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## Class is Now in Session

Approximately seventy students will have the opportunity to begin their medical academic studies this fall at either of two prestigious Florida university satellites, located right here in Palm Coast. Town Center has become the epicenter of a medical ecosystem where aspiring students will have access to a pipeline from a quality education to high paying positions in their preferred medical fields. Programs will parallel education with a workforce that encourages our most ambitious instructors and determined youths to settle down in Palm Coast.

Join your Palm Coast City staff in welcoming the following schools to town:



# JACKSONVILLE UNIVERSITY

Our partnership with **Jacksonville University** captures the creativity and innovation that Palm Coast has consistently reinforced in a vision to develop Town Center. JU's first ever expansion outside of Jacksonville will open in August, bringing 50 top quality graduates who are looking to meet the future healthcare needs of our growing, aging population.

Dr. Judith Wingate will oversee the Speech Language Pathology curriculum and Dr. Whitney George will lead Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Five new faculty members have been hired, with plans to employ several more next year. Future programs are expected to include a Bachelor of Nursing for current Registered Nurses, and a Nursing Master's program with specialized tracks in areas such as leadership, health quality & safety, and clinical education. Classes will be held in City Centre in Central Park.



MedNexus, developed as a healthcare partnership with the University of North Florida, Flagler County Schools, Daytona State College and AdventHealth, will be the first university-based medical hub in our nation, regionally centralized in Palm Coast.

Program Director, Dr. Miriam Griffin, tells us their **UNF Brooks College of Health**, School of Nursing plans to open a traditional pre-licensure Bachelor of Nursing program here this fall. Their intent is to admit 21 students to study Health Assessment and the Fundamentals of Nursing and Pharmacology.

Final selections for faculty and adjunct faculty from AdventHealth, for student clinical rotations, are currently being established and 'Smart' classrooms, faculty offices, skills lab and student lounge are being configured at City Centre in Town Center.



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## Getting to Know Denise Bevan, Interim City Manager

When the Palm Coast City Council was looking for a unifying, knowledgeable candidate to provide our City with continuity and stability before hiring a permanent City Manager, they unanimously chose Denise as Interim City Manager. They believed with good reason that she was solidly qualified to temporarily lead our City to our next step forward.

Denise has continually demonstrated her experience and trustworthiness as she's grown through the ranks of City departments. For the past fourteen years, she has focused on advancing programs and processes that have influenced life for residents of Palm Coast. Additionally, her humility and stellar reputation among her fellow staff is unifying the organization while our community transitions to new leadership.

Born into a US Army family in Alabama, Denise focused on ecology, earning a Bachelor of Science degree from Jacksonville State University. She worked for an environmental consulting firm in St. Augustine and eventually chose Palm Coast as her future, recognizing our blend of nature and thoughtful growth as the ideal place to perform her life's work.

Since 2007, Denise has served Palm Coast as a Senior Environmental Planner working to enhance our natural resources; Floodplain Administrator expediting our floodplain rating to reduce flood insurance premiums; City Administration Coordinator directing our Strategic Action Plan process to implement Council goals and align them with the budget planning; Chief of Staff for Infrastructure, serving as a liaison between department development plans and the City Manager.

Denise has been recognized regionally, successfully completing the Regional Leadership Academy with the Northeast Florida Regional Council and serving on the Regional Community Institute Board. She is also a contributor to the Northeast Florida COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan. Under her leadership, Palm Coast has received several regional awards relating to our emphasis on the environment and our excellence in resilience for our floodplain and stormwater management.



The softer side of Denise Bevan is often her finest side. City staff will tell you how pleased they are that such a humble, respected colleague is leading our organization. Denise is their assistant in development, collaborator in cooperation and partner in sustaining the wonderful quality of life we've all come to enjoy.

"I'd like residents to know that I'm simply their neighbor here in Palm Coast," Denise says. "I live here and much like all of you, I love our trails and our beautiful amenities and my favorite thing to do is to enjoy the outdoors with my dog, Alee, and all my friends. I'm honored to be able to help take us to our next phase."

# Remembering Our Icon City Engineer

The City of Palm Coast is a drier, safer and kinder place thanks to former City Engineer John Moden. This soft-spoken, enormously gifted gentleman who played a major role in developing and maintaining our stormwater infrastructure passed away in June. John leaves a legacy of dedication to helping develop our man-made waterway system to remain a sound and strong system for generations.

John moved to Flagler County in 1977 from Dowagiac, Michigan to work in the Engineering Department for ITT Corporation and he subsequently served in the regulatory section of the Army Corp of Engineers and managed the Palm Coast Community Service Corporation. In 2005, the corporation was dissolved and John retained his role overseeing Palm Coast's infrastructure. He became the City's Engineering and Stormwater Department Director helping to design, survey, maintain and rehabilitate Palm Coast's entire drainage system. This included hundreds of projects for front-yard swales, inter-connecting drainage ditches and pipes, freshwater and saltwater canals and valley gutters. He also served as a knowledgeable mentor and advisor to dozens of stormwater employees during his tenure.

John once told a reporter, "You're supposed to emulate nature when you build something. That's the trick with engineering." Palm Coast was the perfect place for John to emulate nature, employing his professionalism, knowledge and leadership. City staff and residents will be forever grateful.

At this time, the City of Palm Coast humbly pays their respects to John's wife, Patsy, and sons Curtis and Luke.



# CITY DESK

NEWS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

**Hurricane Evacuation Zones:** The best way to be prepared for hurricane storm surge evacuation orders is to know your evacuation zone and plan your destination and travel routes ahead of time. Zones are displayed near stop signs in your neighborhood. Keep in mind that not every address in Palm Coast has an evacuation zone. **Also, the Palm Coast "section" you live in is NOT your evacuation zone (i.e. the "B" section is NOT evacuation zone B). To find your evacuation zone, visit: [www.palmcoastgov.com/emergency/evacuation-zones](http://www.palmcoastgov.com/emergency/evacuation-zones)**

**Register for ALERTPalmCoast for Emergencies:** ALERTPalmCoast is a no-cost service that provides Palm Coast residents a variety of emergency notifications – and serves you well in severe weather emergencies. You can customize your notifications and choose delivery methods, including phone calls, email, SMS/Text messages, through a downloadable app. **Sign up today for ALERTPalmCoast's service at: [www.palmcoastgov.com/emergency/alert-palm-coast](http://www.palmcoastgov.com/emergency/alert-palm-coast)**

**About Upcoming Special Events:**

**Our Fall Senior Games:** The Palm Coast & the Flagler Beaches Senior Games is a qualifying event for the Florida Senior Games. Men and women, ages 50+, can enjoy social and competitive fun, no matter what their skill level. The events schedule is:

- Sept 10: Archery
- Sept 10-12: Tennis singles, doubles, and mixed doubles
- Sept. 13: Ballroom Dancing (\*non-sanctioned)
- Sept. 16: Golf (18 hole game)
- Sept. 17-19: Pickleball singles, doubles, and mixed doubles
- TBD: Billiards – an exciting new addition to the Senior Games.

Go to [www.palmcoastgov.com/events/senior-games](http://www.palmcoastgov.com/events/senior-games) for more information.

**Annual Intracoastal Waterway Cleanup –** Volunteers can protect and enjoy nature by cleaning up the City walkways and waterways. This Cleanup is supported by a \$5,000 Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) grant. Pre-registration includes a t-shirt, bag, water bottle, and clean-up supplies. Supplies can be picked up at the Community Center Aug. 30-Sept. 3. We'll meet at the Community Center on Sept. 4 for Cleanup Day. Minors need to be accompanied by an adult. Join us after the cleanup for a fun awards ceremony where we'll see what everyone found!

For more information, visit: [www.palmcoastgov.com/icwc](http://www.palmcoastgov.com/icwc).

**Fallen Heroes 9/11 Memorial Service –** Sat., Sept. 11, 8am at Heroes Memorial Park. Pay tribute to the men and women who lost their lives in the worst terrorist attack ever committed on American soil.

**About Temporary Modification of Water Disinfection Treatment Procedures:** In order to maintain reliability of our water distribution system, the City of Palm Coast Utility Department will temporarily change the disinfection process for our potable (drinking water) supply. From Aug. 4-24, we will disinfect the water with free chlorine rather than combined chlorine/ammonia (chloramines). This helps to ensure the quality of the drinking water in the distribution system. During this period, customers may experience a slight increase in the taste and odor of chlorine. Customers on dialysis who use a proportioning machine to prepare dialysate are advised to contact their physician to obtain the appropriate steps to accommodate the change in water disinfection. Customers who have fish tanks or aquatic species are advised to contact a professional aquarist to avoid any problems associated with chlorine. Call Customer Service at 386-986-2360, with any questions.

Visit [www.palmcoastgov.com](http://www.palmcoastgov.com) for more information



# New Markers Will Improve Safety and Emergency Access on our Trails



When you have some of the most beautiful trails in all of North Florida, making them safer adds to their value for quality of life. New safety markers will be installed this fall along Palm Coast's stunning trail system. Our popular St. Joe's Walkway will be the model trail where special markers will be placed every 3/4 mile, along with access locators.

The markers and locators will be entered into the Flagler County Sheriff's GPS coordinated database so that emergency responders will be able to determine exactly where on a trail they are needed and how best to access the location.

The St. Joe Walkway will eventually have eight blue signs, coded with the name of the trail and its coordinate. Markers will extend from the Palm Coast Community Center trail head to the Hammock Bridge. Subsequent City trails will be identified with different colors and codes.

If you're hiking or biking through Palm Coast's magnificent trails, you can feel very secure knowing that if you need help for any reason, responders can find you in an instant, thanks to our new trail markers. Happy Trails to you!



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Become a Volunteer in your community.  
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