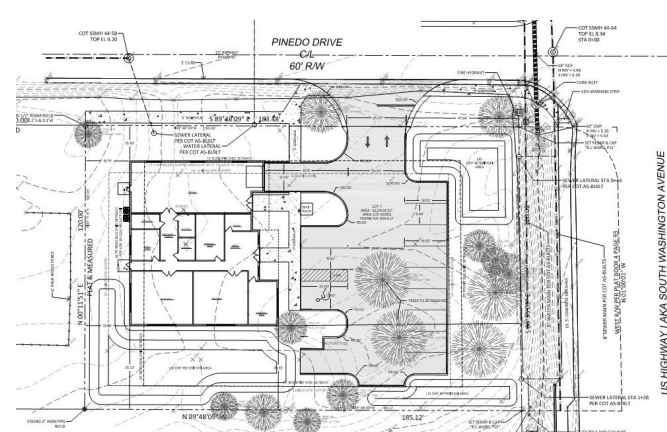
A site permit has been issued for changes to the property including: dumpster enclosure, parking re-striping, additional landscaping and an expanded parking lot located at the existing apartment complex at 2825 S. Washington Avenue.

## Vystar Credit Union



Construction has begun on a new Vystar Credit Union located at 1809 Cheney Highway, at the corner of Barna Avenue.

## Nu-Vision Professional Office



Site and building permits have been issued for a 3,965-square-foot office building located at 105 Pinedo Drive.

## ATX Redevelopment



Site and building permits have been issued for changes to the former Astronaut Hall of Fame including: parking re-striping, additional landscaping and new drive paths located at 6225 Riverfront Center Boulevard.

## Tranquility Phase 1 Planned Development



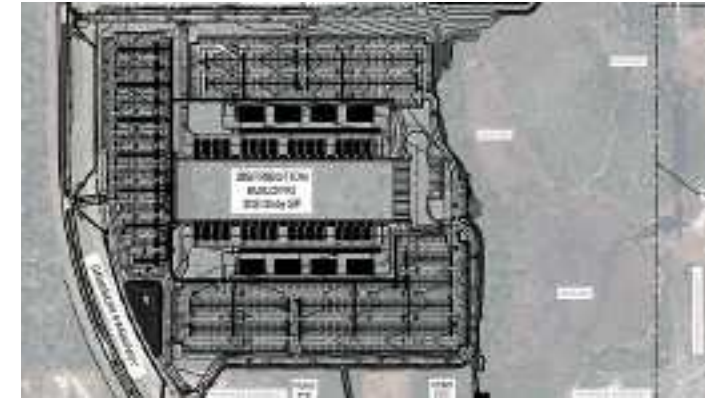
A final plat is under review for a subdivision consisting of 99 single-family homes located at the northeast corner of US 1 and SR 405.

## Shepard Drive Warehouse Expansion



Site and building permits have been issued for a 9,800-square-foot warehouse expansion to an existing 10,150-square-foot building located at 1500 Shepard Drive.

## Amazon Fulfillment Center



Site work has started on the new Amazon Fulfillment Center on Grissom Parkway in north Brevard County, near State Road 528. The \$13 million, 200,000-square-foot distribution center project – considered part of Amazon's "last mile" distribution network – will be located on a 28-acre industrial site, near the southern border of the North Brevard Economic Development Zone; the operation is expected to employ more than 300 people, once fully functional. For more information on this project, visit [www.seefriedproperties.com](http://www.seefriedproperties.com).

## Fox Lake Hammock



Site development continues on a 62-lot single-family home subdivision located east of South Street, north of Fox Lake Road.



## Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Downtown Updates



The pedestrian lights on Julia Street, between S. Hopkins Avenue and Palm Street, are being replaced with two new pedestrian light poles matching the pedestrian light poles on Hopkins and Washington Avenue. The project involves removing the old lights, running new conduit and installing the new L.E.D. light poles. The estimated cost is \$60,000.



The CRA is funding \$295,000 for the slip lining of some of the oldest sewer lines in the downtown area within the CRA district. These lines are in close proximity to the lagoon and the project will extend the life of the pipes, reducing the risk of sewer line breaks, thus helping to protect the Indian River Lagoon.



The Historic Preservation Board approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior alterations to the Morgan & Morgan building located at 407 S. Washington Avenue. The modifications include new awnings, an Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant ramp and ADA entrance/exit, new windows, and the closure of an entrance/exit.



Sidewalk infill will take place in the Broad Street area near Palm Avenue. The work will be done in-house and be paid for by the CRA.

## Titusville Becomes Part of Florida's Longest Bike Trail



Over the past few years, Titusville has become a prime cyclist destination. With several multi-use trails and amenities running through the heart of the city, bicyclists have access to limitless adventure and sightseeing throughout the city, the state, and the country.

One such trail, the East Central Regional trail, was finally completed last month. This expansive trail links Green Springs Park in Deltona to Downtown Titusville. According to The Orlando Sentinel, at 52-miles long, the East Central Regional Trail has become the longest recreational trail in the state of Florida.

The trail runs along an abandoned Florida East Coast Railway corridor that was acquired by the state in 2007.

"This is an exciting example of how the department is innovatively repurposing the state's transportation system to provide diverse transportation options for those we serve," said FDOT Secretary Kevin J. Thibault, P.E. "Converting an old unused rail line to a multiuse trail offers the local community a different kind of recreation and allows visitors a new way to experience the region."



Get ready for a day of polished chrome and immaculate paint jobs as the Moore Cultural Center and Museum will be hosting their 3rd Annual Moore's Collectable Car Show. The event takes place on July 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Harry T. & Harriet V. Moore Memorial Park in Mims.

This is a free event open to all. Trophies will be awarded for Best Paint Job, Favorite Overall, and Most Unique. For more information, please contact 321-264-6595.

## Titusville Youth Wins Fish and Wildlife Art Contest

Congratulations to Makenzie Warren of Titusville for winning first place in the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission Fish Art Contest! The contest, which was open to elementary, middle, and high school students, strives to spread the word about aquatic conservation among young people through art. To see the winners and learn more about the program, visit [StateFishArt.org](http://StateFishArt.org).



## //////TITUSVILLE WELCOMES DARK STORM INDUSTRIES!//////

The City of Titusville welcomes Dark Storm Industries, a firearms' manufacturer from Long Island, New York.

For its expanded operations, Dark Storm selected a parcel of land located in the City's Spaceport Commerce Park (formerly Enterprise Park) at the northwest corner of Shepard Drive and SR 407 in the heart of Titusville's industrial area.

With an average annual salary of \$50,000, Dark Storm anticipates the creation of 50 new jobs. Furthermore, the manufacturing enterprise expects its capital investment to be \$3.2 million, with \$2 million in new construction value for a 25,000 square-foot manufacturing facility, and \$1.2 million in new personal property value. It is anticipated that Dark Storm will hire between 38 and 43 employees from the area.

Titusville faced fierce competition from another undisclosed location in Florida, but the economic development practitioners involved with the process were tenacious and ultimately victorious in securing the arrival of the company. Economic development professionals from the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC), the North Brevard Economic Development Zone, and the City of Titusville



collaborated for nearly one year to attract the company to the Space Coast.

The location of Dark Storm in this area will not only help to diversify Titusville's economy, but it will also be an important contributor to the already-emerging armament-related cluster in North Brevard.

To learn more, please view the press release from the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast.





After a five-year hiatus, the Hoffman family is bringing a new dining experience to Titusville.

Your options for inside, sit-down dining within Historic Downtown Titusville are expanding, with the exciting news the Hoffman family is opening another restaurant. This unique dining experience is centrally located along Washington Avenue in the heart of the city's historic district, just across the street from the Old Walker Hotel.

The restaurant will serve lunch and dinner six days a week. On the menu are various soups, salads and specialty sandwiches for lunch, and a selection of dinner entrees enhanced with a variety of fine wines and beers. Scott is looking forward to serving one particular item on their menu: Shrimp and Grits – wild caught shrimp and yellow Gruyere grits, cooked with onion, garlic, red bell pepper, bacon, and heavy cream.

They began working on their new restaurant over a year ago, taking over the location of the former Crescent Coffee Company at 311 South Washington Avenue. Throughout 2020, the Hoffmans have been testing

and selecting menu items, making renovations to the building's interior, and working on the décor in order to create a unique and enjoyable dining experience for their guests. Nancy believes that diners will enjoy the showcasing of the beautiful local nature scenes through select photographs from Jeff and Heidi Thamert at the Downtown Gallery.

## Eat Love Local

Forming partnerships with other local businesses has also been a focus, as the restaurant will also feature beer from their friends at Playalinda Brewery, coffee from Pier 13, and breads from The Daley Trade; continuing to encourage and support other downtown merchants.

The Hoffman's goal is to open their doors sometime in August, but a specific date has not been set at this time. At the moment, they are concentrating on finishing kitchen equipment installation and completing the required inspections before they can serve any customers. Their spirits are high, their anticipation is building, and they are excited to be able to once again serve great meals to their fellow citizens.

Of course, as many in Titusville are aware, the Hoffman family is no stranger to the food industry. Scott and Nancy, along with their son Aaron, have decades of experience serving outstanding food to the people of Titusville; their most recent venture being the Coffee Shoppe which was in operation for 22 years at the corner of Broad Street and US-1. Their legacy, however, began

years before at Lorenzo's Italian Restaurant where Nancy was the General Manager and Scott was the Kitchen Manager.

Scott went on to successfully complete the American Culinary Federation certification program at Walt Disney World, gaining invaluable experience being part of the MGM Studios opening culinary team and then going on to be a member of the Disney Culinary Olympic Team traveling to Germany to compete and win 16 Gold Medals. While in Orlando, Nancy learned proper rules of service at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress, did the payroll at Ronny's Restaurant, and attained a Business Management Degree from the University of Central Florida leading to a job with NASA, at the Kennedy Space Center.

Their son, Aaron, was literally born into the restaurant business. He inherited his parents' passion for the industry and has worked in every restaurant position possible for over 20 years. He has also attended school at Eastern Florida State College and the University of Center Florida.



**A Special Photo:** A photo of Nancy's late father's hands hangs in a place of honor inside the restaurant, and was a surprise provided by The Downtown Gallery.

During their many years, the Hoffman family has experienced and cherished the support and love from the local community. Nancy has now retired from NASA and Scott's work at the Playalinda Brewery has ended. With the opening of Hoffman's Table, they are looking forward to once again having the opportunity to serve the people of Titusville with a dedication to quality food and good service, in a warm and friendly atmosphere.

Operating hours for the restaurant will be 11 A.M. – 9 P.M. Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday; 11 A.M. – 10 P.M. Friday and Saturday; they will be closed on Tuesdays.

The Hoffman's invite you to come sit at their table and enjoy the new eating experience coming to Downtown Titusville.



The Hoffman Family (L to R): Scott, Nancy, and Aaron.



Some of the items that will make up  
The Hoffman's Table menu:

### Appetizers

- Slow Roasted Tomato Bruschetta • Shrimp and Grits

### Soups and Salads

- Black Bean Chili – Cup / Bowl • Caesar Salad
- Bleu Cheese Wedge Salad • Salmon Avocado Salad

### Sandwiches

- Chicken Meatball Hoagie • Prime Rib Hoagie
- Roast Turkey Bleu Cheese • Smoked Salmon Tartine
- Chicken Salad Croissant • Grilled Cheese

### Dinner Entrees (4:00 Pm – Closing)

- Mozzarella Stuffed Meatloaf • ¼ Baked Chicken
- ½ Baked Chicken • Prime Rib

### Desserts

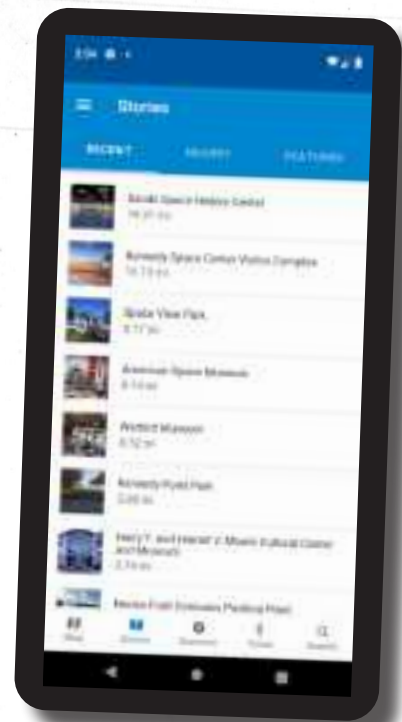
- Chocolate Lava Cake • Lime Coconut Cream Pie Jars
- Corncakes with strawberries and Whipped Cream

Eat  
Love  
Local



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- **GET** the full-color book (available at City Hall)

### New mobile app & website puts the city's history at your fingertips.

The City of Titusville and the Titusville Historic Preservation Board proudly announce the completion of an "Explore Historic Titusville" booklet, interactive website and mobile app. "Explore Historic Titusville" puts the city's history, people, and memorable places at your fingertips in print and electronic formats. Discover the sites of Titusville's long history—from its earliest Native American inhabitants, through its rough-and-tumble pioneering era, to its growth as a modern city with close connections to Cape Canaveral and the American Space Program. Self-guided walking and driving tours will direct you to dozens of highlighted spots on the interactive GPS-enabled map, providing stories, historic images, and vivid narration at each location. "Explore Historic Titusville" is brought to you by the Titusville Historic Preservation Board, the Department of State, Division of Historical Resources and the State of Florida.

The Titusville Historic Preservation Board was awarded a \$30,000

FY 2021 Small Matching Grant from the Florida Division of Historical Resources to create the booklet, website and mobile app. Since the City of Titusville is a Certified Local Government no monetary match was required from the City. The consultant, Coherit & Associates, was awarded a contract to complete the project. Coherit & Associates researched, interviewed and met with Historic Preservation Board members, the North Brevard Historic Society, the Brevard County Historian, and individuals in the community to create the booklet, website and mobile app with audio recordings and interactive maps.

Copies of the booklet can be obtained at the Community Development Office in Titusville City Hall, 555 S. Washington Avenue. The website can be found at <http://history.titusville.com>. The mobile app can be downloaded from the Apple App Store and Google Play by searching "Explore Historic Titusville FL".





# SETTING THE STAGE



## Titusville Playhouse Announces Major Venue Expansion for a Performing Arts Hub to Anchor an Entertainment District in Redeveloping Downtown

Titusville, FL — Live entertainment not only remains alive in North Brevard after the effects of COVID, the performing arts will soon be nourished here with a major venue expansion planned by Titusville Playhouse Incorporated. The award-winning operator of the historic Emma Parrish Theatre announced today that it has acquired the former site of Shuler's Auction house and storage yard, as well as two other adjacent parcels, revealing immediate plans to establish an outdoor venue of 200 seats.

The expansion will enable substantial growth in the number and type of performances produced by TPI. The organization's 57th Season show schedules and details for both the existing theatre and new outdoor venue went live on the TPI website in conjunction with its virtual announcement, broadcast to both its membership and the public.

"We will be the engine for a designated entertainment district in Titusville's redeveloping downtown," said Executive Artistic Director Steven Heron. "We are excited to work with the City to plan for this as we begin the immediate and long-term development of our new properties, which will increase our footprint from the quarter-acre site of the Emma Parrish Theatre to a total of more than 2.5 acres."

While the TPI's existing and new properties are not adjacent, they are in very close proximity and will dominate the cultural landscape of the downtown area. In addition to the historic theatre, two other historic buildings located on the Shuler property will be retained and made a part of the entertainment district hub.

TPI's Board has for several years desired to enable an expansion. Prior to COVID, the Playhouse productions were frequently sold out as its reputation for artistic excellence grew throughout Central Florida and the state. This year, Broadway World again

recognized TPI's production excellence by awarding it four "Best of the Decade" musical theatre awards to Steven Heron, Niko Stamos, and Spencer Crosswell. Other TPI staff professionals were honored with individual and group awards the prior year.

"Our Board prioritized retention of our management and professional staff over these past 15 months, and we were able to survive the impacts of reduced box office revenues without furloughing anyone," Heron said. Titusville Playhouse adapted quickly to the limitations imposed by the pandemic. TPI adopted strict and effective COVID protocols to ensure the safety of patrons, performers, and staff. Heron emphasized he will continue to follow CDC guidelines as they evolve.

While losing a significant percentage of its box office revenue,

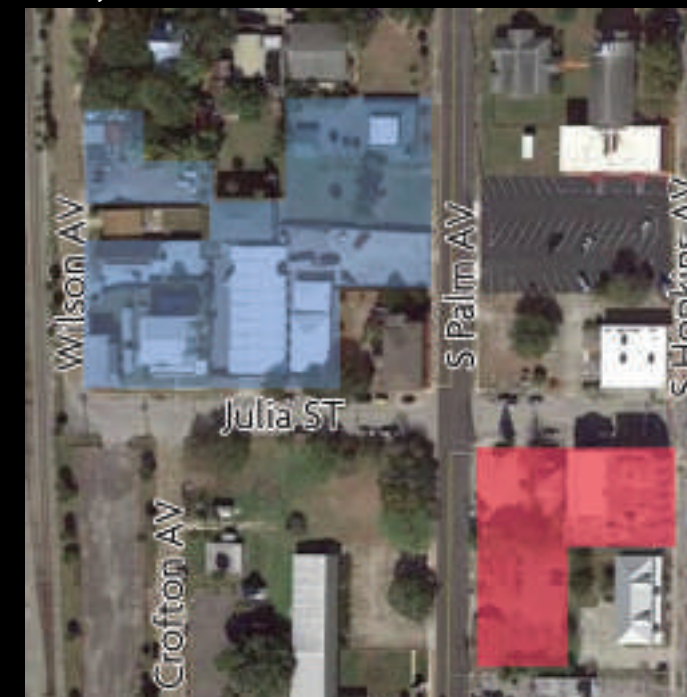


TPI was able to mitigate the losses by recasting its season, offering a "streaming" option to ticket holders uncomfortable with attending in person, and securing assistance grants. Heron and his staff found themselves thinking outside the box – literally.

"We took some of our shows outdoors to offer patrons an open-air venue. This included a show produced under the Shuler canopy which introduced us to the possibilities of that site," Heron said. "When the opportunity presented itself to acquire the Shuler property, and two other parcels adjacent to it, our Board saw it as a way to grow our cultural value and impact to the entire Central Florida area we serve." In addition to theatrical productions, Heron intends to program comedy and cabaret-themed shows, as well as a variety of musical performances ranging from symphonic to country. The venue will also support new educational programming, and community events that celebrate the diversity of Central Florida and Titusville, bringing our community together as one.

Beyond the immediate expansion of its offerings, TPI will look to the new properties for planning an eventual new state-of-the-art technology theatre, targeting 450 seats initially, while retaining its 274-seat Emma Parrish Theatre. TPI has reached out to a nationwide network of professional theatre consultants to take a first step in concept development for its multi-venue performing arts hub bordering Julia Street and Palm Avenues.

"We are very enthusiastic about working in partnership with the City to develop a thriving entertainment district in what has been a fairly sleepy and under-developed portion of the Titusville Community Redevelopment Area," Heron added. "Our plans clearly align with their objectives for a vibrant downtown, and working together, we can provide the momentum to establish a designated entertainment district that will draw visitors from throughout the entire Central Florida region and beyond."



Red: Existing TPI Property (.74 acres including Emma Parrish Theater)

Blue: Four Shuler parcels and adjoining S. Palm Parcels (combined total of 1.8 acres)

## TITUSVILLE Playhouse INC.

### 2021 – 2021 SCHEDULE

- ***A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum:***  
July 30 – Aug 22, 2021  
– Rated PG
- ***The Who's, TOMMY:***  
Sept 3 – 26, 2021  
– Rated PG-13
- ***Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer:***  
Nov 19 – Dec 19, 2021  
– Rated G
- ***Kinky Boots:***  
Jan 14 – Feb 13, 2022  
– Rated PG-13
- ***DREAMGIRLS:***  
Feb 25 – Mar 27, 2022  
– Rated PG
- ***A Chorus Line:***  
April 1 – 21, 2022  
– Rated PG-13
- ***Legally Blonde:***  
May 6 – 26, 2022  
– Rated PG



# Summer Fun for All Ages!

Written by Abigail Witt, Student Intern

Summer is here and there's plenty to do! Florida is full of adventure and unique places to visit, but everybody knows these activities can be expensive. Titusville sets itself apart from other cities by offering tons of budget-friendly activities. From the sandy shores of Playalinda to the museums in Downtown Titusville, our town has something for everyone!

• **Try your luck with Surfing at Playalinda Beach** - The Space Coast is the surf capital of the east coast and Playalinda Beach is no exception! Surfers will have the time of their lives catching waves at Playalinda Beach. Playalinda faces E-NE and is a surfer's dream when there's a northern swell. Another great thing about Playalinda is it's hardly ever crowded, so there's no need to worry about sharing the waves with other surfers.

• **Put your skills to the test at Marina Park** - With a skate park and BMX Bike course, Marina Park is the perfect spot for those looking for a challenge. The skate park is a street course with banks, rails, ledges, and small quarters, and the BMX Bike course is a simple pump track.



• **Take a Hike at the Enchanted Forest Sanctuary** - Visitors to the 471-acre Sanctuary are able to observe and explore the diverse plant life found at the Enchanted Forest with over 4 miles of hiking trails.



Trail Maps are easy to read and can be found at the visitors' desk making the Enchanted Forest a great place for both experienced and beginner hikers. The Sanctuary also has wheelchair-accessible trails allowing everyone an opportunity to experience nature.

• **View a Rocket Launch from Kirk Point Park** - With beautiful landscaping, multiple pavilions, and a direct view of the Space Center, Kirk Point Park is a prime location for those looking to catch one of the best views on launch day.



• **Beat the Heat at Sand Point Park** - The Titusville City Splash Park is located at Sand Point Park, free to the public, and is a great way to cool off on those hot summer days. The splash pad has a fenced perimeter and is open to all ages, making it the perfect spot for a fun-filled day in the Sun.

• **Take a Walk Through History** - The North Brevard Historical Museum is located in Downtown Titusville and is run by the Historical Society of North Brevard. The museum displays and offers a wealth of information on the prehistory, and early foreign settlement in north Brevard, as well as the development of the Space Age. Admission to the museum is free and it can be enjoyed by all, rain or shine.

• **Take a Dip at Playalinda Beach** - If swimming is your style, lifeguards are at piers one and two making Playalinda Beach a great place for families with young children and those who enjoy the extra peace of mind while in the water. If you prefer to stay out of the water there are still plenty of activities for you to enjoy when visiting. With miles and miles of uninterrupted shoreline, Playalinda Beach is also the perfect spot for shelling, long walks on the beach, or guided tours when available.



The Valiant Air Command is excited to offer a unique STEM program for middle school and high school students! STEM is the ultimate learning program for those with a passion for aeronautics, science, technology, engineering and mathematics. With the help of dedicated educators and passionate aviators, students gain a solid foundation to become future leaders in STEM career paths. Students are encouraged to use their hands and minds to aid in critical thinking and tasks necessary to meet the needs of expanding worldwide industries.

Located at the Space Coast Regional Airport in Titusville, Florida, the program is hosted by The Valiant Air Command (VAC), which works diligently to preserve, restore, and display military aircraft; honoring the legacy of those who came before. The Valiant Air Command Radials STEM program touches every aspect of the museum's mission statement to "Honor The Past, Educate the Future, and Preserve Our Heritage," by incorporating activities, outings, and expert lecturers. The team has an experienced, elite lineup of instructors comprised of volunteers who served in the armed services, along with NASA and aerospace industry experts.

Is a career as a pilot a dream of yours? If so, VAC are implementing a unique enhancement incorporated within the STEM program. For students with the passion, desire, and skills, the museum, in partnership with the flight school U.S. Aviation Training Solutions (USATS), will be offering ground school training at the VAC. This meets FAA private pilot ground school requirements and comes at no cost to students. USATS also offers both airplane and helicopter training at a reduced rate. Participants are given a terrific beginning and "foot in the door" to an amazing career!

Applications for the STEM program are being accepted, and space is limited to 25 young adults. For more information, visit [STEMatVACtheFuture.com](http://STEMatVACtheFuture.com).

Student volunteer Will and City Student Intern Abigail starred in the promotional video.

The City of Titusville Community Relations Department recently worked with the Valiant Air Command to produce a 2-and-a-half-minute promotional video highlighting the program, which can be viewed at [youtu.be/k8gy5AVH0uk](https://youtu.be/k8gy5AVH0uk).





# Titusville Needs City Residents

Help guide our city into the future.  
Volunteer and serve on a board or commission.

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee	North Brevard County Hospital District Board
Board of Adjustments and Appeals	North Brevard Economic Development Zone Dependent Special District Board
Board of Trustees of the General Employees' Pension Plan	North Brevard Library District Board
Community Redevelopment Agency	Planning and Zoning Commission
Historic Preservation Board	Titusville Environmental Commission
North Brevard Commission on Parks and Recreation	Titusville Housing Authority

The City of Titusville has a variety of boards, committees, and commissions that discuss and make important recommendations or undertake special activities specific to the purpose of each board. The City's boards and volunteer board members serve a critical role to the community and the function of city government.

For more information, please contact the Titusville City Clerk's Office at Ph. 321-567-3686



## Titusville Selects 2021 Community Service Award Recipient

On June 14, Edelmira Carrasco was named the 2021 Titusville Community Service Award recipient at a ceremony held in conjunction with the City's annual Flag Day Celebration.

Ms. Carrasco embodies the true spirit of someone who chooses to unify their community and act through their deeds, not simply their words. Through her job as a teacher, she continues to inspire others with her dedication to her work, and sets examples for the students in her life that she wishes to see grow and succeed. She fully invests herself in seeing that these students know that they are capable of making a difference and being a positive change within our communities. When Ms. Carrasco isn't working, she spends much of her free time finding local charities to support, volunteering at local homeless outreach events, and continues to find innovative ways to raise money for our veterans, children, and the betterment of our community. She motivates herself to continue doing good, and Titusville is all the better for having her as a community member.

The Community Service Award was established in memory of Reverend Harry R. Lee who served the City and community in many different capacities. Through his words & actions, he set an example for encouraging service and unity. Annually, nominations for the award are solicited from area schools, churches, and civic organizations as well as from the community at large. Those nominated are recognized at the award ceremony on June 14th and each receive a framed certificate. This year's nominees for exceptional service to the community in addition to Edelmira Carrasco was Misty Belford, Rhonda Gordon, Christine Luecking, Ed Rodriguez and Hollie Anderson, and the Space Coast Quilters Guild, Inc.



Pictured (left to right): Lisa Mosier, TCSA Member; Edelmira Carrasco, 2021 Titusville Community Service Award Recipient; Herman Cole, Jr., TCSA Chairman; Daniel E. Diesel, Titusville Mayor.

## Don't Let a Weather Emergency Turn Into a Water Emergency



Severe storms can knock out electrical service. After the storm is over, power does not always return instantly, nor does it always return to all of the city at the same time. Since everyday tasks like doing the laundry or washing dishes can overload sewer lift stations that are still without power, you should wait until power returns throughout the city before using high water use fixtures such as washing machines and dishwashers.

Lift stations move sewage from your house to our wastewater plants. Without electricity, lift station pumps cannot operate and the sewage does not move through the pipes. This results in sewage backing up into homes and businesses and overflowing into streets and waterways if waste keeps being put into the system.

There are over 200 lift stations located throughout Titusville. About half of the lift stations are owned and maintained by the City. As part of our emergency preparations, Water Resources has installed permanent backup generators at nine lift stations. An additional seven lift stations are scheduled to have permanent backup generators installed in the fall. Five portable generators can be moved to various lift stations depending upon situational need. The ability to use generators is limited by the duration and strength of the storm, which can impact fuel supplies. Storm damage and flooding can also limit our ability to reach a lift station.

The remaining lift stations are privately owned. Although they are inspected annually by the city, they are not required to have backup power and may not be prepared to handle extensive electrical outages. So, don't let a weather emergency turn into a water emergency. Keep water use to a minimum during emergencies and wait until power returns throughout the city before resuming your normal cleaning schedule. For emergency water and sewer notifications go to the city website at [www.titusville.com](http://www.titusville.com).

# HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS



Florida's hurricane season began on June 1, and runs until 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, as well as any gas cans you may have
- Obey evacuation orders
- Pet owners should have plans to care for their animals

Visit [Titusville.com/BePrepared](http://Titusville.com/BePrepared) for more information.

## Grissom Road Closure Could Last Two Months.

Grissom Parkway's northbound lanes at the intersection of SR 405 in Titusville may be closed for up to two months as a result of a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) project to install new drainage pipes at that location. As a result, a detour of the northbound Grissom lanes began on Tuesday, July 6. The southbound lanes of Grissom at the intersection will remain open through the duration of the work, although drivers can expect occasional closures for material delivery and other activities.

This detour route will move traffic south on Grissom to Shepard Drive, then west on Shepard to S.R. 407 (Challenger Memorial Parkway), and then north on SR 407 back to SR 405.

Please visit the project page for more information including project updates. [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com)







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## Titusville Police Launch New Monthly Community Outreach Video Program



Titusville Police Department is excited to announce our latest community outreach initiative, Titusville PD in Focus. This exemplary program consists of a new monthly video broadcast showcased on multiple media platforms which spotlights a specific area of your police department. Questions are curated through public input. Our goal with this programming is to increase transparency, approachability and accessibility by addressing specific community concerns and providing a glimpse of day to day operations within our agency.

Community members can view the latest episodes on the home page of the City of Titusville website, Titusville.com. Questions, concerns and comments can be emailed to TitusvillePDinFocus@Titusville.com. Tune in Titusville!

## Traffic Enforcement is Major Priority for Police Department



The Titusville Police Department Traffic Unit is directly addressing citizen traffic concerns with focused traffic enforcement details citywide. Our department recognizes that traffic, specifically speeding, is one of the community's highest concerns and keeping our roads safe is one of our agency's top priorities. In response to community member input, our traffic unit will be highly visible patrolling city streets and addressing noncompliant motorists with warnings and citations.

In addition, these traffic details will be posted in advance as a proactive speeding deterrent on Titusville Police social media outlets, Twitter @titusvillepd and Instagram titusville\_pd. Lastly, "REAL-TIME" videos will be posted to those social media outlets providing updates and progress. "Our traffic unit provides a constant law enforcement presence through high visibility traffic enforcement efforts along the city's roadways promoting our goal of improved traffic safety" said Lieutenant Tyler Wright. DRIVE SAFE TITUSVILLE!



Nationally - A motor vehicle is stolen every 44 seconds  
35% of car owners leave their car running unattended  
40% of victims leave valuables in sight  
85% of vehicle burglaries and thefts are on unlocked vehicles

## Don't Be An Easy Target!! Lock it *or* Lose it!!

Statistics provided by FBI, National Insurance Crime Bureau and Titusville Police Department



# TITUSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## TFD Takes the Next Step in Training

This year Titusville Fire has taken our training to another level in order to be the very best we can be for our citizens and each other. It's our goal, and we are committed, more than ever, to train hard and train often. Did you know Titusville Fire Department has a state of the art training facility and additional land that we hope to develop soon to expand our training capabilities? Located behind Station 13 on Barna Avenue, our training tower allows us to hone our skills whether it's ladders, search and rescue, or live fire training. Our focus is on controlling the factors we can, being able to throw ladders quicker, gearing up faster, and advancing hose lines more efficiently. Our job is dynamic in that we will never stop learning. It is imperative to our performance and service to the citizens of Titusville and North Brevard that we never become complacent; that we train and hone our skills every day. That is our promise to you! So next time you walk by our facility and see us training, give us a wave, stop a moment and observe the training.



## Keep Pool Safety in Mind This Summer!

It's summer time and the pool is open! Titusville Fire Department wants to remind you how you can enjoy the pool and keep everyone safe with these tips from the American Red Cross. Drowning is usually quick and silent – do not expect to hear yelling or splashing. Actively watch children around water.

In a group setting, tragedies often occur because people assume someone else is supervising their children in the water. Designate a watcher whose sole responsibility it is to supervise the water during any activity.

An appropriate water watcher:

- Is at least 16 years of age (adults preferred).
- Has the skills, knowledge and ability to recognize and rescue someone in distress or can alert someone nearby who does.
- Knows CPR or can immediately alert someone nearby who does. Has a working phone to call 9-1-1.
- Has a floating and or reaching object that can be used in a rescue
- Is alert and not under the influence.

Make sure the water watcher can be easily identifiable with a water watcher lanyard or brightly colored hat. Rotate water watchers who meet the criteria and pass off the identifying object.





Harbor Freight Tools



Harbor Freight has opened their new Titusville location on Garden Street near Publix.

A-C-T Space Coast Region Office



A-C-T Environmental & Infrastructure, a Florida-based environmental solutions provider, has announced the official opening of its Space Coast region office at 1855 Shepard Drive in Titusville. The new facility is 10,000 square feet on 5 acres.

Fox Lake Park Playground



The new playground is open and ready for play at Fox Lake Park featuring all new slides and swings.

Florida Health Care Plans



Florida Health Care Plans has recently renovated their Titusville location at 1021 South Washington Avenue to include a doctor's office. In addition to the pharmacy, they now have Dr. Buddha on staff as their Primary Care Physician.

Important City Numbers	
Building Department	321.567.3760
Business Tax Receipts (Occupational Licenses)	321.567.3758
City Clerk	321.567.3686
City Hall Main Number	321.567.3775
City Hall FAX Number	321.383.5704
City Manager's Office	321.567.3702
Code Enforcement	321.567.3770
Community Advocate	321.567.3689
Customer Service (Utility Billing)	321.383.5791
Economic Development	321.567.3774
Fire Department (Non-Emergency)	321.567.3800
Fire Public Education	321.567.3804
Human Resources	321.567.3728
Jobline	321.567.3731
Neighborhood Services	321.567.3987
Municipal Marina	321.383.5600
Permits	321.567.3759
Planning Department	321.567.3782
Police (Non-Emergency)	321.264.7800
Police / Fire Rescue (Emergency)	911
Solid Waste	321.383.5755
Stormwater	321.567.3832
Stormwater (After Hours Emergency)	888.399.1327
Streets Maintenance	321.567.3832
Water Field Operations (Water Main Break)	321.567.3883
Water Main Break (After Hours Emergency)	321.383.5657
Water Resources Conservation Program	321.567.3865
LED Sign Information	321.567.3689



Guess What! Titusville Talking Points has hit its five-year anniversary! It was July 2016, when this quarterly publication was rebranded and turned into the polished magazine that you love and enjoy today.

In this issue, we take a look back to that summer five years ago, where we find Hobby Lobby — under construction — pictured on the cover as Titus Landing was in its early stages of its development.



Today, Titus Landing is thriving with multiple stores, restaurants, the multi-screen Epic Theatre, and even a Chipotle on the way!



Keep your eyes opened in the next few months for a retrospective at the five years of progress, change, and developments which have graced the pages.

Historic Spotlight

DOCTORS WILL OPEN HOSPITAL  
HERE SOON

Stewart Property on Washington Ave. to be Remodeled for Hospital Purposes

The two-story frame house occupied until recently by James Koon as a residence will be remodeled soon and will be used as a hospital according to plans now being perfected by Dr. Ferguson and McLeod of this City.

The structure is owned by Miss Zandie Stewart and is situated on South Washington St. opposite the residence of J.M. Chick. Contractors are now at work estimating the cost of the remodeling job and it is expected that a contract will be let within a few days by Miss Stewart.

When alterations have been made the building will accommodate ten beds and will have a wide screened porch, which will be added at the front. An addition two stories high will be put on which will give two more rooms and the interior will be entirely remodeled and refinished in white. It is estimated that the cost of the improvements will be approximately \$3,800.

This will be Titusville's first hospital. The rapid growth of the city has necessitated this move, according to doctors, as up to this time it has been necessary to rush patients to Orlando or else-where for hospital service.

Excerpt from a 1926 Newspaper



Left: In 1950, Jess Parrish Memorial Hospital had completed one expansion program with 147 beds that included all modern facilities and a full 24-hour staff.

Right: Another expansion was underway to meet the growing needs of the flourishing community and in 1963 a new modern hospital was built.



Left: Parrish Medical Center as it appeared in this 2002 photo and as it is today.





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