



CITY MANAGER'S

# Sunshine

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32<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL BOGGY BAYOU MULLET FESTIVAL

This year's Boggy Bayou Mullet Festival promises a great time for the entire family, with entertainment, the highest quality fine art and home hand-crafts, and a staggering array of food concessions. Lots of hungry mullet fans will consume this humble fish that has played such an important role in both the local economy and in the general nutrition of our culture.

This celebration of food and fun will take place on the weekend of **October 17-19**.

**Jason Aldean** will be delighting the crowd at this year's festival on Saturday night. Also performing on Saturday night will be **SweetWater Jade**, hailing from Mississippi; and **Na Na Sha**, a show and dance band.

Performing on Friday night will be **Rodney Atkins**, and local favorite **The BluesCrabs**.

Niceville's own **Jeff Fiorello** will take the stage Friday and Saturday night.

Several local church groups will perform Sunday afternoon. Also performing Sunday afternoon will be **The Springs**, a teenage band from Enterprise, Alabama.

Closing out the festival will be **Sara Evans**.

For detailed information on entertainers and other activities, visit our website at [www.cityofniceville.org](http://www.cityofniceville.org) and link to the Mullet Festival.

Not to be missed on the Children's Stage will be an array of clown shows, magic shows, and cartoon characters, which will particularly delight the younger set over the three-day festival.

The Mullet Festival is held at the intersection of Highway 85 North and College Boulevard.

City Council meets the  
second Tuesday of  
every month

Planning Commission  
meets the first Mon-  
day of every month

Halloween will be observed from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 31, in Niceville. Parents should accompany small children and every group should have at least one flashlight. Motorists are reminded to use extreme caution when traveling our streets during this event. The time period mentioned above is the recommended time. However, common sense should always be the underlying factor in deciding when and how long to go Trick or Treating. Have a safe Halloween!

## From the Police Department...

During the month of August the Police Department responded to 1826 calls for police assistance. A total of 85 vehicles were involved in reported crashes. The estimated amount of damage to these vehicles and related property was \$251,520. A total of 265 Traffic Citations were issued, 35 Misdemeanor, 15 Felony and 5 DUI Arrests were made.

## Children's Park

Phone: 642-3535 Park Manager – Jane Edge: 642-7457

### *New Park Hours:*

Wednesday - Saturday: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday: 1:00pm to 5:00pm

The Children's Park is now **closed on Mondays and Tuesdays** for maintenance each week.

Just a reminder that the Park hours have changed and we are now open 9am - 5pm, Wed. through Sat., and Sun. 1pm - 5pm. The Spray Park is now closed until May, but please watch for programs and events throughout the year.

There is now a \$50 fee for booking parties in the Park! To book a party or for questions about our services or hours, please call Jane at 642-7457. We would love to help with your party needs!

Park and Library Youth Services calendars will be available online for your convenience at <http://www.cityofniceville.org/docscal/nvcval.pdf> or you can pick one up at the Park or in the Library.

### Memory Bricks

- ❖ Standard 4" x 8" size for individuals and/or families at \$45 each;
- ❖ Businesses, teams and organizations at \$55 each;
- ❖ Large 8" x 16" size bricks are available for \$180 each.

## Turkey Creek Park

A reminder for those senior citizens and handicap individuals who are not able to walk the Turkey Creek Walk nature trail but would like to enjoy this wonderful part of Niceville, we will conduct free rides up the creek on a golf cart. All you have to do is contact Curt Barto at 642-7454 and he will schedule it for a time which is convenient for you. So, come on out and experience a great adventure.

## Fire Department Report

During the month of August 2008, the Niceville Fire Department responded to a total of 87 calls. There were 85 calls located within the city limits and 2 mutual aid calls. A breakdown of these calls is as follows:

Structure Fire	1
Medical	56
Vehicle Crash	10
Gasoline/flammable spill	1
Electrical equip problem	1
Power line down	1
Service Call	3
Illegal burning	1
Good Intent	7
Smoke Scare	4
Alarm Activation	1
Lightning strike (no fire)	1

For more information on the Niceville Fire Department, check us out on our web page at: <http://www.cityofniceville.org/fire.html>

## City Notes

SAVING WATER - Don't let water run while shaving or washing your face. Brush your teeth first while waiting for water to get hot, then wash or shave after filling the basin.

### *"A Niceville Community Christmas" & Town Hall Weekend Festival*

Drive/Walk-Around Display Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>. The goal of the Niceville Community Christmas is to provide a free public event where residents and guests of our local community can come together to share in the beauty of the holiday season. The event will be reminiscent of an old fashioned holiday, complete with strolling carolers, plenty of local entertainment and a mix of homemade and professional displays. To be held at the Niceville City Hall Complex. For more information, please call Connie at 678-7595 or Lynne at 678-3593

# Library Lines



## **Library Hours and Contact information**

Tue & Thur 9 – 8

Wed & Fri 9 – 6

Sat 9 – 2

Closed Sunday & Monday

Renew Books — 729-4070 Circulation Desk

Questions and Interlibrary Loans — 729-4090 Reference Desk

Story Time and Youth Programs – 729-4554 Youth Services

[www.cityofniceville.org/library.html](http://www.cityofniceville.org/library.html)

## **New Books:**

Moscow Rules by Daniel Silva

The Bourne Sanction by Eric Van Lustbader

The Host by Stephenie Meyers

Sail by James Patterson

Damage Control by J. A. Jance

Fractured by Karin Slaughter

Are You There, Vodka? It's Me, Chelsea by Chelsea Handler

When You Are Engulfed in Flames by David Sedaris

## **New Books Audio/CD:**

Dangerous Ground by Larry Bond

The Oath by John Lescroart

Bloodfever by Karen Marie Moning

Blood Brothers by Nora Roberts

Heaven and Earth by Nora Roberts

Sleeping with Strangers by Eric Jerome Dickey

Being Elizabeth by Barbara Taylor Bradford

## **YOUTH SERVICES CALENDAR**

### **Raising Readers-Preschool Storytime-**

Inspire your future reader at our preschool storytime. Join us for exciting stories selected just for children ages 3-5 years old. Programs will be held in Youth Services

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Oct. 1; Special storytime presented by "Abrakadoodle"

Oct. 2; "Pet Tails"

Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>; "Owls Eyes"

Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>; "Barnyard Banter"

Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>; "I Imagine!"

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>; "Slightly Spooky Storytime"

### **Group Storytimes & Tours-**

For special groups, schools, clubs, etc. please call to make arrangements.

Reservations are required. Call 729-4554.

## **Baby Bookworms-**

This lapsit program consists of music, stories and rhymes especially chosen to build the bond between you and your child. Program is suited for children from birth to age 3.

Please meet in YS program room on Fridays, Prewalkers 9:30, Walkers 10:30

NO program will be held Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Saturday Morning Treasure Chest-**

For our families, something new each week will be offered for all age groups; story times, craft days, movies, guests, games, music, trivia and more! Drop in for a great family time between 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>; NW Florida State Art Gallery representative will present a portion of their African mask collection. Suggested age 5 and up.

Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>; "PJ Day"; any child who comes to youth services in their pj's will be rewarded with some bedtime cocoa and entered in a drawing for a special bedtime prize.

Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>; American Girls Book Club; "Changes for Kit". Sign up is required.

See information below.

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>; "Halloween Foolery", all ages.

## **American Girls Book Club-**

This club for ages 7 & up meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month from 10:00-12:00 in the YS program room. Please register in YS or call to reserve your seat 729-4554. Please read "Changes for Kit" before this month's meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

## **Afterschool Program-**

This program is for children 6-12 years old, held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month from 4:15-5:30 unless otherwise noted. Our "Time Trekkers" will travel in time to the swashbuckling days of the pirates. A guest pirate will give us a hearty example of a pirate's life on the high, dangerous seas. Aargh matey, you won't want to miss this! Please call 729-4554 to reserve your seat.

## **Teen Space-Ages 13-17-**

Regular activities are planned for each month along with a book club. There are craft and movie days, video gaming on the big screen and more. Interested? Have suggestions? Stop by the Teen Space to talk to one of the YS staff or call 729-4554.

City of Niceville  
Monthly Report to the City Manager

Department of Building Inspection

Month of August 2008

Permits Issued	This Month		Last Month		Same Month Last Year	
Building Number	30		34		21	
Permit Fees		10,825.00		16,307.00		3,040.00
Value		4,491,601.00		7,038,999.00		907,233.00
Electrical Number	16		15		11	
Permit Fees		210.00		219.00		229.00
Plumbing Number	6		3		3	
Permit Fees		280.00		164.00		102.00
Mechanical Number	10		6		7	
Permit Fees		166.00		162.00		128.00
Gas Number	5		4		2	
Permit Fees		54.00		54.00		26.00
Total All Fees		11,535.00		16,906.00		3,525.00
Water Taps	2	112,884.22	4	16,110.11	4	5,237.00
Sewer Taps	2	45,500.00	5	59,177.50	3	16,930.00

Nature of Building Permits			
#	Type	Dwellings	Valuation
	Single Family		
	Two Family/Multi-family		
1	Commercial Buildings		9,060.00
	Industrial Buildings		
2	Swimming Pools		310.00
1	Signs		110.00
1	Sheds		20.00
	Fences		
	Garages		
3	Repairs		100.00
1	Other; Mobile Home		25.00
	Alterations/Additions		
21	To Dwellings		1,200.00
	To Commercial Buildings		
	To Industrial Buildings		
30	Totals		10,825.00
			4,491,601.00

Building Valuation	
This Fiscal Year to Date	This Calendar Year to Date
23,537,717.00	17,940,834.00
Last Fiscal Year to Date	Last Calendar Year to Date
22,730,366.00	17,887,411.00