

# The Spoonbill

June/July 2022

## News from the Road



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### A1A EVENT OF THE WEEK

The July 4th holiday is quickly approaching and we're ready to make an impact with your help the day after.

We've scheduled an A1A Mega Beach Cleanup for July 5th! Download the bingo card and bring your friends and family out for an early morning cleanup along A1A's beautiful beaches!

Follow the link below to register!

**MEGA BEACH CLEANUP**

Join us July 5, 2022 from 8 am to 10 am for Clean Beaches Week!  
REGISTER AT: [WWW.NEEDSCONNECTOR.COM/A1ABEACHCLEANUP](http://WWW.NEEDSCONNECTOR.COM/A1ABEACHCLEANUP)

**BEACH CLEANUP BINGO**

BROUGHT FRIENDS TO HELP	BROUGHT MY OWN PAIL OR ECO-FRIENDLY BAGS	BROUGHT GLOVES OR PICKERS
BROUGHT SUNSCREEN & REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE	SEPARATED RECYCLABLES	COLLECTED 5 POUNDS OF TRASH
COLLECTED 10 POUNDS OF TRASH	COLLECTED 15 POUNDS OF TRASH OR MORE	VOLUNTEERED MY TIME TO HELP CLEAN UP THE BEACHES

PICK YOUR LOCATION:  
Mickler's Beach, Vilano Beach

### BACK AT THE HELM

The Friends of A1A are pleased to announce Bill McClure as the organization's President for 2022-23.

Bill served as President of the organization from 2018-2020 and was named Volunteer of the Year in 2019.

The Friends of A1A are thrilled to have his leadership back at the helm as we embark on implementation of strategic benchmarks and standards set as Florida's newest All-American Road!



### July Issue At A Glance

Independence Day Festivities 2022

A1A Logo Design Contest Winner Announced

Let's Clean UP the Byway!



## A1A Logo Design Contest Winner Announced

Flagler Palm Coast High School student Michael Baskin's digital art design was selected from more than 20 submissions for the contest. Guests to the All-American Road dedication ceremony in late March were asked to vote on their favorites with the top three selections presented to the Friends of A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway for the final selection and approval.

Baskin, a student of Flagler Palm Coast High School advanced digital arts instructor Ed Beckett, was recognized with a \$100 cash award, engraved certificate, and framed copy of his design, presented by Friends of A1A Board of Directors President Bill McClure.

"I'm always impressed by the talent in Flagler County and this year has proven that point once again," said McClure. "The students and teachers from Flagler Palm Coast High School are such delightful and talented people. It was my honor to present this year's best of the best."

Students of Beckett participate in a number of charitable design events including the Friends of A1A's Kids Ocean Day Florida poster contest of which Sophia Young was selected as the "People's Choice" for 2022 and Apple Eaton was recognized as the 2022 "Official Event Selection". Kids Ocean Day Florida was held at Anastasia State Park on Earth Day, April 22, 2022.

"I love having the kids work on projects like the A1A logo project and the Kids Ocean Day Florida poster project. It's wonderful to have the kids compete in the friendly competition, and it's amazing that they could get picked to have their posters printed and advertising an amazing event like the Kids Ocean Day Florida or having their logo chosen to be put on signs all along A1A. These awards are unbelievably great things to put on their resumes," said Beckett.

The A1A All-American Road student logo design will be sent to the Florida Department of Transportation for review and installation at strategic locations along the A1A Scenic & Historic Coastal Byway, designated as an USDOT All-American Road in 2021, nearly two decades after earning designation as a USDOT National Scenic Byway in 2002.



## Friends of A1A Welcome Cheesecake Mike to the Board

In addition to electing Bill McClure to serve as President of the Friends of A1A, the board of directors was excited to welcome Captain's BBQ co-owner Michael Goodman to the team this spring.



Michael Goodman

Known affectionately in the community as 'Cheesecake Mike' for his award-winning New York-style Cheesecake recipe, Mike is a great fit for the team. With a degree in urban planning and a big heart for the byway, we are ready to put his skills to work preserving, protecting and promoting the A1A Scenic Byway!



Image: PCO

## Big News of the Week from Scenic America

House Appropriations Committee Approves \$30 Million for Byways

June 30th the House Appropriations Committee approved the FY23 House Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development (THUD) Appropriations bill, which includes \$30 million in funding for the National Scenic Byways Program (NSBP).



Mark Falzone  
President







LIVE MUSIC FOOD FIREWORKS

# 3 JULY

4PM GATES OPEN | 9PM FIREWORKS

*JULY 4 at 10 AM in  
Flagler Beach on A1A*

FLAGLER EXECUTIVE AIRPORT  
201 AIRPORT ROAD BUNNELL, FL 32110

**PERFORMANCES BY**  
CHILLULA, FEEDBACK THE BAND, AND MELANIE DIMARTINO  
VETERANS WELCOME FROM STATE REP. PAUL RENNER  
LIVE READING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE  
PRESENTATION OF COLORS BY THE PCFD HONOR GUARD




FLAGLER BEACH ANNUAL

# Stars & STRIPES PARADE

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF FLAGLER BEACH

## ST AUGUSTINE TO HOST JULY 4TH FIREWORKS



Enjoy the Fourth of July Concert and Fireworks in St. Augustine starting at 6 PM with music by The All Star Orchestra in the Plaza de la Constitución.

At 9:30 PM, one of the largest fireworks displays on the East Coast bursts above the ancient Castillo de San Marcos and reflects in the waters of the Matanzas Bay.

Read more at [www.historiccoastculture.com](http://www.historiccoastculture.com).

## VILANO BEACH CLEANUP SCHEDULES ANNOUNCED



### Vilano Beach Town Center CLEANUP SCHEDULE



Report to the Vilano Beach Pavilion – pick up supplies – gloves, bags, grabbers.

July	7/9/2022	Town Center cleanup 8 to 10 am
	7/5/2022	Friends of A1A – 72 mile Beach Cleanup 8 to 10 am
	7/23/2022	Clean Sweep – 10 am to 1 pm
	7/30/2022	Adopt a Highway – 8 am to 10 am
August	8/13/2022	Town Center cleanup 8 to 10 am
September	9/10/2022	Town Center cleanup 8 to 10 am
	9/30/2022	Clean Sweep 4- 7 pm
October	10/8/2022	Town Center cleanup 8 to 10 am
	10/29/2022	Adopt a Highway 8 to 10 am
November	11/12/2022	Town Center cleanup 8 to 10 am
December	12/10/2022	Town Center cleanup 8 to 10 am



Catch the Vibe!



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NOTE: Community service hours available and documented for student volunteers.

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