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# Count·e·News

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Greetings!

**This Edition: Inside PBC News:** Starting July 8, at 8 a.m., the Linton Boulevard Bascule Bridge is going to be closed to car and pedestrian traffic. PBC's Community Services Department has a partnership with local HVAC Companies to provide lower-income residents with AC replacements. Independence Day is just a few weeks away and Sunset Cove Amphitheater will be the spot for fireworks, a concert, bounce houses, games and concessions. *For all of this and more, visit [PBCGOV.com](http://PBCGOV.com).*

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## Inside PBC News



Welcome to Inside PBC

## Featured

### 2023 HURRICANE SEASON

A graphic for the 2023 hurricane season. It features a satellite-style image of the Earth with a hurricane swirling over the Atlantic. The Palm Beach County logo is in the top right. At the bottom, there are five icons with text: a hurricane icon for "Be Prepared", a calendar icon for "Make a Plan", a first aid kit icon for "Build a Kit", a group of people icon for "Get Involved", and a Wi-Fi icon for "Be Informed".

**Be Prepared**   **Make a Plan**   **Build a Kit**   **Get Involved**   **Be Informed**



## Mounts is Turning Up the Heat in July



**MOUNTS  
BOTANICAL  
GARDEN**  
OF PALM BEACH COUNTY



# All Together Now



## 2023 Summer Reading Program

**PALM BEACH COUNTY**  
PARKS & RECREATION

**Join the team.**  
Make a difference.

**Volunteer** **Intern** **Work With Us**

## Legends on the Lawn

Canyon Amphitheater, Boynton Beach  
7:00-9:00 pm | FREE admission!

September 16  
Samantha Russell  
Duo

October 21  
Sour Mash  
Band

November 18  
Planet  
Lulu

December 16  
North  
40

## News & Events



### [Office of Equal Opportunity Announces FY 2024 Requests for Proposals](#)

#### *Office of Equal Opportunity*

The PBC Office of Equal Opportunity is seeking proposals from qualified agencies to improve accessibility and equal opportunity and promote or increase awareness of the rights and ambitions of persons with disabilities through an Awareness Program.



## [Live, Work & Play in PBC](#)

### [Tourist Development Council](#)

Here in The Palm Beaches, our 39 cities and towns within the borders of PBC provide endless opportunities for working, playing and living the relaxed South Florida lifestyle.



## [PBC Secures a \\$500,000 Brownfield Assessment Grant](#)

### [Housing and Economic Development](#)

The United States Environmental Protection Agency awarded \$500,000 to PBC through the Department of Housing & Economic Development to assist in assessing brownfield sites.

**NEED TO REPLACE YOUR A/C UNIT?**  
Apply Here: [utilityassistancepbc.org](http://utilityassistancepbc.org)

Palm Beach County Community Services Department, through its Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is partnering with HVAC companies to replace outdated, inefficient, or non-functioning HVAC systems for eligible homeowners, at little or no cost. The LIHEAP Program will cover up to \$15,000 for the replacement and installation of central HVAC or Window/Wall Reverse Cycle units.

Income Level	Maximum Assistance
1	\$50,000
2	\$34,048
3	\$42,059
4	\$50,071

**TO QUALIFY:**

- Must be a Palm Beach County homeowner residing in their home
- Total household income has to be at or below 60% State Median Income (SMI) or 100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
- Must document crisis:
  - A/C unit is inoperable/no longer heats or cools; or
  - A/C unit is at least 10 years old (must show proof of high energy bills); or
  - Client requires a controlled environment due to health (must show proof of life threatening case documented by client's physician)

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## [250 Residents Receive New Air-Conditioning Units](#)

### [Community Services](#)

The Crisis Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Replacement Program, through Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), is working to assist low-income PBC homeowners in need of replacing their home's air-conditioning system, with assistance of up to \$15,000.



## [Free Financial Planning Tool](#)

### [Library System](#)

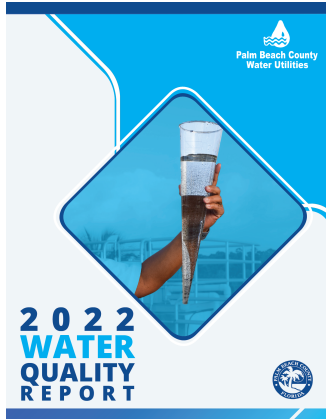
PBC Library System's latest online tool Weiss Ratings helps users build financial strength.

## **Water Utilities**

## [Semiannual Water System Flush](#)



In order to deliver the highest quality water to customers, PBC Water Utilities requires periodic line flushing and temporary treatment modification.



## **Annual Water Quality Report Available Now**

The PBC Water Utilities Department makes it easy for residents, visitors and businesses to learn more about the treatment process and water quality standards.

## **Parks & Recreation**



## **Daggerwing Nature Center Awards Annual Scholarship to Volunteer**

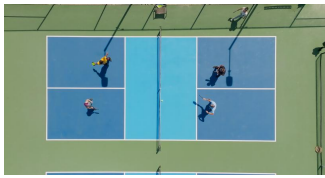
Friends of Daggerwing Nature Center Inc. has awarded the annual Scott Cowan Memorial Scholarship to volunteer Ekin Esmer.



## **Animals Delight at Daggerwing Nature Center**

**DAGGERWING VISITS THE LIBRARY: TURTLES**  
**Tuesday, July 11, 3:30 p.m.**  
Ages 5+, FREE (Reservations required)

## **Indoor Pickleball at Various Recreation Centers**



Be part of the national phenomenon and join us for some pickleball inside our air-conditioned gymnasiums at West Boynton, Westgate and West Jupiter Recreation Centers all summer long, from June 3–Aug. 5.



## **Summer Fun at Green Cay**

### **BIRD TALK & WALK: WETLAND BIRDS**

**Saturday, July 1, 9:30 a.m.**

All ages, \$3/participant (Reservations required, limit 20)



## **Explore Nature at Riverbend Park in July**

### **NIGHT HIKE**

**Thursday, July 6, 7:30 p.m.**

Ages 8+, \$5/participant (Reservations required)



## **Okecheelee Hits the Spot in July**

### **ARCHERY FOR BEGINNERS**

**Saturday, July 1, 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m.**

Ages 8+, \$10/participant (Reservations required)

## **Cooperative Extension**



## **Mounts Botanical Garden Wins National Marketing Award from American Public Gardens Association**

Mounts Botanical Garden is bursting with pride since PBC's oldest and largest botanical garden was awarded this year's prestigious Dorothy E. Hansell Marketing Award.

## **Jump Into June at Mounts Botanical**

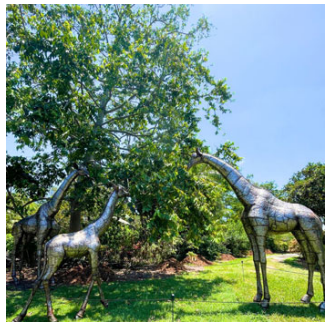


As South Florida slips into summer, Friends of the Mounts Botanical Garden is hosting 37 fun-in-the-sun workshops, classes and special events.



### **Garden Explorers Summer Camp**

Friends of the Mounts Botanical Garden will be hosting three week-long programs in July for nature curious youngsters ages 7 to 11.



### **Mounts is Turning up the Heat in July**

Friends of the Mounts Botanical Garden will be hosting sizzling workshops, classes and special events.

## **Public Safety**

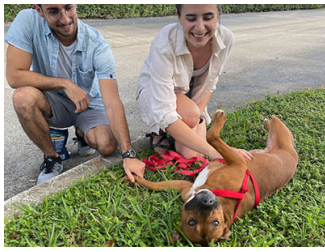


### **Animal Care & Control Partners with Petco Love & BOBS from Skechers™ to Waive Adoption Fees & Find Homes for 5,000 Shelter Animals**

The PBC Public Safety Department Animal Care and Control Division is thrilled to announce its collaboration with Petco Love, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to transforming the lives of animals, and BOBS from Skechers™, along with several other animal welfare groups across Florida.

### **Prepare Your Pets This Hurricane Season**

June marks the start of hurricane season, PBC Public Safety Department's Animal Care and Control Division is calling upon the community to prioritize their preparedness plans



by ensuring the inclusion of their cherished pets.

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