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Welcome to Putnam

It's a new day in Putnam County, as 2022 brings opportunity and optimism to residents and visitors alike.

This coming year ushers in a renewal of hope and encouragement as the cities, towns and communities of Putnam County support and sustain one another and their residents. The worldwide coronavirus pandemic hit the community hard in 2020, but we took the 2021 year to regroup.

Putnam residents and business owners continue to safely bounce back with a determination to succeed and grow.

The positive spirit that visitors and longtime residents alike find in Putnam County is a

primary reason for the community's forward-looking prospects.

As we return to a new normal, local communities continue to add events and look for ways to bring in visitors. So, stop by during one of our action-packed weekends or simply take a stroll through town when you get a chance. We've got plenty to keep everyone busy.

Putnam County's outdoor recreational choices are legendary. Between world class fishing, boating, hunting, cycling, hiking, golf, pickle ball, recreation leagues and more, Putnam County has it all.

Enjoy Putnam County. We're glad you're here!

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I-75	45 miles
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Closest Deep Water Port.....	60 miles
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HOW'S THE WEATHER?

On average, the warmest month is July. The highest recorded temperature was 105°F in 1950. The average coolest month is January. The lowest recorded temperature was 11°F in 1985. The maximum average precipitation occurs in August.

AVERAGE MONTHLY TEMPERATURE IN ° F

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
High	68°	71°	76°	81°	86°	90°	92°	91°	89°	83°	76°	70°
	44°	46°	51°	57°	64°	71°	73°	73°	70°	62°	54°	47°
Precip.	3.5"	3.6"	3.9"	2.5"	2.9"	5.6"	6.4"	7.7"	5.8"	2.9"	3.0"	2.9"



Putnam County

Organized in 1849 by Maj. Benjamin Alexander Putnam, the county includes 100 miles of the St. Johns River, 20 boat ramps, more than 40 parks and is considered the “Bass Capital of the World.”

Putnam County embraces its rural landscape and takes ecotourism to new heights with more than 70 miles of hiking trails, an ATV and mudbogging park called Hog Waller, and boat ramps across the county.

Chamber of Commerce President Dana Jones said she expects people to continue to look for outdoor and socially-distanced vacations following the height of the coronavirus pandemic.

“I think that trend will continue for quite a while,” Jones added. “I think it will continue to grow, which is great for us. Since more and more people are finding out about us.”

The Chamber of Commerce website can point people toward accommodations for any budget and any type – from bed and breakfasts to fishing camps and hotels. Putnam County has something for the artsy with local murals and art galleries, something for the daredevil with skydiving, and something for the sportsman with hunting and

fishing spots.

“We just have a lot to offer tourists in the outdoor sense of the word, for sure,” Jones said in 2020.

Download the new Visit Putnam County Florida app that launched at the end of 2021 from Google Play for Android or the App Store for iPhone.

Use the app to find events, lodging, tours and plan your stay here.

Local restaurants such as Angel’s Diner, Nikos and Velchoff’s Corner in Palatka, Bobby G’s River Pub in Georgetown, Corky Bells and Musselwhite’s in East Palatka, Smokedogs BBQ in Interlachen and many others give visitors a taste of local cuisine.

And people can’t forget about the county’s local retailers, not just in downtown Palatka but across Putnam. They represent multiple demographics and offer clothing, antiques, farming finds and gardening supplies.

Tourists can stop by local town halls to find out more information about each Putnam County city and keep on the lookout for community events.

- Home to more than 73,000 residents, Putnam County is made up of 17 cities and communities.

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329-0346

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329-0397

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329-1268

Agricultural Center

329-0318

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329-0126

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329-0892

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326-0307

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326-3200

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329-0800

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329-0224

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Each is unique and paints pictures of rural living or budding urban landscapes, all with a small-town feel. Five cities are incorporated – Crescent City, Palatka, Interlachen, Pomona Park and Welaka – and the municipalities work together to keep the 827- square mile county thriving.

- Putnam County caught the attention of American explorer William Bartram during the 18th century. Kiosks marking his travels are placed throughout the county and a Bartram Frolic is hosted every year to teach people what Bartram saw.

- Putnam County is a place to celebrate with festival fun. The county hosts the Azalea and Blue Crab festivals in Palatka, the Blueberry Festival in Bostwick and the Catfish Festival in Crescent City. Festivals run in spring and fall, drawing people from all over Florida.

- Speaking of festivals, a popular place to kick up heels is at the Rodeheaver Boys Ranch. The 790-acre property serves as a home for at-risk boys where they live and receive vocational, religious and educational training. The biggest fundraiser for the ranch is the Bluegrass Festival held in February and November.

- Putnam County cares about health and wellness with the Putnam Community Medical Center in Palatka. The 99-bed hospital offers 24-hour emergency care, physical therapy and rehab, pulmonary care and advanced surgical care – to name a few. Putnam also boasts many long-term care facilities, a cancer center and hospice care.

- Georgia-Pacific is Putnam County's largest private employer with more than 1,200 full-time employees and an annual payroll higher than \$88 million. The consumer tissue product company purchases about \$13 million in local goods and services each year and has given up to \$4 million to taxes and local charities annually.

- Putnam County offers fun not just for adults, but for children, too. Parks across Putnam offer swings, slides, picnic tables and don't forget about the renovated Project P.L.A.Y. in Palatka. The new park offers a splash pad, musical instruments, a pirate ship and accessible amenities for every child. Seasonally, Putnam County Parks and Recreation hosts local youth leagues for every age.

- Putnam County is becoming known as the "Trail Hub of Northeast Florida" and offers a number of designated hiking trails for the adventure-seeker. A specific tour of William Bartram's trails can be taken; exploring by kayak or canoe is an option and so is biking.

- Welaka and Etoniah Creek state forests offer more than 11,000 acres combined to explore in Putnam County. They have several natural landscapes and wildlife to look for and view when walking through. Etoniah Creek contains three hiking trails and Welaka has two. People can ride horses down the trails.

- Fishing is one of Putnam County's most popular past times and the county hosts several fishing tournaments. People come nationwide for the Bassmaster Elite Series and a local favorite is the Rodeheaver Boys Ranch Bass Tournament. Many good catches are found at Rodman Reservoir or along the St. Johns River and its many lakes.

"I really think just our nature attracts people. Whether we're talking about the (St. Johns River), the forestry, the trails, our beautiful golfing facilities, we just have so many ... hidden gems. ... We're trying to uncover them for people."

Putnam County Chamber President Dana Jones



Bluegrass Festival at Rodeheaver Boys Ranch.

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Many American cities' names either originate from prominent settlers or Anglicized versions of Native American names. Palatka is one such, the name coming from the Native American word "Pilotaikata," meaning "crossing." Different sources attribute the source of the name to either the Seminole Creek or Timucuan Native Americans.

It all started with Dr. Nehemiah Bush's ferry service in the area. The city began as a trading post in 1821 when Bush bought a significant amount of land. Palatka was an outpost very much on the Florida frontier, and was raided by the Seminoles in 1835, early in the Second Seminole War.

Fort Shannon, named after Capt. Samuel Shannon, was built for protection but abandoned in 1843 at the end of that war. The officer's quarters still stand today, and serve as the Putnam Historic Museum.

People of the 19th century often flocked to areas where there was cheap land and a chance to make a buck, especially people eager to leave crowded cities. Early Palatka was known for its cattle, citrus, lumber, and tourism, aided by easy travel on the St. Johns River and a hospitable climate.

Celebrities woven into the fabric of America have visited Palatka, including Babe Ruth, Thomas Edison, Ella Fitzgerald and former presidents Grover Cleveland and Theodore Roosevelt. Unfortunately, freezes killed off the citrus groves and a fire in 1884 decimated the town. It took decades to recover.

Remnants of the 1800s still remain with the Grand Gables Inn in the South Historic District and the Bronson-

Mulholland House in the North Historic District. The style and old feel of the Larimer Arts Center on Reid Street, Tilghman House on River Street, and the Putnam County Courthouse and Hotel James on St. Johns Avenue are reminders of the city's extensive history.

Now the city boasts more than 10,000 cars a day passing through Reid Street, a vibrant and walkable downtown, ample restaurants and stores for the perfect weekend trip away from the crowds of St. Augustine or Jacksonville.

The Great Fire of Palatka

Nov. 7, 1884, is a date that will forever affect Palatka and Putnam County. The Great Fire of Palatka destroyed many buildings in the business district of the city. Hundreds of thousands of dollars in property and travel and visitor trade, hotels for the abundant tourism industry and irreplaceable records were lost. Trade, shipping and the citrus industry



City of Palatka before the Great Fire of 1884.



City of Palatka

Incorporated Jan. 8, 1853



Terrill Hill
Mayor/Commissioner



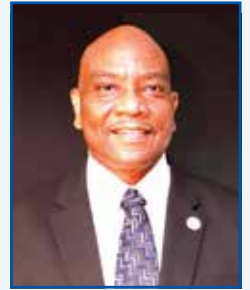
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Thursdays of the month at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

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Community Redevelopment

Agency2nd Monday of bi-monthly- Feb., Apr.,
June, Aug., Oct., Dec.,5:00pm

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Sea-to-Key Bike Race one of many biking events that take advantage of the extensive biking trails.

steamboat travel suffered as a result, partly because railroads could travel further south.

Biking/Trail Town

Both along State Road 207 and downtown, Palatka and Putnam County continue to develop an extensive biking network. Palatka was designated a trail town in 2019 by the state of Florida. There is a beautiful 47-mile trail to Lake Butler in Union County, designated as part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System in 2007. It passes south through San Mateo, Satsuma and Crescent City in Putnam County.

Bronson-Mulholland House

It looks like something out of a painting or “Gone With the Wind,” but the Bronson-Mulholland House is real and you can go inside. Abolitionist judge and U.S. Representative Isaac H. Bronson built the historic Bronson-Mulholland House in 1854. The house is known for its broad columns, centuries-old live oaks and wide lawn used for numerous events. It was a base of operations during the Civil War and assisted with the Union blockade of Southern ports. The Bronson-Mulholland House is popular for weddings, events and live history demonstrations, and is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays and decorated for the holidays.

Downtown

Downtown Palatka, stretching from the St. Johns River to the railroad tracks at Eleventh Street, offers dining, shops and a fun day out in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. The welcome center, located at 900 St. Johns Avenue, is the perfect spot for information about the city. Visitors can also research the heart of downtown online at palatkadowntown.com. Ongoing revitalization efforts recently netted a significant grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, which will boost progress on streetscapes in both downtown and the business district. Among downtown’s restaurant offerings is Florida’s oldest diner, Angel’s. Uncork & Unwind on River Street, Steamboat Willie’s on St. Johns Avenue and Azalea Brewing Co. (the first

brewery in the city) are trendy spots for a drink.

Riverfront

Throughout Riverfront Park are informational plaques, telling the story of famed explorer and naturalist William Bartram. Palatka is aptly called the “Gem City of the St. Johns River.” The City of Palatka has cultivated the riverfront into a comfortable space for boaters, families and people looking to exercise. The park sees its fair share of bicyclists, fisherman, joggers and recreational boaters.

City Commissioner Mary Lawson Brown saw many changes to the riverfront during her more than 30 years on the commission. She said the city, with its “Pride of Palatka” boats and marina as well as the private sector, have made the St. Johns River an excellent resource for the city.

Civil War

Florida wasn’t in the thick of fighting during the Civil War like Virginia or Tennessee, but Putnam County did experience a Union occupation. In 1862, residents heard the USS Cimarron fire shells over the city. The Bronson-Mulholland House, then called Sunny Point, was occupied by Union troops in 1864. According to the city of Palatka, Confederate soldiers used the attic of the house as a lookout for incoming Union forces coming down the St. Johns River early in the conflict.

Festivals

A major draw to Palatka is its numerous festivals that attract thousands for the food, camaraderie and small town atmosphere. The Azalea Festival usually occurs the first weekend in March with the gorgeous pink azaleas in full bloom. The festival began in the late 1930s from the local Jaycees organization. At the Riverfront, the Blue Crab Festival is well-known for its music, crafts and, of course, delectable dishes featuring blue crab meat. Palatka Young Professionals hosted a successful festival in 2019 and attempted to host another in 2020, but it was derailed by COVID-19. Palatka also welcomes to nearby Rodeheaver Boys Ranch two bluegrass festivals, with the spring festival, protected by numerous COVID-19 precautions, anticipated for February and bringing several high-profile acts. The city also hosts Palatka Porchfest in the South Historic District, Halloween



Azalea Festival

— Arthur 6/28/12

— Max 5-13-10

— Joshua 12-4-09

— Laura 08-12-10

— Jake 3/16/14
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Improvements

The city of Palatka continues to improve its infrastructure, boosting the quality of life for residents and businesses. In 2008, a Community Redevelopment Agency was formed, splitting tax increment funds between the North Historic District, South Historic District and Central Business District. Construction crews are a common site in Palatka, replacing poles and pipes, and resurfacing brick streets. "There's a lot of things in the air and on paper that we're excited about," City Manager Don Holmes said. "I think there's a lot to look forward to in Palatka." By employing a landscape architect, the city is also studying making downtown Palatka more walkable and vibrant with its streetscape project.

Steamboat tourism

Steamboat travel was a vital heartbeat of commerce and travel for Palatka for about five decades. According to Putnam historian Larry Beaton, steamboats were the primary form of transportation to Florida, bringing goods and tourists through the city on the St. Johns River. Beaton said multiple steamboat lines were operating out of Palatka. Some were larger ocean-faring vessels and other boats were designed for the snaking Ocklawaha River. "The roads were poor and there weren't many ways to get there, so steamboat was the natural way to come to Florida," Beaton said. "Just about anything you can think of in the way of supplies they were hauling back and forth from different locations."

Palatka Municipal Airport

A major point of investment in the coming years is Palatka Municipal Airport, 4015 Reid St., managed by the City of Palatka and the Palatka Airport Advisory Board. The airport has hangars, businesses and is an ideal landing spot for pilots seeking to reach Central Florida. It's had more than \$10 million in upgrades since 2007 and with a 6,000-foot runway, it's popular even for small jets.

It is located 25 miles from the Atlantic Coast and near Daytona Beach, Gainesville, St. Augustine and Jacksonville. The airport has room for 65 aircraft in T-hangars, five commercial hangars and two executive hangars, and was recently awarded a Florida Department of Transportation grant to build a new hangar and upgrade lighting to brighter and more eco-friendly LEDs.

It is also home to Skydive Palatka, a full-service skydiving training center that's been at the airport for more than 20 years.

"Florida is a huge aviation state. You can fly year-round," Airport Manager John Youell said. "My goodness, we're 70 miles away from where the space program started. We should be a huge, world-leading aviation community."

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Population: 10,479

Median Age: 34.2

Total Households (2017): 3,751

Total Housing Units: 4,409

Owner Occupied

Housing Units: 44.9%

Source: US Census Bureau, 2020 Census

TOWN PROFILE

Palatka City Hall

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City Commission meets the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 6 p.m. at City Hall.

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East Putnam

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK

Putnam County has always been an advocate and home of veterans. A key feature of East Palatka is Veterans Memorial Park near Memorial Bridge. There are more than 7,000 veterans in Putnam County and organizations such as the American Legion Bert Hodge Lodge Post 45 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3349. The park has two picnic pavilions and full access to the St. Johns River. There is a plaque near the site detailing the names of war victims and honoring the U.S. Navy's submarine efforts.

AGRICULTURE/AGRICULTURE EXTENSION

In Montgomery Gentry's 1999 country hit "Daddy Won't Sell the Farm," they sang, "You can't pull roots when they run that deep." The roots run deep in Putnam County.

East Palatka is the renowned agriculture hub of Putnam County. Both sides of State Road 207 are lined with fields. An example is L&M Farms, which grows crops such as potatoes, corn, legumes, cabbage, green vegetables and herbs for several grocery stores. It also uses state-of-the-art technology. The area has the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Extension, 111 Yelvington Road, and the Putnam County Fairgrounds and Expo Center, 118 Fairgrounds Road.

The Putnam County Fair Authority is planning on hosting Putnam County Fair March 18 through 26 in 2022. While the 2020 fair was canceled because the COVID-19 vaccine, the event returned a year later, with Putnam residents and visitors eagerly awaiting. The fair has contests for goats, sheep, rabbit, pigs, poultry and cows. There are also winners named for best exhibit booth, horticulture and the event's annual beauty pageant.

The fairgrounds are notable as an event venue for private and community events with its large pavilion space and renovated Expo Hall. More information about rentals is available at putnamfairandexpo.com/rentals.

U.S. 17/SAN MATEO-SATSUMA

Just south of East Palatka on U.S. 17 are the unincorporated communities of San Mateo and Satsuma. Both rural communities boast scenic, wooded drives. San Mateo and Satsuma border the St. Johns River.

San Mateo Park, 164 Currie Road, has a youth softball field,

a tennis court, a multi-purpose field and a playground. San Mateo is also home to Woods Road Park, 131 Woods Road. It has a basketball court, a multi-purpose field and a playground.

God's Country Outfitters hunting club is located in San Mateo, where alligators, turkeys and hogs are plentiful. Satsuma has the Log Cabin Farm and Winery, with 10 acres of muscadine grapes. The land used to support grain, orange groves and tung oil farms.

The state Department of Transportation is in the latter stages of widening U.S. 17 from Horse Landing Road to the Dunns Creek Bridge in Southern Putnam County. Belle, Butler and Gail drives are also under construction. The project will feature a 12-foot-wide path on the east side of the road, merging to the new path south of Horse Landing Road on U.S. 17. It will continue across the new bridge. The \$36.5 million project began in February 2018 and was originally was slated to be finished by summer 2021, but the updated completion period is "early 2022," according to the state agency.

FEDERAL POINT

Near the St. Johns County line off State Road 207, a piece of land juts out into the St. Johns River. Residents there are referred to as "Federal Pointers." Federal Point consists of about 2,000 acres and is less than 5 miles from Hastings. It was settled soon after the Civil War. It was previously called DuPont's Landing after landowner Cornelius DuPont and renamed Federal Point from a surveyor's notes on the county map, according to author E. Stuart Hubbard.

FOOD

Past Memorial Bridge on U.S. 17 is a food epicenter and some of the best seafood in Putnam County in the form of Corky Bell's and Musselwhite's. Corky Bell's, located at 185 S. U.S. 17, is easily recognizable by its ornamental gators out front. It is an excellent spot for fish, shellfish and rarities such as gator tail and frog legs. Musselwhite's Seafood and Grill, located at 125 U.S. 17, is just before Memorial Bridge next to Best Western Inn of Palatka. The restaurant was opened in 1999 by residents Angie and David Musselwhite and has won several awards since. The interior is resplendent in taxidermy animals and classic wooden walls. It continues to be a favorite in the area with its fresh seafood, steaks and friendly atmosphere.

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North Putnam



Although these communities are small, unincorporated and have populations in the hundreds, Bostwick and Bardin are some of the last places people drive through as they leave Putnam County.

Ed Killebrew, a Bardin resident for 36 years, said it's a place where the people are kind and generous.

"I just love it," said Killebrew. "Everybody takes care of everybody."

The locals hang out at Bud's Grocery, help their older neighbors and come together to keep the area looking beautiful. It may not be everyone's first stop when they come to Putnam, but bike trails running outside Bardin and Etoniah Creek are natural draws for the area.

Bostwick is one of the last places to pass before heading toward Jacksonville. Locals recommend stopping at Hall's Superette on State Road 17 before driving on. Gas, snacks and made-to-order hamburgers can all be found at the roadside favorite.

If people are looking for nature and wildlife, check out the Koi Corner Garden Center with lilies, exotic fish and diverse habitats. Bostwick also boasts the Bostwick Baptist Church where the Rev. Billy Graham delivered his first sermon.

The community center next door to the Bostwick Library and Bostwick Baptist Church hosts community music groups, the occasional Zumba class and potlucks.

The small and unincorporated town of Bostwick sits just outside Palatka with a population of 684 as of 2018. History, events and education bring life to the little area not well-known

to many. The town gets its name from Bostwick Grant, a Jacksonville man who owned the property.

For people who enjoy all things blueberry, the Bostwick Blueberry Festival in April is sure to draw a crowd every year. The event started in 1977 and includes a pancake breakfast and fresh blueberries by the pound to raise money for community groups and projects.

A place for education and community events can be found at the Bostwick Library. Nestled at 125 Tilman St., it could be easy to miss, but the small library packs a big history. It is located in the old 1920s Bostwick Schoolhouse, restored in 2007, and next to the Bostwick Community Center. The old schoolhouse was used for first through eighth graders and functioned until 1977.

People have said, "If you blink, you might miss it" in reference to the unincorporated Bardin. With a population of just over 400, the small area along County Road 309D is a place full of churches and friendly faces. Five churches welcome longtime residents and locals can be found hanging out at Bud's Grocery.

Bardin hosts a big legend dating back to the 1940s. People are still looking for the "Bardin Booger", who, local lore states, creeps around the rural land. The mystery creature can be described as a monster with fur and taking on Sasquatch qualities. The Booger isn't the only tall tale. Residents have described a ghost pig in a cemetery and the Bardin Light in the woods.

With vast open lands and nature-filled woods, Bardin makes a great place for hunting, locals say. Turkeys and deer are a regular occurrence and many hunting clubs form in Bardin.



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South Putnam



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Those south-leaning, agricultural-minded South Putnam countians just naturally hitched up with Volusia. Anyone who had to telephone Palatka from Crescent City paid long-distance charges to do so well into the 1980s.

That streak of independent-mindedness stems from South Putnam's unique geography as much as anything. Bounded on three sides by the St. Johns River, Crescent Lake and the Dunns Creek connector,

the area earned the nickname the Fruitland Peninsula. All that nearby water fosters a slightly warmer, slightly wetter microclimate that encouraged widespread citrus cultivation. Miles of shoreline gave rise to waterborne commerce, as well as commercial and sport fishing.

Today, South Putnam's citrus is harder to find, replaced by more varied agriculture and a service-based economy. Its three incorporated towns — Crescent City, Welaka and Pomona Park — and three unincorporated-but-ZIP-coded communities, Satsuma, Georgetown and Lake Como — shelter a few thousand residents who value a slower, quieter lifestyle. Fishing resorts attract a fair number of visiting anglers. Oak-shaded, century-old villages and accessible natural environments reward travelers with a sense of Florida as it was in simpler times.

Crescent City

Incorporated in 1885, Crescent City started as a center of commerce. Small steamboats from Jacksonville and Palatka hauled in tourists, business travelers, groceries and farm supplies and hauled out loads of citrus, lumber, beef and other produce along 13-mile-long Crescent Lake. Early in the 20th century, real estate speculators recognized its possibilities, offering prospective buyers a small orange grove with every house and lot they purchased. Today's population numbers around 1,500.



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The 1892 Sprague House is the lone survivor from among a dozen hotels and rooming houses large and small that catered to winter visitors around the turn of that century. Its characteristic Deep South architectural style, with surrounding porches and large windows, is reflected in many of the historic homes in town that survive from the same period. (A local legend persists that President Teddy Roosevelt was among the Sprague House's more prominent guests — a legend that is untrue.) Today the Sprague House operates as a bed-and-breakfast.

Crescent City was a thriving center of citrus production until a series of killing freezes forced most of the groves southward. Today, nursery-grown foliage has largely taken over the acreage. It's collectively called the fern industry. About 20 large and several smaller growers in Putnam are clustered mostly south and west of Crescent City. They raise a dozen kinds of greens that are cut and shipped fresh around the country and around the world for inclusion in flower arrangements. Together with Volusia and Lake, the three-county area produces more than 85% of the cut greens used by America's florists.

Crescent City's best-known native son is A. Philip Randolph, a prominent civil rights leader born in 1889 while his father was pastor of the local Union Bethel A.M.E. church. Randolph founded the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. He organized the 1963 March on



Washington that featured the "I Have a Dream" speech of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

For more than 40 years, the St. Johns River Catfish Festival has drawn tens of thousands of visitors to Crescent City on each first Saturday in April. The festival is a salute to the local commercial fishing industry, serving traditional Florida delicacies like gator tail and swamp cabbage along with tons of catfish dinners. Through it, the sponsoring Rotary Club has raised more than \$1 million for scholarships and community improvements.

Population: 1,545

Median Age: 49.3

Total Households: 725

Total Housing Units: 973

Owner Occupied Housing Units: 56.7%

Source: US Census Bureau, 2020 Census

TOWN PROFILE

Crescent City City Hall

3 N. Summit Street
Crescent City, FL 32112
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City Commission meets the second
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Annual Events:

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Welaka, said to be a Native American name for the St. Johns River, is one of the oldest settlements on the river's east bank. Sternwheelers called in at Welaka to pick up fuel and provisions for the upriver journey to Florida's interior on the nearby Ocklawaha River. Virtually abandoned during the Civil War, the town made a slow comeback, becoming a harbor for commercial and sport fishing interests, while its mineral springs once attracted health-seekers. Its population today is about 700.

Mount Royal is a Native American ceremonial mound that may date back more than 3,000 years, according to the Florida Department of State, and is a sacred site to the Timucuan and other tribes. It was well-known and described by the earliest European explorers including the Bartrams. About three miles south of Welaka, its environs included some of the first European footholds in Florida including the San Antonio de Enacape Spanish mission and an English plantation. Today, the mound itself is an official state archeological site, though it's now isolated inside a gated subdivision. Some of its excavated finds may be seen in state museums.

The historic, quaint and colorful Fort Gates Ferry south of Welaka sits idle today, awaiting repairs due to damages from a 2017 hurricane. Before then, the two-car barge and its tiny tugboat served as the only St. Johns River vehicle crossing between Palatka and Astor, some 50 miles apart. Its western landing leads eventually to Salt Springs via seven miles of sometimes-challenging Ocala

Forest roads.

The Welaka National Fish Hatchery raises Florida-familiar gamefish, including striped bass in dozens of rectangular, spring-fed ponds spread across its acreage along County Road 309. Visitor attractions include a small, free aquarium in Welaka displaying various Florida species and a viewing platform farther south that is good for eagle-spotting. The aquarium, which was closed for a time due to the virus, has reopened, with COVID-19-related precautions for visitors.

The headquarters of the Welaka State Forest is just south of Welaka. With 4 miles of riverfront, varying wet and dry environments and large freshwater springs, the forest has miles of hiking trails and extensive equestrian facilities including stables, dormitories, a riding ring and designated horseback riding trails.



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Town Council meets the
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month at 6:30 p.m.

Places of Interest

Welaka National Fish
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Population: 712
Median Age: 52.4
Total Households: 574
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Pomona Park



Originally called simply Pomona when it was chartered in 1889, the town added the “Park” suffix in 1945 because, it was said, harried postal clerks kept misdirecting Pomona’s mail to Pompano in South Florida.

The town, named for the Roman goddess of fruit trees, was an early citrus-producing center with about 85 groves. It was chartered partly to allow growers to legally fence their properties against free-roaming cattle when Florida was an open-range state. Some 934 residents call Pomona Park home today.

Several of Pomona Park’s early settlers were Yankee veterans of the Civil War who had served in Florida and apparently liked what they saw. Today, evidence of their establishment includes the Pilgrim Congregational Church — yes, those Pilgrims — and Union Army veterans’ headstones found in the Lake Como – Pomona Park Cemetery.

While Pomona Park is landlocked, situated about halfway between the St. Johns River and Crescent Lake, residents can take advantage of broad Lake Broward. The spring-fed, 427-

acre lake boasts Middleton Beach, a swimming beach and picnic area accessible to all. Nearby is the town’s civic center and multi-use facility, a 19th-century historic building that originally served as a schoolhouse. A paved road circles the entire lake and provides a pleasant, scenic drive.

Produce Barn and Groves, located within Pomona Park’s town limits, lays claim to being the largest, farthest-north commercial citrus grove in Florida. Its owner grows several kinds of oranges and tangerines as well as other produce, supplying fresh fruit to schools in three counties among other markets.

Every first Saturday in November, both grassy roadsides of two-lane U.S. 17 from north to south inside the town limits — and several vacant lots — are crowded with buyers and sellers. It’s the town’s annual “Everybody’s Having a Yard Sale.” Originally an effort by the town’s beautification committee to get a handle on scattered streetside peddling throughout the year, the event draws bargain hunters from miles away. It’s the largest such event in Putnam County.





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Median Age: 37.4
Total Housing Units: 473
Owner Occupied Housing Units: 267

TOWN PROFILE

POMONA PARK TOWN HALL

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Town Council meets the
2nd Tuesday of each month.

Annual Events:

Everybody's Having A Yard Sale
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West Putnam



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Interlachen has a population of about 1,441 people and is 16 miles west of Palatka. It was incorporated in 1888 and takes its name from the Scottish term for “between the lakes.” Another theory says it is named for Interlaken, Switzerland.

The Florida Southern Railway came through the area in the 1870s and settlers began showing up, as well as commercial enterprises. The area of the town was known as Blue Pond until 1892.

Another one of those small little towns, Melrose, is halfway between Gainesville and Jacksonville at the intersection of State Roads 26 and 21.

S.R. 26 was the first federal highway built in Florida, completed while the state was still a territory in 1824.

Travelers can find the unincorporated Victorian village of the quiet little town where many artists and crafters reside.

Melrose sits on the spring-fed Lake Santa Fe, where boating and fishing are a big part of area residents’ outdoor recreation. It’s also an ideal place to find

Native American mounds and a good location to look for buried treasures like flint arrowheads and pottery.

The town also features several art galleries, which have fueled the artistic backbone of the community.

One is the Melrose Bay Art Gallery, a co-op gallery that showcases some of North Central Florida’s best craftsmen and artists. Another is Bellamy Road Fine Arts, Literature and Film Gallery.

Melrose is an unusual town because it is located in four counties – Alachua, Bradford, Clay and Putnam.

Not far down the road from Melrose is the Florahome community on State Road 100.

The Georgia Southern and Florida Railway established the town in 1899 and streets are laid in a grid system. Streets north and south are named for trees or shrubs while streets east and west are named for states or provinces.





Interlachen Hall and Museum is at 215 Atlantic Ave. The hall is home to the local historical society where the museum houses antiques and other memorabilia relevant to the small community. The museum is open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturdays. The hall was constructed in 1892 and served as the town hall for many years. The hall has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Just a few doors down, Town Hall, 311 Atlantic Ave., is open 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, where visitors can see historic memorabilia including old photos of the history of the town, as well as a wall tribute to fallen war hero Pvt. 1st Class Robert H. Jenkins Jr.


Robert H. Jenkins Jr. Memorial Park, 312 Atlantic Ave., runs through the main part of town. The town of Interlachen pays tribute to Jenkins, its hometown hero who died from wounds received in action during the Vietnam War on March 5, 1969. He is buried in Sister Spring Cemetery in Interlachen. A memorial stone stands next to the park in front of the Fleet Reserve for the Medal of Honor recipient. Interlachen Elementary School was renamed Robert H. Jenkins Elementary School in his honor.

Lagonda Lake Park has a fishing pier, swimming area and playground, and is open from daylight to dark at 409 Prospect St. Hastings Park, 107 Tropic Ave., is for children ages 12 and younger with playground equipment, too. The Lagonda Lake Park is typically the site for the Fourth of July fireworks display.

The Boll Green Lake boat dock is located at 150 Pidgeon St., 3.2 miles from Interlachen near Hollister.

Lake Grandin is just 3.8 miles from Interlachen near Cooper L. Hills Estates at 137 Walker Road. Fishermen will find a variety of fish, including carp, bream/bluegill, bullhead and gar here. Whether you're fly fishing, baitcasting or spinning, your chances of getting a bite here are good. It's also a nice spot for kayaking.

Carl Duval Moore State Forest is between Hollister and Interlachen off State Road 20, beside Up and Down Lake at 400 West St. The state forest includes hiking trails with a variety of ecosystems. At 335 acres, it is considered one of the smallest state forests. Recreational opportunities include hiking, wildlife viewing and photography. The main trailhead and parking area for the forest are along West Street, approximately 0.4 miles north of State Road 20. The hiking trail is 1.2 miles in length and has interpretive tree identification signs along the route.



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The Town Council meets second Tuesday of the month at Town Hall (Dickerman Building) at 7 p.m.

Places of Interest

Dowda Park
Grassy Lake Park
Robert Henry Jenkins Jr. Memorial Parkway
Lake Lagonda Park
Mary Wisham Park
Hastings Park

Population: 1,441

Median Age: 39.1

Total Households: 565

Total Housing Units: 682

Owner Occupied Housing Units: 405

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Florahome



Walk or bike the Palatka-to-Lake Butler State Trail on the north side of State Road 100 and South Palmetto Street.

Florahome Station is the original site of James W. Charles' grocery store, 105 Coral Farms Road. The store is open 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Saturdays. Today, the historic building is an antique and thrift store with original counters.

The Etoniah Creek State Forest entrance is on Holloway Road, across from Q.I. Roberts Junior-Senior High School near Florahome. The state forest has trails for hiking or horseback riding. There is also a primitive campground for those who want to camp.

Palmetto Park is divided into two sides of State Road 100. It includes playground equipment, a baseball field, basketball court, picnic tables and, on one end, the local rescue station. The other side of the park has a tennis/pickleball court and the community's historic clubhouse. The park is the site



of the Florahome's fall and spring festivals, as well as annual barbecue fundraisers. The park also includes a veteran's memorial.

George's Lake Trail is a 1-mile, lightly trafficked loop trail located off Tinsley Road in Florahome. The trail brings visitors to George's Lake and is primarily used for hiking, nature trips, bird-watching, a museum and center for classes and recreation.



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Melrose Historic District is a 250-acre district that was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1990. It is bounded by Seminole Ridge Road, Grove Street, South Street, Quail Street and Melrose Bay.

Melrose Bay Art Gallery, 103 State Road 26, exhibits the work of many of the finest artists in the area. A new exhibition is featured about every six weeks.

Mossman Hall, 301 State Road 26, offers a variety of events open to the public, including pottery throwing, Qigong, a conscientious awakening service by Interfaith Spiritual

Ministry, a Kid's Monday Fun Day and do-it-yourself projects.

Swan Lake Camp is on State Road 26 and is a Christian complex on a large lake with recreational facilities, lodging, meeting rooms and the Minder Hall/Billy Graham Center — a large hall. Graham, who went on to become a prominent evangelical Christian figure and an ordained Southern Baptist minister, became well-known internationally in the late 1940s. He stayed at the Melrose camp in 1937 when he was asked to deliver his first sermon at a Palatka church, thus beginning his worldwide ministry.

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Etoniah Creek State Forest

Etoniah Creek State Forest, named for Etoniah Creek, has 7,145 acres of pine-palmetto flatwoods, sand hill, hardwood hammocks, and creek bottoms.

Recreational activities on the forest include hiking, fishing, hunting, nature study, wildlife viewing and photography. There is one designated trail for horseback riding and trails for bicycling will be established in the future.

Deer, squirrel and turkey hunting are good, while wild hog, migratory bird, and small game hunting is fair.

Camping is authorized only by permit from the Division of Forestry. No dogs or ATVs are permitted. Etoniah Creek State Forest is located in the northwest part of the county off S.R. 100 on Holloway Rd. For more information, contact Etoniah Creek State Forest, 390 Holloway Road, Florahome, FL 32140. (386) 329-2552



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Caravelle Ranch Conservation Area

24,869 acres of river bottom hardwoods, pasture and pine-palmetto flatwoods with small hammocks intermingled. Camping is allowed with a permit. No dogs or ATVs are permitted. It is located on S.R. 19 South, approximately 9 miles south of Palatka.

There are a series of trails that are mixed use and traverse through a variety of ecosystems. Picnic area and wildlife viewing are available. Seasonal use is included for hiking, biking, boating and canoeing. Closed during hunting season.

Several equestrian trail areas are available. Caravelle Ranch equestrian trails are accessible at the S.R. 19 entrance. Trails are closed during hunting season.

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Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area

Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area has 3,661 acres of creek bottom hardwoods and pine-palmetto flatwoods. Camping is allowed with a permit. No dogs or ATVs are permitted. Small game and turkey hunting is good, while deer, wild hog, and migratory bird hunting is fair.

Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area is located west of Palatka on S.R. 100. For more information, contact Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation N.E. Region Office, 1239 S.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL. (352) 732-1225.



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Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway, Kenwood and Rodman Recreation Area

Crossing Central Florida from the St. Johns River to the Gulf of Mexico, the Cross Florida Greenway is a 110-mile corridor that crosses a variety of natural habitats.

Putnam County is the east trailhead for the Greenway, with several recreation areas including Kenwood and Rodman Recreation areas located on Rodman Reservoir and Buckman Lock and the St. Johns Loop trails.

At the trailhead south of Palatka there is a series of trails that include a 4.5-mile hiking trail that meanders through natural woodlands of cypress wetlands and hydric hammocks.

The Putnam County segment of the 1,300-mile footpath for the Florida National Scenic Trail is accessible at the Cross Florida Greenway. The trail runs north to Rice Creek Sanctuary, connects with the Palatka to Lake Butler Trail and Etoniah State Forest. For more information, contact: Florida Trail Association. 1-(877) HIKE-FLA.

The St. Johns Loop trail has a 2-mile equestrian trail that travels along the south side of the Cross Florida Barge Canal.

Cross Florida Greenway Kenwood & Rodman Recreation areas provide observation spots for viewing all types of birds, including limpkin, coot, common gallinule, wood ducks, swallowtail kite, osprey, southern bald eagle, woodpecker, jays, hawks, flycatcher, wrens, heron, white ibis, and a variety of egrets.

Recommended launch area for the Ocklawaha River for boating, kayaking and canoeing is located at Rodman Recreation Dam and pull out, found at the State Road 19 Bridge.

Camping is available by reservation at Rodman Recreation area. Sites include Recreational vehicle hook-ups, bathrooms and primitive campsites for tents. To reserve a site, call 386-328-2846.

To get to Rodman Dam, travel south on S.R. 19 to Rodman Recreation Area. Turn right on Rodman Dam Road and follow to the Dam launch. The Cross Florida Greenway is located approximately 9 miles south of Palatka on U.S. 19.



Welaka

Welaka State Forest Trails

A series of foot trails offers the public an opportunity to walk and observe wildlife. While walking the trails of Welaka State Forest, look for woodpeckers, eagles, hawks, wrens, warblers, Osceola turkey, herons, egrets, and owls.

The Sandhill Horse Trail is available for equestrian use, as well as hiking. Welaka State Forest also manages a 72-horse stable, training arenas and show horse arena, which are all available for rental.

Welaka State Forest has 2,288 acres of various ecosystems along the east bank of the St. Johns River. The Division of Forestry maintains the integrity of the natural systems while allowing outdoor recreation use and environmental education, including complete equestrian facilities. Welaka State Forest is located approximately 17 miles south of Palatka on State Road 309, one mile south of the town of Welaka. For more information, contact the Welaka State Forest at (386) 467-2388.

Welaka Fish Hatchery

A 3/4 mile footpath that travels through natural pine forest. Picnic area, wildlife observation deck and interpretive information are available. Located at the Welaka National Fish Hatchery.

The Hatchery's ponds attract fish-eating wading birds, eagles, ospreys, hawks, waders, white ibis, sandhill cranes, kingfishers, and mergansers.



Murphy Creek & Island

Murphy Creek is approximately 4 miles long and runs along the east bank of Murphy Island, located at the confluence of Dunns Creek and the St. Johns River. Paddlers can put in at Palatka - Brown's Landing Road south of Palatka and paddle across the St. Johns River at Marker 16 to the mouth of Dunns Creek.

Murphy Creek Conservation Area has 1,707 acres that are predominantly hardwood swamp. Murphy Island contains one of the few upland areas along the St. Johns River that can be reached by boat. Primitive camping is permitted at designated sites only in Murphy Creek Conservation Area. The entrance to the conservation area is located off of U.S. 17, west on C.R. 309-B. A parking area is approximately one-half mile on the north side of the road.

Access to Murphy Island is by boat only. For more information, contact the St. Johns River Water Management District Division of Land Management at (386) 329-4404.



Hiking is popular in Welaka State Forest

Lake George Conservation Area

More than 10 miles of horse trails traverse through this conservation area. There are several access points to Lake George Conservation area. Trail use is limited during hunting season.

Located in Putnam and Volusia counties, Lake George Conservation Area has 35,380 acres of planted pine plantations, oak hammocks, bayheads, and dense creek swamps. Camping is allowed with a permit. No ATVs allowed. Lake George Conservation Area is located 3 miles west of Crescent City on Georgetown-Denver Rd. For more information, contact the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Northeast Region Office, 1239 S.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL. (352) 732-1225.



Ocala National Forest

Located in Marion, Putnam and Lake Counties, the Ocala National Forest has 382,408 acres that range from dense sand pine-scrub oak communities to wet and dry prairies to longleaf pine-palmetto flatwoods. Camping, dogs and ATVs are allowed.

Small game hunting is good, and deer and turkey hunting is fair to good. Hunters could encounter bears while hunting.

To access, travel south on S.R. 19 from Palatka approximately 15 miles. For more information, contact the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Northeast Region Office, 1239 S.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL. (352) 732-1225.



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There's a reason Putnam County is called the "Bass Capital of the World." Every day, you can find someone out on a dock or alongside a lake or river fishing, whether in the very early morning hours to catch the fish by surprise or later in the day when the warmth of the Florida sun hits the waters.

Putnam County is fortunate in February to host the Bassmaster Elite tournament, where the country's best bass pros scour the St. Johns River for the honey holes that will turn up prize catches.

And it's not just the St. Johns River and the many lakes in the county that offer ample opportunities for those who enjoy the sport. There's also Rodman Reservoir, where many go to reel in their catch or catches of the day.

Fishing not your thing? There are still plenty of ways to enjoy the outdoors. Ravine Gardens State Park in Palatka has a wonderful view of nature the further down you go in the park, and there's a 1.8-mile walking or biking trail around the park.

And Ravine Gardens is not the only state park in Putnam County. For a quieter backdrop, you may want to go south in the county to Dunns Creek State Park off U.S. 17, or off the beaten path to spend time at Welaka State Forest, adjacent to the Mount Royal site discussed in William Bartram's "Travels."

State parks, anyone? If you want to be more out in the open, there's plenty of trails to hike in Putnam County. One of the most notable is the Palatka to St. Augustine State Trail, which goes from East Palatka to Vermont Heights in a 35-mile round trip that provides scenic routes through the agricultural landscape.

Something longer, perhaps? There's the Palatka to Lake Butler State Trail that stretches 47 miles from west of U.S. 17 to State Road 238 in Lake Butler, running along the former Norfolk-Southern Railroad right-of-way through Putnam, Clay, Bradford and Union counties. And you can always find locals and visitors walking around the county, most notably on the Veterans Memorial Bridge with the challenging up-and-down path on the 1.5-mile round-trip saunter.

Hunting your thing? Plenty of that to find in Putnam County at sites like Caravelle Ranch Conservation Area, Etoniah Creek State Forest, Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management, the Ocala National Forest and the Dunns Creek Conservation Area.

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County, it always comes back to the St. Johns River. The calmness of the river is alluring to boaters, kayakers, and bench-sitters who just want to have a peaceful day.

So, while, there's no coastline to Putnam County, but it has plenty to offer even a casual outdoor enthusiast.

- The St. Johns River is the focal point of fishing in the "Bass Capital of the World." It's the only river in the United States that flows north and stretches 310 miles. It has tributaries in Putnam County such as Salt Springs, the Ocklawaha River and Rice Creek/Simms Creek to the west and Murphy Creek/Dunns Creek to the east.

- The Rodman Reservoir is located between state roads 315 and 19 south of Interlachen. The reservoir covers 10,000 acres of prime largemouth bass habitat.

- Ravine Gardens State Park offers a beautiful view inside the 1.8-mile loop trail of nature's finest, downward views going further and further into the park, as far down in the ravines as 120 feet. The trail is open to bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists.

- Dunns Creek State Park has 6,200 acres of natural communities represented off the sharp bend of the St. Johns River. These natural communities include sandhills covered with longleaf pines, wiregrass and sand pine scrub. These protect several endangered and threatened species, including the gopher tortoise, fox squirrels and other native animals.

- Welaka State Forest is off the east bank of the St. Johns River. The forest has over 4 miles of river frontage along the east bank of Little Lake George on the St. Johns River, though most of it is swampy and inaccessible. The forest has two walking trails and includes primitive campsites on the hiking trail.

- Etoniah Creek State Park in Florahome may not be as well known as the other main state parks in Putnam County, but it has it all – fishing, hunting and trail walking as part of the Palatka to Lake Butler Trail. A number of foot races have been held here, including the Iron Horse endurance runs held in February.

- The Palatka to St. Augustine State Trail actually goes 17.5 miles from East Palatka to Vermont Heights, just outside of St. Augustine. It offers those looking for a getaway a walking trail with views of the agricultural landscape along the way.

- The Palatka to Lake Butler State Trail is a 47-mile hike from Palatka just west of U.S. 17 to State Road 238 in Lake Butler. It offers a calm, peaceful route through Putnam, Clay, Bradford and Union counties and shows what small-town America is all about.





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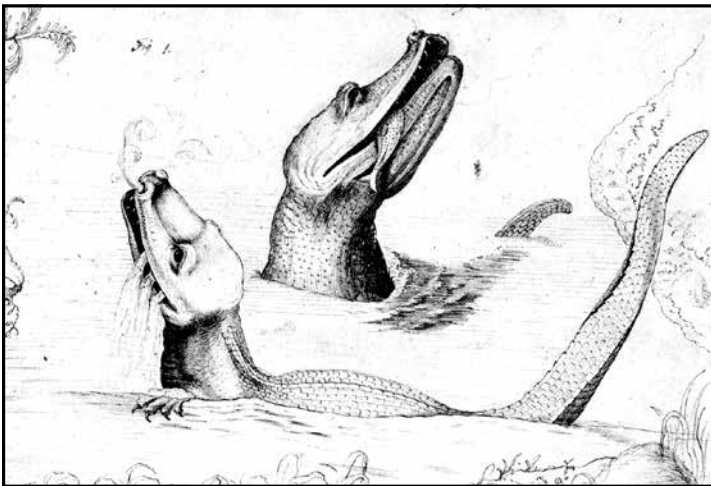
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William Bartram's Alligator, *Alligator mississippiensis*

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William Bartram first explored East Florida along the St. Johns River in 1765. The Pennsylvania Quaker visited the uncharted wilderness with his father, John Bartram. King George III awarded John Bartram a stipend as royal botanist to explore Britain's newest acquisition.

William Bartram returned to Putnam County in 1774, which was included in his first American literary masterpiece, "Travels." His description of the wildlife and plants he saw helped to make Travels one of the most important scientific books of its time.

Bartram's travels through Putnam County are highlighted with markers at more than 30 sites, ranging from Palmetto Bluff north of Palatka to Salt Springs Run in southern Putnam

County. For more about the trail, visit bartram.putnam-fl.com.

Native Americans welcomed Bartram to the area and referred to him as "Puc Puggy," or Flower Hunter. Spalding's Lower Store was Bartram's base for his explorations. The site, near the river banks of Palatka, was popular for bartering and mingling between Europeans and Native Americans.

Those wanting to explore Bartram's route can do so by paddling, hiking and biking. A virtual tour is also available at bartram.putnam-fl.com.

The Bartram Trail Society hosts the annual Bartram Frolic in Palatka. Students throughout the Putnam County School District attend the Frolic to learn about Bartram through actors portraying him, the Long Warrior and Trader Joe Wiggins.

Bartram said it best: "This world, as a glorious apartment of the boundless palace of the sovereign Creator, is furnished with an infinite variety of animated scenes, inexpressibly beautiful and pleasing, equally free to the inspection and enjoyment of all his creatures."



William Bartram's Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake

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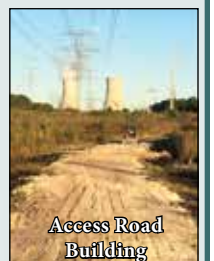
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St. Johns River

When talking about the outdoors and many natural resources in Putnam County, the St. Johns River is the heart of those discussions. Spanning 310 miles, it is Florida's longest river and stretches across almost half the state. Its headwaters begin at Blue Cypress Lake in Indian River County. The river empties into the Atlantic Ocean at Jacksonville.

- The St. Johns River flows north, touching 12 counties. According to the St. Johns Riverkeeper, the St. Johns River Watershed Basin covers an area of nearly 9,000 square miles and is home to 5 million people. There are nearly 3,500 lakes found in the watershed.

- The river is the heart of downtown Palatka, with the Veterans Memorial Bridge stretching across it, dividing Palatka from East Palatka and South Putnam. It is a popular destination for county residents and visitors for enjoying the outdoors – especially fishing. Recreational fishing is a popular pastime on the river, which is populated with bluegill, catfish, largemouth bass, striped bass and shellcracker. The river is also crowded with boats during shrimping season.

- In addition to recreational fishing, the river and its lakes attract professional anglers, too. The Bassmaster Elite Series will kick off its season once again in February.

- Prior to roads, the river functioned similar to a highway as an important method of transportation.



Palatka was a booming center for commercial activity on the river in the 1800s. The city had six steamboat lines in 1845, when Florida became a state. In the 1850s, Palatka became a port of entry into the interior of the state. During the Civil War, the Confederacy regularly tried to get past Union blockades using the river.





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Rodman Reservoir

Located southwest of Palatka and near the Ocala National Forest, the Rodman Reservoir has evolved into a rich ecosystem and popular fishing location for local residents and visitors. The site is a sought-after spot for bass tournaments, offering trophy bass for pros and amateurs alike.

Try to catch a glance of the otters that frolic in the reservoir or watch the cormorants hunt for their breakfast as a new day dawns over Putnam County.

The Rodman Reservoir, also known as the Kirkpatrick Dam, is located on the Ocklawaha River. It was created in the 1960s when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers constructed the dam as part of the now-defunct Cross Florida Barge Canal. In 2003, the dam was renamed to honor the late Sen. George Kirkpatrick, a longtime ally of Rodman.

On Feb. 27, 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson set off the explosion marking the beginning of the Cross Florida Bridge Canal. In 1968, the dam was completed and the reservoir was flooded. President Richard Nixon halted the project in 1971 and it was officially decommissioned in 1990.

Every three to four years, a drawdown occurs for aquatic plant control, and fish and wildlife habitat enhancement. During drawdowns, the reservoir is up to 7 feet below normal water level for more than three months.

Rodman attracts more than anglers, with hikers, families and school groups using the facilities. The



Rodman Recreation area is free and open to the public. Rodman Campground is operated by the Florida Office of Greenways and Trails. The campground is located at 410 Rodman Road, Palatka and can be booked by calling 386-326-2846

Rodman recreation area is free and open to the public. There is a boat ramp to the Ocklawaha River, fishing piers, picnic areas and restrooms. There is also Rodman Campground located near the reservoir. Contact the campground at 326-2846.



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It is why the prestigious Bassmaster Elite Series makes frequent stops in Palatka, bringing anglers who in turn bring out fans by the thousands to the St. Johns riverfront for daily weigh-ins.

The 2022 Bassmaster Elite Series returns to Putnam County Feb. 10-13. Bassmaster Director of Events Eric Lopez said last year the organization is eager to bring the tournament back to Palatka.

“The St. Johns River is a fixture with B.A.S.S. – we’ve had 22 major events on the river,” Lopez said prior to the 2021 event. “The area is beautiful, our partners at Putnam County Tourist Development Council and Putnam County Chamber of Commerce are incredibly welcoming and our anglers have enjoyed the early season action on this great fishery.”

Putnam County waterways hosted many other tournaments each year, including the FLW bass tournament the Wolfson Children’s Hospital Bass tournament, which is said to be the largest one-day tournament east of the Mississippi.

The area produces not only big bass, but big-name bass anglers. Cliff Prince of Palatka had a big final day in 2020’s tournament and wound up finishing fourth overall. He will be a local favorite again for the Bassmaster Elite in February.

And it all goes back to location.

Greg Walker, veteran outdoor writer and Palatka Daily

News correspondent, notes that not only is the immediate area enticing to those in search of the elusive 10-pound lunker, but so are waters quickly reached by boat. Near Jacksonville, Trout Creek is some 55 nautical miles north of Memorial Bridge. About 26 miles to the south is Lake George, which is nearly 10 miles long and is the second largest lake in the state.

That’s only the beginning.

“They can take a detour east to Dunns Creek, a 5-mile tributary that connects to Crescent Lake a large body of water in itself. Even further south on the west side of the river is the area of Welaka,” Walker said. “The Ocklawaha River empties into the St. Johns via Rodman Reservoir. To fish the reservoir, it can be reached by boat at the Rodman Campground near Kirkpatrick Dam, Kenwood Landing off (County Road) 315 or Orange Springs landing off (County Road) 310. The spillway at Kirkpatrick Dam is a favorite for bank fishermen.”

Beyond that, numerous lakes dot the county, many with either concrete or dirt ramps. Some might be land-locked and would require a landowner’s permission to fish. The county offers ample hotel space, Walker said, as well as bait shops with tackle, refreshments and maps – not to mention good advice.

Anglers come year-round in their quest for largemouth bass, but there’s more to fishing in Putnam County than that.

“In the fall or winter anglers travel from adjoining states to boat the speckled perch. Bream and catfish are on the traveler’s menu as well,” Walker said. “All these species are plentiful in the St. Johns and its tributaries. In the surrounding freshwater lakes, you find all these as well.

"The striped bass, red bass and speckled trout can only be found in the river waters and from Lake George to the briny waters north in Clay and Duval counties."

Trophies and prizes are welcome, but fishing Putnam County has a greater appeal than who finishes where.

"The fishing, along with the friendly and laid-back atmosphere, draws people back, building a strong relationship," Walker said. "Many return with friends and family to enjoy some relaxing time and fun fishing. We are blessed to have our rivers and lakes. There is nothing more enjoyable than time spent on the water with family and friends."



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Dunns Creek State Park

Dunns Creek State Park is located south of a sharp bend in the St. Johns River and is comprised of more than 6,200 acres of natural communities, including sandhills covered with longleaf pines, wiregrass and sand pine scrub.

The main park entrance at 320 Sisco Road leads to the park's day-use area, where visitors will find more than 8 miles of trails to hike, bike or ride their horses. There is also an ADA-compliant kayak launch and fishing platform. For details, call 329-3721 or visit floridastateparks.org/DunnsCreek.

The park is open from 8 a.m. to sunset daily. Fees are \$5 per vehicle (exact change only). Pets are allowed in the park, but must be kept on a leash.

Native Americans once used the land that now makes up the park, as evidenced by the widespread shell mound. The property was also once the site of a railroad station, post office, express office, general store and lodging facility.

Dunns Creek State Park offers a scenic picnic area along the shores of

Dunns Creek. Located in the day-use section of the park (at the Sisco Road entrance), this area includes a vault restroom, a fishing pier and stabilized parking. There are no shelters at this site.



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Located at 1600 Twigg St. in Palatka, Ravine Gardens State Park has been a source for recreation and outdoor activities for decades. It's a great location for sightseeing, exercising and family gatherings. The park also offers a wide variety of plants and wildlife to explore.

The 1.8-mile paved loop is open once again after repairs to damage sustained from Hurricane Irma in 2017. The road winds around the ravine, offering motorists, bicyclists, hikers and joggers a view of the gardens. It is open to vehicles 9-4 p.m. daily. It's open 8 a.m. until sunset for pedestrians and bicyclists. Pets are allowed and must be kept on a 6-foot leash. Admission is \$5 per vehicle, (exact change only).

Ravine Gardens is one of nine New Deal-era state parks in Florida. It was commissioned in 1933 and opened in 1934, with nearly 100,000 azalea bushes. The park has two ravines up to 120-feet deep. The gardens' peak flowering period is azalea season, January to March.

The Court of States at the park



entrance features a 60-foot obelisk, which was dedicated to Franklin D. Roosevelt. On holiday weekends, the park displays the flags of the 48 states that were in the U.S. when the park was established.

The Roy E. Campbell Civic Center in the park is a popular place for weddings and other events.

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St. Johns River Center

Sitting near the banks of the St. Johns River in Palatka, the St. Johns River Center tells the history of the river, Palatka and Putnam County. The \$1.2 million center was funded by Georgia-Pacific and opened in July 2015.

The center's interactive displays teach visitors about the ecological importance of wetlands, the conservation of river areas and the need for a sustainable approach to water usage.

Exhibits also tell the story of steamboats along the St. Johns River, underwater gardens and William Bartram's explorations in Putnam. The center is the headquarters trail head for the Bartram Trail in Putnam County.

The center's exhibit area, meeting room and roof are available for events and private tours. For more information, call 326-2704.

Among the center's exhibits is a quarter-size replica of a dugout canoe. The canoe was hand-hewn by Steve Hale from a single cedar log and donated by Susan Sutliff.

While visitors to the center were fewer in 2020 and 2021, it attracted more than 8,000 visitors in 2019. For details, visit Palatka-fl.gov/252/ or call 326-2704.



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The old pump house and the grounds at the facility now serve as a museum and education center. The museum teaches visitors about Palatka's past and about the importance of saving water. The pump house has a fiber optic interactive wall and a video kiosk about explorer William Bartram.

Volunteers run the grounds and trails, give tours, host field trips and staff the center. Water Works is adjacent to Ravine Gardens State Park and is at 1101 Whitewater Drive, which is at the ends of South 15th and South 13th streets.

The 9-plus acres is a great place for nature-based learning focusing on Putnam County's rich local history, the importance of water, and native plants and animals. The property is home to a resident gopher tortoise enclosure and sand hill habitat.

In 2020, the center participated in the Bartram educational event with the Bartram Trail Society and the Putnam County School District. The week-long event reached more than 800 students and included a video about gopher tortoises.





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The goal of the sheriff's office continues to be reducing recidivism in the jail. In 2021 several programs launched aimed at that goal. In order to combat crime, we must address drug addiction, which leads to many of our crimes. In December the **Insight Recovery Pod** was launched to provide meaningful programs for those seeking help for drug addiction.

Additionally, our corrections team is working with local companies to help inmates gain **employment** upon release from jail. Inmates receive help with skilled training, resumes, interviewing process and some have had a job interview while still incarcerated, with a guaranteed job upon release. Studies have found those who are unable to find employment often resort back to crime.

Lastly, a **farming program** was implemented and will slowly grow into 2022, allowing our inmates and staff to interact with animals, reducing stress while also helping supplement the jail kitchen with fresh eggs, vegetables and beef.



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Health



It would be impossible to talk about public health in 2021 without mentioning the novel coronavirus.

Although our cases significantly decreased through the new year, the community still saw an impact.

From March 2020 until the start of December 2021, there were 33,361 COVID-19 cases reported but 48% of Putnam residents had been vaccinated by then, according to the Florida Department of Health.

And as of Dec. 2, 2021, the state reached 3,697,523 cases since the pandemic began in early 2020.

Local officials have worked hard and abided by restrictions to help minimize the spread of the virus. Putnam County experienced a full shutdown in 2020 and slowly transitioned through reopening phases throughout most of the year, with numerous people making sure to keep hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and soap in stock.

Throughout it all, local health officials disseminated information to keep residents informed, and a free coronavirus testing and vaccination sites were established in Palatka.

Putnam has been reporting a low number of cases. The most recent data, for Nov. 26 - Dec. 2, 2021, showed the county reported 17 new

cases, even though back in January, the county experienced some days of very high case reports.

On Jan. 15, Putnam reported 152 new COVID-19 cases in one day.

Although coronavirus dominated local health efforts, medical professionals in Putnam are putting efforts toward combating local drug use.

According to the 2020 Medical Examiners Commission Drug Report, the tri-county area that includes Putnam, Flagler and St. Johns counties showed a 48.9% increase in the total number of



prescription drug deaths from 2019 to 2020.

The report data showed 88 deaths were caused by prescription drugs in 2019, but the number rose to 131 the next year.

Now, this data does scope three counties, but SMA Healthcare officials said there have been 15 fatal drug overdoses in Putnam County from January to November 2021.

The entire 2019 year saw just nine fatalities countywide, while 2020 data showed eight fatalities, according to SMA's data from ODMaps and the Florida Department of Health.

But health care agencies in Putnam started meeting with county leaders in July to tackle some of these issues. Health forums take place for two hours 9 a.m. the second Thursday of every month to make some changes and make Putnam County a healthier place to live.



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Education

The 2020-21 school year was one of change and adjustment nationwide, and Putnam County was no exception.

Coping with the global COVID-19 pandemic meant ongoing online education options, enhanced health and safety practices in the classroom, and making up for time lost as the virus's spread forced school closures during the end of the last school year.

The district's graduation rate continues to improve. The projected rate for the 2020-21 year was 91%, according to Superintendent Rick Surrency's annual State of the District presentation in November, up from 90.1% the last year. The rate has improved significantly over the previous six years, up from 54.9% in 2015.

A focus on literacy and mathematics brought professional development opportunities for teachers as well as new hires to support them. More than 150 teachers participated in literacy trainings over the summer, and more than 50 earned a reading endorsement for kindergarten through 12th grade. The district hired an additional math coach, meaning there were coaches available for teachers at all grade

levels.

Teachers also received training on social-emotional learning, and the Caring School Communities curriculum was implemented in all classrooms from kindergarten to 8th grade. Additional programs, including the Health Information Project, EverFi, and Ripple Effects, were used in the high schools. Two school counselors were hired, and the entire counseling staff served 184 students, 45 more than in November of the 2019-2020 year.

The district's revitalization plan moved forward. Three middle schools housed in aging buildings were shuttered at the end of the last school year, and three high schools began serving grades 7 through 12, among other consolidations.

Those changes were necessary in order to qualify for special facilities funding from the state to build new schools, Putnam County Associate Superintendent Thomas Bolling said in April. More than 230 staff members moved to new classrooms and offices, but the district was able to avoid laying off any teachers during the process.

Successful teacher retention efforts



and additional state funding for teacher salary increases meant the district shifted focus to recruiting and retaining non-instructional staff, such as paraprofessionals (aides), food service, custodial, and transportation employees.

The district added 94 new non-instructional staff members for the upcoming 2021-22 year. Bus drivers got a \$3/hour raise, and food service employees got an additional \$1 per hour.

A new 'Paras to Pros' program, a partnership with St. Leo University, provides assistance and opportunity for paraprofessionals to earn bachelors' degrees in education, enabling them to become teachers. Nine former paraprofessionals



completed the program in 2019, graduated with degrees in Elementary Education, got professional teaching certificates and became teachers with Putnam County Schools.

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SJR State President Joe Pickens said the community's support has been instrumental in the college's success, and the college repays the favor by supporting numerous community projects.

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The women and men in law enforcement work tirelessly to keep Putnam County a safe place for families to live and businesses to flourish. In fact, the Putnam County Sheriff's Office saw an over 23% drop in violent crime in 2020.

The sheriff's office aims to keep those numbers low through the implementation of its Stratified Policing Model, which began in early 2019. The program, which was modeled after a similar initiative in Seminole County, compiles repeat offenders' criminal history, and if they are arrested again – and they score high enough because of past misdeeds – they are required to wear an ankle monitor as a condition of their release.

The prolific offender list constantly updates and changes, and people who stop getting arrested for new offenses will be removed from the list.

Allison Waters-Merritt, spokeswoman for the sheriff's office, said overall crime in Putnam has significantly decreased in the last five years.

This year, the agency added five deputies to the Crescent City area, four more sheriff's office positions in this budget year and the agency plans to add two more, she said.

"In an effort to stay ahead of the crime trends, we have personnel that we didn't have (before 2021)," Waters-Merritt added.

The sheriff's office is quick to aid local residents when crimes are committed.

A drug recovery pod opened in the Putnam County Jail toward the end of 2021 for inmates who willingly want to stop harmful substance use. Waters-Merritt said a lot of the county's crime is drug related, and the agency is working to combat crime before people get arrested and when inmates are released back into the community.

But deputies also assist the public with mental health issues and substance abuse recovery. The agency has partnered with SMA Healthcare and Celebrate Recovery to find help for people who need it and prevent future drug use and drug arrests.

SMA Healthcare uses grant funds to provide classes in anger management, active parenting and creating a process of change for men who batter. Previously unavailable to Putnam County Jail inmates, the classes allow parents whose children are with other family members or in state custody to begin working court-ordered case plans while incarcerated. SMA Healthcare also hosts weekly support group meetings, and the organization's teachers establish a rapport with inmates, making it more likely for the latter to seek the former's assistance after being released.

As for people struggling with



Putnam County Sheriff, Gator DeLoach



Palatka Police Chief, Jason Shaw

substance use, Celebrate Recovery employs a faith-based approach to rehabilitate addicts, including former inmates. Last year, the group opened dormitories for men and women transitioning back into healthy lifestyles upon release from jail. Celebrate Recovery hosts frequent meetings at the neighboring Life Church as part of the recovery process, thereby setting the foundation for a new life.

Shining Light Peer Services is also available for people struggling through the recovery process. The agency is a recovery community organization run by peer support specialists who are in the recovery process.

Shining Light offers coaching, mentoring, support evaluation, life skills support and a homeless outreach program that began at the end of 2021.

To reach some of the youngest in our community, the Putnam County Sheriff's Office has its Police Athletic League and Exploring programs.

Numerous events this year were canceled because of COVID-19, but PAL was still able to host its fourth state boxing championships. PAL uses numerous sports and activities to have positive effects on the county's children, and boxing is one of its most popular sports. The championships brought in competitors from several states, and a former PAL participant is currently competing as an amateur boxer. Some PAL members also go on to have careers in law enforcement, with several of them having been hired at the sheriff's office within the past two years.

The Exploring program also helps young people who are considering a career in law enforcement, corrections and/or communications. Serving people ages 14-21, Exploring gives participants hands-on training and a more thorough look at their potential career fields. Previous Explorers have been hired by the sheriff's office or other law enforcement agencies, while other members have gone into the military. Even former Explorers who didn't pursue law enforcement or the military have benefited from the relationships they built with Putnam County Sheriff's Office deputies, who served as mentors.



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The business sector in Putnam County held strong in 2021. Businesses that opened the year before, including nationally known stores and restaurants, continued to thrive, while small businesses popped up throughout the area.

There have been ribbon-cutting ceremonies around Palatka to celebrate the consolidation of Futch's Tractor Depot in its new St. Johns Avenue location; Douglas Law Firm opening its new Second Street building; and the opening of businesses including Office Share, Needful Things, and Hometown Comics & Collectibles, among others.

Meanwhile, Velchoff's Corner food truck opened this year with intentions to open a physical location in downtown Palatka in 2022. Cora's Place restaurant and the Country Girls Seafood Shack food truck also began serving Putnam residents and visitors.

And one can't talk business in Putnam, without mentioning Georgia-Pacific and Seminole Electric Cooperative, both of which are undergoing multi-million-dollar expansions at their Palatka locations.

When you add to these businesses the 2021 openings of Marshall's, Five Below, Firehouse Subs and more, it's clear that Putnam's business sector is sound and growing even stronger.



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Murals currently available to tour and their locations:

1-6. Putnam County Jail, circa 1880 - Putnam County Courthouse, circa 1909; Bronson-Mulholland House, circa 1854; Palatka City Hall, circa 1905; JT&K Railway Station, circa 1886; and Palatka Waterworks, circa 1886-87. Located at Palatka City Hall on Reid and North Second streets.

7. Heartbeat of Palatka, circa 1890-1916 – This mural combines Old City Hall with the fire station, the old Post Office (current City Hall) and North Second Street. This mural is located at 205 N. Second St.



8. The Putnam House, circa 1891 – The Putnam House was a hotel at the height of Palatka's tourism boom in the 19th century. The Putnam House encompassed an entire city block, and is located at the site of the original hotel at North Second Street and St. Johns Avenue.

9. Battle at Horse Landing, May 23, 1864 – Commemorating the Civil War battle between a Union gunboat and Confederate cavalry on the banks of the St. Johns River. Located at South Third Street and St. Johns Avenue.

10. Putnam County Wildflowers – A collaboration between the mural committee and the Palatka Art League showcasing the wildflowers

in Putnam County. Located at South Third Street at St. Johns Avenue.

11. Night Passage, circa 1884 – Popular for tourism, steamboats traversed the Ocklawaha River between Palatka and Silver Springs. This mural is located at North Fourth Street and St. Johns Avenue.

12. To God Be the Glory, 1937-1938. Evangelist Billy Graham started preaching at a small Baptist church in Putnam County. This mural portrays Graham during his baptism in Silver Lake and his first pulpit at Peniel Baptist Church. Located at South Fourth Street and St. Johns Avenue.

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formation of the committee but is maintained and listed by the committee. Located on South Fifth Street at St. Johns Avenue.

14. Putnam Treasures – This mural depicts birds and animals native to Putnam County. Located at South Seventh Street and St. Johns Avenue.

15. High Time in Palatka, circa 1872. This mural depicts amusements popular during the time period in Putnam County. Located at South Seventh Street at

St. Johns Avenue, across from the Putnam Treasures mural.

16. Cattle Drive to Paynes Prairie, circa 1930 – Cattlemen drove their cattle from Palatka to Paynes Prairie in the winter to fatten them for market. Located at North 10th Street and St. Johns Avenue.

17. Sen. B.C. Pearce agricultural mural – Representing Putnam County, Pearce was instrumental in passing legislation to help farmers. The mural shows the area's popular

crops, cabbage and potatoes. Located at St. Johns Avenue between North 11th and North 10th streets.

18. Seats of Learning, circa 1923 – This mural depicts the two high schools before desegregation, Putnam High School and Central Academy. Central Academy would become the first fully accredited black high school in Florida in 1923. Located at the Price-Martin Community Center at Reid and North 11th streets.

19. Mary Lawson Hospital – Opened in 1918, African-American female Mary Jane Lawson owned this. Doctors of both races cared for both Black and White patients. Located at 822 St. Johns Ave.

20. Train Station – Railroads, along with steam ships on the St. Johns River, brought thousands of winter visitors to Palatka in the 1870s through early 1900s. Located at Ninth and St. Johns Avenue.

21. Annie Oakley – One of the most admired women in America

in the 1890s and early 1900s, Annie Oakley brought her sharp-shooter show to Palatka in 1908. Located at Eleventh Street and St. Johns Avenue.

22. Harlem Nights – “The Belton’s Society Syncopators” was a jazz band created in the 1920s by Cortland S. Belton and his brother Wilbert Belton, young black musicians from Palatka. Originally, they started out with a 4-piece band but progressed into a large band and were often compared to Duke Ellington and his orchestra. Located on the corner of St. Johns Avenue and North Eighth Street.

23. Readers Become Leaders – This mural depicts William D. Moseley, who was the first elected governor of Florida from 1845 to 1849. After serving his term in office, he settled in Palatka and opened a citrus grove. The book in his hand in the mural encourages young readers to become leaders. Located at 110 Husson Ave. in Palatka, on the east wall of William D. Moseley Elementary School.

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25. The William Bartram Mural –

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Many of the murals have a QR code, which enables you to listen to the history of the mural via an app. For details: visit conleemurals.org.

Members of the committee include John Alexander, Don Gooding, Steve Crowley, Larry Beaton, Robbi Correa, Lynda Crabill, Evelyn Snyder, and Gwen Alexander.

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We trust that this publication will serve as reminder for residents to demonstrate their commitment to the continued growth and development of the community by purchasing products and services from local businesses.

We are an active Chamber that looks to advance its members' prosperity and to provide increased value for the membership. We take great pride in our citizens, who work together and assume responsibility for the economic, educational, and cultural well-being of Putnam County.

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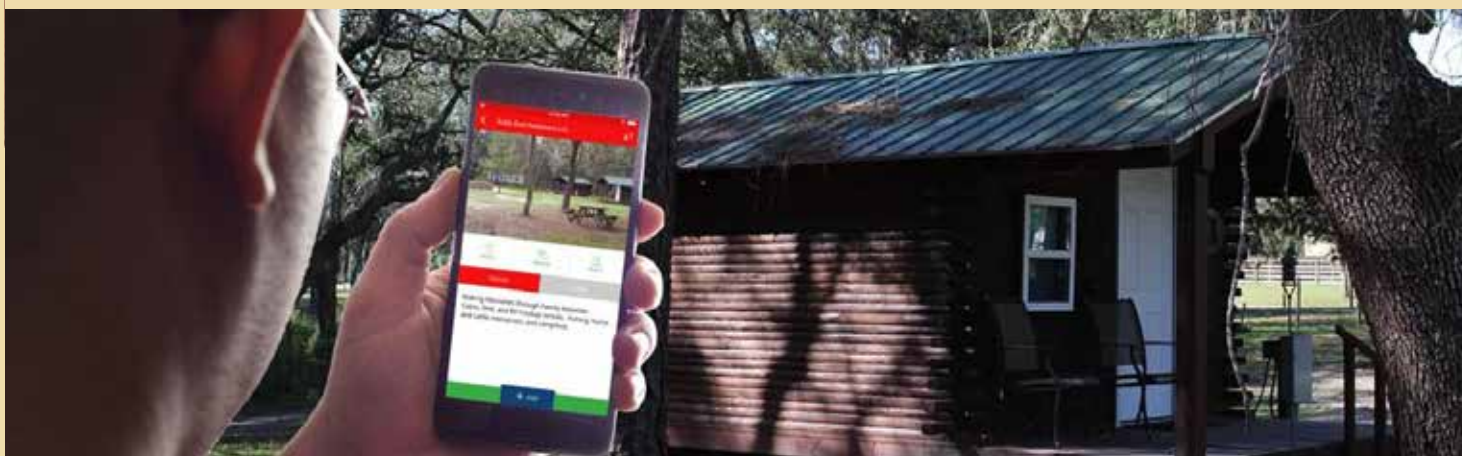
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Deep South Metals, Inc.
METAL FABRICATORS

deSigns
SIGNS - SALES & SERVICE

Direct Auto Insurance
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Discount Mini Storage of St Johns
STORAGE FACILITIES

Dog Face Electrical Contractors
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS/
SUPPLIES

Douglas Law Firm
ATTORNEYS/LEGAL SERVICES

Duck Realty, Inc
REAL ESTATE - GENERAL

Duramax Premium Lube Express
AUTOMOTIVE - REPAIR & SERVICES

Early Learning Coalition of North Florida
ASSOCIATIONS/ ORGANIZATIONS

Eco Marine Contractor, LLC
MARINE CONSTRUCTION
Eddie's Lawn Services
LAWN MAINTENANCE

Edith Aldrich Insurance Agency - State Farm
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Education Staffing Solution
EDUCATION

Edward D. Jones & Co.
FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT SERVICES

Embassy Church of God in Christ
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Episcopal Children's Services
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Ever After Farms Vineyard
AGRI-BUSINESS/FARMING

Everett Distributing Company Inc.
TRUCKING

Express Family Care, LLC
PHYSICIANS - GENERAL

Express Medical Group (Family Practice, Urgent Care, Wound Care, Medical Imaging}
PHYSICIANS - GENERAL

Eye Center of St. Augustine
PHYSICIANS - OPHTHALMOLOGY

Factory Direct Bedding, LLC
MATTRESSES/BEDDING

Family Shoe Store
RETAIL STORES

Farm Bureau Insurance
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Farm Credit of Florida, ACA
BANKS/CREDIT UNION

First Coast Cardiovascular Institute
PHYSICIANS- CARDIOVASCULAR

First Coast Community Credit Union
BANKS/CREDIT UNION

First Coast Metal Roofing Supply
METAL FABRICATORS

FL Custom Kitchen and Bath LLC
CUSTOM KITCHEN/BATH

FLA Trucking & Paving
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Flagg Serenity Memorial Chapel
FUNERAL HOMES

Flagler Health +
HOSPITAL

Flagler Multi-Specialty Care Center
PHYSICIANS - GENERAL

Fleetwoods Helping Hands
HANDYMAN MAINTENANCE SERVICE

Florida Pest Control & Chemical Co.
PEST CONTROL SERVICES

Florida Power & Light Co.
ELECTRIC COMPANIES

Flowers by Melanie, Inc.
FLORISTS

Forest Groves Ferneries, Inc.
FERNERIES

Frank Bush Insurance Agency
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Fruitland Ace Hardware
BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Futch's Power Depot, Inc.
LAWN EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE

Futch's Power Depot, Inc.
LAWN EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE

Garry Wood - Attorney at Law
ATTORNEYS/ LEGAL SERVICES

Gator Timber & Land, LLC
PULPWOOD & TIMBER CONTRACTORS

Georgetown Marina & Lodge
FISH CAMPS

Georgia-Pacific - Palatka Operations
MANUFACTURING

Gerber Collision & Glass
AUTOMOTIVE - REPAIR & SERVICES

Ginn Financial Group, Inc.
FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT SERVICES

Goodwill Industries of North Florida, Inc.
RETAIL STORES

Gottago of Putnam County
PORTABLE TOILETS

Grand Gables Inn Bed & Breakfast
HOTEL/MOTEL/LODGE

Graphics II
PRINTING SERVICES

Guaranty Title
TITLE SERVICES

Gullett Title, Inc.
TITLE SERVICES

Hagan Ace Hardware #11619
BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Hallie's Landing
ECO TOURS/EXCURSIONS

Hampton Inn - Palatka
HOTEL/MOTEL/LODGE

Hand-N-Hand Community Services Foundation, Inc.
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Harper Flooring
CARPET & FLOORING

Haven Hospice
HOSPICE CARE

Hawkins & Turner Farm
AGRI-BUSINESS/FARMING

Herrington Industries, Inc.
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Hicks Dental
DENTISTS

Hill's Hardware & Recycling
BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Hitchcock's Markets - East Palatka
GROCERY STORE

Hitchcock's Markets - Interlachen
GROCERY STORE

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
HOTEL/MOTEL/LODGE

Holly Ridge Apartments
APARTMENT/HOUSING RENTALS

Holmes & Young, PA
ATTORNEYS/LEGAL SERVICES

Home Depot, Store #8531
BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Human Resources Development Services, Inc.
BUSINESS CONSULTANTS

Island Doctors
PHYSICIANS - GENERAL

Island Travel and Beyond LLC
TRAVEL AGENCY

J&J Aluminum Products, LLC
ALUMINUM CONTRACTORS

J-B Glass LLC.
GLASS DISTRIBUTORS

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DENTISTS

Jerry Hafner, General Contractor
GENERAL CONTRACTORS



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CATERING SERVICES

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Johnson-Overturf Funeral Homes
FUNERAL HOMES

KB Cabinetry Inc. Showroom
CABINETS/CABINETRY

Keep Putnam Beautiful
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Kennedy Rehab & Skilled Therapy Services
PHYSICAL & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Kyocera
COPIER/OFFICE EQUIP SALES & LEASING

Lady Bug's Gift Shoppe
RETAIL STORES

Lake Area Physical Therapy
PHYSICAL & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Lakewood Nursing Center
NURSING HOMES

Law Offices of Ronald E. Sholes
ATTORNEYS/LEGAL SERVICES

Layman Well Drilling Inc
WELL DRILLING SERVICES

LifeSouth Community Blood Center
BLOOD BANK

Lift Putnam Inc
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Lifted Spirits Vape & More, LLC
RETAIL STORES

Lightfoot Fire Extinguisher Service
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Lori's Fountain Restaurant
RESTAURANTS

Lowe's
BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Mariachiles Mexican Grill
RESTAURANTS

Marie's Tables & Tents
PARTY RENTALS

Mark Stanton, CPA
ACCOUNTING SERVICES

Massey III Painting
PAINTING & SUPPLIES

Massey Services, Inc.
PEST CONTROL SERVICES

Masters Funeral Home, LLC
FUNERAL HOMES

Matanzas Law Group
ATTORNEYS/LEGAL SERVICES

McClain Family Foundation
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

McDonald's of Palatka
RESTAURANTS

McKinnon Home Furnishings
FURNITURE/HOME FURNISHINGS

Meade Insurance Agency, Inc.
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Mederi CareTenders
HOME HEALTH CARE

Medical Staff of Putnam Community Medical Center, Inc.
PHYSICIANS - GENERAL

Messer's Westside Bait & Tackle
BAIT & TACKLE

Mobile Communications America Inc.
TWO-WAY RADIO SALES & SERVICE

Modern Realty of Putnam, Inc.
REAL ESTATE - GENERAL

Moore's Well Drilling
WELL DRILLING SERVICES

Musselwhite's Seafood & Grill
RESTAURANTS

Natkim Radio - WIYD / WPLK / WAVE
RADIO STATIONS

NE Florida Association of Realtors
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

NE Florida Community Action Agency
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

NE Florida Regional Council
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Neal Strickland Roofing, Inc.
ROOFING CONTRACTOR

Neuco Distributors, LLC
INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTORS

New Horizon RV, Inc.
RV SALES & SERVICES

Nicholson AC/Heating & Quality Ice
AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING

Niko's Pizza, Inc.
RESTAURANTS

Norfolk Southern Fishing Lodge
LODGE - PRIVATE/CORPORATE

North East Florida Educational Consortium
EDUCATION

North Florida Emulsions, Inc.
ASPHALT & PAVING CONTRACTORS

North Florida Living, LLC
REAL ESTATE - GENERAL

North Florida Home Builders, Inc.
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

NorthEast Environmental, LLC
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Old City Web Services Inc
BUSINESS CONSULTANTS

Oliver Oaks & Vines, LLC
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Open Door Church of God
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

P & F Mini Storage
STORAGE FACILITIES

Palatka Christian Service Center
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Palatka Daily News
NEWSPAPERS

Palatka Flooring Center
CARPET & FLOORING

Palatka Gas Authority
GAS- NATURAL

Palatka Golf Club
GOLF COURSE/COUNTRY CLUB

Palatka Housing Authority
APARTMENT/HOUSING RENTALS

Palatka Mall, LLC
RETAIL STORES

Palatka Marketplace
RETAIL STORES

Palatka Moose Lodge #184
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Palatka New Vision Lion's Foundation
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Palatka Police Athletic League, Inc
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Papa John's Pizza #3622
RESTAURANTS

Parker House Lounge, Inc.
LOUNGE/PACKAGE GOODS

Patricia Banks Accounting
ACCOUNTING SERVICES

Peninsular Auto Parts
AUTOMOTIVE - PARTS & SUPPLIES

Pilot Club of Palatka, Inc.
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Plastic Masters International, Inc.
PLASTIC FABRICATORS

Port Consolidated, Inc.
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTOR - WHOLESALE

Preston Electric Co.
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS/ SUPPLIES

Producers Ace Hardware Co.
BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Publix Super Markets #727
GROCERY STORE

Putnam Community Medical Center
HOSPITAL

Putnam County Chamber of Commerce
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Putnam County Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Putnam County Development Authority
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Putnam County Fair Authority, Inc.
ENTERTAINMENT

Putnam County Government
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Putnam County Property Appraiser
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP



CHAMBER MEMBER BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Putnam County School District
EDUCATION

Putnam County Sheriff's Office
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Putnam County Shrine Club
ASSOCIATIONS/ ORGANIZATIONS

Putnam County Supervisor of Elections
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Putnam County Tax Collector Office
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Putnam Habitat for Humanity
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Putnam Pulmonary Practice
PHYSICIANS - PULMONOLOGY

Q.I.R. Investments
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS

Quality Inn & Suites - Riverfront
HOTEL/MOTEL/LODGE

R & J Power Equipment, Inc.
LAWN EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE

Rachelsie Farm, Inc.
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS & SUPPLIES

Ralph's House of Flowers
FLORISTS

Randy Mathews Mini Storage & Hauling
STORAGE FACILITIES

Reiter Insurance Agency, Inc.
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Renegades on the River
HOTEL/MOTEL/LODGE

Ridgway Roof Truss
MANUFACTURING

River Bend Condominiums
VACATION RENTALS

River City Players
THEATER COMPANY

River City Veterinary Hospital
VETERINARIANS

Riverside Builders of Putnam County
GENERAL CONTRACTORS

Riverside Wealth Advisors
FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT SERVICES

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ARCHITECT

Robert M. Perry - Attorney at Law
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Rodeheaver Boys Ranch, Inc.
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Roderick Crabbe Insurance Inc. - Allstate Insurance Company
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Rusty Ducks, Inc
RESTAURANTS

S & A Leisure, Inc.
MARINE DEALERSHIP

Saint-Gobain
MANUFACTURING

San Mateo Estates RV & Mobile Home Park
RV PARK/CAMPGROUND

SeekMedicare
HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Seminole Electric Cooperative
ELECTRIC COMPANIES

Sentry Termite & Pest Control, Inc.
PEST CONTROL SERVICES

Shelton Veterinary Clinic
VETERINARIANS

Shrimp-R-U's & More
RESTAURANTS

Sign Gypsies Putnam County
SIGNS - SALES & SERVICE

Singleton Subway Inc. #13481
RESTAURANTS

Singleton Subway Inc. #4631
RESTAURANTS

SMA Healthcare
COUNSELING SERVICES

Smith Products Company, Inc.
CABINETS/CABINETRY

Solaris Healthcare Palatka
NURSING HOMES

Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q
RESTAURANTS

South State Bank
BANKS/CREDIT UNION

Southern Air
AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING

Spin City Laundry
LAUNDROMAT

St Johns Campground
RV PARK/CAMPGROUND

St Johns Eye Care, Inc.
PHYSICIANS - OPTOMETRY

St Johns Housing Partnership, Inc.
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

St Johns Powersports
POWER SPORTS

St Johns Realty & Management
REAL ESTATE- GENERAL

St Johns River Dental
DENTISTS

St Johns River State College
EDUCATION

St Johns Ship Building, Inc.
SHIPBUILDING

St. Johns River Concrete Company Inc.
GENERAL CONTRACTORS

St. Johns Super Service Center
AUTOMOTIVE - REPAIR & SERVICES

Staples - Store #1056
OFFICE SUPPLIES & FURNITURE

State Representative Bobby Payne
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Steve A Chapman, DMD
DENTISTS

Sunbelt Rentals
EQUIPMENT RENTALS

Sunrise Marine
MARINE DEALERSHIP

Sunshine Cleaning Service
PRESSURE WASHING

Sunshine Trophies & Awards
TROPHIES & PLAQUES

Supercuts
SALONS/SPAS

Susan G. Helwig, Insurance Agency
INSURANCE AGENCIES

Taylor Douglas Realty, Inc.
REAL ESTATE - GENERAL

Team Florida Realty
REAL ESTATE- GENERAL

Teco Peoples Gas
ELECTRIC COMPANIES

The ARC of Putnam County
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

The Bingo Palace
ENTERTAINMENT

The Boathouse Marina
MARINA

The Floridian Sports Club
LODGE - PRIVATE/ CORPORATE

The Golden Pineapple Salon
SALONS/SPAS

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The Mathe Corporation
GENERAL CONTRACTORS

The Oaks Golf Club
GOLF COURSE/COUNTRY CLUB

The Ride Solution, Inc.
TRANSPORTATION/SHUTTLE SERVICES

Toby's Alignment, Inc.
AUTOMOTIVE - REPAIR & SERVICES

Town of Interlachen
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Town of Pomona Park
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Town of Welaka
GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

Trails End Outdoors RV Park & Cabins
RV PARK/CAMPGROUND

Treasure Fine Jewelers
RETAIL STORES

True House, Inc.
MANUFACTURING

UNF Small Business Development Ctr
BUSINESS CONSULTANTS

UniFirst Corporation
LAUNDRY SERVICE

United Rent-All of NE Florida, Inc.
PARTY RENTALS

**United Way of St. Johns
County, Inc.**
ASSOCIATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS

Uniti Fiber
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
Velchoff's Corner
RESTAURANTS

Veritas Steel, LLC
STEEL FABRICATION

Vernon Myers, Jr.
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

**Villa Farms Luxury
Community**
RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

Vintage Care of Palatka
ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES

**Vulcan Materials - Smith
Division**
SAND MINING

**Vulcan Materials - South
Division**
SAND MINING

VyStar Credit Union
BANKS/CREDIT UNION

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**W.W. Gay Mechanical
Contractor, Inc.**
HEAVY EQUIPMENT CONTRACTORS

Walmart Supercenter #551
RETAIL STORES

Waste Pro of Florida
GARBAGE COLLECTION

Watson Realty Corp.
REAL ESTATE - GENERAL

Wattles Business Solutions
COPIER/OFFICE EQUIP SALES &
LEASING

Wetland Preserve, LLC
AGRI-BUSINESS/FARMING

**Windsor Care and
Rehabilitation Center**
NURSING HOMES

Woodland Point Apartments
APARTMENT/ HOUSING RENTALS

Woody's Bar-B-Q
RESTAURANTS

Worldwide Aquaponics
AGRI-BUSINESS/FARMING

WTRP
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS

Zaxby's of Palatka
RESTAURANTS



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AGRI-BUSINESS / FARMING

Comarco Products, Inc.
7100 PRC Way
Palatka, FL 32177
(856) 342-7557

Coventry Oaks Farm
104 Springside Shortcut Rd.
Palatka, FL 32177
(904) 778-5858

Ever After Farms Vineyard
372 Sisco Rd
Pomona Park, FL 32181
(386) 227-6411

Hawkins & Turner Farm
438 East End Rd
San Mateo, FL 32187
(386) 328-3736

Wetland Preserve, LLC
113 Arden Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(904) 303-4471

Worldwide Aquaponics
181 School Rd
East Palatka, FL 32131
(904) 386-3856

AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING

Artic Air, Inc.
1501 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5095

**Nicholson AC/Heating &
Quality Ice**
326 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-0911

Southern Air
3849 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-3212

ALUMINUM CONTRACTORS

J&J Aluminum Products, LLC
1026 Hwy 20
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 972-0391

APARTMENT / HOUSING RENTALS

Barrington Apartments
607 S. Moody Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-0512

Barry Manor Apartments
1000 Husson Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5137

Holly Ridge Apartments
6401 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-1973

Palatka Housing Authority
400 N. 15th St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0132

Woodland Point Apartments
6710 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-9530

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**Arts Council of Greater
Palatka**
216 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8998

Conlee-Snyder Murals
919 Carr St.
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4266

ASPHALT & PAVING CONTRACTORS

North Florida Emulsions, Inc.
701 N. Moody Rd, #15
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1733

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES

Vintage Care of Palatka
203 S. Moody Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
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Palatka, FL 32177
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Church**
1414 Bronson Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1575

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3940 Lewis Speedway, Suite 2103
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(904) 829-6300



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Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4266

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604 N. Summit St
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(386) 467-7075

Early Learning Coalition of
North Florida
2450 Old Moultrie Rd, Ste 103
St Augustine, FL 32086
(904) 342-2267

Embassy Church of God in
Christ
122 Shadow Lawn St
Palatka, FL 32177
(828) 316-7408

Episcopal Children's Services
821 Hwy 19 South
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 385-3450

Hand-N-Hand Community
Services Foundation, Inc.
158 West Louis Broer Rd.
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-1441

Keep Putnam Beautiful
205 N. 2nd St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-9598

Lift Putnam Inc
601 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 260-0062

McClain Family Foundation
285 West River Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-3833

NE Florida Association of
Realtors
7801 Deercreek Club Rd
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NE Florida Community Action
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1201 Madison St
Palatka, FL 32177
(904) 635-8646

Open Door Church of God
3704 Crill Avenue
Palatka, FL 32177
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Center
2600 Peters St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-0984

Palatka Moose Lodge #184
3875 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-6948

Palatka New Vision Lion's
Foundation
318 Osceola St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 937-8277

Palatka Police Athletic
League, Inc
110 North 11th Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0115

Pilot Club of Palatka, Inc.
P.O. Box 2202
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1100 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
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2506 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
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Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1281

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St. Augustine, FL 32084
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City, Florida 32112
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Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1511

Beck Chrysler - Dodge - Jeep
256 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8863

Beck Ford - Lincoln
420 N. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8881

Beck Nissan
252 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-2775

AUTOMOTIVE - PARTS & SUPPLIES

Dave's Tops and Trim, Inc.
615 N. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-3313

Peninsular Auto Parts
533 S. Summit St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-2002

AUTOMOTIVE - REPAIR & SERVICES

Duramax Premium Lube
Express
4100 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5823

Gerber Collision & Glass
3517 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-2671

St. Johns Super Service
Center
608 Reid St.
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-9231

Toby's Alignment, Inc.
2604 Peters St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5490

BAIT & TACKLE

Messer's Westside Bait &
Tackle
934 Hwy 19 South
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-4035



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BANKS / CREDIT UNION

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Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-3770

Ameris Bank
601 Reid Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 201-9003

Capital City Bank
148 Hwy 17 South
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 329-1150

Capital City Bank
4120 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-1155

Community State Bank
1120 State Road 20
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-6154

Farm Credit of Florida, ACA
309 N. 2nd St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 385-7201

First Coast Community Credit Union
306 S. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5555

South State Bank
350 Hwy 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5600

South State Bank
500 N. Summit St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-1982

VyStar Credit Union
510 Hwy 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-3303

BED & BREAKFAST

Grand Gables Inn Bed & Breakfast
603 Emmett St
Palatka, FL 32177
(831)915-4278

BLOOD BANK

LifeSouth Community Blood Center
6003 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-7299

BREWERY

Azalea City Brewing Company
120 South 7th Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 530-2084

BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE & LUMBER

Fruitland Ace Hardware
1157 CR 309
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-1260

Hagan Ace Hardware #11619
141 Hwy 17 South
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-2698

Hill's Hardware & Recycling
1770 Hwy 17
Pomona Park, FL 32181
(386) 649-5479

Home Depot, Store #8531
417 Hwy 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386)325-5857

Lowe's
500 Hwy 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-5340

Producers Ace Hardware Co.
404 Central Ave
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-1260

Ridgway Roof Truss
235 SW 11th place
Gainesville, FL 32601
(352) 219-1183

BUSINESS CONSULTANTS

Human Resources Development Services, Inc.
609 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-0990

Old City Web Services Inc
2155 Old Moultrie Rd Suite 109
St Augustine, FL 32086
(904) 829-2772

UNF Small Business Development Ctr
12000 Alumni Dr
Jacksonville, FL 32224
(904) 620-2427

CABIN RENTAL

Renegades on the River
1171 County Road 309
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 524-4179

Trails End Outdoors RV Parks & Cabins
163 Willis Road
Hollister, FL 32147
(386) 325-3008

CABINETS / CABINETRY

KB Cabinetry Inc. Showroom
627 St Johns Ave.
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-1509

Smith Products Company, Inc.
900 Kirby St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4534

CAR WASH & DETAILING

AutoSpa of Palatka
276 N Highway 17
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 385-5566

Blue Lagoon Car Wash, Inc.
4401 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 937-3740

Caliber Car Wash
812 State Highway 19
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 220-8887

CARPET & FLOORING

Harper Flooring
930 S. SR 19, Suite 3
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 530-2222

Palatka Flooring Center
1813 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-0440

CATERING SERVICES

Blue Water Bay
319 State Road 26
Melrose, Florida 32666
(352) 475-1928

Cora's Cakes & Catering
309 N. 9th St.
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5811

Jerry Stalvey's BBQ
265 Eagle Creek Rd.
Bostwick, FL 32007
(904) 540-1697

CHARITABLE FOUNDATIONS

Hand-N-Hand Community Services Foundation, Inc.
158 West Louis Broer Rd.
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-1441

McClain Family Foundation
285 West River Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-3833

CHURCHES

Calvary Missionary Baptist Church
1414 Bronson Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1575

Embassy Church of God in Christ
122.Shadow Lawn St
Palatka, FL 32177
(828) 316-7408

Open Door Church of God
3704 Crill Avenue
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-2557

CLEANING SERVICES - RESIDENTIAL / COMMERCIAL

Busy Bee's Cleaning Service
123 Kennedy Avenue
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 972-1792

COMPUTER SERVICES

Ambient Inc.
213 Hwy 17 South
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 312-7011



CATEGORICAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

A.D. Davis Construction Corp
3940 Lewis Speedway
Suite 2201
St. Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 824-3533

Dog Face Electrical
Contractors
7465 Hub Bailey Rd
Hastings, FL 32145
(904) 808-5268

FLA Trucking & Paving
120 Dog Branch Rd
East Palatka, Florida 32131
(386) 546-6826

Herrington Industries, Inc.
7300 Crill Ave, Box #65
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-9898

North Florida Home Builders,
Inc.
611 N. Summit St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 559-7972

NorthEast Environmental, LLC
209 Environmental Blvd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 546-5770

St Johns Housing Partnership,
Inc.
525 West King Street
St. Augustine, Florida 32084
(904) 824-0902

COPIER / OFFICE EQUIP SALES & LEASING

Kyocera
1760 Hwy A1A South St
Augustine, FL 32080
(904) 471-4770

Wattles Business Solutions
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 937-6057

COUNSELING SERVICES

SMA Healthcare
330 Kay Larkin Drive
Palatka, FL 32177
(800) 539-4228

CUSTOM KITCHEN / BATH

FL Custom Kitchen and Bath
LLC
174 US Hwy 17 S.
East Palatka, FL 32131
(401) 480-9558

DENTISTS

Brauneck Family Dentistry
120 Hwy 19 South
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-9206

Hicks Dental
800 Zeagler Dr, Suite 330
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-6000

Jeffrey R. Slotten, D.D.S.
205 Zeagler Dr, Suite 502
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1500

St Johns River Dental
6200 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5467

Steve A Chapman, DMD
3520 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8351

ECO TOURS / EXCURSIONS

Hallie's Landing
831 Huntington Rd.
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 559-8125

Trails End Outdoors RV Park
& Cabins
163 Willis Road
Hollister, FL 32147
(386) 325-3008

Wetland Preserve, LLC
113 Arden Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(904) 303-4471

EDUCATION

Education Staffing Solution
800 Kings Hwy North
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034
(856) 482-0300

Hand-N-Hand Community
Services Foundation, Inc.
158 West Louis Broer Rd.
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-1441

North East Florida
Educational Consortium
3841 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-3800

Putnam County School
District
200 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0510

St Johns River State College
5001 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-4200

ELECTRIC COMPANIES

Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc.
300 North State Road 19
Palatka, FL 32177-2498
(386) 328-1432

Florida Power & Light Co.
2900 Catherine St
Palatka, FL 32177
(800) 226-3545

Seminole Electric Cooperative
890 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-9255

Teco People Gas
4040 Phillips Highway
Jacksonville, FL 32247
(904) 739-4878

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS / SUPPLIES

Dog Face Electrical
Contractors
7465 Hub Bailey Rd
Hastings FL 32145
(904) 808-5268

Preston Electric Co.
2105 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-3355

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES / AGENCIES

CareerSource NE Florida
400 Highway 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 530-7089

ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS

CHW Professional Consultants
11801 Research Dr.
Alachua, FL 32615
(352) 331-1976

ENTERTAINMENT

Putnam County Fair Authority,
Inc.
118 Theatre Rd
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-3247

The Bingo Palace
201 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5822

EQUIPMENT RENTALS

Sunbelt Rentals
3523 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 643-6010

FERNERIES

Forest Groves Ferneries, Inc.
610 Old Hwy 17
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-1074

FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT SERVICES

Ameriprise Financial Services,
Inc.
510 S. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-2221

Edith Aldrich Insurance
Agency - State Farm
1721 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-0610

Edward D. Jones & Co.
512 S. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-9072

Ginn Financial Group, Inc.
421 St Johns Ave, Ste 3
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4501



CATEGORICAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Riverside Wealth Advisors
117 N. 2nd St.
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 336-9051

Roderick Crabbe Insurance
Inc. - Allstate Insurance
Company 1123 Kingsley Ave
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 215-2088

Susan G. Helwig, Insurance
Agency
836 S Moody Road
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-1002

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Lightfoot Fire Extinguisher
Service
506 Madison St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-1734

FISH CAMPS

Acosta Creek Marina
124 Acosta Creek Dr
Satsuma, FL 32189
(386) 467-2229

Bass World Lodge & Marina
209 Browns Fish Camp Rd
Georgetown, FL 32139
(386) 467-2267

Georgetown Marina & Lodge
1533 Hwy 309
Georgetown, FL 32139
(386) 467-2002

FLORISTS

Flowers by Melanie, Inc.
102 Oakwood Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-5559

Ralph's House of Flowers
605 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4734

FUNERAL HOMES

Clayton, Frank & Biggs
Funeral Home
402 Cypress Ave
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-1621

Flagg Serenity Memorial
Chapel
2400 Madison St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-0444

Johnson-Overturf Funeral
Homes
1230 Hwy 20
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-3360

Johnson-Overturf Funeral
Homes
307 S. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4521

Masters Funeral Home, LLC
1207 Hwy 20
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-4177

Masters Funeral Home, LLC
3015 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4564

FURNITURE / HOME FURNISHINGS

Badcock Home Furniture &
More
1000 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1412

McKinnon Home Furnishings
237 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8880

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Waste Pro of Florida
170 County Landfill Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5445

GAS - NATURAL

Palatka Gas Authority
518 Main St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1591

GENERAL CONTRACTORS

Jerry Hafner, General
Contractor
122 Hilty Lane
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 983-2166

Riverside Builders of Putnam
County
511 W. Towles Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-3556

St. Johns River Concrete
Company Inc.
305 North Pine Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 385-3863

The Mathe Corporation
106 Mathe Ave
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-2471

GLASS DISTRIBUTORS

J-B Glass LLC.
119 West Towles Ave.
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 643-7105

GOLF COURSE / COUNTRY CLUB

Palatka Golf Club
1715 Moseley Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0141

The Oaks Golf Club
1264 CR 309
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 467-2512

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

NE Florida Regional Council
100 Festival Park Ave
Jacksonville, FL 32202
(904) 279-0880

State Representative
Bobby Payne
3841 Reid St, Ste 5
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-2272

GOVERNMENT OFFICES - CITY & TOWNSHIP

City of Crescent City
3 N. Summit St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-2525

City of Palatka
201 N. 2nd St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0100

Palatka Housing Authority
400 N. 15th St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0132

Putnam County Clerk of
Circuit Court and Comptroller
410 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-7600

Putnam County Development
Authority
1100 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1503

Putnam County Government
2509 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0205

Putnam County Property
Appraiser
312 Oak St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0286

Putnam County Sheriff's
Office
130 Orie Griffin Blvd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0800

Putnam County Supervisor of
Elections
2509 Crill Ave, Ste 900
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0408

Putnam County Tax Collector
Office
312 Oak St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 329-0282

Town of Interlachen
311 Atlantic Ave
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-3811

Town of Pomona Park
1775 Hwy 17 South
Pomona Park, FL 32181
(386) 649-4902

Town of Welaka
400 4th Ave
Welaka, FL 32193
(386) 467-9800



CATEGORICAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

GROCERY STORES

Hitchcock's Markets -
East Palatka
9 Eastgate Square
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-1494

Hitchcock's Markets -
Interlachen
1114 Hwy 20
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-6514

Publix Super Markets #727
171 Town & Country Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-8305

GYPSUM / DRYWALL

Saint-Gobain
886 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5766

HANDYMAN MAINTENANCE SERVICE

Fleetwoods Helping Hands
102 Cypress Point Circle
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 972-3132

HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Aza Health
613 St Johns Ave, Ste 300
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-0108

Putnam Pulmonary Practice
700 Zeagler Drive
Suite 6
Palatka, Florida 32177
(386) 530-2749

SeekMedicare
1305 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(844) 955-3690

HEAVY EQUIPMENT CONTRACTORS

W.W. Gay Mechanical
Contractor, Inc.
524 Stockton St
Jacksonville, FL 32204
(904) 388-2696

HOME HEALTH CARE

Brooks Rehabilitation Home
Health
3424 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-4567

Mederi CareTenders
6719 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 983-0186

HOSPICE CARE

Community Hospice &
Palliative Care of Putnam
County
5111 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(877) 699-7300

Haven Hospice
6400 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-7100

HOSPITAL

Flagler Health +
400 Health Park Blvd
St. Augustine, FL 32086
(904) 819-4400

Putnam Community Medical
Center
611 Zeagler Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5711

HOTEL / MOTEL / LODGE

Best Western Inn of Palatka
119 Hwy 17 South
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 325-7800

Crystal Cove Hotel
133 Crystal Cove Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-1055

Grand Gables Inn Bed &
Breakfast
603 Emmett St
Palatka, FL 32177
(831) 915-4278

Hampton Inn - Palatka
100 Memorial Pkwy
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 530-2420

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
3813 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-2500

Quality Inn & Suites -
Riverfront
201 N. 1st St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-3481

Renegades on the River
1171 County Road
309 Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 524-4179

INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTORS

Neuco Distributors, LLC
1214 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1257

INSURANCE AGENCIES

Aron Livingston Agency -
New York Life
222 N. 3rd St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-9030

Bates, Hewett & Floyd
Insurance
3400 Crill Ave, Suite 2
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1100

Direct Auto Insurance
3902 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-1547

Edith Aldrich Insurance
Agency - State Farm
1721 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-0610

Farm Bureau Insurance
147 Hwy 17 South
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 325-5822

Frank Bush Insurance Agency
1062 Hwy 19 South, Suite 2
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-9468

Meade Insurance Agency, Inc.
307 Hwy 19 South
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8627

Reiter Insurance Agency, Inc.
926 N. Summit St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-2400

Roderick Crabbe Insurance
Inc. - Allstate Insurance
Company
1123 Kingsley Ave
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 215-2088

Susan G. Helwig, Insurance
Agency
836 S Moody Road
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-1002

INTERIOR DECORATING

Alice's Design Studio
315 North Summit Street
Crescent City, FL 32112
(904) 270-0006

LAUNDROMAT

City Coin Op. Laundry
1608 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5942

Spin City Laundry
3202 Crill Ave.
Palatka, FL 32177
(866) 352-9274

LAUNDRY SERVICE

UniFirst Corporation
317 NE 2nd St
Ocala, FL 34470
(352) 629-7141

LAWN EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE

Futch's Power Depot, Inc.
625 FL-19
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 385-5658

Futch's Tractor Depot, Inc.
8515 Hwy 207 North
Hastings, FL 32145
(904) 692-3673

R & J Power Equipment, Inc.
100 E. Hicks St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-3356



CATEGORICAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

LAWN MAINTENANCE

Eddie's Lawn Services
128 Grassy Lane
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-4040

LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS & SUPPLIES

Rachelsie Farm, Inc.
1035 Bardin Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(904) 394-9132

LODGE - PRIVATE / CORPORATE

Norfolk Southern Fishing Lodge
120 Mullis Trail
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 385-3071

The Floridian Sports Club
122 Floridian Club Rd
Welaka, FL 32193
(386) 467-2181

LOUNGE/PACKAGE GOODS

Azalea City Brewing Company
120 South 7th Street
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 530-2084

Parker House Lounge, Inc.
143 N. Summit St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-2397

Renegades on the River
1171 County Road 309
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 524-4179

MANUFACTURING

Comarco Products, Inc.
7100 PRC Way
Palatka, FL 32177
(856) 342-7557

Georgia-Pacific -
Palatka Operations
215 County Rd 216
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-2001

Ridgway Roof Truss
235 SW 11th Place
Gainesville, FL 32601
(352) 219-1183

Saint-Gobain
886 Hwy 17 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5766

True House, Inc.
105 Denver Rd.
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 325-9085

MARINA

Acosta Creek Marina
124 Acosta Creek Dr
Satsuma, FL 32189
(386) 467-2229

Renegades on the River
1171 County Road 309
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 524-4179

The Boathouse Marina
329 River St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-2944

MARINE CONSTRUCTION

Eco Marine Contractor, LLC
P.O. Box 487
San Mateo, FL 32187
(352) 454-7915

MARINE DEALERSHIP

S & A Leisure, Inc.
1300 Hwy 309 North
Welaka, FL 32193
(386) 467-7000

Sunrise Marine
228 Hwy 17 South East
Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 328-0767

MATTRESSES / BEDDING

Factory Direct Bedding, LLC
1400 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1200

METAL FABRICATORS

Deep South Metals, Inc.
106 Masters Rd.
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 222-4254

First Coast Metal Roofing
Supply
186 Hwy 207
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 325-0242

NEWSPAPERS

Clay Today
3513 Hwy. 17
Fleming Island, FL 32003
(904) 264-3200

Palatka Daily News
1825 St. Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-5200

NURSING HOMES

Lakewood Nursing Center
100 N. Lake St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-2222

Solaris Healthcare Palatka
110 Kay Larkin Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-0173

Windsor Care and
Rehabilitation Center
501 S. Palm Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1472

OFFICE FURNITURE SALES

Wattles Business Solutions
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 937-6057

OFFICE SUPPLIES & FURNITURE

Staples - Store #1056
327 Hwy 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-1831

PAINTING & SUPPLIES

Massey III Painting
1661 Baden Powell Rd
Hawthorne, FL 32640
(386) 328-7782

PARTY RENTALS

Marie's Tables & Tents
211 Highlawn Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 312-9848

United Rent-All of NE Florida,
Inc.
4743 Blanding Blvd
Jacksonville, FL 32210
(904) 771-3300

PEST CONTROL SERVICES

Florida Pest Control &
Chemical Co.
2405 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-1541

Massey Services, Inc.
1761 E. Dobbs St
St. Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 808-1828

Sentry Termite & Pest
Control, Inc.
431 Atlantic Ave
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 684-2847

PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTOR - WHOLESALE

Port Consolidated, Inc.
102 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-2064

PHARMACY & MEDICAL SUPPLIES

A-1 Pharmacy
815-3 S. Moody Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 385-3987

PHYSICAL & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Kennedy Rehab & Skilled
Therapy Services
3603 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-1001

Lake Area Physical Therapy
101 Eucalyptus Ave
Crescent City, Florida 32112
(386) 698-0841

PHYSICIANS - CARDIOVASCULAR

First Coast Cardiovascular
Institute
205 Zeagler Dr Ste #100
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-2836



CATEGORICAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

PHYSICIANS - GENERAL

Express Family Care, LLC
300 S. Main St
Crescent City, FL 32112
(386) 698-1221

Express Medical Group
(Family Practice, Urgent Care,
Wound Care, Medical Imaging)
6500 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-0575

Flagler Multi-Specialty Care
Center
400 Health Park Blvd St.
Augustine, FL 32086
(904) 819-4431

Island Doctors
199 Hwy 17 South, Suite A
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 312-0250

Medical Staff of Putnam
Community Medical Center,
Inc.
342 Flamingo Blvd.
Interlachen, FL 32148
(386) 325-1629

PHYSICIANS - ONCOLOGY

Cancer Center of Putnam
600 Zeagler Dr
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-7900

PHYSICIANS - OPHTHALMOLOGY

Eye Center of St. Augustine
800 Zeagler Dr, Suite 120
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-8369

PHYSICIANS - OPTOMETRY

St Johns Eye Care, Inc.
2504 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-5141

PHYSICIANS - PULMONOLOGY

Putnam Pulmonary Practice
700 Zeagler Drive
Suite 6
Palatka, Florida 32177
(386) 530-2749

PHYSICIANS - URGENT CARE

Express Medical Group
(Family Practice, Urgent Care,
Wound Care, Medical Imaging)
6500 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 326-0575

PLASTIC FABRICATORS

Plastic Masters International,
Inc.
327 Hwy 207
East Palatka, FL 32131
(386) 312-9775

PLUMBING & SEPTIC SERVICES

Bellamy Plumbing, Inc.
6695 Crill Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-2172

PORTABLE TOILETS

A Dire Need, Inc.
152 Mat Trail
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-6188

Gottago of Putnam County
247 N Highway 17
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-6454
POWERSPORTS

St Johns Powersports
2120 Reid St
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-3388

PRESSURE WASHING

Sunshine Cleaning Service
416 Silver Lake Rd
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-3017

PRINTING SERVICES

Graphics II
623 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 328-4021

Staples - Store #1056
327 Hwy 19 North
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-1831

PULPWOOD & TIMBER CONTRACTORS

Gator Timber & Land, LLC
1520 Hwy 17 North
Bostwick, FL 32007
(386) 328-6969

RADIO STATIONS

91.3 Hope FM
3419 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-3334

Natkim Radio - WIYD / WPLK
/ WAVE
1428 St Johns Ave
Palatka, FL 32177
(386) 325-5800

REAL ESTATE - COMMERCIAL

Coldwell Banker Commercial/
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