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Care and more...

## Welcome Home Snowbirds!

Florida's new texting law is making travel safer in the Sunshine State. But with our treasured part-time neighbors flocking back to beach weather and holiday plans, roads are getting crowded, drivers are more aggressive and all of us get impatient. So it's more important than ever to spread the word:

It's a primary offense for Florida drivers to use wireless communication devices when a vehicle is in motion. Until Jan. 1, violators are being warned and educated. After the first of the year, first-time violators face a \$30 fine, court fees and 3 points on their license.

The texting law will save lives and prevent needless family tragedies. But Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day are still near the top of the list of "dangerous driving days." So celebrate with joy, relax with loved ones -- and be sure to keep full focus on the road.

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## Healthy Happy Thanksgiving ...

- 88% of Americans eat turkey on Thanksgiving, consuming about 46 million birds every Thanksgiving holiday.
- America's typical Thanksgiving meal -- appetizers, entrees, traditional side dishes and pie for dessert -- has 3,150 calories and 159 grams of fat.
- Last year about 164 million people shopped in stores or online over Thanksgiving weekend. This year, the National Retail Federation forecasts that holiday sales will increase between 3.8% and 4.2%.
- The nation's busiest sales weekend is from Thanksgiving through Black Friday, and extending to Small Business Saturday and Cyber Monday.
- Coinciding with Small Business Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> Downtown Delray Beach Thanksgiving Weekend Art Festival will be Saturday, Nov. 30 and Sunday, Dec. 1 featuring juried, hand-crafted glassworks, photography, painting, mixed media, fiber and jewelry.
- Thanksgiving has been a popular day for football and other sports events since the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The first professional football games on Thanksgiving were played Nov. 25, 1920.
- The NFL's 2019 schedule for Thanksgiving day is Chicago Bears v Detroit Lions at 12:30 p.m.; Buffalo Bills v Dallas Cowboys at 4:30 p.m.; and New Orleans Saints v Atlanta Falcons at 8:20 p.m.



# Veterans Day: Monday, Nov. 11, 2019



Originally established as Armistice Day to recognize the end of World War I, Nov. 11 is now Veterans Day -- the federal, state and county holiday that honors military veterans. In Florida, there is free park entry at state parks; community celebrations like the annual Veterans Day Concert in Boca Raton; a parade in West Palm Beach, and innumerable neighborhood events and recognitions. As the day approaches, be sure to check local newspapers for free food, drink and other offers for veterans. If you are having problems with VA benefits, contact our office – help is available. And above all, use every opportunity to thank vets for their service to our country!

## **November Is Diabetes Awareness Month**

And worldwide, Nov. 14 is Diabetes Awareness Day. Florida is no stranger to this disease. About 11% of Palm Beach County adults had a diabetes diagnosis in 2016. Fortunately, Type 2 Diabetes is preventable. Healthy behaviors to reduce the risk of diabetes include managing your weight, eating a healthy diet, exercising regularly and not smoking. The Florida Department of Health, along with Palm Health Foundation and the Diabetes Coalition of Palm Beach, will be teaming up to offer free diabetes screening at the Palm Beach Outlets in mid-January.

# Be Sure You're REAL ID Compliant

Starting Oct. 1, 2020, every U.S. resident must present a REAL ID compliant drivers license or state identification card in order to board commercial airline flights or enter federal and many other government buildings. The REAL ID law was enacted in 2005 in response to a recommendation of the 9/11 Commission that the U.S. should improve its system for issuing identification documents. Many of us have already gotten our REAL ID cards. They have a gold star in the upper right hand corner and most were issued as renewal and replacement licenses.

BUT for those still without the updated ID card, there's likely to be a last-minute rush as we get closer to the Oct 1, 2020 deadline. The Office of Palm Beach County Tax Collector Ann M. Gannon issues REAL ID cards as an agent for the Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles, and offers these tips:

## Don't procrastinate.

You can renew your Florida drivers license up to 18 months before it expires.

## Make an appointment.

Schedule your driver license appointment online, up to 90 days in advance, at [www.pbc.tax.com](http://www.pbc.tax.com). Licenses are issued Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## Bring the right stuff.

You must have government-accepted identification and proof of your residence. For a checklist of the required documents, go to [www.pbc.tax.com](http://www.pbc.tax.com). If you're having trouble, call our office for help. We're here to serve you!



**District 91 carves pumpkins  
with Palm Beach County  
firefighters at the Grand  
Villas Oct. 28, 2019**