



Promotional information provided by the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber Connection

915 N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429 · 352-795-3149 · 203 E. Dampier St., Inverness, FL 34450 · 352-726-2801

Countdown to Berry Mania: Floral City Strawberry Festival Arrives Soon!

Calling all berry enthusiasts and festival fanatics! The countdown has begun for the 38th Annual Floral City Strawberry Festival, set to paint the town red on March 1st & 2nd, 2025, at Floral Park. Presented by Coast to Coast Heating & Air Conditioning and hosted by the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce, this year's extravaganza promises a berrylicious blend of fun, flavor, and family-friendly festivities!

Fields of fresh, locally picked strawberries will be transformed into mouthwatering delights like our famous strawberry shortcakes (made with REAL whipped cream!) and juicy flats of berries to take home.

Kick off Saturday with the Posting of the Colors and enjoy non-stop entertainment on the main stage all week-end long including bluegrass sensation, Justin X-Hale. Stay in the loop with our event calendar online for all the very berry excitement!

Explore Floral City's rich history with a tour of the Historic Duval-Metz House, open Saturday only. Shuttle services whisk you from the festival to this gem of old Florida, offering a glimpse into our storied past.

Feeling competitive? Dive into our pie-eating contests or cheer on the

next Miss & Little Miss Strawberry Princesses in their berry-themed regalia. Don't miss out—sign up early for these berry-licious showdowns!

Back by popular demand, the Soccer Collies return to wow audiences with their canine soccer skills. Join the fun and see if you can outscore these furry athletes!

Amidst 250+ art and craft vendors, a beer garden, and a kids' play area, there's something for everyone at Floral Park. Festival hours are Saturday 9am-5pm and Sunday 9am-4pm, with \$5 admission (children 12 and under free).

Park hassle-free at Citrus County Auditorium and hop on our free shuttle to the festival grounds for a stress-free start to your berry adventure!

For all things Floral City Strawberry Festival, visit www.GoStrawberryFest.com. Get ready to make memories and indulge in all things strawberry—see you there!



March Chamber Luncheon features Citrus County Sheriff David Vincent

Join us as we welcome Sheriff David Vincent, who will share exciting updates on the reorganization of the Sheriff's Office and his vision for the future of law enforcement in Citrus County.

Sheriff Vincent will dive into his goals, strategies, and the steps he's taking to make our community safer and more connected.

This is your chance to hear directly from the Sheriff about how his leadership will shape the county in the coming years.

DETAILS ARE:

March 14th, 2025 | 11:30am - 1:00pm

Networking: 11:30am - 12:00pm

Program/Speaker: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Sponsor and Location: TBA

Pricing: \$25 - Members

\$35 - Non-members

Reserve your spot today!

Advanced reservations are required. No walk-ups will be accepted. Secure your place at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com.

Upcoming Chamber Events

- 02/20 February Chamber Mixer; 5pm-7pm; Citrus County Builders Association - Annual Ball Drop with Boys & Girls Clubs
- 03/01-03/02 38th Annual Floral City Strawberry Festival; Floral Park, Floral City
- 03/14 March Chamber Luncheon; 11:30am-1pm; Location: TBA; Speaker: Sheriff David Vincent; Sponsor: TBA
- 03/20 2025 Citrus County Legislative Day; Tallahassee
- 03/25 March Chamber Mixer; 5pm-7pm; Suncoast Business Masters at the Citrus County Realtors Association



THE TAX MAN COMETH!

Make it easy on yourself and turn to one of our Chamber members below who can help you be sure that your tax returns are done correctly and filed timely.

BOB LANE'S COMPLETE ACCOUNTING & TAX SERVICE

400 Tompkins St
Inverness, FL 34450
352-344-2888

MICHELLE'S ACCOUNTING AND TAX SERVICES

2541 N Reston Ter
Hernando, FL 34442
352-746-1855

CAMPBELL & COMPANY

2202 SR HWY 44 W
Inverness, FL 34453
352-683-7365

NTELLY, INC

8110 S Suncoast Blvd
Homosassa, FL 34446
352-600-4060

CITRUS CPA, LLC

1545 Forest Dr
Inverness, FL 34453
352-637-3005

OLIVER & COMPANY, PA

1140 Sterling Rd
Inverness, FL 34450
352-746-1400

CLOUD NINE SERVICES, LLC

510 Oak St
Inverness, FL 34452
907-2684952

PRICE & COMPANY, PA

7655 W Gulf to Lake Hwy, Ste 13
Crystal River, FL 34429
352-795-6118

COASTAL ACCOUNTING & TAX ADVISORS, CPA'S, PA

20 Norvell Bryant Hwy
Hernando, FL 34442
352-418-0829

SCHLUMBERGER ACCOUNTING SERVICES, INC

6220 W Corporate Oaks Dr
Crystal River, FL 34429
352-795-3691

DALLAIRE & ASSOCIATES, CPA'S, PA

4441 NE 1st St
Crystal River, FL 34423
352-563-1300

WARDLOW & CASH, PA

9030 W Fort Island Trl, Ste 11C
Crystal River, FL 34429
352-795-3212

GATOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

35 S Melbourne St
Beverly Hills, FL 34465
352-527-2866

WARDLOW & CASH, PA

450 Pleasant Grove Rd
Inverness, FL 34453
352-726-8103

LIBERTY TAX SERVICE

7887 W Gulf to Lake Hwy
Crystal River, FL 34429
352-563-2770

WELLS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC

217 N Apopka Ave
Inverness, FL 34450
352-423-4290

RECENT RIBBON CUTTING

The Chamber is growing every week. We welcome our new members and thank all of them for joining the Chamber. We encourage the community to support their businesses.

DJ Manati



Welcome to the Chamber, DJ Manati! Get the party started with DJ Manati, the ultimate source for unforgettable entertainment! Specializing in providing dynamic DJ services for weddings, parties, corporate events, and more, DJ Manati brings the perfect mix of music and energy to any occasion. With a vast selection of genres and an impeccable sense of timing, DJ Manati knows exactly how to read the crowd and keep the dance floor alive. Whether you're planning an intimate gathering or a large celebration, their professional sound and lighting setup, along with an engaging presence, ensures your event is a hit. Let DJ Manati turn your event into an unforgettable celebration filled with great music and lasting memories! (352) 220-4383.

Chamber Legacy Members



RE/MAX
REALTY ONE

TRUSTED SOLUTIONS
INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.
www.trustedolutionsins.com

JENKINS
AUTO GROUP

Nature Coast
Clinical Research
Member of ENCORE Research Group

TGH Tampa General Hospital
CRYSTAL RIVER

Michael D. Bays
State Farm



CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE

ARBOR TRAIL
REHAB & SKILLED NURSING CENTER

WAVE
LIFE REALTY PARTNERS

REALTORS
ASSOCIATION OF CITRUS COUNTY, INC.

CRYSTAL
TRACTOR & MOTORCYCLE GROUP

HCA Florida
Citrus Hospital

HOMETOWN
CITRUS

SeacoastBank

Signs
FAST

Ag-Pro

Family
Chiropractic

COASTAL
ACCOUNTING & TAX ADVISORS, CPA'S, PA

WM
WASTE MANAGEMENT

WHYTINGTON
WATER & SEWER

CareerSource
CITRUS/LEVY/MARION

Central Motel

COLLEGE of
CENTRAL
FLORIDA

INSIGHT
CREDIT UNION

Waybright
Real Estate, Inc.

LIFESOUTH
Community Blood Centers

CoreCivic
Better the public good

CoreCivic
Better the public good

INSURE
PEST CONTROL
352-505-1750

The Chamber recognizes our Legacy Partners that have made a special investment in the Chamber to support the programs and mission of the Chamber. For information on becoming a Legacy Partner, please contact the Chamber by emailing Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com.