

NEW!
the **Light** **101.3 fm**
TODAY'S CHRISTIAN MUSIC!
STREAMING FLAGLERRADIO.COM

FREE! **New Issue Every Week!**
Coffee News[®]
"News To Be Enjoyed Over Coffee"
St. Augustine Historic Edition
386-270-4804
Est. 1988
coffeeneewsflorida.com

inogen
INOGEN[®] PORTABLE OXYGEN CONCENTRATORS
Call us toll-free at **1-844-275-5294**
30-day risk-free trial - Return within 30 days of purchase for a full refund of purchase price.
350 Wood Drive, Suite 200, Colton, CA 95311
INOGEN[®] is a trademark of inogen, Inc. The usage of any inogen, Inc. trademark is strictly forbidden without the prior consent of inogen, Inc. All other trademarks are trademarks of their respective owners or holders.

Because You Want Your Dreams To Live On
Whole and Term Life Insurance, Long Term Care Insurance, Employer Whole Life Insurance, Disability Insurance, & Annuities

Amy Beese
Call Today: **239-841-0298**
albeese@ft.newyorklife.com
NEW YORK LIFE

Our readers love reading Coffee News even on the beach. She picked up at the Subway in Port Orange.
Caught Reading Coffee News!
Put Yourself in the Picture!
Text Your Photo, Name, & Place you Read It! **386.346.5428**
Text us a photo of you reading Coffee News!
We will post your photo on Facebook and one photo will be chosen and added to the paper each month.

A Help Button Should Go Where You Go!
GET OUR SPECIAL OFFER NOW:
✓ FREE EXPEDITED SHIPPING* ✓ 50% OFF AUTO FALL DETECT*
✓ FREE ONE MONTH SERVICE* ✓ plus FREE EQUIPMENT TO USE!
MobileHelp
OUR BEST OFFER EVER!
From **\$19.95** month
1-855-829-1810

KARR DOCTOR
COMPLETE AUTO CARE
Coffee News has trusted **KARR DOCTOR** with our vehicle repairs for 15 years...
You Can Too.
904.829.1990
Excellent Service - Outstanding Value for 32 Years.
All Our Technicians are ASE Master Certified
1133 West King Street • St. Augustine
Visit us online at: www.karrdoctor.com

Need a Website?
Professional | Affordable | Fast
• Custom Design
• Mobile-responsive pages
• Fast turnaround time
• Starting at \$1,000
• Ready to grow?
Scan For A Free Quote
frontline web consulting frontlineconsulting.ca

Where Trees Become Statement Pieces
SAINT AUGUSTINE SLABS
FROM OUR MILL TO YOUR HOME
904-687-9856
2355 Dobbs Road - St. Augustine
904-687-9856
saintaugustineslabsandsawmill.com
Veteran Owned and Operated

Your Lawyer at the Beach...
Undine C. George Esq.
ANASTASIA LAW
• Bankruptcy
• Civil Litigation
• Wills, Trusts & Probate
• Real Estate and Rentals
904 236-6243
107 A 11th Street • St. Augustine Beach
www.AnastasiaLaw.net

Vol. 22 No. 32 February 16, 2026

Everybody's Talking

Burning waters: Deep in the Peruvian Amazon, Shanay-timpishka is a river whose name means "boiled with the heat of the sun." Flowing for miles through dense rainforest, its waters reach temperatures hot enough to kill animals that accidentally fall in. Unlike other thermal rivers linked to volcanic regions, this one is heated by underground springs releasing geothermal energy into the current. Steaming waterfalls tumble into pools, giving the river an almost unreal appearance. It's sacred to local communities, which tie the marvel to cultural practices and healing traditions. Scientists study its origins, while conservationists call for stronger protections.

Wood spark: A Finnish forestry company is using leftover tree pulp scraps to rethink how batteries are made. They've taken lignin, the stiffening compound in wood, and developed a new way to turn it into carbon that's fit for battery use. This carbon can replace graphite, but with far less heat and pollution needed to produce it, making the process more sustainable. Unlike traditional methods that depend on mining and fossil fuels, this approach relies on waste from paper manufacturing. Early results show this design supports energy flow efficiently, helping speed up device charging times. This group sees their tree-based approach as a promising way forward from less sustainable options.

Roadside rescue: A pair of French travellers had barely begun their Australian adventure when a collision with a kangaroo left them stranded near a small rural town. With no insurance and little money left, they weren't sure what to do, until local residents stepped in. A nearby family offered them shelter, while neighbours came by with warm meals, conversation, and support. What began as a setback slowly turned into an unforgettable few weeks of shared dinners, local events, and learning how to fix up the car together. Donations and repairs followed as the town rallied around them. The trip didn't go as planned, but it gave them something richer than a photo album. Sometimes being stuck is what gets you grounded.

Breeze shift: Some engineers are reimagining wind power without the sweeping blades or towering structures we've come to expect. One compact design vibrates instead of spinning, quietly producing electricity in places large turbines can't go, like rooftops or along busy streets. Others use tethered kites to gather energy from high above, while some draw power from the air pushed aside by passing vehicles. These tools are nearly silent, easy to install, and leave a smaller mark on wildlife and scenery. Instead of dominating landscapes, they blend into everyday settings, offering subtle ways to generate power. It's a quieter revolution, tapping the wind in new and unexpected ways.

Quoteable Quotes

"Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree."
—Martin Luther
"Just be yourself, there is no one better."
—Taylor Swift

What's Happening

Every Thursday from 12:15 to 3:15: Open Game Play will be held at the River House at 179 Marine Street in Downtown St. Augustine. Bring your own or use one of ours such as cards, scrabble, chess, etc. Free to attend. For more info, call 904-209-3655.

February 21st 22nd from 10am-5pm each day: Strawberry Fest will be held at the Florida Ag Center, 7900 Old Kings Rd, Palm Coast.

Community festival with acrobatic shows, contests, live entertainment, and charity activities; \$5 entry with proceeds to Boys Girls Clubs of VolusiaFlagler Counties. **NON profit organizations may submit events for FREE at www.coffeeneewsflorida.com**

REGISTER TO WIN! \$100 Cash
Scan the QR Code to Enter the Contest:
Register For A Chance To Win \$100
Mail the following information to:
Coffee News • 17 Farrington Lane • Palm Coast, FL 32137
OR go to: www.coffeeneewsNEFlorida.com to Enter.
Name: _____ Ph: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____ Age: 18-35 36-49 50+
Where did you find Coffee News? _____
Found in which ad: _____
One Winner will be chosen per month. Winners announced in future issue of Coffee News.
One entry per person per week. Actual size of the man may vary. Must be 18 or older to enter. **Actual Size** →

Trivia
1. How many lakes comprise North America's Great Lakes?
2. Who was Darth Vader's voice in the Star Wars movies?
3. Cyclones are rated by barometric pressure and ____ speed.
4. This famed knitting character appeared in A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens.
5. Is yeast a bacteria, fungus, or mold?
(Flip bottom of page for answers)
© Published with Permission by NE Florida Coffee News
(Over)

YOUR LOCAL RADIO STATIONS
ALL IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND
STREAM FLAGLERBROADCASTING.COM

"It's a Marvelous Night for a Moondance"
Wall relief sculptures created in exotic hardwoods, metals and more.
by **Ron Vellucci**
Exclusively on exhibit at ...
BUTTERFIELD GARAGE ART GALLERY
137 King St. • St. Augustine • 904 825-4577

★ **Financing Available** ★
REITER ROOFING
bettermetalroof.com
904-344-6097 Lic. #CC1330104
Ask about our Seamless Gutters
Call today for a **FREE** estimate!

Lower Rates. Better Service for your Credit Card Processing and Point of Sale Systems
Your local trusted husband and wife team with 11+ years combined experience with credit processing and point of sale systems.
Sunshine PAYMENT SYSTEMS
Kelly Moore (401) 206-1619
Brian Moore (401) 286-7663
sunshinepaymentsystems@gmail.com
BNi DAYTONA REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Become a Published Author with Dorrance.
We want to read your book!
Our staff is made up of writers, just like you. We are dedicated to making publishing dreams come true. Trusted by authors for nearly 100 years, Dorrance has made countless authors' dreams come true.
Complete Book Publishing Services
FIVE EASY STEPS TO PUBLICATION:
1. Consultation 2. Book Production 3. Promotion 4. Distribution 5. Merchandising and Fulfillment
Call now to receive your **FREE Author's Guide**
877-553-3945
or www.dorranceinfo.com/nefl

DENTAL Insurance
Great coverage for retirees.
Get your **FREE** Information Kit from Physicians Mutual Insurance Company.
Call **1-855-684-5226**
Dental50Plus.com/Nefl
Product/features not available in all states. Contact us for complete details about this insurance solicitation. To find a network provider, go to physiciansmutual.com/find-dentist. This specific offer not available in CO, NV, NY - call 1-800-969-4781 or respond for a similar offer in your state. Certificate C254/B465, C250A/B438 (ID: C254ID; PA: C254PA); Insurance Policy P154/B469 (GA: P154GA; OK: P154OK; TN: P154TN).
6347-0125

Donate Your Car

Imagine the Difference You Can Make

Vehicle donations are fully tax-deductible and the proceeds help provide services to help the blind and visually impaired.
FREE TOWING & TAX DEDUCTIBLE



When you donate your car, you'll receive:
✓ a \$200 restaurant voucher & ✓ a 2-night, 3-day hotel stay at one of 50 locations

Call 1-866-950-0842

Help Prevent Blindness Get A Vision Screening Annually 

THE MIGHTY FLOOF



DOG WALKING
ST. AUGUSTINE, FL

INSURED/ BONDED

www.themightyfloof.com • (904) 834-6296

Dog walking, Drop ins, Pet sitting & More.

Trusted sitters providing reliable services tailored to you and your pet.

TEXT/CALL FOR A FREE MEET AND GREET



Joy Cleaning Co. and Laundry Services

Mention This Ad for 15% OFF Today!

• Eco-Friendly Cleaning
• Homes, Rentals and Offices
• Locally Owned Woman Business

904-795-8703 | joycleaningco.com

Love Your Scale Again!



MOSAIC

Weight Loss Center & Wellness

Now offering semaglutide/tirzepatide injections and oral meds for faster weight loss. Join Mosaic Weight Loss Center & Wellness now and start your weight loss journey today.

386-276-1175
mosaicweightlosscenter.com

BUY A BUSINESS · SELL A BUSINESS · VALUE A BUSINESS

Are you a business owner thinking of SELLING in the next two years? I can help you get the maximum value for your business!



Wayne Fuller
904-568-0516

Contact me for a confidential consultation.
w.fuller@fbxbrokers.com · fbxbrokers.com



Business Intermediary
Million Plus Producer

Be prepared before the next power outage.

It's not just a generator. It's a power move.

Receive a free 5-year warranty with qualifying purchase* - valued at \$535.

Call 904-914-5601 to schedule your free quote!

GENERAC

OVER 35 YEARS IN BUSINESS

- buying
- selling
- property management
- tenant placement

736 SR 16
St. Augustine, FL 32084
ssreality@bellsouth.net
www.ssshorealty.com

904-819-6500
Call Today!



EVERY HOME HAS A STORY, YOURS BEGINS HERE

Sherrie Venuti

THIS AD SPACE FOR RENT

CALL: 386-270-4804

OR SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFO



Your Weekly Horoscope

ARIES
(March 20 - April 19)



This week you may be taking two steps forward and one step back on many fronts. This could be difficult for Aries, but waiting and being patient might be the best action. Lucky numbers: 1, 6, 7, 32, 41, 47.

TAURUS
(April 20 - May 20)



Taurus usually desires stability, but you may be craving freedom. Consider how to make progress, but not rip up the status quo. Wait a few days to implement. Lucky numbers: 10, 14, 25, 33, 37, 48.

GEMINI
(May 21 - June 20)



"When one door closes, another one opens" may apply early this week. Before charging through the new door, you might want to take a peek on the other side. Lucky numbers: 5, 10, 18, 30, 43, 48.

CANCER
(June 21 - July 22)



Lady luck may well be on your side this week. How might you be able to take advantage of this dynamic, while being conscious of what action is the bridge too far? Lucky numbers: 8, 26, 28, 32, 36, 37.

LEO
(July 23 - Aug. 22)



Do your head and heart agree on a goal? If not, could you develop a plan that takes the conflict into account? Then you might be able to proceed with your intentions. Lucky numbers: 2, 12, 20, 27, 29, 44.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)



It has been about six months since your birthday. Have you made progress toward your goals? Take time to see which ones are ready to complete, change, or drop. Lucky numbers: 9, 16, 19, 21, 22, 30.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)



Is there an issue in your life that has been on a slow burn? At midweek, you may be tempted to act aggressively. Instead, consider relying on your normal diplomacy. Lucky numbers: 3, 15, 25, 29, 41, 46.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)



The theme of stubbornness continues this week. The desire to dig in your heels may involve a problem in yourself or with others. Find a win-win solution for all. Lucky numbers: 13, 16, 30, 36, 44, 46.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)



Is there something that you used to believe but that no longer works for you? Can you easily let it go? Otherwise, consider whether any resistance you feel is valid. Lucky numbers: 6, 11, 13, 15, 33, 41.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)



For the next month, your normal level of ambition and drive may be muted. This might be a good time to downshift and consider some change in your priorities. Lucky numbers: 7, 10, 14, 26, 36, 48.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)



Now is the beginning of a long-term period of transformation for Aquarius. Within this, the next couple of weeks may see a significant ending or beginning in your life. Lucky numbers: 4, 24, 35, 36, 37, 38.

PISCES
(Feb. 19 - March 20)



Your birthday month is always a good time to review your life goals. How much progress did you make last year, and what do you want to achieve, starting now? Lucky numbers: 11, 18, 29, 32, 35, 47.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Cancer winners with the luckiest number being 37.

Did You Know...

Mini marvel: One of the world's tiniest reptiles can perch on a fingertip. This tiny, newly discovered chameleon shows how incredibly scaled-down animals can be, while maintaining all the essentials of their larger cousins.

Volcanic flashes: When a volcano erupts, ash clouds can create static sparks near the ground, while ice crystals clash higher up to unleash lightning. These strange bursts of light turn eruptions into dramatic shows that scientists are still working to explain.

Butter boost: In Tibet, mornings often begin with yak butter tea, a rich mix of tea, salt, and butter that warms the body and fuels long days in the harsh mountain climate. More than a drink, it's also a gesture of hospitality.

Plastic pavement: Some road builders blend waste plastic into the road mix. The result can be more flexible, longer-lasting surfaces that reuse discarded material instead of sending it to landfill, an idea that is gradually gaining interest around the world.

Pebble presents: In the frozen Antarctic, penguins win affection by carrying small stones to their partners. These gifts help build sturdy nests that keep eggs safe and dry, turning a simple pebble into the perfect symbol of love.

On the Lighter Side

Teacher: "Correct this sentence: 'It was me who broke the window.'"
Student: "I wasn't the one who broke the window."

Knock! Knock! Who's there? Cello. Cello who? Cello there!

What does a bankrupt frog say? "Baroke, baroke, baroke."

Never trust an escalator. They are always up to something!

The magician was driving down the street when "poof" he turned into a driveway.

Answers

Trivia answers: 1. Five 2. James Earl Jones 3. Wind 4. Madame Defarge 5. Fungus

For available franchise opportunities - visit www.CoffeeNews.com
© Published with Permission by NE Florida Coffee News

Congratulations!



the December Coffee News man contest winner
William Crisanie
who reads his Coffee News at Dunkin Donuts in St. Augustine.

Follow Us On



Discover a new way to interact with us. Become a fan of our Facebook and receive updates on news and events.

Find us at
www.facebook.com/coffeenewsflorida

Active After 50 expo!

Information for Active Aging™

FREE Admission & Parking!

50 Local Vendors
Prize Giveaways
Live Entertainment
Pickleball Instruction & Tips

Saturday, February 21 | 10:00 - 2:00
SJC Convention Center, 500 S. Legacy Trail,
World Golf Village, St. Augustine, 32092

Hammock Beach Vacation Rental Homes Have It All!

Plus, use all of the amenities at Hammock Beach.



Hammock Beach | GOLF RESORT & SPA

200 OCEAN CREST DR, PALM COAST, FL 32137
866-841-0287 | HAMMOCKBEACH.COM



SALT HILL PAINTING



508-614-5520
www.salthillpainting.com

Fully Insured | Exterior/Interior | Full Prep Work | Free Estimates

Your Local Tree Experts




904-687-9856
20+ Years Tree Experience
Veteran Owned & Operated
Licensed Arborist

Transform Your Bathroom and Change Your Life.

FREE TOILET + \$1,500 OFF*

For your FREE information kit and our Senior Discounts, Call Today Toll-Free

1-877-689-2127



*Free toilet with purchase and installation of a walk-in tub or walk-in shower only. Offer available while supplies last. No cash value. Must present offer at time of purchase. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Market restrictions may apply. Offer available in select markets only. CSLB 1082165 NCSB 0082999 0083445 13VH1096000