



Downtown Talk

Bonita Springs Downtown Alliance Newsletter

From the Desk of...

We are at the official start of hurricane season. I hate saying the H word, but it is what it is. I hope you take the time and get prepared now. Take advantage of the tax holiday on hurricane supplies and anything else needed. Fill up your gas cans, put some cash in your safety box at home, and buy extra water. Don't wait until the last minute. I don't need to remind you about Ian; we are still struggling through it.



Speaking of weather, this month's speaker is Jason Dunning, a meteorologist with NBC-2. Jason will give us his best scenario of what will come this summer. So, mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 27th, at 5:30 p.m. at Shangri La Springs. Our sponsor is Chartreuse.

Also happening is the 4th of July festivities. The Bonita Springs Fire Firefighters local 3444. The theme is "Party in the USA." How fun is this? The parade starts at 9 AM near Rosemary Street and ends at Riverside Park, where judging will take place. Visit BonitaSpringsParade.com for more information.

Later that evening, beginning at 6 p.m. the City of Bonita Springs will host the Star-Spangled Banner event at Riverside Park, with food trucks, ice-cold beverages, music from the Ben Allan Band, and an awesome Fireworks show which will start at dusk. Bring a chair, but no coolers or animals are allowed.

Finally, we are getting closer to making downtown pedestrian friendly. This is safer for our community as more residents and visitors come downtown to shop, eat and stroll our area. Don't forget to support the local businesses in our area. They need us to get them through the summer, and it's nice when you can walk in and get a seat.

We would also like to pay tribute to Dolly Scott, owner of Dolly's Restaurant, who recently passed away. Dolly has been a staple in the Bonita Springs community and will be missed.

Below, you will find the upcoming events and more. If you are leaving for vacation, safe travels.

We look forward to seeing you at Tuesday, June 27th, BSDA meeting!

Trish Leonard, IOM
President
Bonita Springs Downtown Alliance (BSDA)

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June's meeting at Shangri-La Springs inside the Harvest and Wisdom Dining Room



June's Meeting

Date: Tuesday, June 27th

Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Location: Shangri-La Springs, 27750 Old 41 Rd

Business Agenda:

5:30 pm- Social Hour & Cash Bar

Secretary's report

Introductions of guests

Speaker - **Jason Dunning**, a meteorologist with NBC-2

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Events Happening Downtown

Don't Forget the 4th of July Celebrations!

Entries are now being accepted for floats.
For more information visit <https://bonitaspringsparade.com/>

STAR SPANGLED BONITA
Laser & Fireworks Display

4th of July Celebration
TUESDAY, JULY 4TH 2023

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LOCATION: RIVERSIDE PARK
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BONITA SPRINGS, FL 34135
TIMES: 6PM TO 9PM
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Meet your June Speaker

Jason Dunning,
a meteorologist with NBC-2

"Meteorologist Jason Dunning just started his 13th year with NBC2 and currently forecasts the weather for Southwest Florida's #1 rated morning



news, NBC2 News TODAY.

Jason is a Florida native, growing up in the small town of Palatka in northeast Florida.

Jason fell in love with weather at a very young age. When he was in middle school, Jason used his mom's video camera to tape his own weather segments, featuring hand drawn maps and screenshots from the Weather Channel. After rounding up a few other neighborhood kids to record news and sports, he would deliver copies of the "Neighborhood News" to every house on

the block.

Jason's passion for broadcasting and meteorology led him to the University of Florida where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Telecommunication. Jason then studied meteorology at Mississippi State University and received his Master's Degree in 2009.

Jason has covered major weather events throughout his career, ranging from tornado outbreaks in Mississippi to major hurricane landfalls like Irma and most recently hurricane Ian."

[Learn More About Jason Here](#)

BDSA Member Spotlight



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Since its founding in 1966, Bonita Springs-Estero REALTORS® has built its foundation on strong professional business relations in a small town environment of handshakes and personal relationships. The incorporated city of Bonita Springs, and the unincorporated areas of Lee County known as Estero, represent the largest partially developed region of Southwest Florida.

Both residential and commercial real estate growth in this area should equal anything in metropolitan Florida's finest coastal communities. Member companies of Bonita Springs-Estero REALTORS® expect very successful growth in the decade ahead. Real Estate companies, agents and related businesses will discover financial opportunities exceeding anything seen in the past thirty years. Bonita Springs-Estero REALTORS® continuously provides its members with state sponsored educational classes for license continuation, for national designations and professional growth programs.

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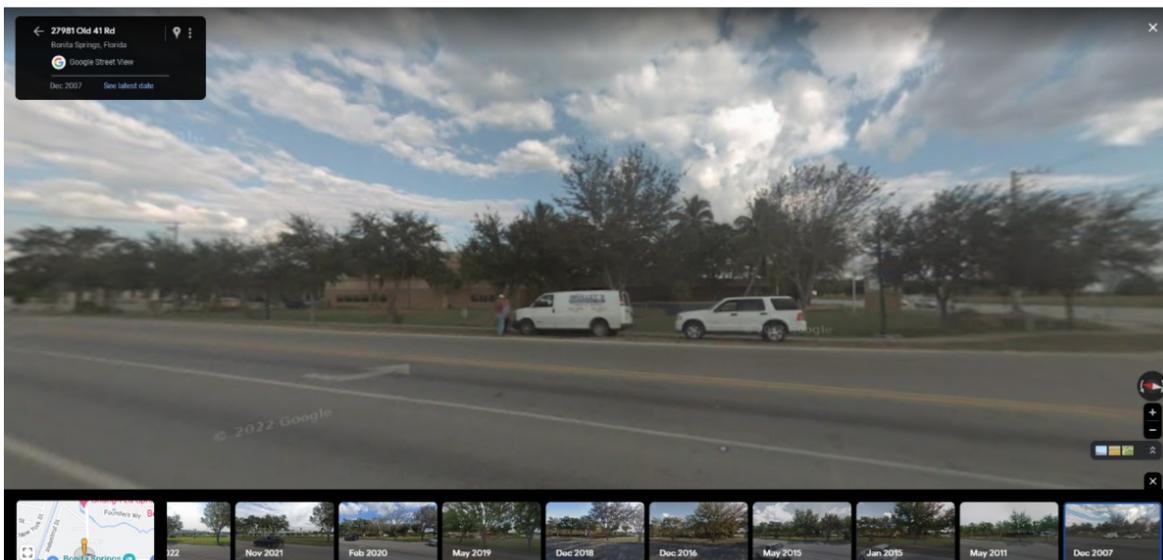
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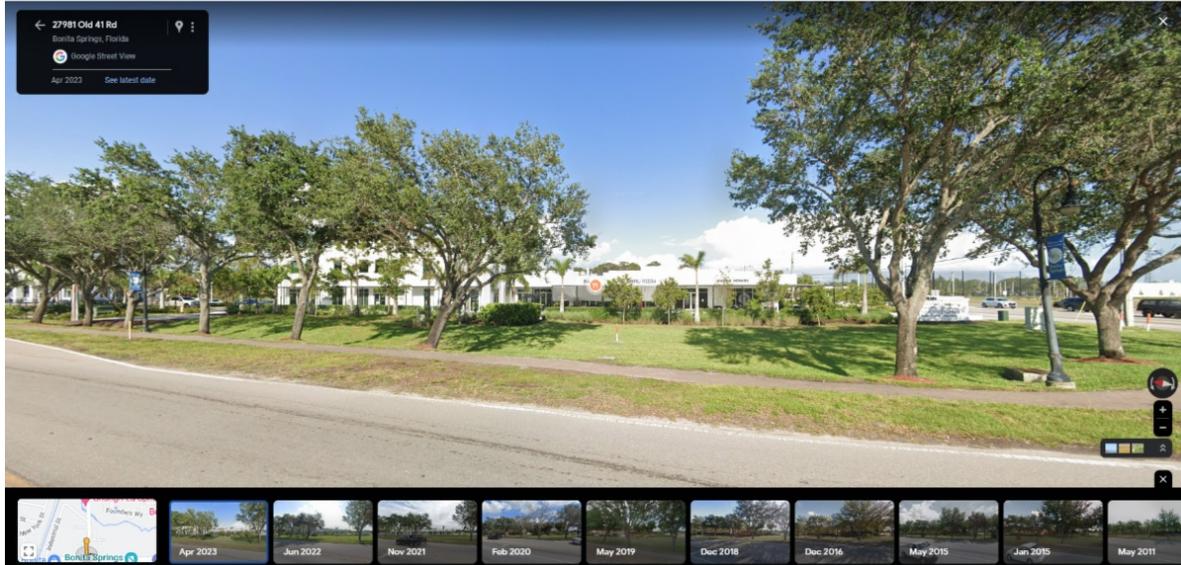
We are in need of Evening Sponsors for Future Meetings

**Sponsoring the evening is \$250
For more information Call Trish
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Bonita Beach and Old 41 (2007)



Bonita Beach and Old 41 (2023)



We have watched wonderful businesses enter our growing Downtown Bonita Springs the past few years. Thank you for helping us grow Downtown Bonita!

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