



Hernando County News

*A Weekly Update from
Hernando County Government*



August 27, 2010

New Landfill Cell Opening and Recycling Facility Tours

The Hernando County Landfill is celebrating the completion of its Landfill Cell #3 and increasing recycling awareness with tours of its recycling Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) now managed by SP Recycling Corporation. The Grand Opening gets underway Thursday, September 2, 2010, at 9:30 am with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, followed by the recycling center tours.

The Landfill has been serving the County at its present location since 1992. With increasing population and the need for more space, the County began construction on Landfill Cell #3 about four (4) years ago at a cost of approximately six-million dollars. The new cell has the capacity of holding 3.4 million cubic yards of waste. Life expectancy of the cell is fifteen (15) years.

Hernando County residents are invited to learn join in the celebration, learn more about recycling and tour the facility located at 14450 Landfill Road, Brooksville. Tours of the recycling center get underway at 10:00 am and will end by 2:00 pm.

September 2nd Grand Opening



In an effort to maximize the life expectancy of the new Landfill Cell #3, Hernando County hopes to increase the recycling rate to keep recyclable materials out of the waste stream.

Watch for more information on this topic leading up to the November 2nd General Election when a referendum will be placed on the ballot for "universal" solid waste collection in the county.

County Government Meetings/Events

August 30—September 3

Coastal Hernando Initiatives

Program Committee

Monday, August 30
9:00 a.m.

Jenkins Creek Recreation Building

Linda Pedersen Park
6340 Shoal Line Blvd.
Hernando Beach

Board of County Commissioners' Meeting

Tuesday, August 31
9:00 a.m.

John Law Ayers Room
Hernando County Government Center
20 N. Main St.—Brooksville

County Administrator's Community Meeting

Wednesday, September 1
1:30 p.m.

Hernando Beach VFW
Post 9236
3435 Shoal Line Blvd.
Hernando Beach



United Way & Hernando County Cooperative Extension Office Offers Financial Workshops

The Hernando County Cooperative Extension office is partnering with the United Way of Hernando County to promote financial literacy by providing two learning opportunities for Hernando County residents.

A three-day FREE workshop will train volunteer mentors, as part of the Florida Master Money Mentor program, to provide basic personal financial coaching. The classes are scheduled for September 13th, 14th and 20th from 8:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

In addition, a one-hour financial literacy class, titled “***Developing an Effective Spending Plan***”, exploring family financial issues and providing insight on how to improve financial health will be offered on Tuesday, September 23 from 5:30—6:30 p.m.

All classes will take place at the Hernando County Extension classroom located at 1653 Blaise Drive in Brooksville. Please contact Scott Taylor at 352-754-4433 or email staylor@co.hernando.fl.us for more information or to register for the classes.

Proposed County Reorganization Plan on Agenda for August 31st

The County Administrator’s proposed plan to reorganize and streamline county government will be reviewed and discussed at the August 31st Board of County Commissioners’ Meeting. The proposal may be viewed at <http://hernandocountyfl.igam2.com/citizens/>

Approval of the proposal would result in a total savings in next year’s budget of \$357,588, with an additional projected \$150,000 in savings from upcoming classification reduction recommendations to be reviewed in September.

The County Administrator’s presentation at this week’s Community Meetings regarding the proposed reorganization and budget may be viewed at:

<http://www.hernandocounty.us/bocc/admin.htm>

For more information on items scheduled on the August 31st County Commission meeting agenda, visit

<http://hernandocountyfl.igam2.com/citizens/>

County Government Meetings (Continued)

Port Authority

Wednesday, September 1

7:00 p.m.

Jenkins Creek Recreation Building

Linda Pedersen Park
6340 Shoal Line Blvd.

Hernando Beach

http://www.hernandocounty.us/Parks_Rec/PortAuthority/

South Brooksville Community Initiatives

Team

Thursday, September 2

5:30 p.m.

Brooksville City Hall

201 N. Howell Avenue

Brooksville

<http://www.hernandocounty.us/bocc/Community.htm>

Video On Demand

Watch locally

produced programming on Bright House Channel 622 at

<http://hernandocountyfl.igam2.com/citizens/Media.aspx>



In the Spotlight!



At the August 17th County Commissioners' Meeting, Dr. Stacy Strickland, Hernando County Extension Director, congratulates Nancy Moores, 4-H Youth Development Agent, for receiving the National 4-H Distinguished Service Award

Twenty-six participants in the 2010 Leadership Hernando Program spent the day on August 19th learning about the City of Brooksville and Hernando County government. Making the learning fun, the City and County created "teachable moments" with a beanbag toss trivia game, a mock County Commission meeting and an opportunity to "grill" the Judges about the more challenging aspects of their jobs.

Leadership Hernando Government Day



Discontinuation of Pet Sterilization Rebate Program

Hernando County Animal Services has announced that the Pet Sterilization Rebate Program will be discontinued, effective September 20, 2010, due to a lack of funding in the FY 2010 / 2011 budget. The program allows eligible Hernando County pet owners to receive up to \$50 back for spaying or neutering their pets.

"The Pet Sterilization Rebate Program has been very popular with our residents, and we regret having to discontinue it", said Liana Teague, Code and Animal Services Manager. "Hernando County Animal Services will process all rebate requests **RECEIVED** by Animal Services **by 4:30 p.m. on September 20, 2010**. Any rebate requests received after September 20th will NOT be processed regardless of the sterilization date. "

**A Swimming Advisory has been issued by the
Hernando County Health Department for Pine Island Beach
http://www.hernandocounty.us/cr/PressRelease_detail.asp?Key=1494**