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Mission Statement
“To promote economic growth and the quality of life in the greater Dade City area”

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There’s Still Time to get Your PIECE OF THE PIE!!
Sponsorship Opportunities at the 2020 Kumquat Festival
For more info Contact John Moors jmoors@dadecitychamber.org

October Chamber Business Breakfast
Sponsor: AdventHealth
Location: AdventHealth Dade City
Please Note Date Change:
“MONDAY” October 14th (flyer enclosed)
From The Desk of the Director

Dear Chamber Members,

As we head into the last quarter of the year, there are still many good things left to do! Your Greater Dade City Chamber has been very active this past month with a number of activities and events.

The Chamber Annual Installation of Officers Breakfast will be held on Monday, October 14th at AdventHealth Dade City, and sponsored by the Hospital. Dade City Mayor Camille Hernandez will give us the “State of the City” address and Dr. Nikki Alvarez-Sowles, Esq., Pasco County Clerk and Comptroller will preside over the installation. Please reserve you seat! RSVP & Pay Online at www.dadecitychamber.org or email juber@dadecitychamber.org.

Our November Business Breakfast will be held on Tuesday, November 19th at Scotland Yards, sponsored by First National Bank of Pasco and featuring Ian Anderson, Publisher of the Tampa Bay Business Journal.

AdventHealth Dade City has once again stepped up to take the “Headlining Sponsor” role at this year’s Annual Kumquat Festival®, and is joined by many Pasco County companies who are contributing to the Chamber and the community through their support. Please contact John at 352.567.3769 or jmoors@dadecitychamber.org for your partnership opportunity – it’s never too late!!

Thank you for your membership and support of our Chamber of Commerce!!

John Moors, Executive Director

Please remember the Chamber Membership is our life blood. Please refer a member, retain a member and let the staff know about prospective members. THANK YOU for your continued partnership!!

The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce does take pictures and videos at Chamber events in order to promote our Chamber members and the organization. These images/videos may be used by the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce in their printed and online publicity, on social media, in newspapers and magazines, or in any other ways that further the aims of the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce, whose mission is “to promote economic development and quality of life in the area”

The Chamber publishes this newsletter for our members information. Much of this information is provided by our members. The articles and information submitted to the Chamber belong to their author and do not necessarily mirror the views and opinions of the Chamber.
The 2019 Sheriff Chris Nocco’s Fishing for Families Saltwater Tournament is scheduled for Friday, October 4 at Catches Waterfront Grill, 7811 Bayview Street, Port Richey. Our yearly tournament raises funds for three worthy charities that support children and families. These include the Pasco Sheriff’s Office Leadership Center; the Family Support Network; and the Pasco Sheriff’s Office Explorer program.

Sponsorships and individual fishing positions are still available for the tournament. Individual spots are $600 and include a place on a boat with an experienced captain and two other anglers, breakfast and a boxed lunch, an event shirt and gift bag, and an after-party at Catches. All of the bait and tackle are provided.

Sponsorships include a Gold Sponsorship and a Silver Sponsorship. Silver Sponsors receive one boat with three fishing spots; their logo on the event sign; the opportunity to provide promotional material in tournament gift bags; and all of the other amenities of an individual fisherman for their anglers. Gold Sponsors receive all of the amenities of a Silver Sponsor, including their logo on the Pasco Sheriff’s Charities website and the opportunity to display their logo at the tournament event.

A Tournament Shirt Sponsorship is still available for $5,000, which includes the benefits of a Gold Sponsor.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the boats leave Catches at 9 a.m. to head out into the Gulf of Mexico. Prizes are awarded for the biggest fish caught in the following species: Trout, snook and redfish, and the best of tournament prize for the person who catches the biggest of all three species.

The charities that will benefit from the funds raised from our tournament include a new Pasco Sheriff’s Office Leadership Center that we are working on. The Leadership Center will also be home to the Pasco Sheriff’s Explorer Post 916, the Junior Explorer Club 915, and other community engagement and youth leadership programs. In partnership with agencies and organizations such as Florida’s Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC), Pasco County Schools, and the Boy Scouts of America, the Leadership Center will host camps and programs where youth can learn about careers in law enforcement, forensics, robotics, cybersecurity, and conservation in addition to life lessons that will prepare them for success in any profession.

The Family Support Network provides important support for our deputies, civilians and their families here at the Sheriff’s Office in times of need. The Explorer Unit provides both middle and high school students a chance to volunteer at our agency and learn about the law enforcement career field. Several of our former Explorers now have command staff positions in our agency, so this is a great way for our youth to find out if this is a career for them.

If you enjoy fishing or would like to provide support to the men and women of our agency, this tournament is a great way to do just that. I encourage you to get involved and help us make our agency and our community a better place to work and play.

For more information, contact tournament director Nick Kaller at 727-514-8417 or email FishingForFamilies@PascoSheriff.org
“CELEBRATES 11TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY”

It was an exciting day for all on Sunday, September 8th as Love One Another celebrated its 11th Year Anniversary at the Pasco County Community Services Nutrition Center in Dade City! The delicious meal was provided by one of our monthly sponsors: First United Methodist Church, Dade City. A special decorated sheet cake, ice cream and balloons added to the celebration. Everyone was given a magnet printed with words of encouragement.

Love One Another is an outreach ministry that serves a hot meal to those in need every Sunday from 1:30 pm-3:00 pm . . . rain or shine, Christmas or Easter . . . we are there for our folks! Clothing, toiletry items and dog/cat food donated by Dog-Mania & Cats and Farmers Feed Depot are also given to our guests. We are so appreciative of our volunteers and community support that has been received through the years. Additional churches who continue to faithfully serve are St. Rita Catholic, Dade City Christian, Calvary Assembly/Restored Hope/Metropolitan Ministries, St. Mary’s Episcopal, First Presbyterian, First Baptist of Dade City and First United Methodist of Dade City. Other organizations who are dedicated to Love One Another are the Dade City Youth Council, Panera Bread, Saint Leo University, Olga’s Bakery, Pasco Middle and Centennial Middle Schools, Any-Time Fitness, Loving Hands Ministry, Sisters of the Benedictine and many other personal contributors.

It is a joy and privilege to provide such a devoted, faith-based ministry to our community through Love One Another. If you would like to volunteer or make a donation, please contact Lucy Avila at 352-424-4972 or lucyavila707@gmail.com. Thanking God for His mighty provisions!
Hurricane Dorian has come and gone. Dade City was spared the wrath of this mighty storm. Our Dade City Police Department, Pasco County Fire Department, first responders, linemen and women, cleanup crews, emergency operations personnel and numerous city employees and volunteers were ready to be called into action had the storm changed path. We were very fortunate this time. Unfortunately, that was not the case for our neighbors in the Bahamas. The storm ransacked so much of the island and destroyed the lives of so many families and communities. Please continue to keep them in your prayers along with all those who are assisting in the efforts to aid the Bahamas get back to a somewhat normal life after such widespread devastation.

Here, holiday season is around the corner. October welcomes many special activities and events in the community. The merchants continue with their successful and ever growing popular First Fridays. This event has sparked new excitement and interest in our downtown. The Dade City Heritage Museum hosted a Living Mannequin Walk that was met with much enthusiasm by those that participated in this event. Great time was had by all. We look forward to future events and welcome our visitors and residents to join us again to dine and shop in our unique stores and restaurants. Remember, this event is not just for visitors, but for you, our very special residents of Dade City. Please take a few moments on your busy Friday evening each month and experience something unique downtown.

Another excited unique event is almost here after months of planning. The Dade City Youth Council has partnered with the Dade City Garden Club to host the very first Monarch Festival on October 11, 2019 from 10am-3pm. A very special thanks to the Dade City Garden Club and all the committees and circles involved in the planning for a successful inaugural event in our community. We are very excited about this event and look forward to an amazing festival with many activities, educational forums and activities Thank you, Dade City Garden Club members! Dade City is a much better place thanks to all your hard work, commitment, support and involvement in Dade City.

Looking forward to so many more wonderful events as we launch our holiday season. This is always a very busy time of year for all. We will continue to move forward as we begin our new fiscal year for the city and look with anticipation to the completion of some major projects in our downtown area. The completion of the Hardy Trail in the coming months will be a wonderful addition to our city that seeks to continue to promote the health and wellness of all in our communities. The stormwater project is coming all and will trust that the detours and inconveniences caused will be forgotten as we are prepared to handle stormwater in our downtown.

As always, it is an honor and privilege to serve the residents of Dade City. Your ideas are always welcomed and encouraged. Feel free to contact me at chernandez@dadecityfl.com or 352-523-5052.

Camille
Camille Hernández, Mayor Dade City
The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce recently held our monthly Business Breakfast at Kafe Kokopelis and hosted by Suncoast Credit Union. A packed house enjoyed a presentation by Chris Del Cotto, Suncoast’s Service Center Manager as well as 3 “Business Wins” presentations by Taylor Kelly, Raymond James Financial Services, Kyle Verbeek, Maronda Homes, and Richard Hayes, Digital Lightbridge.

Great networking and fellowship throughout thanks to all who attended.

Next Chamber Business Breakfast is Tuesday, September 17th at Scotland Yards Golf and Country Club, hosted by San Antonio Citizens Federal Credit Union and featuring Dan Biles, Pasco County Administrator as our speaker.

Please contact Jo Uber at juber@dadecitychamber.org or online at www.dadecitychamber.org to reserve your seat.

**Back left to right: Tari Mitchell, Kyle Neff, Christopher Del Cotto, and Kevin Franzese. Front left to right: Sandra Wright, Tatyana Midili, and Janette McElwain**

*Photo by Richard Riley, Trilby*
Fall is here and the change in seasons can bring new threats to your lawn. Here at Boltin Pest Control we have noticed large numbers of Fall Army Worms throughout the community.

Here are some possible signs to indicate their presence:

- Brown dingy moths hovering above your lawn
- Irregular patterns in your lawn caused by the worms
- You may also find the Army Worm feeding on your grass blades

If you notice any of these symptoms, please contact our office at 352-567-2395 and we will send a specialist to assess the situation and offer a custom solution for your lawn. Thank you!
Congratulations to the September 2019 Citizen of the Month

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AdventHealth Dade City, Jason Newmyer, Administrator & Vice President; Anya Wynn, Executive Administration Assistant; Amanda Martin, Admin Director of Clinical Services; Tabitha Wallace, HRBP Director of Human Resources; Chaplain Andres Sequera; Christina Newsome, TCU Coordinator & Monica Wills, Directory of Quality

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South Branch Ranch, Richard Behnke
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Sunrise Rotary of Dade City, Cindy Harper

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Letter, Booklets (“Welcome to the Florida House of Representative”, “My Florida House Capitol Facts”) ✓ Congressman Gus Bilirakis, Bob Hatfield
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Safety Reflector Clip ✓ South Branch Ranch, Richard Behnke
The Bag ✓ AdventHealth Dade City, Jason Newmyer
$5 Gift Certificate ✓ Campus Gear, Jean Nathe

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Centennial Elementary School ★ Adalee Krause
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Pasco Elementary School ★ Marrianna Chavez Chavez
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Hi! My name is Robyn Crist. I have lived in Dade City for over 35+ years. I am a local realtor for CENTURY 21 Bill Nye Realty, Inc. I am very passionate about supporting my local/small businesses.

I have a Facebook Group that is called “Shop Local and Support Small Businesses” and my mission for this group is for local/small businesses to share their businesses and any special offers they have. I would like the community to recommend businesses as well. The page is meant to be interactive and positive for our community.

Our local/small businesses need us for their continued growth in their businesses within our community.

Love the saying, “Put your money where your house is!” Please like this page and show support for our community!!

Robyn Crist 813.376.3743

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**TIPS TO HELP SELL A HOME IN FALL**

- Clean up the yard.
- Create curb appeal - use the fall color flowers and plant in pots out front.
- Clean windows inside and out.
- Check the HVAC.
- If you have a fireplace utilize it during showings.
- Bring out those autumn scents - nothing smells better than autumn scents.
- Declutter and depersonalize and decorate with autumn décor.

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**For one day every year a small, oval-shaped fruit with an unusual name takes center stage in Dade City, Florida.**

The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce established this flagship event in 1998 celebrating everything that makes the Dade City area unique. Since the nearby town of St. Joseph was already known as the Kumquat Capital of the World, the Chamber of Commerce decided that this little fruit with a funny name could be the focus of an annual Kumquat Festival.

Nearly 100 years ago, Casper Joseph (J. C.) Nathe came to what is now known as St. Joseph and planted an acre of the golden fruit trees in 1912. The Nathe family used the fruit for preserves and they became very popular. Orders started coming in, so they grew more kumquats.

In less than 15 years, Florida Grower magazine crowned J. C. Nathe “the world’s Kumquat King!”

The festival has become a Southeast Tourism Society Top 20 event. The Kumquat Festival is the one day when Dade City’s population swells from 6,150 to nearly 40,000! It takes place in the heart of historic downtown Dade City that has the distinction of being the world’s leading supplier of this tasty little fruit.

The Kumquat Festival features local music performed on the historic courthouse steps throughout the day and over 450 vendors and sponsors. There are unique arts and crafts as well as a myriad of opportunities to sample the tasty little fruit, whether it is the famous kumquat pie, marmalade, cookies, salsa, ice cream, or a sip of Kumquat beer.

The Kumquat Festival, held the last Saturday in January each year, is a free event full of unique flavors, quaint offerings and plenty of “old Florida” family fun.
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REMINDER: Refer a New Member and receive $25.00 credit towards your membership renewal!
Suncoast Credit Union Scores a Hat-Trick in Feeding Kids

The Suncoast Credit Union Foundation granted The Thomas Promise Foundation $10,000 for the third time in a row to help the organization fulfill their mission of providing meals to food insecure children. The Thomas Promise Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides bags complete with six meals and snacks for Pasco County students over the weekend when they would otherwise go without. Currently 26 Pasco schools and more than 1,400 children benefit from this program every week of the school year. Suncoast Credit Union is also sponsoring the Arts and Crafts Village at the Rattlesnake Festival being organized by the Thomas Promise Foundation Oct. 19 and 20 at the Pasco County Fairgrounds. The proceeds of the Rattlesnake Festival also go to TTPF to purchase food and supplies. This grant donation will provide more than 20,000 meals. “We appreciate Suncoast Credit Union for considering us worthy of a grant for the third time since I’ve been here,” said Joe Simmons, Executive Director of the Thomas Promise Foundation. “Without the support of community organizations like them, there would be a lot more hungry kids.”

Pasco Kids First welcomes Robert Wolf as the organization’s new President & CEO. Mr. Wolf brings more than thirty-five years in the higher education industry to Pasco Kids First which serves Pasco and Hernando Counties providing services addressing child abuse and neglect. Most recently, he served as the President of the Tampa Bay Campus of Galen College of Nursing. Mr. Wolf is skilled in nonprofit organizations, negotiation, coaching, government, and sales and is a strong healthcare services professional. His background includes sixteen years as the Senior Vice President of Hillsborough Community College where he served as the second in command for the 47,000 student multi campus college. He also secured the land donation for the college’s fifth campus, developed the college’s Corporate Training Center and assisted in numerous efforts to obtain additional federal and state funding for college expansion services.

Mr. Wolf earned a master’s degree in Business/Public Administration from the University of Baltimore and bachelor’s in Business Administration from Adelphi University. He was also an Honorary Commander at MacDill Air Force Base. He is actively involved with the Tampa Bay History Center, several Chambers of Commerce and the Tampa Bay CEO Council.

On a personal note, Rob is married and has four children and one granddaughter. In his spare time, he enjoys road biking, golf and traveling with his wife Ellen. Mr. Wolf can be contacted at rwolf@pascokidsfirst.org or 727-845-8080.
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Last evening hundreds were in attendance at the Pasco EDC 33rd Annual Awards and Trade Show, including many local business leaders and government officials. “The growth we are seeing in Pasco right now is outstanding, all 14 Award Finalists made great investments in their businesses and community” said Bill Cronin, Pasco EDC, President/CEO. “I can’t think of a better way to wrap up the Pasco EDC’s year, than to honor the amazing six companies we awarded and Dr. Gills.” Nominees were scored based on: company growth, leadership in current business issues, and corporate citizenship. The 2019 Pasco EDC Award Winners are:

1. **Start-Up Business of the Year: The Point Distillery**
   A small professional distillery, bottling, and co-packing operation location on Little Road in New Port Richey committed to quality, excellence, and exceeding customer expectations.

2. **Special Contribution: AdventHealth Wesley Chapel**
   This modern hospital campus was built from the ground up with the communities in mind. Staff delivers whole-person care inspired by the principles of CREATION Life – Choice, Rest, Environment, Activity, Trust, Interpersonal Relationships, Outlook, and Nutrition.

3. **Small Business of the Year: Design & Construction Innovations, LLC**
   DCI is a full-service general contractor specializing in commercial, residential, and government construction projects in the State of Florida with over 35 years of combined experience in commercial and residential construction as well as architectural design.

4. **Medium Business of the Year: Millian-Aire Enterprises, Corp.**
   Family-owned and in operations since 1989, Millian-Aire has over 75 years of combined experience and provides the most reliable and cost-efficient HVAC services in the industry using the best practices and latest technologies.

5. **Large Business of the Year: Welbilt, Inc.**
   Welbilt provides the world’s top chefs and premier chain operators with industry-leading equipment and solutions for the food industry. Their cutting-edge designs and lean manufacturing tactics are powered by deep knowledge, operator insights, and culinary expertise.

6. **Special Recognition: Medical Center of Trinity**
   Medical Center of Trinity represents three points of focus: wellness, prevention, and healing. MCT represents a unique geographic position in the community, located in the tri-county area of Pasco, Pinellas, and Hillsborough counties.

7. **Leadership Award: Dr. James P. Gills**
   A world-renowned ophthalmologist, Dr. James P. Gills, is a generous philanthropist, athlete, author, and man of faith. After years of persistence and dedication, his vision for a new community developed into what is now known as Trinity, Florida, in southwest Pasco County.
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Sarah Perez and Erika Cordoba, working under the direction of the Building Official, are available at City Hall to answer your questions regarding: code enforcement complaints, requests for property research, recording liens, organizing paperwork for demolitions, assisting the fire inspector and code enforcement officer, issuing building permits, and scheduling inspections, among other duties. Sarah Perez was born and raised in Dade City; she started with the City as an intern to complete her degree at Pasco Hernando Community College. After graduating from PHCC, she was offered a position with the City’s Water Department, where she worked from 2011-2012. In 2013 she was took a position with Safety Services as a Safety Services/Permit Technician. She then left the City in 2017 to be a stay-at-home mom. Sarah returned in 2018 to be the Safety Services/Permit Technician Coordinator. When not assisting builders, contractors, citizens and/or her co-workers, Sarah enjoys spending time with her family on outdoor adventures, participating in school and community functions and staying up late watching family movies with her two daughters.

Erika Cordoba was also born and raised in Dade City. She began working for the City in March of 2014 in the Water Department as a Customer Service Representative and eventually was promoted to Supervisor. In 2015, she transferred to the Community Development Department to work as the Development Review Technician, Deputy Clerk and the Assistant to the City Manager. In 2019, she transferred to the Building Department as the Safety Services/Permit Technician. Erika is a fast learner and can apply her customer service skills to any position in the City. In her spare time, she likes to relax with her family watching movies, playing board/card games, playing outside with her two children, and having ice cream nights with her sister.
San Antonio Citizens Federal Credit Union celebrates their NEW LOCATION!

San Antonio Citizens Federal Credit Union invited the public to a Grand Opening for their new Dade City location (38149 Sprocket Way) on Tuesday, August 13th. The Greater Dade City Chamber joined in with a Ribbon Cutting.

Tim Baldwin, President and Tammy Minton, VP & Dade City Area Manager of the new office held the scissors while Patty Sarne, Executive VP held the ribbon.

Free Parking!  
Admission: $5  
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Saint Leo University Welcomes Record-Setting Class of 2023

Move-in Day, Formal Convocation Ceremony Helps New Students Prepare for Academic Year

There were plenty of smiles on Thursday and Friday as Saint Leo University welcomed its largest class of incoming students. While it was sticky, hot, and rainy, students and their parents had much help in moving their belongings into their residence halls. As a vehicle would pull up, a swarm of students, faculty, staff, and alumni would pull items and haul them into the students’ rooms.

New Student Orientation included a Welcome to the Pride event to cheer on the more than 1,000 members of the Class of 2023 and introduce them to Saint Leo. Some of the university’s new international students paraded with the flags of their countries— the class comes from 60 countries around the world.

The university welcomed more than 800 new freshmen and 180 transfer students to the campus, north of Tampa in Pasco County. This represented a more than 45 percent increase over last year’s new student enrollment at Florida’s oldest Catholic university.

This year, Saint Leo held a formal convocation ceremony to welcome the students as scholars and stress the importance of academics. Faculty and administration processed in academic regalia. The new students received Saint Leo lapel pins from university leadership to symbolize their membership in the scholarly community. “You must be honest, fair, diligent, and dedicated,” said Dr. Mary Spoto, vice president of Academic Affairs.
**Community Set to Celebrate Monarch Butterflies**

Monarch Butterflies and family fun will be center stage at the Dade City Monarch Butterfly Festival on Saturday, October 12, 2019. The Festival will be held at Hibiscus Park from 10 am to 3 pm and is being presented by the Dade City Garden Club and the Dade City Youth Council.

Created as a celebration of our community’s commitment to becoming a Monarch City USA, the festival will feature environmental educators, informational booths, presentations, native plant sales, vendors and hands on activities for the kids! Visitors will be able to view live displays of butterflies, caterpillars, and chrysalis while learning about the life cycle of the butterfly. Mini-presentations and other informational exhibits will show how to choose host and nectar plants, keep butterflies healthy by avoiding pesticides in the garden, and how to maximize even small spaces to build a butterfly garden right in your own backyard.

The Dade City Garden Club is also offering opportunity drawings in conjunction with the celebration. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards underwriting the costs of the Dade City Monarch Butterfly Festival and the educational and environmental mission of the Dade City Garden Club’s Monarch Project. The Grand Prize of a custom-made Potting Bench as well as other unique prizes will be drawn at the event and winner need not be present to win.

The ongoing theme highlighted throughout the day is everyone can make a difference! Through our collective efforts, we can help all pollinators, improve our environment, and make Dade City a better place to live, play and work. For more information, visit www.dadecitygardenclub.com.

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**Aquaponics Training**  
**October 14 – 18, 2019**

You can grow your own fresh, unprocessed food in your own backyard! A training is being offered the week of October 14 to the 18th, 2019 at Holy Name Monastery in St. Leo, Florida. Visit our website for all the details:  

So many people are doing exactly that given how difficult it is to find in the grocery stores, food that is not heavily processed and grown with pesticides, hormones and chemical fertilizers. The classes are taught by Phil Reasons who is a renowned expert in the field. Aquaponics is the integration of animal and plant culture in an aquatic media. Water rich in nutrients from the fish flows to vegetable roots set on grow beds. The system can be simply for your family or more elaborate for selling.

Sister Miriam, aquaponics program director for the Benedictine Sisters of Florida’s system, began their system in 2014 raising tilapia fish and fresh vegetables. This is state-of-the-art farming is respectful of both the land and water using less than 3% of the water used by traditional farming methods.

Homegrown food gardening is something you can do! It is smarter, easier, and produces a much higher and nutrient rich yield. The one week workshop is from 9 am to 5 pm and includes course materials, room with private bath, meals, snacks and refreshments. The cost is $900 per person. Contact Sister Miriam at Holy Name Monastery:  [hnmsdevelopment@saintleo.edu](mailto:hnmsdevelopment@saintleo.edu);  (352) 588-8320 or (352) 588-8443 to learn more and register today!
Our Vision: “to be the best resource to support our members and attract new business”

Why Join?

Promotion of your business
~ Links on our website - the preferred conduit for business development and tourism in our area
~ Advertising Opportunities
~ Sponsorship Packages

Awareness of your brand
~ Multimedia program partnership
~ Event participation
~ FREE Ribbon Cuttings

Introduce your business to the community

Networking with your clients
~ Interaction with potential customers
~ Business Breakfasts
~ Chamber Ambassador Opportunities
~ Events and Committees

Receive a credit of $25.00 for each new member you refer!

Our Mission: “to promote economic growth and quality of life in the Greater Dade City area.”
We are walking through a very old building that was once a chicken coop. Inside this 501c(3) nonprofit organization, clients are enjoying painting, drawing, making puzzles, reading the news, and learning how to be safe around lightning. While their outer features may not be the ones we admire in magazines, their joyful spirits create an energy of happiness throughout the renovated class, rest, and resource rooms. Caring for Intellectually and Developmentally Disabled people is quite different from mental health care, but the two are commonly confused. (A strong NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) chapter in Hernando County works to provide help to those with psychiatric disorders.) “Intellectually and Developmentally Disabled people tend to be steady and stable,” Mark explains, “They have intellectual instead of psychiatric challenges.”

The Arc’s Neff Lake Campus is Beautiful... and Aged
The Neff Lake campus of The Arc Nature Coast is approximately 30-acres of heavily wooded, rolling countryside. It is a beautiful, peaceful place with paths, a playground, and plenty of history. “The owner of the property, a chicken farm from the 1950s, gave the entirety to The Arc Nature Coast nearly 50 years ago for the purpose of providing a stable location for local citizens with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to come for day care,” Nancy Stubbs, Development Director of the organization explains. “We want to provide a quality of life for our clients that allows them to contribute to society and feel valued, moving toward independence, as well as take care of their physical needs.”

Nancy continues, “These buildings were renovated by prison laborers in the 1970s.” It is obvious that the former chicken coop and farm buildings are reaching the end of their useful life, and she explains that there is a fundraising campaign underway to redesign this amazing piece of property to meet the area’s growing need for The Arc’s services. A dedicated team works tirelessly to improve life for their clients, which include over 200 daycare and full-time residents in more than 12 locations throughout Pasco and Hernando Counties. It is headed up by Mark, who is one of only two Executive Directors of the organization since its inception and has been with The Arc for 39 years.

Nancy has a brother, Gary, who is a client of the program. “Gary is the nicest, happiest person I know,” Nancy shares with me, “He enriches my life, as do all of our clients.”

Modern Buildings Ease Client Care
In 2014, new group residential homes were added to the Neff Lake Campus. These 100% accessible buildings provide a much-improved environment for The Arc’s residential clients. A portico is part of the design, providing shelter for wheelchairs exiting vehicles during rainstorms. There are no steps. The wide-open floor plan provides a communal living, dining and kitchen area where caregivers can interact with residents and counters are set at wheelchair height, allowing residents to help in the kitchen. Each modern residential home has six individual bedrooms, a laundry room, a nursing/supervisor station and a guest room (in case someone needs to stay at the last-minute), besides modern restrooms with roll-in showers and many accessibility features that ease the strain of care. “These features may not look like a big deal to most people, but when a resident needs help with bathing and toileting, these features make their lives better and their caregiver’s job much more manageable,” Mark explains, showing me the features of these custom designed homes by Palmwood Builders.
The name of the month of October comes from the Latin “octō”, meaning “eight”, because in the Roman calendar October was the eight month of the year. With the adding of January and February at the beginning of the calendar after the Julian calendar reform, October became the tenth month of the year, as we know it today.

- The Anglo-Saxons called October “Wintirfyllith”, meaning “fullness of winter” because it had the first full moon of the winter season.
- Another fun fact about October is that, according to folklore, if the deer have a gray coat in this month you should expect a hard winter.
- The holiday of Halloween, celebrated in October, comes from “All Hallows’ Eve” or the night before “All Hallows” day (“All Saints’ day) as in old English “hallow” means “to sanctify”.
- The zodiac signs for October are Libra (Sept 23 – Oct 22) and Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21).
- Famous people born in October include Angela Lansbury, Hillary Clinton, Bill Gates, Julia Roberts, Matt Damon, Kate Winslet, Hugh Jackman, Katy Perry, Alfred Nobel, Anne Rice, Arthur Miller, Auguste Lumière, Friedrich Nietzsche, Christopher Columbus, Johannes Vermeer, John Keets.
- The birthstones for October are the tourmaline and the opal. Tourmalines display a wide spectrum of colors, such as yellow, pink, blue, red, green, black or brown and they are believed to help you stay calm under pressure, bring peace and tranquility and defeat emotions like anger and jealousy. Opals exhibit different colors (green, white, yellow, blue, pink etc.) depending on the conditions under which they were created. Opal gemstones are believed to cure eye infections, strengthen memory, calm nerves and enhance creativity.
- The traditional flower of the month of October is the calendula, symbolizing comfort, healing, protection and grace.
- Special holidays in October include Halloween (October 31st), Columbus day (the second Monday of October), Yom Kippur, Diwali, International Peace Day (October 2nd)

Pumpkin Bread

Ingredients
1-2/3 cups all-purpose flour
1-1/2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
2 large eggs, room temperature
1 cup canned pumpkin
1/2 cup canola oil
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1/2 cup raisins, optional

Preheat oven to 350°. Combine first 8 ingredients. Whisk together eggs, pumpkin, oil and water; stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Fold in walnuts and, if desired, raisins. Pour into a greased 9x5-in. loaf pan. Bake until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, 65-70 minutes. Cool in pan 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack.
Saint Leo University Ranked as Best Value in South for 2020 by U.S. News
Earns Top Rankings in Best Regional University, Best for Veterans, Campus Ethnic Diversity

Saint Leo University (www.saintleo.edu) was ranked as one of the best regional universities and best values in higher education in the South in 2020 U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges rankings, which was released September 9.

Among regional universities in the South, Saint Leo ranked 25th, up from its 47th place ranking last year. Saint Leo made another impressive jump, moving up to fifth place from 14th last year among Best Value Schools in the South.

The university also bested last year’s ranking and was named a Best for Veterans School among southern regional universities and tied for No. 14 with Christian Brothers University (TN). Last year’s rank was 31st.

Saint Leo’s diversity was noted by U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges, as the university ranked fourth for international students and seventh for campus ethnic diversity among regional universities in the South.

In a new category this year, Saint Leo was named to the Top Performers on Social Mobility in Southern Regional Universities list, tying for No. 10 with Columbia College (SC).

Those schools included in the regional universities category offer a full range of undergraduate programs and offer graduate programs at the master’s level, according to U.S. News; although, they offer few if any doctoral programs. Saint Leo offers four doctoral degrees including the Doctor of Business Administration, Doctor of Criminal Justice-Education; Doctor of Criminal Justice-Homeland Security, and Doctor of Education-School Leadership.

“Having our university recognized as one of the best in the South and one of the best values in the South reflects our commitment to fostering a student-centered community and providing an outstanding private-university education that is affordable,” said Dr. Jeffrey D. Senese, university president. “We are proud of our students and of our world-class faculty and staff who provide those students with an excellent educational experience. We are extremely proud of our outreach to students of all races, cultures, religions, and creeds. And we remain committed to our military and student-veterans.”

The U.S. News Best Colleges rankings, now in their 35th year, help students who plan to pursue a bachelor’s degree, select a university. This year’s rankings considered several factors including: graduation and retention rates; social mobility; faculty resources, which takes into account class size and faculty salary; peer assessment by other universities; financial resources; student excellence, which includes performance on standardized tests and high school class standing; and alumni giving.

The social mobility category, in which Saint Leo was named as one of the top performers among regional universities in the South, measures how well schools graduated students who received federal Pell Grants (those typically coming from households whose family incomes are less than $50,000 annually, though most Pell Grant money goes to students with a total family income below $20,000).

With its fourth place ranking for ethnic diversity, Saint Leo officials hope college-bound students who believe studying with people of different racial and ethnic backgrounds is important will want to consider the university when selecting a school.

Schools named as Best for Veterans participate in federal initiatives helping veterans and active-duty service members pay for their degrees. The university has a proud history of educating veterans and military students.

“We are gratified to receive national recognition for our university, its programs, and our efforts to attract excellent students,” said Senese, the Saint Leo president.

For information on 2020 Best Colleges, go to https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges.
https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges/rankings/regional-universities-south

SAINT LEO BY THE NUMBERS
Best Regional University in South: Ranked No. 25; last year’s rank was No. 47
Best Value Schools in South: Ranked No. 5; last year’s rank was No. 14
Best Colleges for Veterans – Regional Universities – South: Ranked No. 14; last year’s rank was No. 31
Campus Ethnic Diversity – Regional Universities – South: Ranked No. 7
Most International Students – Regional Universities – South: No. 4
Top Performers on Social Mobility – Regional Universities – South: Ranked No. 10
Your Election Communication Tool!

Our website, www.pascovotes.com, is an invaluable tool for the voters of Pasco County. Voters play an important role in the success of elections by being prepared and informed, and pascovotes.com provides a way for us to partner with you to create smooth, transparent and trouble-free elections. From the very basics such as our office locations, our informational Voter’s Guide and Guide to Government Officials, and answers to your FAQ, to registration statistics, candidate information and election night results, pascovotes.com provides a vital communication link to Pasco voters.

One of the most important things you as a voter can do is to proactively maintain your voter registration. Ensuring your registration is in good standing in advance of election day by keeping a current address on file, knowing your voting options and polling place locations, and reviewing your sample ballot are all things you can do online. Whether you are registering for the first time or updating the address on your current registration, the form is available through our website. Just enter your address in the Precinct Finder to find out where to vote on election day and to access a sample ballot.

If you prefer to vote by mail, it's simple to order a vote-by-mail ballot on pascovotes.com. Once your request is entered into the system, you will have the ability to track the delivery of your ballot to both your address and back to our office with the option of receiving text or e-mail messages. If you prefer to vote early, check pascovotes.com for countywide voting locations as well as estimated wait times at each location during early voting hours.

On our website, you can learn about being an election day pollworker, access links to our social media pages, YouTube channel, media newsroom, and other county offices and sites of interest, and teachers can request education programs or school elections. Want to learn more about being a candidate? Check pascovotes.com for more information.

Being a prepared and informed voter is a key component to the success of elections, and I can’t encourage you enough to be a part of the American voting experience. My staff and I promise to put our best effort forward in the upcoming 2020 election cycle. You can be part of the success by starting your preparation now, and let us know if there is anything we can do for you!

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GRAIN BOWLS

This fall we will celebrate the introduction of a brand new category, Grain Bowls! Grain Bowls bridge the space between salads and sandwiches and are designed as a more substantial meal alternative than a salad-yet “better for you” alternate to a traditional sandwich. Two Grain Bowls, Baja and Mediterranean, served with or without chicken provide a protein version and a plant forward version. So, come on in Thursday September 12th to try one of or new grain bowls, you won’t be disappointed.

**Got an Event coming soon? Or maybe you just want to feed your staff. Give our Catering Coordinator Lorenzo Lopez a call. He will take care of all your catering needs so you don’t have to stress. Go ahead, pick up your phone and dial our café number 813-780-8483, and get your catering order started with him.**

7242 Gall Boulevard, Zephyrhills, Florida 33542
September Chamber Business Breakfast

The Greater Dade City Chamber Commerce recently held our “Chamber Business Breakfast” at Scotland Yards Golf and County Club, sponsored by San Antonio Citizens Federal Credit Union. A packed house listened as Dan Biles, Pasco County Administrator outlined the numerous growth opportunities and the improvements the County has made in service and responsiveness in light of Pasco’s expansion.

Tim Baldwin, CEO & President of the Credit Union, and his team of dedicated employees talked about the services and products the Credit Union offers, as well as the exciting news of the opening of the new branch in Dade City on Highway 301 and Clinton Avenue.

Pictured in Photo One, (l-r) are Dan Biles, Chamber Director John Moors and Tim Baldwin.

*Photos by Richard Riley*

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Dade City Heritage Museum announces its annual fundraising Masquerade Ball

*Friday October 11th 7:30-10:30 pm*

It seems in today’s modern age; the masquerade ball has slipped into something of a novelty. Every now and again, it’s nice to swap the sweatpants and boxed wine for a bit of decadence and luxury. Throwing a majestic and mysterious Masquerade Ball becoming anonymous and at the same time, wearing richly decorated costumes can add spice to the affair enjoying an evening of merriment.

The Masquerade ball became popular in 18th Century England after John James Heidegger brought costumes from Venetian balls to public dances in the gardens across London.

Heidegger set about transforming the occasion for “The Man of Taste”. The influence of the masquerade ball, particularly in colonial America, the pomp of the glamorous dances saw masquerade ball parties grace some of the finest halls in the world.

Tickets can be purchased by sending a check to the Dade City heritage museum or picking them up at the museum in person.

*Tickets on Sale Now: $25.00 per person or $40.00 per couple*

This is an all adult affair. Prize for the best costume, silent auction and raffle

More information can be seen on our website or by calling 352 424 5778

[https://dadecityheritagemuseum.org/masquerade-ball.html](https://dadecityheritagemuseum.org/masquerade-ball.html)
Member Testimonials

We have been a member of the Greater Dade City Chamber for many years. We believe that it is just good business to work alongside our community neighbors. The chamber represents the areas of Dade City and San Antonio, where two of our four offices are located and provide banking services. The chamber's events have continually grown and become staples for our community. We try to be involved with as many as we can. They are a wealth of information, sharing new developments via email blasts and at the monthly business breakfasts. They do a great job of representing our community to others, we are proud of this local partnership.  

San Antonio Citizens Federal Credit Union

When I was the director of several drug and alcohol rehab centers I wish I knew the powerful networking opportunities available within a Chamber of Commerce. Like in all businesses, marketing was costly and took up a large part of my time in order to keep our services visible in our community and in front of our referral sources such as health professionals, clinics, hospitals and employers, etc. I wish I knew then what I known now, that all those sources can be found in one place and that place is the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce.  

Frank Notarianni, Dade City, Florida

John, I just wanted to thank you and the Dade City Chamber for the leadership displayed over the last couple of weeks. With the announcement that Dade City Main Street was shutting down, there was a lot of ‘uneasiness’ among the retail merchants. But you stepped up immediately to reassure us all that the Chamber was more than willing to help with any gaps that might exist after the shut down. As a member for the last 16 years I am not surprised that this show of leadership was swift and immediate. The Dade City Chamber of Commerce is the arm that reaches out for all the small businesses that are unable to do this alone. The business climate in Dade City today is strong and vibrant and I believe the major contributor for this success is the Dade City Chamber. Again, thanks for all you do.  

Jim Hendry, A Matter of Taste

“The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce has been instrumental in the success of our business. John, Jo Mel and all the volunteers at the Chamber are always willing to help and guide my business. If they do not have an answer to your question, they will tirelessly to get an answer and a contact for you. Thank you to entire team, you are great!”  

Deatrice Blossom, D & R Specialty Hot Dogs

San Antonio Antiques applauds the Dade City chamber of Commerce for its year-round promotion of local businesses and community events that have positive impact on small business owners like myself. I appreciate all the networking and marketing opportunities available to Chamber Members.  

John Herrmann, Proprietor, San Antonio Antiques

Jarrett Ford has been a proud member of the Dade City Chamber of Commerce since we opened in February of 1978 which is over 40 years ago. The Chamber is an integral component in our community and touches so many people and businesses. If you want to succeed in a community you have to be part of the community and the Chamber is a great place to begin.  

Cliff Martin, Jarrett Ford

I became employed in the Dade City area at Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club in Feb. of 2014. Moving here from Western Colorado I had no connection with the community or the surrounding area. In the spring of 2015 I joined the chamber’s golf committee for the Dade City Chamber’s annual Joe Kiefer Golf Tournament held at Lake Jovita. That opened the door for me to get involved and meet many of the local business leaders. Since that first year, my career has moved me from the Golf Pro Staff into the General Manager Position overseeing 100+ employees, maintaining 500+ acres, and a full service restaurant at Lake Jovita G&CC and the connect with the community and area businesses has been crucial to the success myself and Lake Jovita is experiencing. The Chamber was the gateway to those relationships and the business to business workings that help every aspect of Lake Jovita G&CC.  

Michael Johnson, Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club
Brown & Brown Insurance of FL- Brooksville would like to thank the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce for welcoming us into the community with open arms. We have been in Brooksville for over 20 years and becoming a part of the neighboring community as well as getting to know the community has been enjoyable with the help of the team at the Greater Dade City Chamber. Even though we have only been a part of the Chamber for about 6 months we feel as if we have been with them for years. The team at the chamber is very welcoming and accommodating to our questions and needs. We look forward to working with the chamber and the local community in the future.  

Brown & Brown of Florida, Inc.

John, thank you for working with us on the 2016 Annual Kumquat Festival! Trusted Senior Care’s “Westbrooke Manor” believes being part of the Annual Kumquat Festival® is critical to successfully doing business in East Pasco. You and your team are doing superior work!  

Hunter Anstine, Chief Development Officer  Trusted Senior Care, Inc.

We are so excited to welcome our new members The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce! At the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce their mission is to promote economic growth & quality of life in the Greater Dade City area. The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce has been operating as a successful trade association organization for over 50 years and now represents over 430 business, associations, non-profits and individuals throughout Pasco County. Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce, we are so thankful for your support! For more information about this great organization please feel free to visit http://www.dadecitychamber.org/index.cfm.  

The Thomas Promise

There are two words that I cannot say enough and those two words are “Thank You”. I hope the three of you truly know how much you helped me in “2016” AND “2017” has already started off with a bang! If it were not for your support and friendship I would not have been able to help make all the “Littles” dreams come true by helping find them a “Big Brother” or “Big Sister” in Pasco County – You never know who has made the decision to make a difference in someone’s life and by your mere act of kindness that you have shared with me time and time again by sharing our mission and event dates you definitely had a direct impact on the success of my efforts. Just think - What if every child reached their potential? What if every child stayed in school? What if every child gave back to the community? What if every child was sent on the right path? Our mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. Just a little bit of time can make a BIG difference. Once again, “Thank you” Jo, Mel & John for all you do to help make Pasco County such a special place to live and share our lives. Deb Kristol-Irwin, Director of Partnership Development Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tampa Bay

“The East Pasco Democratic Club has utilized the services of several of our fellow Chamber members for items we needed - from t-shirts to a vinyl sign - and found the services great and the quality of the items ordered top-notch. We look at the directory first to see if we can find what we need from our fellow Chamber members. Our goal is to shop Dade City first! and to support the Greater Dade City Chamber.” Beverly Ledbetter, East Pasco Democratic Club

“I have been very pleased with the effective communication and outreach efforts of the Greater Dade City Chamber. As the president of Galen College of Nursing for the Tampa Bay region, I find the meetings and events helpful as I navigate the business climate in our numerous surrounding counties that my college serves. Thanks for all you do!” Rob Wolf, President Galen College of Nursing, Tampa Bay Region Saint Petersburg FL
Member Testimonials Continued.

“Thank you for hosting the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce Breakfast! I saw some people that needed to contact me later that day and some new folks that I will be collaborating with later this Fall. Thank you for providing this forum to allow such great networking opportunities!”  

Ahmy S. Arca, Student Life & Leadership  Pasco-Hernando State College East Campus

Thank you so much John, Mel and Jo for the many years you have worked with the Dade City Garden Club to market and sell our Historic Dade City Ornaments. In 1994 when we produced our first ornament, the Pasco County Courthouse, the Chamber was there to help us. You have continued over the years to sell our ornaments and you have many loyal customers that would only buy their annual ornament at the Chamber. It is the Garden Clubs main yearly fund raiser and your efforts are critical to our success. We are a non-profit organization and all the money is used to maintain our historic building and grounds. It is not an easy job for you and we appreciate your dedication and continued support all these years.

Members of the Dade City Garden Club

"If you are serious about business, get serious about joining the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce. The place where serious business owners discuss serious business with other serious business owners. Time to get serious.”  

Steven D. Hickman, President & CEO First National Bank of Pasco

Being 13 year member/supporter of our Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce I have gained countless relationships with those in my community. Visibility is key in establishing community connections while promoting your business. The networking opportunities are endless through the Chamber, and there's no better way to promote your business because it’s “free marketing” and people do business with people they know. Our Greater Dade City Chamber offers many programs and events throughout the year as a way to give back to the community and business owners who supports the Chamber. Joining The Chamber is great. A business receives many benefits visibly and behind the scenes. However, joining only gets you so far. Participating is the true key to receiving the benefits of chamber membership. Being a member of the Chamber only works for you if you participate in what the Chamber has to offer to help you succeed in business and community connectivity. To sum it up, our Greater Dade City Chamber is the very “Best” when it comes to promoting, representing and supporting our community and its local businesses.

Bonnie Krummen, CenterState Bank VP/Branch Manager  - Dade City office

Jarrett Ford has been a proud sponsor of the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce's Annual Kumquat Festival since it’s inception 22 years ago in 1998. It fills our city’s streets with many visitors and many potential future patrons to our community. They see how unique we are here in east Pasco County with our eclectic community of restaurants and shops and friendly people. We're looking forward to another exciting year with another successful festival.

Cliff Martin, Vice President / General Manager Jarrett Ford, Inc.

We appreciate your testimonials and kind words, thank you!  
If you would like to submit a testimonial please email to:  
juber@dadecitychamber.org
A great way to package all of your advertising, and partnering sponsorships for the Chamber together.

Want more information, please call Melody Floyd at 352-567-3769
Join us for a delicious breakfast, networking and an informative presentation from Jason Newmyer, Vice President and Administrator at AdventHealth Dade City and AdventHealth Zephyrhills.

Where: AdventHealth Dade City, Classrooms 107 and 108
13100 Fort King Road, Dade City, FL 33525
RSVP: Jo Uber at juber@dadecitychamber.org

$10 for members and $15 for non-members.
Redefining Mammograms

Our Simpson Breast Health Center puts you in control of your mammogram with the game-changing Senographe Pristina. You’ll find out more about Dueta, the first patient-assisted remote compression device that allows you to control the amount of pressure that’s applied during your mammogram. You’ll also learn how Contrast Enhanced Spectral Mammography is providing quicker answers to inconclusive mammography and saving lives. Alexa Stinnette, Center Manager, will be joined by a special guest speaker.

Tuesday, October 1, Noon to 1 pm
AdventHealth Zephyrhills, Cypress Room
7050 Gall Blvd., Zephyrhills

Reservations required. Call 877-534-3108.

Caring for Lymphedema

If you have lymphedema, managing this chronic condition soon after diagnosis can lessen the severity of your symptoms. Zulma Vicens is accustomed to treating all stages of lymphedema as an AdventHealth Zephyrhills Occupational Therapist. Zulma will talk about how she treats lymphedema and steps you can take to decrease swelling. A light dinner will be provided.

Thursday, October 10, 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm
AdventHealth Zephyrhills
American & Maple Rooms
7050 Gall Blvd., Zephyrhills

Reservations required. Call 877-534-3108.

Mammograms with Munchies and Massages

Schedule your mammogram on one of these two evenings and enjoy a complimentary chair massage, hors d’oeuvres, desserts and prize drawings. Or, just stop by for education and fun! Our gift boutique will be open, too. Walk-in’s for mammograms are welcome, but please bring your prescription.

Thursday, October 3 and Tuesday, October 15
5 pm to 7 pm
AdventHealth Zephyrhills
Simpson Breast Health Center
(south side of hospital)
7050 Gall Blvd., Zephyrhills

Call 813-779-6278 to schedule your mammogram.

A Breast Cancer Tribute

Join us in the Simpson Breast Health Center for a special tribute to breast cancer survivors and those we’d like to remember. You’ll write something on one or more luminaries that will remain in the Center throughout October. The tribute will be led by one of our AdventHealth female Chaplains. Families and children of all ages are welcome. Light refreshments provided.

Thursday, October 10, 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm
AdventHealth Zephyrhills
Simpson Breast Health Center
7050 Gall Blvd., Zephyrhills

No reservations required.
Don’t Take Your Muscles for Granted
Your muscles make up about 40 percent of your body. The less you use them, the weaker they become. This can lead to falls and other problems. Mike Robles is a Muscle Activation Therapist who will share an alternative method for strengthening your muscular system and improving balance.
Wednesday, October 2, 1 pm to 2 pm
Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.

Diabetes Support Group
Tobin John, MD, is Board Certified in Family Medicine with AdventHealth Medical Group Primary Care in Zephyrhills. He’ll give an insightful presentation on “Everything You Need to Know About Diabetes” and then open it up to questions. This support group is for anyone who is affected by diabetes.
Wednesday, October 2, 3 pm to 4 pm
Reservations required. Call 813-715-6683.

Grief Support Group
Grief is personal and everyone copes differently. Our AdventHealth Chaplains have created a safe space where you can deal freely with your loss. Their goal is to help you move to a more positive place emotionally and spiritually and feel whole.
Thursday, October 3, 3 pm to 4 pm
No reservations required.

Free Spin Class
Get back to riding a bike with our beginner SPIN class! Christina, your instructor, will make you feel at ease. You’ll learn the basics about how to operate your bike and cycling fundamentals. Then, we’ll take a spin to some music! Space is limited to 10 guests per class.
Friday, October 4 and October 18
4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.

Stroke Lifestyle Group
If you’re a stroke survivor or have had a TIA, you may be experiencing challenges. You’ll find emotional and moral support through one another, and learn coping skills that will empower you. This group is facilitated by our Stroke Educator.
Monday, October 7, 11 am to Noon
No reservations required.

Reverse Chronic Disease and Inflammation
Chronic disease can greatly impact the quality of your life. Inflammation is a root cause of several conditions and starts in the gut. Lux Chandrasekar, MD, will discuss how lifestyle medicine and a plant-based diet can heal and reverse inflammation.
Tuesday, October 8, 11 am to Noon
Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.

MOST CLASSES ARE FREE and all take place at the AdventHealth Wellness Center Zephyrhills.

Register by calling the number listed or visit the News/Events page at AHZephyrhills.com.
**Help for Headaches and Migraines**
Do headaches or migraines frequently interrupt your plans and have you feeling miserable? Chris Schriver is a Chiropractor who will explain some of the root causes of headaches and migraines and how you can avoid their triggers.
**Wednesday, October 9, 11 am to Noon**
**Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.**

**Art Therapy with Junior Polo**
Award-winning local artist Junior Polo is back by popular demand! Bring your creativity and leave your stress at the door. You’ll have a blast creating an acrylic masterpiece to take home and enjoy. All materials provided.
Cost: $15 per person. Please be prepared to pay with cash, check or credit card upon arrival.
**Monday, October 14, 10 am to Noon**
**Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.**

**Is God Listening?**
Do you ever feel like you’re walking through one of life’s valleys and God isn’t listening to your prayers? Doug Higgins, M.Div., Senior Chaplain for AdventHealth Zephyrhills, will address this topic and answer questions.
**Wednesday October 16, 11 am to Noon**
**Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.**

**IQuit Tobacco Cessation Program**
If you want to give up any kind of nicotine, this class is for you. A representative from the Area Health Education Center will provide the education and aids you need to start feeling whole. You’ll set a quit date, learn how to use nicotine replacement therapies correctly, and get insight on how to fight nicotine urges.
**Wednesday, October 23, 1 pm to 3 pm**
**Reservations required. Call 813-929-1000.**

**Stretches for Seniors**
If you’d like to learn easy stretches that will improve balance and flexibility, join us for this special class led by Michelle Mack, Yoga Instructor. Please wear loose, comfortable clothing.
**Wednesday, October 23**
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm
**Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.**

**Combat Aging with Cognitive Training**
Aging is a gift. AdventHealth Zephyrhills, in partnership with the University of South Florida’s Preventing Alzheimer’s with Cognitive Training, is offering this class to teach you about the body’s natural aging process, including hearing loss, and ways to slow your aging timeclock with a technique called cognitive training.
**Thursday, October 24, 2 pm to 3 pm**
**Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.**

**Cooking Demo; The Essence of Fall**
Will the ingredients include apples, pears, acorn squash, pumpkin or something else? Myriam Parham, RD, CDE, and Veena Batra, RD, have an autumn surprise for you that’s healthy and delicious. They’ll show you how to prepare a wonderful recipe and, of course, you’ll get to sample it.
**Wednesday, October 30**
12:30 pm to 1:30 pm
**Reservations required. Call 813-779-6476.**
About Mary Jane …

• I’m an Advertising Executive with the Tampa Bay Times since May 2008.

• I am a member of The Dade City and Zephyrhills Chambers of Commerce.

• I have lived in Pasco County for over 20 years.

• I’ve been happily married to my husband William for 18 years.

• I love to play golf, go on cruises and cuddle with our adorable Australian shepherd, Cooper.

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Here’s what we’re offering:

- The flu vaccine for anyone six months and older.

- The first of two Hepatitis A immunizations for those 19 and older. You’ll need to go to the nearest Pasco County Department of Health six months later, in April 2020, to get your second and last Hepatitis A immunization. This second shot will also be free.

Choose from:

**Thursday, October 24**
Noon to 5 pm
East Pasco Seventh-day Adventist Church
7333 Dairy Road, Zephyrhills

**Saturday, October 26**
8 am to Noon
Dade City Senior Center
13853 15th Street, Dade City

**or**

No reservations will be taken.
Immunizations will be provided on a first come, first serve basis.
No insurance required.

AdventHealth thanks the Pasco County Department of Health. We also appreciate the East Pasco Seventh-day Adventist Church and Dade City Senior Center for donating space for these important health events.