



The Leon County LINK



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OPERATION THANK YOU

HONORING OUR VETERANS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021 ★ 6:30 - 9:00 A.M.
AMERICAN LEGION, 229 LAKE ELLA DRIVE

Leon County Government and the American Legion Sauls-Bridges Post 13 invite the community to honor our hometown heroes in celebration of Veterans Day. Breakfast will be served from 6:30 - 9:00 a.m. with a ceremony and program at 8:00 a.m. Following Operation Thank You, join us for the Veterans Day Parade at 10:45 a.m. along Monroe Street.

For more information, contact Ben Bradwell at 850-606-1946 or BradwellB@LeonCountyFL.gov

Save the date!

11/26 FROM 1 TO 5 P.M.
FRIDAY AFTER THANKSGIVING

Family Day

at Railroad Square

Tallahassee-Leon County is the first community in Florida to recognize Family Day, a holiday that celebrates the importance of family togetherness, support and love. The Family Day at Railroad Square event will feature free family portraits, entertainment and activities for community members of all ages. Spend time with loved ones while shopping local at the Family Day at Railroad Square event on the Friday following Thanksgiving.

Family Day at Railroad Square was organized by Leon County Government, the City of Tallahassee, Sachs Media, the Council on Culture & Arts (COCA), Soul of Southside Festival TLH, and Railroad Square Art District with support from First Commerce Credit Union, Capital City Bank, Capital Health Plan, and Tallahassee Ford/Lincoln.

[FloridaFamilyDay.com](https://www.FloridaFamilyDay.com)

LEON COUNTY NEWS & EVENTS

TIRElessly Fighting Mosquitoes by Collecting Old Tires

To help prevent breeding grounds for mosquitoes, Leon County Government, in partnership with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, will again host its award-winning Tire Amnesty Days event. Starting November 1, citizens can drop off up to 25 tires for free at the Leon County Solid Waste Facility or at one of the Rural Waste Service Centers. Visit [LeonCountyFL.gov/Mosquito](https://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Mosquito) for more information.

Symphony Celebrating a Galaxy Far, Far Away

Led by Conductor Darko Butorac (aka "Darko Vader") the Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra will present Star Wars: A Musical Celebration on November 12, filled with the music of composer John Williams. To purchase tickets, or for more information on the Capital City Amphitheater at Cascades Park, seating details and other concerts, visit [CapitalCityAmphitheater.com](https://www.CapitalCityAmphitheater.com).

On-the-Water Cleanup Paddles to Williams Landing

Leon County is excited to invite the community to volunteer for this year's Williams Landing On-the-Water Cleanup, November 13, starting at 9 a.m. at 951 Williams Landing Rd. Volunteers will be on the water in kayaks and canoes collecting litter in the lake and along the shoreline. Sign-up now at [GrowingGreen.org/Cleanup](https://www.GrowingGreen.org/Cleanup).

Free Trees Available Through County Program

Leon County's annual free tree program is back! Choose between American Linden, Red Maple, and Witch Hazel, which are all native trees to our region. Learn all about the trees and sign-up for your free tree at [LeonCountyFL.gov/AdoptATree](https://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/AdoptATree).

Apalachee Regional to Host NCAA Championships

Leon County will welcome the NCAA Cross Country Division I National Championships to Florida for the first time in the race's 83-year history. This year's National Championship will be held at the award-winning Apalachee Regional Park on Nov. 20. Learn more at [VisitTallahassee.com](https://www.VisitTallahassee.com).

Citizen Advisory Committees Help Shape Community

Through our many citizen committees, Leon County Government engages citizens as co-creators of this special community we share. Committee members provide input and recommendations on programs and policies that provide high quality services to everyone in Leon County. Applications are being accepted for:

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| Animal Classification Committee | Joint City/County Bicycling Workgroup |
| CareerSource Capital Region Board | Library Advisory Board |
| Contractors Licensing Board | Minority, Women, & Small Business Enterprise Citizen Advisory Committee |

Visit the County's website at: [LeonCountyFL.gov/Committees](https://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Committees) to review committee information including current and upcoming membership vacancies and to complete an online application. For more information, contact Mary Smach, Agenda Coordinator: (850) 606-5300 or SmachM@LeonCountyFL.gov

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LEROY COLLINS LEON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Learn. Engage. Innovate.

Events Slated for National Novel Writing Month

Leon County Public Library is teaming up with Tallahassee Writers Association to provide in-person and live-streamed workshops on writing as part of National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo). Hear from local writing experts **Saturdays in November from 11:00 a.m. to noon in-person** at the Leon County Main Library in Program Room A and live streamed online through Zoom or Discord. Each presentation will be followed by open time to write in-person from noon to 2:00 p.m. in Program Room A at the Leon County Main Library.

Nov. 13, through Discord: Author Marina Brown
 Nov. 20, through Zoom: Publisher M.R. Street
 Nov. 27, through Zoom: Author Susan Koehler

Join the Library's Gingerbread House Competition

Sugar and spice and all things nice are in store for the Leon County Public Library's 3rd Annual Gingerbread House Competition! This year the library is offering a variety of ways for people to participate, including an in-person gingerbread house competition and exhibition, a virtual gingerbread fan art competition, a virtual gingerbread house competition, and grab-and-go gingerbread-themed STEAM youth activity bags.

For more information about these events, visit [LeonCountyLibrary.org](https://www.LeonCountyLibrary.org) or call (850) 606-2665.

Board of County Commissioners Schedule November 2021

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| TUESDAY 9 | 3:00 p.m. | Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting and Board Reorganization County Courthouse, 5th Floor Commission Chambers - 301 S. Monroe Street |
| TUESDAY 9 | 6:00 p.m. | Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing County Courthouse, 5th Floor Commission Chambers - 301 S. Monroe Street |
| TUESDAY 16 | 1:30 p.m. | Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) City Hall, 2nd Floor Commission Chambers - 300 South Adams Street |

Live television broadcasts of Board of County Commissioners meetings are available on Comcast channel 16, the Leon County Florida channel on Roku, the County's Facebook page, YouTube channel, Twitter and [LeonCountyFL.gov](https://www.LeonCountyFL.gov).