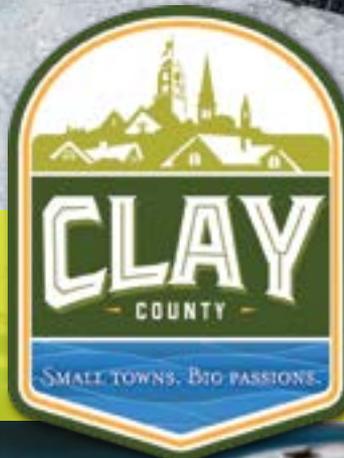


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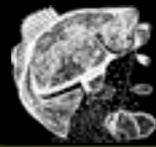


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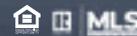
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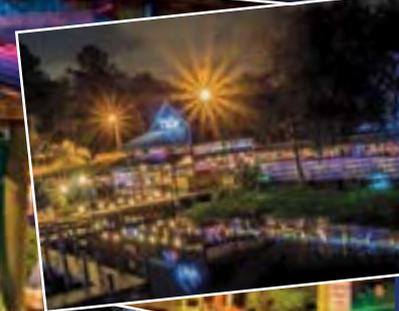
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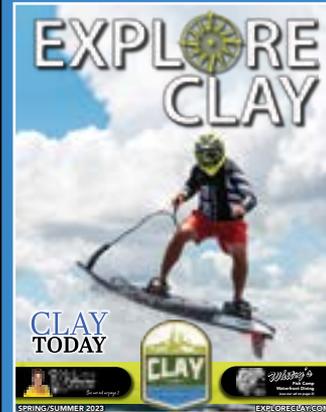
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Top 10

THINGS TO DO

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Camp Chowenwaw Nature Center, Clay County, FL

1. CAMP CHOWENWAW

Visit the Nature Center at Camp Chowenwaw. Located at the intersection of Black Creek and the St. Johns River, this 150-acre county-owned park was once home to a regional Girl Scout camp for over 70 years.

2. THE GREAT ESCAPE ROOM

Test your skills and see if you can break the code to escape in time at The Great Escape Room at the Orange Park Mall. Afterwards, shop until you drop at more than 120 mall shops including the new BoxLunch store – a popular stop for unique gifts.



Orange Park KidsFest, Clay County, FL



Sunset Tiki Bar at Doctors Lake Marina, Clay County FL

3. SPRING PARK

Cool off in one of the country's oldest spring-fed swimming pool in Spring Park in Green Cove Springs; it's been around since 1871 and is known to be a constant temperature of 77 degrees.

4. SUNSET TIKI BAR

Enjoy the cool breeze and cold drinks along with a magnificent sunset at the Sunset Tiki Bar at Doctors Lake Marina. For more fun, get out on the 39 square miles of water by using one of the 11 public boat ramps.

5. KIDSFEST

Don't miss the popular Town of Orange Park Kids Fest April 22-23 held at Town Hall Park. In its 9th year, the event is designed for children ages 12 and under. Enjoy live music, interactive shows, games, activities and plenty of food. With free admission, free parking and a mixture of free and low-cost activities, this family-friendly event is a popular favorite for locals and visitors.



Spring Park Swimming Pool, Green Cove Springs, FL

More Top 10 THINGS TO DO in Clay County



Camp Blanding Military Museum, Clay County

6. MILITARY HISTORY

Take in our rich military history by visiting Clay County's military museums: Military Museum of Northeast Florida and the Camp Blanding Museum. From exhibits focusing on World War II to artifacts and military vehicles on display, visitors can learn about the county's involvement with our nation's military.

7. PERFORMING ARTS

Immerse yourself in the arts at the Thrasher-Horne Center with live concerts, performances and their adjacent art gallery featuring local artists. Local community theatre favorites include The Island Theatre in Fleming Island and the Orange Park Community Theatre.



Thrasher-Horne Center

8. UNIQUE CUISINES

Dine local during and experience unique cuisines throughout Clay County. Try bold, Greek flavors at Fresh from Yianni's Kitchen in Fleming Island, experience Caribbean flavors at the locally-owned Irie Diner and take a trip down to New Orleans with the Cajun cuisine of Mackey's Munchies in Orange Park.

9. ORANGE PARK SKATE PARK

Owned by the Town of Orange Park and operated by the Orange Park Patrons, a not-for-profit organization, the Orange Park Skate Park is free and open to the public. Located near the Orange Park Athletic Association Sports Park, the park provides skaters of all ages a safe and free place to skate with friends and have fun. Skateboards and in-line skates are both welcome inside the park.

10. GO LOCAL!

For those ready to shop, 'go local' at Miss Priss Gifts, YUM – A Southern Market and One Swanky Chic Boutique. Local vintage and antique shops in the area include Junque in the Trunk and Now & Then Antique Mall.



Pepper Jelly Display at YUM A Southern Market



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Town of Orange Park Skate Park

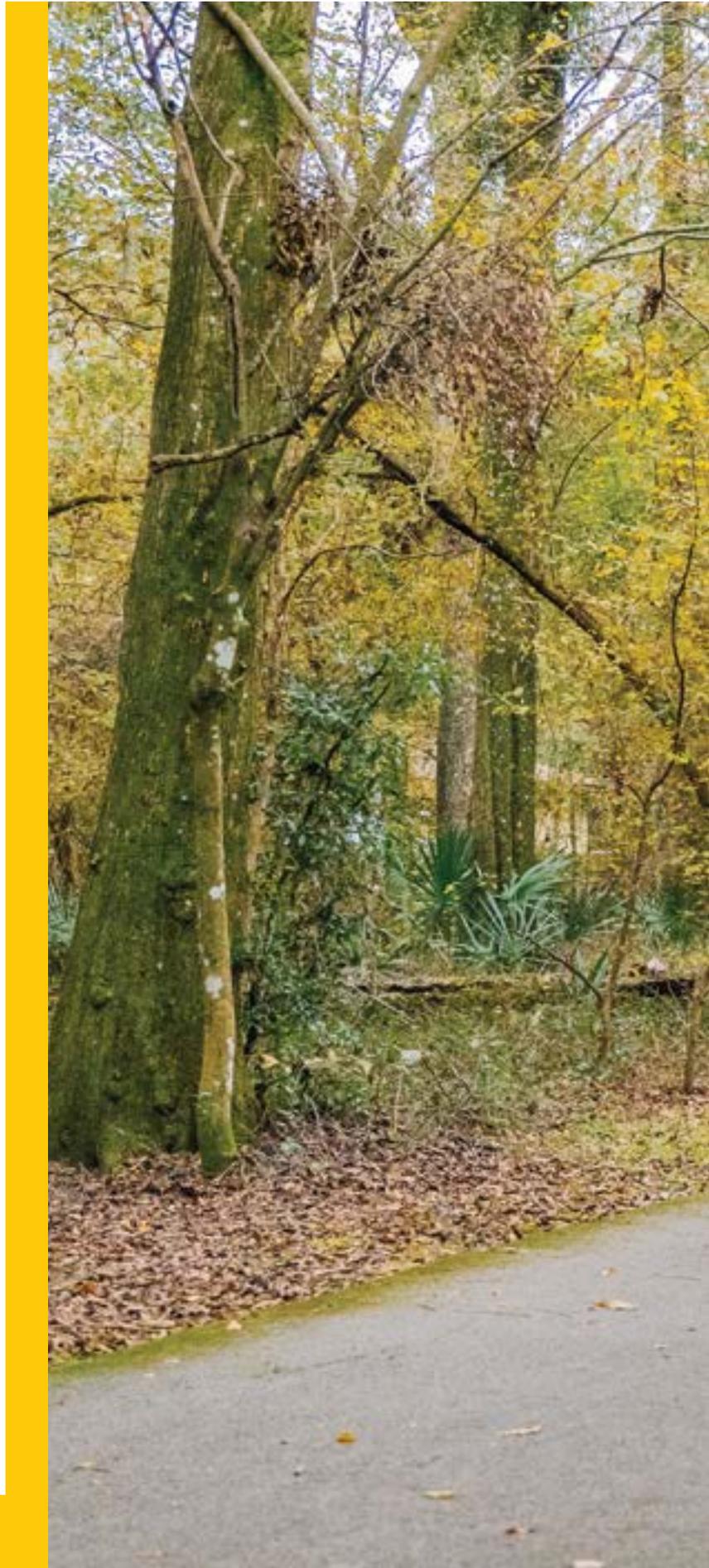
Biking in Clay County, Florida

Nestled along the St. Johns River in Northeast Florida, Clay County is known for its vast waterways, nature trails and rich history. Whether you are into biking nature trails, the open road or racing against fellow competitors, Clay County offers a variety of options for those interested in exploring the area on two wheels.

One of Clay County's most popular biking spots is the Black Creek Park and Trail. Adjacent to Highway 17, this 8-mile paved path connects bikers and walkers to points between Orange Park, Fleming Island and Green Cove Springs. Black Creek Park serves as a starting/ending location with parking, a covered pavilion and restrooms. The park also serves as the starting point for the mountain bike course that runs two miles through the park. Existing trailheads are at Black Creek Park, Thunderbolt Park and Camp Chowenwaw County Park.

In Keystone Heights, cyclists can join in on the Palatka-to-Lake-Butler State Bike Trail. This 47-mile trail connects west of U.S. 17 in Palatka to State Road 238 in Lake Butler, as it runs along the former Norfolk-Southern Railroad right-of-way through Putnam, Clay, Bradford, and Union counties. This cycling path was deemed part of the Florida Greenways and Trails System in 2007 and Purchased with Preservation 2000 funds through the Florida Greenways and Trails Acquisition Program.

For those interested in renting (or even buying!) a bike during their visit to Clay County, Open Road Bicycles of Fleming Island are ready to assist cyclists. The knowledgeable professionals can help with repairs, talking 'shop' or even suggesting popular cycling spots throughout the area. Whether you looking to ride trails, open roads or just cruise around the area, their passion for biking is contagious and they are ready to help make your time in the area a success.



Cyclists on Black Creek Trail, Fleming Island, FL



Mountain Bike Trail at Black Creek Trail, Fleming Island, FL



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Please know that many events may be canceled, postponed, rescheduled or have limited access. Please check with the event directly for any schedule changes, attendance requirements, etc.

While the list below is not a comprehensive list of events, it will give you a snapshot of the events that make Clay County a great place to visit.



Bagpipers at the Scottish Games and Festival, Clay County, FL

The new year has arrived and 2023 is kicking off with a bit of military history, Scottish traditions, live entertainment and plenty of family-friendly activities. Let's take a look at how you can get out and participate in Clay County's upcoming events for 2023:

The 21st annual First Florida Military Vehicle Preservation Association's Winter Rally takes place February 25-26, 2023 at the Military Museum of Northeast Florida. Take a stroll among the antique military vehicles and witness a battle re-enactment and a live weapons demonstration. Children will enjoy having the opportunity to learn about these vehicles no longer in service and retired military can be reunited with vehicles from their time in the service. Some of the items on display include tanks, halftracks, Jeeps, deuces, and artillery pieces.

Experience the excitement of the Northeast Florida Scottish Games & Festival held at the Clay County Fairgrounds on February 25. Witness competitions including Scottish athletics, bag pipe & drums and highland dance. Try international cuisine and take part in demonstrations on archery, battle axe and more. For those interested in tracing their heritage, you can explore Scottish genealogy and learn of the different Scottish clans and societies too. Be sure to bring your danc-

ing shoes as there will be live music throughout the day.

This year's Clay County Agricultural Fair is sure to be a huge hit with residents and visitors. The fun returns to the Clay County Fairgrounds March 30 through April 9, 2023 with a full lineup of live entertainment, livestock shows and unique fair foods. Don't miss the Truck and Tractor Pulls at the Cattlemen's Arena and Climb aboard the classic Century Wheel or spin high above the ground on the Vertigo and the Yoyo ride – all providing plenty of thrills.

Don't miss the popular Town of Orange Park Kids Fest April 22-23 held at Town Hall Park. In its 9th year, the event is designed for children ages 12 and under. Enjoy live music, interactive shows, games, activities and plenty of food. With free admission, free parking and a mixture of free and low-cost activities, this family-friendly event is a popular favorite for locals and visitors.

RiverFest returns to Spring Park in Green Cove Springs this Memorial Day, May 29. Located along the St. Johns River, 100 arts & crafts vendors and 15 food trucks featuring local eats. Enjoy live entertainment in the park before fireworks light up the evening sky. There will also be a special ceremony honoring local veterans for their service.



Clay County Fair, Clay County, FL



MVPA, Clay County, FL



*Memorial Day RiverFest,
Clay County, FL*



OPKidsFest, Clay County, FL

For those ready to celebrate the beginning of summer on the water, get ready for an entire weekend of fun at the annual Boater Skip Day weekend June 2-4, 2023. What started out as a small group of friends getting together has turned into an entire weekend of sunshine organized by the Freedom Boat Club. Hundreds of boaters gather each year at Bayard Point Sandbar, Marker 24, just south of the Shands Bridge in Green Cove Springs on the St. Johns River for music, floating food trucks and fun.

Enjoy a night of music and theater at the Thrasher-Horne Center, home to Broadway shows, concerts, comedy shows and more. A sampling of this year's lineup includes the

popular Blue Man Group on February 4, *Vicki Lawrence and Mama: A Two Woman Show* on February 5 and a unique show of *Dragons & Mythical Beasts* on March 10. Celebrate the Beatles on April 13 at the show *1964: The Tribute* and on May 4 enjoy a night of country music with singer Sara Evans on May 4.

Check out Clay County's calendar of events to find even more upcoming festivals for you and your family. Plan your next visit surrounding one of our many festivals and make memories together with your family. To learn more, go to www.ExploreClay.com.

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Canoe at Lake Johnson in Gold Head State Park - Keystone Heights, FL



tubing on Doctors Lake, Clay County, FL



Family at Moccasin Slough Park, Clay County, FL



Family Biking on Black Creek Trail, Clay County, FL

Springtime has arrived in Northeast Florida! Warmer temperatures, plenty of sunshine and the excitement of outdoor adventures has families ready for a season of fun. If you are planning to stay closer to home this year, take a look at Clay County's small towns with big passions – perfect for creating family fun during Spring Break.

Here are some adventurous ideas of ways to 'Stay in Clay' for Spring Break –

Outdoor Experiences

For those interested in spending time on the water during

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Spring Break, rent a boat from BoatFloridaRentals.com for adventures on Black Creek, Doctors Lake and the St. Johns River. Test your skills at wakeboarding or skiing or bring your fishing gear and try to catch your own dinner. With 39 square miles of waterways in the area, there's no better way to explore than on the water.

For more exercise, hop on your bike for a ride along the 4.4 mile Doctors Lake Trail on Doctors Lake Road or travel the State Road 21 Bike Path, a paved 5.5 mile path in Keystone Heights.

In Fleming Island, stop by Moccasin Slough Park for a jog or bike ride on their paved trails and stop along the way at the



The Great Escape Room, Clay County, FL

permanent exercise stations located along the route. Kids can enjoy the park's large playground and the covered patio area is perfect for a picnic lunch.

At Gold Head Branch State Park in Keystone Heights, cool off with a swim in Little Lake Johnson and enjoy a picnic at the nearby covered pavilions. Afterwards, explore the park's trails and the 5.44-mile stretch of the Florida National Scenic Trail. Keep an eye out for wildlife along the way too. For the adventurous, bring your camping supplies and sleep under the stars as the park offers 73 campsites ready to accommodate tents, trailers and motorized campers.

Indoor Adventures

In Green Cove Springs, stop by Cowabunga Comics and check out the latest releases and the classics too when you peruse their massive bins of comic books. Don't miss the dollar bin, where you're sure to find treasures on each visit. Admire collectibles and artwork by local artists on display and available for purchase too! Be sure to sign up for their newsletter to learn about upcoming store events and artist meet and greet opportunities.

Located at the Orange Park Mall, the Great Escape Room – Orange Park, challenges teams of friends and family to gather clues and solve puzzles to escape a locked room with-

in a set time limit. Solve the mystery and your group wins! There are two themed games to choose from, both varying in difficulty. Guests can choose from "Sherlock's Study: What's Up Watson?" with a Sherlock Holmes theme and an advanced game based on Houdini called "Escape Artist: The Final Séance".

At the Get Air Trampoline Park in Orange Park, you can try your best gymnastics moves as you dive into the oversized foam pit and play a game of trampoline dodge ball with friends. Jumping comes in handy to show off your dunking skills with the basketball hoops, too. With thousands of square feet of trampolines, you can jump, bounce and flip for hours of fun.

In Fleming Island, test your skills at the Valhalla Indoor Axe Throwing center. With a quick tutorial from the professionals, your group will start throwing axes at targets in no time. The easy scoring system lets throwers compete in a round-robin of games against one another. This family-friendly activity allows ages ten and up to throw axes, making it the perfect spot to have fun and try something new together. Valhalla is a BYOB establishment and reservations are encouraged.

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Viking guests at Valhalla Indoor Axe Throwing, Clay County, FL



Whitey's Dinner Spread, Fleming Island, FL



Sundae at Maggie D's, Middleburg FL

Where to Find Good Eats in Clay County

For the early risers, Grumpy's Restaurant in Orange Park serves up a great, filling breakfast ranging from waffles, pancakes with bacon and eggs and plenty of coffee and fresh squeezed juice. This full-service, Southern-style restaurant will fill you up with a hearty meal and have you ready for a day of adventure. Be sure to check out their chalkboard for daily specials.

If you are in the mood for waterfront dining, stop in at the legendary Whitey's Fish Camp. A local favorite since 1963, here you can enjoy fresh seafood, live music and feel like you are truly on vacation. Set along Swimming Pen Creek, you can even arrive by boat!

Cool off with a tasty treat at Maggie D's Ice Cream Parlor. Choose from 30 different flavors of hand scooped ice cream or try their soft serve ice cream in a waffle cone. For an extra treat, Maggie makes fresh miniature donuts in numerous flavors and toppings. Have them for breakfast or a late-night snack – either way, you'll find them delicious.

Places to Stay in Clay County

Treat yourself to an overnight stay and enjoy the pool at the Courtyard by Marriott Jacksonville Orange Park, Hilton Garden Inn Orange Park and the Holiday Inn & Suites Orange Park - Wells Rd. with affordable rates and close to restaurants, shopping and more.

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rial RV Park, Camp Chowenwaw, Goldhead State Park and Whitey's Fish Camp.

For more ideas on planning your Spring Break in Clay County, visit www.ExploreClay.com. Who knows, you might even discover 'new to you' restaurants, attractions and outdoor adventures right in your own backyard.



Courtyard by Marriott in Orange Park, FL



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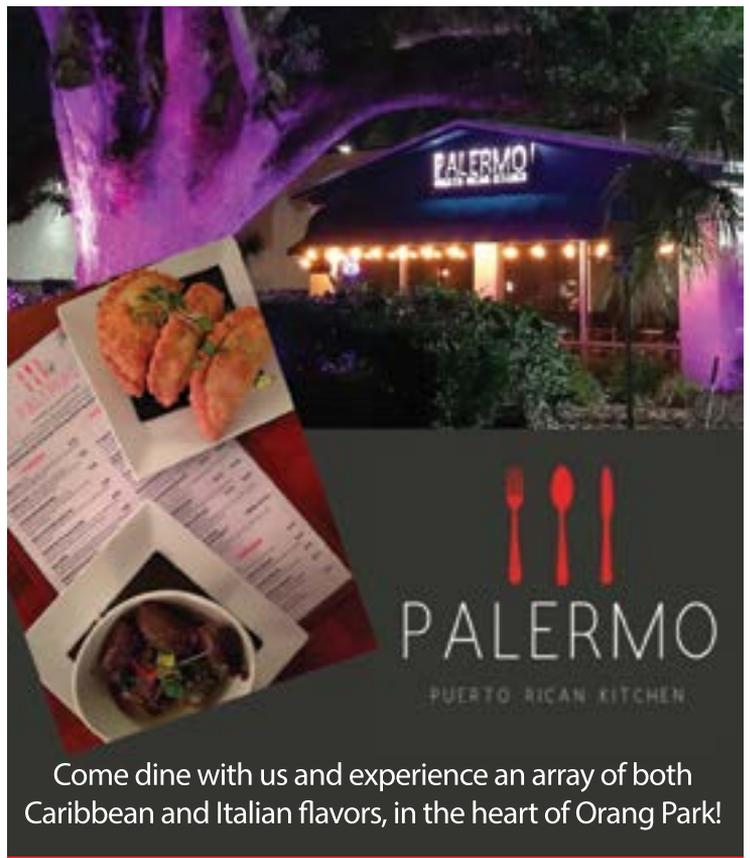
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Dining In Clay County



Sushi Platter at Akaya in Oakleaf, Orange Park, FL



Shrimp Po Boy, Mackey's Munchies, Orange Park, FL



Mini Gyro Sandwiches at Fresh From Yianni's Kitchen, Fleming Island, FL



Palermo Puerto Rican Kitchen, Orange Park FL

From fresh, local seafood to award-winning barbecue and plenty of international flavors, there's no shortage of great, local restaurants in Clay County. Support small business owners and allow them to create a dining experience, perfect for your taste buds.

Here's a look at some of the hot spots for dining right here in Clay County –

There's no better place for barbecue than the South and in Clay County, we've got options for you! **G's Slow Smoked BBQ** in Orange Park, features great side dishes and award-winning barbecue. In Keystone Heights, **Johnny's Bar-B-Q & Catering** is locally-owned and operated family business with

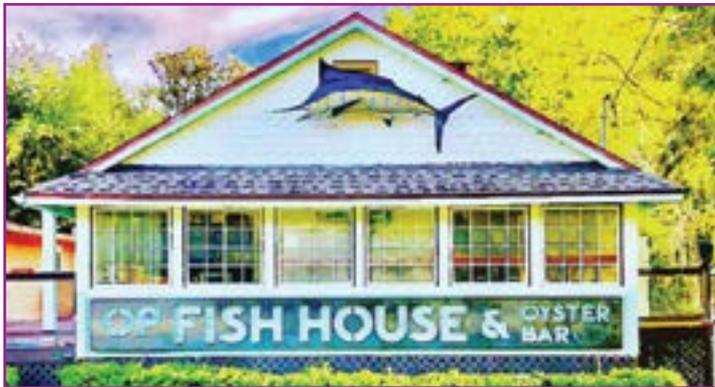
a variety of combo plates and a large menu of items right off of the smoker.

For fresh seafood, don't miss the popular **Whitey's Fish Camp**, a local favorite since 1963. Set along Swimming Pen Creek, you can even arrive by boat! **The OP Fish House & Oyster Bar** on Kingsley Avenue offers a variety of seafood specials and a popular Sunday brunch. Other popular seafood spots include **Corky Bell's** in Fleming Island and the fast-casual **Shrimp Shack Seafood Kitchen** in Orange Park.

In the mood for international cuisine? You've come to the right place! Get ready for bold, Greek flavors at **Fresh from Yianni's Kitchen** in Fleming Island. Choose from made-



Pulled Pork Close Up at Johnny’s, Keystone Heights FL



OP Fish House, Orange Park, FL

to-order gyros, fresh Greek salads and of course, there’s spanakopita on the menu too. For a taste of the Caribbean, visit the locally-owned **Irie Diner** in Orange Park and enjoy the national dish of Jamaica - Ackee and Salt fish along with other traditional Caribbean dishes including Guyana curry goat, Grenada brown stew chicken and Jamaican-style oxtails. At **Palermo Puerto Rican Kitchen**, try their signature dish “El Bohio” featuring slow roasted pork served with pigeon pea rice and homemade pork pastel. Take a trip down to New Orleans with the Cajun cuisine of **Mackey’s Munchies** in Orange Park. Popular dishes include shrimp po-boys, jambalaya with chicken and turkey sausage, gumbo, etouffee and don’t forget to order beignets for dessert. At



Fruity Pebble Waffle at Grumpy’s, Orange Park FL

Akaya Sushi Grill in Oakleaf experience Japanese sushi and hibachi.

For a special night out, **The Hilltop Club & Restaurant** offers diners a romantic setting with an old-world atmosphere.

Members and hotel guests staying at the **Club Continental** can enjoy private dining with waterfront views of the St. Johns River.

For a bit of a diner feel, treat yourself to **Grumpy’s Restaurant** in Orange Park – home to creative waffles and Southern diner breakfast dishes, perfect for starting the day.

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Chicken Salad Sandwich-Urban Bean Orange Park, FL

At **The Metro Diner**, enjoy your breakfast in the morning or have it for dinner along with a large lineup of sandwiches and be sure to check out the daily chalkboard specials.

At **Sweet Sensations** in Green Cove Springs, enjoy fresh, made to order soups, sandwiches and salads and don't miss skipping out on their homemade desserts.

Coffee lovers, stop in for a treat and a fresh cup of your favorite creation at **Spring Park Coffee** in Green Cove Springs, enjoy breakfast and lunch with your coffee at **Urban Bean Coffehouse Café** in Orange Park. At **The Lab Bakery & Coffee Bar**, this family-owned hot spot features a rotating menu of desserts and drinks to pair with your cup of coffee. New to Keystone Heights, **The Tea Room** is open by appointment only for guests to take advantage of an afternoon of tea with friends and family. Offerings include an extensive list of teas and a variety of finger sandwiches, sweet treats and desserts. Also in Keystone Heights, experience freshly roasted whole beans and ground specialty coffees with the knowledgeable team at **FirePower Coffee Roasters**.

There's also no shortage of ice cream in Clay County. Don't miss visiting the **Dreamette Ice Cream** in Middleburg, an old-fashioned soft-serve ice cream shop where its cash only – just like the old days. At **Maggie D's Ice Cream Shop**, choose from a variety of changing flavors and housemade ice cream sandwiches. **Whit's Frozen Custard of Orange Park** is home to a 'flavor of the day' and a large variety of toppings along with to-go pints.

When it comes to late-night eats and spirits, stop by **V Pizza and the Tap Garden** for creative pizzas, wood-fired roasted chicken wings and a large variety of craft beers. In Orange Park, stop by **Cultured Collective Brewing Company** to enjoy local food trucks and craft beer. You can also sample a pint or two of local craft beer at **Brewer's Pizza**, home to the award-winning **Pinglehead Brewing Company**.

There's plenty more places to discover during your time in the area. So, we hope you are hungry, get out and enjoy great eats found only here in Clay County!

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Trendy Tips In Clay County



Sunset Tiki Bar at Doctors Lake Marina, Clay County, FL



Brewer's Pizza, Orange Park, FL



Steven Teller But to Fly Mural at Orange Park Mall



Valhalla Axe Throwing, Clay County, FL

By Carrie McLaren

Ready for a break from the norm on your next getaway? In Clay County, we've got plenty of trendy and hip experiences to make your visit instaworthy for sharing on the 'gram. From craft beers and axe throwing to rage rooms, wall murals and local shopping – we invite you to take a journey to experience the trendy side of Clay County.

Cheers to You, Cheers to Me!

For a taste of Clay County brewed beer, look no further than **Pinglehead Brewing Company**. From their home base at **Brewer's Pizza** in Orange Park, Pinglehead prides themselves on making 'beer with attitude'. With rotating taps, don't miss trying their flagship beer Pinglehead, an Imperial Red Ale. At the new **Cultured Collective Brewery & Taproom**, all beers are made on site ranging from IPAs to Hard Seltzer.

For those looking for a stiff drink, stop by **Black Creek Distilleries** in Middleburg for a tour and have a lemon drop made with their own creation – Pop's Block & Tackle White Rum. Other spirits made on site include their Black Creek Gold Rum matured in Charred French Oak and their popular 90% proof, Apple Shine.

And when the sun goes down, make your way to the **Sunset Tiki Bar** overlooking Doctors Lake at the **Doctors Lake Marina**. Enjoy your favorite drink and the breeze off of the water as you watch the sun go down. Live musicians and a rotating variety of food trucks are featured daily.

Strike a Pose

Whether you decide to make your visit 'Facebook official' or want to strike your best Instagram pose, make a stop at one of Clay County's wall murals. At the **Orange Park Mall** near the outdoor entrance to the food court, local artist Steven Teller of St. Augustine, created the "But To Fly" mural. Featuring vibrant



Handpainted chairs at Junque in the Trunk, Clay County, FL



BoldSoul Boutique- Clay County, FL.

Located at the corner of North Orange Avenue and Palmer Street, this mural was completed in 2019 with the assistance of local charity St. Michael's Soldiers and the Art Guild of Orange Park. The wall features a giant American flag with angel wings depicted behind Clay Fire Rescue Engineer and Paramedic Jeremy J. McKay, U.S. Army Ranger Sgt. Bradley Crose and Clay County Sheriff's Office Dep. Benjamin Zirbel.

Also in Green Cove Springs and created by the same artist, Sophie Dentiste, the mural "Cove in Bloom" is featured on a 40 foot block wall at the corner of Walnut Street and US Highway 17. Along with Beth Haizlip and members of the Art Guild of Orange Park, this colorful mural features the flora and fauna that makes up Clay County.

colored flowers and birds, this mural pairs well with the outdoor vibe created within the mall.

In Green Cove Springs, pay your respects to three fallen heroes of Clay County at the touching wall mural of artist Sophie Dentiste.

Let's Go Shopping

From the latest trends in jewelry to purposeful shopping where every purchase gives back to others, there's no shortage of great shopping while in Clay County. At the **One Swanky Chic Boutique** in Middleburg, you'll find farmhouse style clothing ranging from fun graphic tees, flashy flip flops and plenty of dress options for a night out on the town. Their home décor, oils and candles can serve as a great souvenir of your time in the area – or the perfect gift for others.

The **BoldSoul Boutique** in Fleming Island features trendy fashions, jewelry and inspirational gifts where every purchase gives back to the community of Pestel, Haiti. So, there's no need to worry about buying new clothes – it is for a good cause! This family-owned business prides itself on their hand-selected clothing and apparel, along with jewelry and faith-based items. Visitors can feel at home trying on a new look during this inspiring shopping excursion.

For deals on furniture and home décor, don't miss visiting the **Junque in the Trunk** shop in Fleming Island. With new inventory coming into the shop daily, every visit is a new experience. Pick up an accent piece or pick out a new dining set that's oozing with charm and style – there's plenty of items in the shop to perk up your living space and remind you of Clay County.

Time for Unique Fun

In Fleming Island, test your skills at the **Valhalla Indoor Axe Throwing** center. With a quick tutorial from the professionals, your group can start throwing axes at targets in no time. Make sure to

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Locked in Escape Room, Clay County, FL

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As the only escape room in Clay County, gather your friends and minds and make your way to Middleburg's **Locked In Escape Room**. Together with your team, you'll gather clues and solve puzzles to escape your locked room within 60 minutes or less. If you do, your team wins! Choose from mind-puzzling games like "Pharaoh's Revenge" and "Flight 220" where your only obstacle is flying through the Bermuda Triangle.

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- CCDS offers over 40 Career and Technical Education programs with industry certifications for students to enter the workforce directly after graduation.
- Ranked #5 school district in Florida and recognized as a 2023 Best School by Niche.
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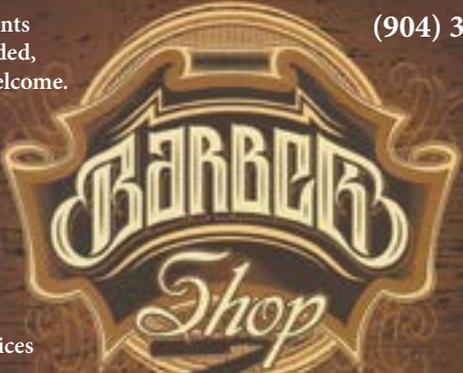
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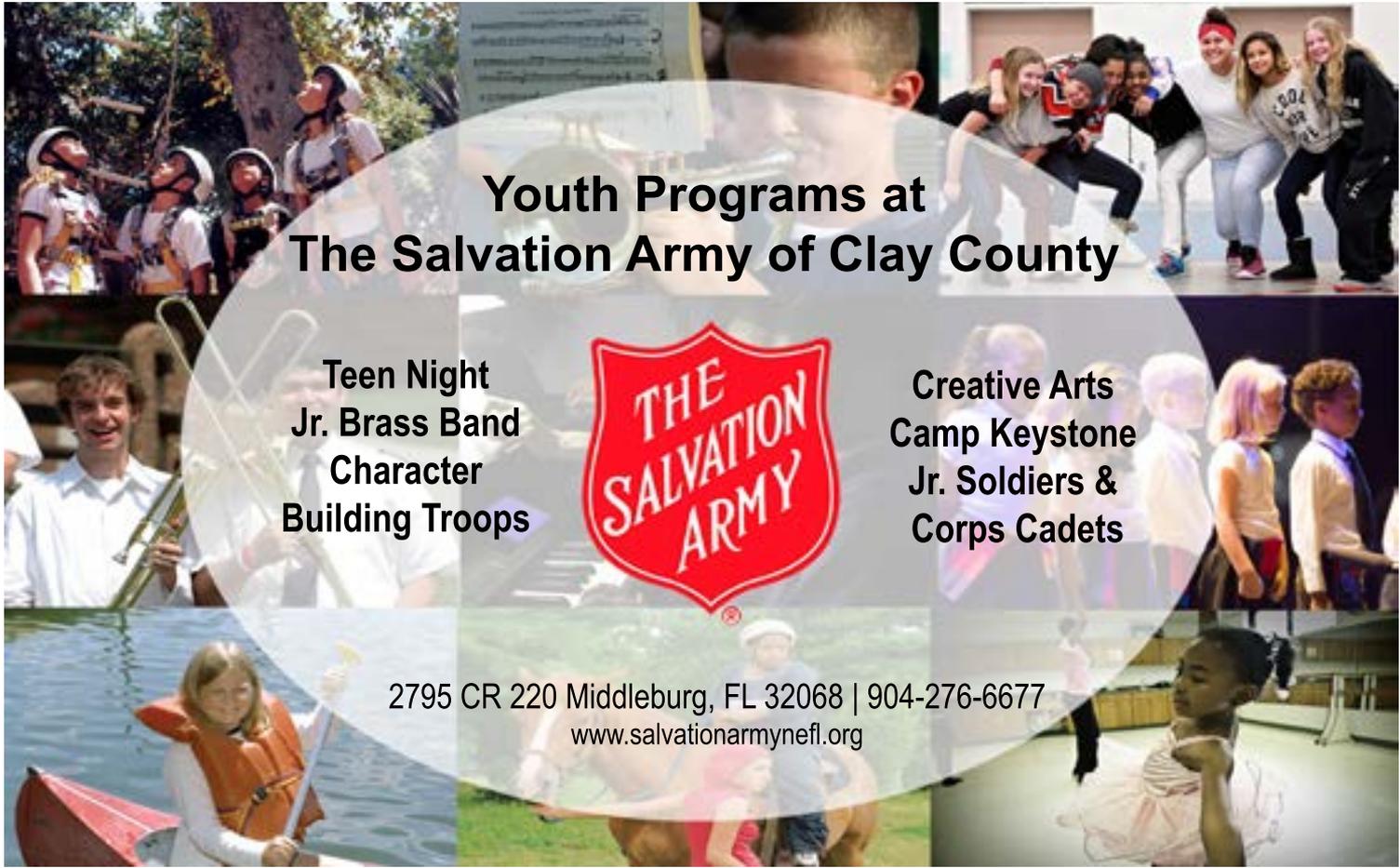
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Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Beer & Wine Only	Full Service Bar	Entertainment	Delivery	Take-out	Group Function	Private
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ORANGE PARK

4 Rivers Smokehouse 844-4RIVERS	220 Park Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	Bar-B-Que	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Anthony's Gourmet Catering (904) 264-1338	220 Park Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	American	✓	✓				✓		
Aron's Pizza 904-269-1007	650 Park Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	Pizza	✓	✓				✓	✓	
Basketique 904-269-1007	727 Kingsley Ave Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied								
Big Dawgs Family Sports Restaurant 904-272-4204	1330 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Bojangles Chicken n' Biscuits 904-213-1139	492 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied								
Brewer's Pizza/ Pinglehead Craft Brewery 904-276-5159	14B Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Buffalo Wild Wings 904-215-4969	1940 Wells Rd Orange Park, FL 32073	American	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Chili's Grill & Bar 904-264-6907	1664 Wells Rd. Orange Park, FL 32065	Varied	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	
China 1 904-272-8880	868 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065	Chinese	✓	✓					✓	
The Club Continental 904-264-6070	2143 Astor Street Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied				✓	✓			✓
Country Cabin Restaurant 904-272-0522	950 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied	✓	✓	✓					
Cracker Barrel 904-264-2292	4272 Eldridge Loop Orange Park, FL 32073	Family	✓	✓	✓					✓
Crafty Crab 904-579-3913	950 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065	Seafood		✓	✓	✓				✓
Dunya Fresh Halai Food 904-644-8548	319 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, FL 32065	Mediterranean		✓	✓					✓
El Poblano Mexican Restaurant 904-276-7074	922 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065	Mexican		✓	✓				✓	✓
Escobar's Mexican Restaurant 904-375-8051	104 College Dr., Suite 8 Orange Park, FL 32065	Mexican		✓	✓		✓			
Famous Sandwiches & Subs 904-579-3151	862 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065	Sandwiches	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
Five Star Pizza 904-276-4445	1045 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065	Italian		✓	✓				✓	✓

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Foo Wong Garden 904-278-0806	1206 Park Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	Chinese		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers (904) 375-1370	386 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, FL 32073	American		✓	✓						✓	
Golden Corral 904-272-0755	582 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied		✓	✓						✓	✓
Grumpy's 904-215-1956	834 Kingsley Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓
G's Slow Smoked BBQ 904-406-0524	1282 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, FL 32065	BBQ		✓	✓						✓	

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Holey Moley Bagel Shop 904-592-7039	179 College Dr Orange Park, FL 32065	American	✓	✓							✓	
Hooter's of Orange Park 904-215-5858	1740 Wells Rd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
IHop 904-272-0690 904-655-8294	315 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073 Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied	✓	✓	✓						✓	
Irie Diner Caribbean Restaurant 904-375-9467	1177 Park Ave Orange Park, FL 32073	Caribbean	✓	✓	✓						✓	
King Kabob 904-215-8228	562 Kingsley Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	Mediterranean	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	
Kyodai Sushi Rock Japan Steakhouse 904-215-8228	1861 Wells Rd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Japanese		✓	✓			✓				
La Nopalera 904-276-2776	1930 Kingsley Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073	Mexican		✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	

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Varied

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✓

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Mexican

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Bar-B-Que

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Mexican

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Orange Park, FL 32073

Seafood

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Sonny's Bar-B-Q
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Orange Park, FL 32073

Bar-B-Que

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			Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Beer & Wine Only	Full Service Bar	Entertainment	Delivery	Take-out	Group Function	Private
Sorbello's Sicilian Restaurant 904-404-3663	195 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Italian		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
Steak 'N Shake 904-264-2649	1681 Wells Rd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied		✓	✓						✓	
Tai Basil 904-282-6880	1075 Oakleaf Plantation Pkwy. Orange Park, FL 32065	Chinese/Thai		✓	✓					✓	✓	
Texas Roadhouse 904-213-1000	550 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied		✓	✓			✓			✓	✓
T.G.I. Fridays 904-215-7030	1910 Wells Rd. (OP Mall) Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied		✓	✓			✓			✓	
Thai Cafe 904-541-0204	1177 Park Ave, Suite 4 Orange Park, FL 32073	Thai		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Thai Garden & Sushi Restaurant 904-272-8434	10 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Thai		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Tom & Betty's 904-272-8434	2134 Park Ave Orange Park, FL 32073	American		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Top Pot BBQ 904-580-8888	1780 Wells Rd. Orange Park, FL 32073	American		✓	✓			✓				
Tropical Smoothie 904-644-7353	266 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, FL 32073	Healthy	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	
Zaxby's 904-298-2778	390 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073	Varied		✓	✓						✓	

FLEMING ISLAND

Bono's BBQ Eagle Harbor 904-269-8870	1765 Town Center Blvd. Fleming Island, FL 32003	Bar-B-Que		✓	✓						✓	✓
Brew-Bakers Café & Co 904-602-5355	1831 Golden Eagle Way Ste. 23 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied	✓	✓	✓						✓	
Brick Oven Pizzeria & Gastropub 904-278-1770	1811 Town Center Blvd. Fleming Island, FL 32003	Italian		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	
Chili's Grill & Bar 904-264-8412	2005 East-West Pkwy Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓			✓			✓	
Corky Bells Seafood & Steaks 904-284-1379	1049 Floyd St. Fleming Island FL, 32003	Varied		✓	✓						✓	
Dick's Wings & Grill 904-375-2559	1803 East-West Pkwy Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓			✓			✓	
Five Guys 904-592-4896	C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Burgers		✓	✓						✓	
Fresh From Yianni's Kitchen 904-707-7242	1831 Golden Eagle Way Fleming Island, FL 32003	Burgers		✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	
Hibernia Cafe 904-269-1440	8.5 Mi. S. of I-295 on US 17 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Lunch/Sun.Brunch	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	
Hop Shing 904-637-0088	5000 Hwy 17, South Fleming Island, FL 32003	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	✓	
Hot Wok 904-278-4088	1615-155 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	✓	
Hurricane Grill & Wings 904-644-7315	1810-1 Town Center Blvd. Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	
IHop 904-215-9564	1825 East - West Pkwy Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied	✓	✓	✓						✓	

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			Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Beer & Wine Only	Full Service Bar	Entertainment	Delivery	Take-out	Group Function	Private
Just A Pinch Cafe 904-651-0705	1615 C.R. 220 Ste. 180, 32003 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Southern/Hawaiian	✓	✓							✓	
La Nopalera 904-215-2223	1571 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Mexican		✓	✓			✓			✓	
Lanna Thai 904-215-2223	1605 C.R. 220 #180 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Thai		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Longhorn Steakhouse 904-375-9191	1605 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓							
The Loop 904-375-9293	1605 East West Pkwy, Ste 110 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Pizza/Varied		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Maple Street Biscuit Company 904-375-2219	1960 East West Parkway, Ste. 103 Fleming Island, FL 32003	American	✓	✓							✓	
Margaritas 904-579-3801	3535 US HW. 17 Ste. 8 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Mexican		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mellow Mushroom Pizza (904) 241-5600	1800 Town Center Blvd Fleming Island, FL 32003	Italian		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Moe's Southwest Grill 904-637-0080	1544 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Mexican		✓	✓						✓	
Mojo Smokehouse 904-272-9464	2349 Village Fleming Island, FL 32003	Bar-B-Que		✓	✓			✓				✓
Mr. Chubby's Wings 904-272-9464	2349 Village Square Parkway #101 Fleming Island, FL 32003	American/Sports Bar		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	
New York Pizza 904-375-0500	1811 Golden Eagle Pkwy. Fleming Island, FL 32003	Italian		✓	✓			✓			✓	
O'Charleys 904-264-2673	1609 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓						✓	
Panera Bread 904-215-9056	1510 Country Rd 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓					✓	✓	
Pepper's Cocina Mexicana 904-579-3488	1560 Business Center Drive, Ste. 25 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Mexican		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	
Roberto's Bistro 904-602-5200	1810 Town Center Blvd. Fleming Island, FL 32003	Italian			✓			✓			✓	✓
Ruby Tuesday 904-269-6900	1521 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓			✓			✓	
Saigon Wok 904-375-0083	1810 Town Center Blvd. Fleming Island, FL 32003	Chinese/ Oriental		✓	✓							
Santioni's 904-264-1311	3535-15 Highway 17 Fleming Island, FL 32003	American		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sushiya 904-215-7988	1615-150 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Japanese		✓	✓						✓	
Sweet Frog 904-215-1300	1581-100 C.R. 220 E Fleming Island, FL 32003	Yogurt		✓	✓							
Talon's Restaurant 904-269-9300	2217 Eagle Harbor Pkwy Fleming Island, FL 32003	American	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓
Tijuana Flats 904-264-1766	C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Mexico		✓	✓	✓					✓	
Tropical Smoothie 904-375-0959	5000 U.S. Hwy 17 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Healthy	✓	✓	✓						✓	
V Pizza 904-579-4530	1605 C.R. 220, Ste 145 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Pizza/Italian		✓	✓	✓					✓	

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Whitey's Fish Camp 904-269-4198	2032 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Your Pie 904-375-9771	1545 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Pizza		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
Zaxby's 904-269-2911	1525 C.R. 220 Fleming Island, FL 32003	Varied		✓	✓					✓	

GREEN COVE SPRINGS/ LAKE ASBURY

China Wok 904-529-8668	1305 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	
Corner Pocket 904-284-1992	14 Magnolia Ave. N Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	American		✓	✓					✓	
Crystal Dining Room at Magnolia Point Golf Club 904-269-9276	3670 Clubhouse Dr. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	American	✓		✓		✓			✓	
D'Fontana 904-529-5515	324 Ferris Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Italian		✓	✓	✓				✓	
Dalton's Sports Grill 904-282-1564	2808 Henley Rd. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	American		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
The Deli (Inside Shell Gas Station) 904-529-7070	410 S. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Deli		✓	✓					✓	
Hardee's of Green Cove Springs 904-529-9437	1323 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Fast Food	✓	✓	✓					✓	
La Casita 904-529-9985	20 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Mexican		✓	✓					✓	
Master Wok 904-406-4266	2851 Henley Rd. Lake Asbury, FL 32003	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	
Pan Asian Cuisine Sushi Bar & Grill 904-529-5153	1305 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	
Pizza Hut 904-284-2244	1367 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Italian		✓	✓					✓	
Present Tense Coffee and Books 904-687-8958	2851 Henley Road #103 Lake Asbury, 32043	Coffeehouse	✓	✓	✓					✓	
The Pub at Magnolia Point Golf Club 904-269-9276	3670 Clubhouse Drive Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Varied	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Red's Wine Bar 904-955-0196	414 Walnut St Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Varied			✓	✓					✓
Ronnie's Wings ,Oysters And more 904-284-4728	232 Walnut St Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Varied			✓	✓				✓	✓
The Shiek 904-531-5095	422 S. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Mediterranean	✓	✓	✓					✓	
Spring Park Coffee 904-755-6313	328 Ferris St. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Varied	✓	✓	✓					✓	
Sunrise - Sunset 904-531-9624	618 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Varied	✓	✓	✓					✓	
Sweet Sensations 904-529-8554	25 N. Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043	Varied		✓						✓	
Woody's Bar B Q 904-284-1014	3540 Hwy 17 Green Cove Springs, FL 3204	Bar-B-Que		✓	✓					✓	

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4 Tree BBQ 904-214-3041	1948 Henley Rd. Middleburg, FL 32068	Bar-B-Que	✓	✓						✓	
Black Creek Café 904-282-7373	2696 Blanding Blvd. Middleburg, FL 32068	Varied	✓	✓						✓	
Black Creek Nutrition 352-258-1453	2751 Blanding Blvd., Ste 106 Middleburg, FL 32068	Nutrition	✓	✓						✓	
Bono's BBQ 904-282-4288	2640 Blanding Blvd., Ste 211 Middleburg, FL 32068	Bar-B-Que		✓	✓					✓	
Capio's Cafe 904-413-7776	2710 Blanding Blvd. Middleburg, FL 32068	American	✓	✓						✓	✓
China Café 904-282-9988	1545 Brannan Field Rd. Middleburg, FL 32065	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	
China Wok 904-291-6988	2640 Blanding Blvd. Middleburg, FL 32068	Chinese		✓	✓					✓	

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Grumpy's 904-215-1956	1805 Blanding Blvd., Ste 205 Middleburg, FL 32068	Varied	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓
Hardee's of Middleburg 904-282-1889	2730 Hwy 21 Middleburg, FL 32068	Drive In	✓	✓	✓						✓	
Huddlehouse 904-291-3850	4094 C.R. 218 West Middleburg, FL 32068	Varied	✓	✓	✓						✓	
Royal Moose Coffee Company 904-406-9523	2441 Blanding Blvd Middleburg, FL 32068	Coffeehouse	✓	✓							✓	
Salsa 904-375-0494	2574 County Rd 220 Middleburg, FL 32068	Mexican		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Stone E Cabin 904-282-6700	4430 C.R. 218 West Middleburg, FL 32003	Bar-B-Que		✓	✓						✓	
Tony's Pizza 904-406-5646	2219 CR 220 Middleburg, FL 32003	Pizza		✓	✓					✓	✓	
Tropical Smoothie 904-282-8777	1782 Blanding Blvd. Middleburg, FL 32068	Healthy	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	
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Clyde's Cozy Corner Café 352-478-8358	130 SE Nightengale Street Keystone Heights, FL 32656	Varied	✓	✓					✓	
Fire Power Coffee 352-478-8174	322 SE State Road 100, Ste. D Keystone Heights, FL 32656	Coffeehouse	✓	✓					✓	
Florida Cracker Kitchen 352-473-9873	7154 SE CR Keystone Heights, FL 32656	Varied	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓
Hardee's of Keystone Heights 352-473-7745	7401 State Rd. 21 Keystone Heights, FL 32656	Drive In	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Johnny's Bar-B-Q 352-473-4445	7411 State Rd. 21 Keystone Heights, FL 32656	Bar-B-Que		✓	✓				✓	
McHenry's Irish Sports Pub 352-473-3000	323 NE Commercial Circle Keystone Heights, FL 32656	Varied		✓	✓		✓		✓	
Northway's Steak and Seafood 352-478-7019	7414 SR-21 Keystone Heights, FL 32656	American		✓	✓		✓		✓	

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Akaya Sushi-Grill 904-291-9388	1075 Oakleaf Plantation Pkwy, Ste 106 Jacksonville, FL 32065	Asian		✓	✓		✓		✓	
Bassill's 904-778-9090	6251 Argyle Forrest Blvd., Ste 103 Jacksonville, FL 32244	Varied		✓	✓				✓	✓
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The Landing Bar & Grill (904)291-5600	3989 Eagle Landing Pkwy Orange Park, FL 32065	American	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
La Nopalera 904-908-4250	9734 Crosshill Blvd. (Oakleaf) Jacksonville, FL 32222	Mexican		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
My Life Pizza 904-777-3998	9725 Crosshill Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32222	Italian		✓	✓				✓	✓
Thai Basil 904-282-6880	1075 Oakleaf Plantation Pkwy Orange Park, FL 32065	Thai		✓	✓				✓	✓
Tropical Smoothie 904-777-8216	9610 Applecross Rd. Jacksonville, FL 32222	Healthy	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Vi Tianos 904-738-8079	9518 Argyle Forrest Blvd., #C19 Jacksonville, FL 32222	Italian		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓

Performing Arts in Clay County



Actors at the Orange Park Community Theatre - Orange Park, FL



Art Gallery at Thrasher-Horne Center, Clay County, FL.

by Carrie McLaren

The Arts Are Aliven Clay County in 2023

The performing arts community is thriving in Clay County with Broadway shows, musical acts, local theater troops and more sharing their love of the arts throughout the next year. Our passionate arts community provides visitors and residents with cultural opportunities and quality entertainment. There's no better time to celebrate the arts in Clay County.

Here's a look at what shows and theatre productions are



Mainstage at Thrasher-Horne Center, Clay County, FL

making their way to Clay County in 2023 –

The Island Theater

In Fleming Island, The Island Theater features a season of shows throughout the year along with acting workshops and summer camps. Junior workshops in 2023 include *Finding Nemo, Jr.*, *Into the Woods Jr.* and *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Jr.* perfect for children – as spectators and participants in the show!

In 2023, the troupe has a vibrant lineup of live shows in-



Orange Park Community Theater- Clay County, FL



School of Rock at The Island Theatre- Clay County, FL



Show at The Island Theatre- Clay County, FL



The Island Theatre- Clay County, FL



Thrasher-Horne Center- Concert



Thrasher-Horne Front Entrance- Clay County, FL

cluding *School of Rock*, *Newsies*, *Peter Pan*, *Godspell* and more. With the popularity of the theater, many shows sell out in advance so plan ahead and buy your tickets early. The theater prides itself on educating children on the theater community, how to prepare for auditions and different roles within the performing arts.

Orange Park Community Theatre

For more community theater, Orange Park Community Theatre highlights shows ranging from musicals to dramas with season ticket packages available. Since opening in May 1969, the theater has performed at its current location since 1987 performing family-friendly shows year-round.

Auditions for shows take place throughout the year with summer workshops held during the summer and fall for children wanting to learn and participate in show production. Upcoming shows for the 2023 season include *Little Women*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *the Great American Trailer Park* and *Nana Does Vegas*.

Thrasher-Horne Center

Located on the campus of St. Johns River State College’s main campus in Orange Park, the Thrasher-Horne Center is home to two art galleries, regional meetings, touring shows and Broadway productions offering residents and visitors an

exciting experience with a small-town atmosphere.

Nationally-known musicians and performers and well-known productions are just some of the hundreds of events to be hosted at the center’s Main Stage Theater. With 1,728 seats, the Main Stage Theater offers visitors a venue with modern technology and offers two levels of audience seating: a spacious raked floor level and a stadium-style balcony with six private boxes. The lobby offers two concession areas, coat check, box office and the members only Circle Club.

Upcoming shows in 2023 include Vicki Lawrence and Mama: A Two Woman Show, the Blue Man Group, country star Sara Evans, rocker Rick Springfield and 1964: The Tribute with music of The Beatles.

Just off the main lobby of the building, you’ll find the Jack Mitchell and Lee Adams Galleries featuring each artists’ works located in the Mary Ward Huntley Wing. While selected works are permanently displayed throughout Thrasher-Horne Center, the center updates exhibits throughout the year.

Whether you are interested in seeing a Broadway show or a more personal, community theater performance, Clay County has a variety of options for theater fans. For more information on the 2023 lineup, go to www.ExploreClay.com.

CLAY COUNTY EVENT AND MEETING VENUES

In need of a venue to host your next event? Whether you are a planning a wedding, family reunion or need a banquet hall for your organization's next meeting, Clay County has a variety of meeting spaces perfect for your group.

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For a full-service stay, the **Courtyard by Marriott Jacksonville Orange Park**, **Hilton Garden Inn Orange Park** and the **Holiday Inn & Suites Orange Park - Wells Rd.** offer guests an affordable stay near restaurants, shopping and more.

If you want to know what the Hampton Inn of the future looks like, stay at the **Hampton Inn Middleburg**.

The **Days Inn by Wyndham Orange Park/Jacksonville**, the **Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Jacksonville Orange Park**, **Hampton Inn & Suites Jacksonville/Orange Park** and the **Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fleming Island** offer easy access to Interstate 295 and connecting roadways.

For an extended stay in our area, the **Stay Suites of America - Orange Park**, **InTown Suites of Orange Park**, and **Zen Living Suites** offer weekly and monthly rates along with amenities for a longer stay in Clay County.

Traveling by RV or interesting camping? Explore the possibilities at **Camp Blanding Recreation – James E. Johnson Memorial RV Park**, **Camp Chowenwaw**, **Goldhead State Park**, **Clay County Fairgrounds** and **Whitey's Fish Camp**.



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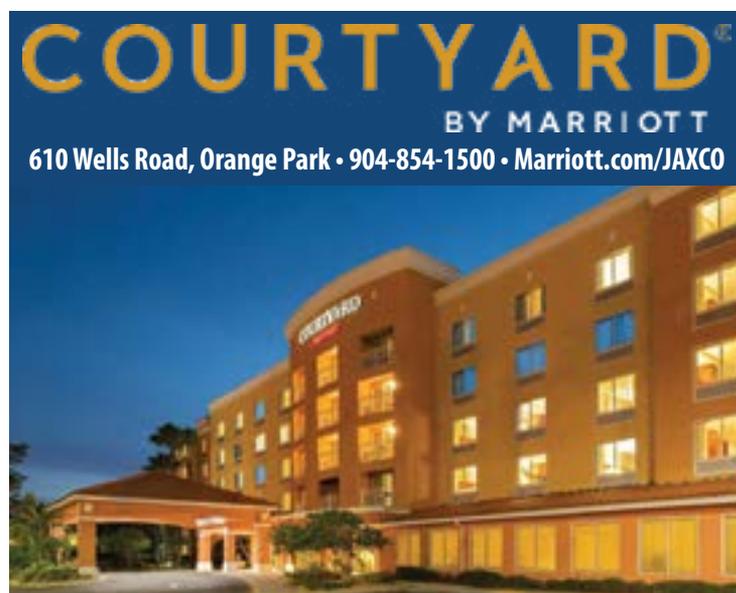
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(Circa 1847) 3925 Main Street

This building is one of the oldest Methodist churches in continuous use in Florida. It is a frame vernacular Church built of Hand-wrought lumber and nails. Mr. George Branning later donated the bell which was forged in New York and shipped by steamboat. One early use of the bell was to toll the death of his son, Robert Branning, who died in 1861 at 20 years of age.



OLD MASONIC LODGE

(Circa Late 1800-1889) 3893 Main Street

This building was moved to its present site from where the present Masonic Lodge is now. It is often called "the old lodge." It has an open side gable frame vernacular building built in the federal-period style. It has a one bay gable roof entrance porch on the east side. This yellow painted two-story building is balanced or symmetrical in appearance. It is beside the Clark-Chalker house.



THE FROSARD BUDINGTON HOME

(Circa 1910) 3916 Main Street

This is Historic Middleburg's only example of Queen Anne architecture. It is unusual in that it is a single story with a rounded corner on the veranda porch. The rounded columns are called ionic. The interesting shape of the left-hand gable window when facing the front of the house is called Palladian. In 1927, Mr. and Mrs. F. Budington gave a deed to the Middleburg United Methodist Church which later added the Budington Educational Building. This home is now owned by Mrs. Pat Mueller.



THE BUDINGTON HOME

(Circa Late 1800's)

Originally at 3913 Main Street

This is a white two-story house with a wide L-shaped porch which extends out to an area which can be used now as a carport. The shutters on this home are functional. This frame vernacular home is thought to have been moved to its present sit by rolling it on logs from across the street where the F. Budington home is now. This home is simpler in appearance on the outside than the Frosard Budington house across the street. This house has been relocated to the Main Street Park.



DR. G.E. ADAMS & DR. STONE HOME

(Circa Early 1900's) 2145 Wharf Street

This building is a small frame vernacular home. It has decorative wooden trim on it. There is wooden "gingerbread" trim at the top of the porch columns. The porch with railing is on the left side of the house when facing the front. This building served as a Doctor's office and home in 1914. Later, the house became a private residence.



THE CLARK-CHALKER HOUSE

(Circa 1835) 3891 Main Street

This is the oldest building in Middleburg. It is a white two-story columned house with a white picket fence. This open side gable frame vernacular home was built for Capt. Matthew Clark and his staff. They were with the U.S. 2nd Dragoons stationed at Ft Heilman. During the Second Seminole Indian war, the house was headquarters for General Winfield Scott. Martha Ann Chalker later occupied the house for 82 years until her death in 1936.



THE HADDEN HOME

(Circa 1912) 3887 Main Street

This is a colonial revival home with a balanced front called a symmetrical façade. This is a two-story home with round columns. It has a tin roof like several of the historic homes in the historic district. An interesting aspect of this home is that the decoration above the front door was originally made from an old bed headboard. This is called a decorative entrance Pediment.

THE HOUSES OF HISTORIC MIDDLEBURG



THE BARDIN HOME

(Circa 1888) 3881 Main Street

This is Middleburg's only example of Italian architecture. This style is more common in other areas of the country than in the South. There is a central cupola which is a small structure built on to the house. It is often used as a lookout and for air supple ventilation. Mr. Henry Bardin's house has two wide porches across the front of the hoe. It also has Victorian style gingerbread trim. The Bardins used to have square dances there many Saturday nights.



THE STEWART HOME

(Circa 1890-1911) 3895 Main Street

This is Middleburg's only example of center gable frame vernacular architecture. It is a white two-story home with a porch. It has a front facing gable wall dormer window. The home was built by George Chalker. As Mr. Chalker had a home on wharf Street, he rented this house to Mr. and Mrs. G.P. Stewart. The Stewarts moved from the Gin House Landing area where they had a turpentine mill.



THE GEORGE CHALKER HOME

(Circa Late 1800's) 2160 Wharf Street

This white two-story home sits on a large area of land. It is Colonial Revival architecture which features a flat roofed porch with a railing above which is supported by square columns. There is a dormer window on the roof on the front of the house. A vine-covered retaining wall fronts the home on Wharf Street. The Chalker family was related to many families in Middleburg. It is presently under-going renovation and restoration.



THE GEORGE HASKELL HOME

(Circa Late 1800's) 3894 Main Street

This frame vernacular home was built by Mr. Haskell as a replica of his home in Salem Mass. He was stationed with the Union troops during the Civil War in the area. He was attached to the Paymaster Corps. He later acquired 500 acres of land. The house is three stories and has been remodeled and kept in good condition. It is white with a decorative eagle on it.



THE BARTHLOW HOME

(Circa 1800's) 3884 Main Street

This is a frame vernacular home, which is a typical wood frame home of the period. It is a small home with a tin roof and green metal awnings over the porch. Homes during this period were built with fireplaces for heat as is this one. This home has a metal fence. Some of the other homes have wooden, brick, metal or stone fences in front of their homes. Some do not have fences. This home remains in the Barthlow family to this day.



LONG HOUSE

(Circa 1890) 3858 Main Street

This home was purchased by Edward Long for his parents in 1896. It was an example of the open side gambel frame vernacular style. This building features drop siding exterior wall fabric and an exterior field stone chimney stack.

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**7 Brews Coffee- Clay County, FL
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Here's a look at some of Clay County's top Coffee Shops and Tea Rooms" --

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www.blackriflecoffee.com

New to Clay County in 2023, the Black Rifle Coffee Company plans to open its first coffee shop in the Northeast Florida area with the addition of a Fleming Island location. This Veteran-founded coffee company gives back to veterans, law enforcement and first responders with every purchase made. Founded in 2014, the company's mission is to serve coffee and culture to people who love America. With their weapon-themed coffee brews, coffee fans can choose from favorites like the Freedom Roast, the light roast Gunship, the Silencer Smooth light roast and more. Be on the lookout for the store opening in 2023.

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coffees from the daily, rotating menu featuring coffees from around the world.

Interested in taking coffee home as a souvenir? Choose from their selection of whole or roasted beans packaged in both convenience packs and larger sizes.

While you're enjoying time in the shop, you may be able to see some of the roasting process, ask questions and learn about the process and enjoy the bold flavors of aroma making their way through the shop. As you make your way through the retail shop, check out the education slides and information scrolling through the monitors to learn about the processes and coffees available for your enjoyment.

Together, owners William and Carol Beck hold over ten certifications in coffee and tea educational programs and food safety. They have each completed additional course work related to coffee processing and preparation, making them 'go to' experts when it comes to the brewing process and finding the perfect cup of coffee.

Tea drinkers, also be sure to speak with Carol – she's a certified tea sommelier! Sample specialty and organic teas from Two Leaves and a Bud right in the shop and choose from a variety of sizes of packages to enjoy tea-time at home. Carol can help you select teas based on your preferences.

The Lab Bakery & Coffee Bar

1580 Wells Road Unit 7 & 8, Orange Park
(904) 375-1416
www.TheLabBCB.com

New to the coffee scene in Clay County, The Lab Bakery & Coffee Bar in Orange Park welcomes visitors to enjoy a bite



Royal Moose Coffee Co.- Clay County, FL

to eat and a cup of Northeast Florida's own Martin Coffee.

This family-owned coffee spot features a rotating menu of desserts to pair with your cup of coffee. Enjoy your drink with one of their homemade treats, made from family recipes like a slice of Red Velvet cake with cream cheese frosting, topped with raspberry drizzle and white chocolate chips. Other favorites include German chocolate cupcakes and cookies and don't forget to add some of their homemade whipped cream to your coffee.

For those looking for a place to work remotely, stop in and get caught up on emails at The Lab, where you can enjoy a welcoming environment, tasty treats and free Wi-fi too.

Present Tense Coffee and Books

2851 Henley Road, Suite #103, Green Cove Springs
(904) 315-9518
www.facebook.com/PresentTenseCoffeeAndBooks



Firepower Coffee- Clay County, FL

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The Tea Room- Clay County, FL

At Present Tense Coffee and Books, you can enjoy a classic combination any day of the week with homemade artisan coffee and new and used books. Since opening in the summer of 2019, they display their love of artistic detail with their 9-minute roasted coffee beans that are aged for 30 days before being ground.

Other delicious concoctions include their signature drink the PLN, a black tea and lavender beverage that's perfect for cozying up with a good read or tackling the day. While you're there, be sure to pick up a delicious cinnamon roll, vegan banana muffin or a homemade scone.

Interested in a read? Present Tense offers an amazing selection of books from various national and local authors as well as a great trade-in deal. Be sure to check in for their weekly events, including dollar bin book days, book club meetings, child's story time and more.

Perfect for a quiet, relaxing cup or for getting things done, Present Tense is a true local gem with a delicious assortment of hand-crafted drinks to satisfy any craving. Drink like a local and enjoy a good read today.

Royal Moose Coffee Company
2441 Blanding Boulevard, Middleburg
(904) 406-0661

www.royalmoosecoffee.com

The newest place for coffee in Middleburg is the Royal Moose Coffee Company – you'll know you're there when you see the moose statue welcoming you outside the building!

Enjoy breakfast all day with cinnamon rolls, muffins, croissants sandwiches paired with fresh coffee and specialty drinks. From traditional cappuccinos to chai lattes or their signature Moose Mocha made with chocolate, caramel and whipped cream or just sit back with a hot cup of coffee – Royal Moose Coffee Company welcomes you to enjoy your favorites amidst their friendly community.

Scooter's Coffee

151 Park Avenue, Orange Park
(904) 375-9968
www.scooterscoffee.com

Enjoy Scooter's Coffee without even having to get out of the car as this coffee shop is drive-thru only! New to Orange Park in 2022, Scooter's Coffee is quickly becoming a hit with locals serving up specialty espresso drinks, single-origin coffee, fruit smoothies and even Red Bull infusions. Known for their fast drive-thru and freshly, baked from scratch pastries, Scooter's signature drink is the Caramelicious®. Be sure to use the Scooter's Coffee mobile app to receive perks and earn free drinks too!



Scooter's Coffee- Clay County, FL



Spring Park Coffee- Clay County, FL



Urban Bean Coffee & Donuts

Spring Park Coffee

328 Ferris Street, Green Cove Springs
(904) 531-9391
www.springparkcoffee.com

As a nod to the days of the turn of the century, the cozy Spring Park Coffee in Green Cove Springs is a short walk from Spring Park along the St. Johns River. This locally-owned shop features freshly roasted coffee from their sister company, Brass Tacks Coffee Co.

Since opening in 2011, this friendly coffee shop also features bagels and breakfast sandwiches – including their popular breakfast biscuits, made in-house each day. In the afternoon and evening, pair your coffee with a fresh cookie or pastry.

Choose from specialty drinks like their version of Butterbeer, made with espresso, toffee nut, caramel and butterscotch, a peppermint mocha or sip on a classic hot cocoa while catching up with friends. And be sure to check out the 'Name of the Day' board outside the shop, if your first name is there – you'll receive free coffee!

As a great souvenir of your time in Clay County, take home a 32oz. growler of Double Strength Cold Brew coffee – blended by the knowledgeable team at Brass Tacks Coffee Co. and Spring Park Coffee.

Snuggle up on one of the shop's cozy couches with a book

from the book swap area, enjoy live music on the first Friday of every month or grab a board game and challenge your family – whatever you decide, Spring Park Coffee welcomes visitors to relax and indulge.

The Tea Room

7433 State Road 21, Keystone Heights
(352) 535-8510
www.thelearningwheel.us/tea-room/

New to Keystone Heights, The Tea Room is open by appointment only for guests to take advantage of an afternoon of tea with friends and family. Offering an extensive list of teas and a variety of finger sandwiches, sweet treats and desserts, The Tea room is a welcome addition to locals and visitors in Keystone Heights.

High Tea events include a sampling of three teas from around the world featuring both sweet and savory variety's. Food menus can be customized depending on the group with items to choose from including cucumber sandwiches on white bread, chicken salad baked on fresh-bread rosemary bread, mixed fruit drizzled with jalapeno honey and more. Etiquette classes are also available by appointment.

Join Us for a Cup of Coffee

Along with being Clay County residents, these small business owners are passionate for coffee and supporting our community.

Whether you're a coffee lover, interested in local eats or hoping to connect with the residents of Clay County, we hope you enjoy exploring our small towns filled with big passions... and great coffee too.



Green Cove Springs Historic Walking Tour

- 1 Spring Park - The Spring tapers down with clear visibility to a depth of 31 feet up from which flows 78 degree mineral water filling the pool at 1300 gallons per minute for chemical free swimming in the summer. In the late 1800's many came to partake of the medicinal waters and some even stayed. Today the park includes the pool, the spring, playground, cooking pavilion, numerous gazebos, picnic tables, a stream, fishing pier and boat slips with water and electricity on the St. Johns River.
- 2 215 Spring Street - City Hall is seen west of the park. It was completed in 2004 on the site of the Qui Si Sana Hotel which faced the spring (c. 1907 meaning "Here is Health"). The architectural features of City Hall have similarities of the Qui Si Sana. Prior to the Qui Si Sana, the same site was occupied by the Clarendon Hotel (1870 - 1900). Guests of the Clarendon had exclusive use of the spring.
- 3 103 S. Magnolia Avenue - This frame vernacular style is characteristic of one of the most popular building styles in this region during the late 1800's. This building was used as a cottage for the Clarendon Hotel as well as the residence of Dr. Joseph Applegate who prescribed and dispensed the "medicinal" spring water to his wealthy northern clientele. It is in current use as the River Park Inn Bed and Breakfast.
- 4 219 Spring Street - Built in 1887, this home was, for many years, in the family of Judge Rivers. Notice the design pressed into the metal roof and the wonderful wrap around porch.
- 5 Footbridge - Across Spring Run connecting the North and South sides of the park, this bridge was built in 1988 by a Hungarian immigrant and Vietnam War Army veteran, Antal Molnar and his son Antal Jr. Note the replica of the old city seal in the center of the intricate iron work.
- 6 Spring Run is the stream from the outflow of the spring-fed chemical-free community pool. "Friends of the Park" were responsible for the large riverfront gazebo built in 1984 and still used regularly today for weddings and other events. Cross the bridge and take the sidewalk along St Johns Avenue.
- 7 14 North St. Johns Avenue - Built circa 1897 and known as the home of Captain C. E. Garner of the Independent Line Steamers that operated the May Garner riverboat between here and Jacksonville in the early 1900's, this home has been lovingly restored in the Italian Renaissance style by its current owners.
- 8 15 N. St. Johns Avenue - the winter residence of the Carl Schultz family of NY; it was later known as the Hallock Hotel.
- 9 218 Palmer Street - The original home of Dustin Page is still maintained as a private residence.
- 10 115 St. Johns - Built in the Italian Renaissance style as his family's first residence, W. M. Hoyt, a Chicago grocery chain magnate was one of many wealthy northerners who invested in real estate in Green Cove Springs in the late 19th century. It later became known as the Riverview Hotel.
- 11 200 N. St. Johns - Having the means to do so, W. M. Hoyt later built this house designed by architect, Mellon Greeley, in 1917 for his family in the Mediterranean Revival style with features such as the stucco exterior and tile roof. The building has now been converted to condominiums.
- 12 400 St. Johns Avenue - St. Mary's Episcopal Church, built in 1979, continues to serve an active parish today. It is built in Carpenter Gothic Style. Note the small doors beneath each window. They are more often used for ventilation but they would provide escape in case of fire. On the same property notice the Fellowship Hall. It was originally one of 5 army chapels at Camp Blanding built in the early 1940's and later relocated to this site for the church.
- 13 405 St. Johns Avenue - The rectory for St. Mary's Episcopal Church, circa 1906, was erected with funds from the Morton Fox Memorial Fund, according to the historical marker on the left eave of the house.
- 14 208 Park Street - One of three still existing homes in town originally built for members of the Borden family of condensed milk fame.
- 15 502 North Magnolia Avenue - Called "Villa Cottage", this home was built in 1880 by John C. Borden, son of the inventor of condensed milk. The tower on the right was used for judging the horse races which occurred on Magnolia Avenue. It was later used as the first home of the Women's Club better known as the Village Improvement Association (VIA).
- 16 300 Gum Street - First Presbyterian Church, circa 1892, is a detailed carpenter gothic style church. Designs on the hand forged hinges as well as the shapes and colors of the windows have special meanings. The Friendship Hall was completed as an addition in 1995.
- 17 303 North Magnolia Avenue - Circa 1884, Queen Anne style, rumors have circulated for many years about the ghosts in residence!
- 18 312 Center Street - This beautifully restored 1890's residence was most recently an art studio.
- 19 326 Walnut Street - Green Cove Springs got its own Art Deco style theater in the mid 1930's. The owner in 1936, R. C. Wilson, relocated the business from 420 Walnut Street where it was known as the Palace Opera House and Motion Picture Show. In 1939 a license permit was issued for the Clay Theater to Frank Bryant. Today it is the Clay Theatre, An Event Venue.
- 20 400 Block of Walnut Street - Walnut Street developed early as the main street for business in town because it led to the town's general landing at the east end where the fishing pier is now located. In 1882 there was a barbershop, a cobbler, several grocery stores, 2 churches, a bakery, a photography shop and several hotels on Walnut Street.

Family Reunions In Clay County



Spring Park and Spring-Fed Swimming Pool, Clay County, FL

Summertime and family reunions are a great time to reunite with loved ones and there's no better place to gather with your extended family than in Clay County, Florida. From affordable accommodations to unique gathering spots and a variety of fun activities for all ages of your family, let us help you plan a reunion with your loved ones.

Here are some helpful tips for planning your next family reunion –

Find Accommodations for All Budgets

Let Clay County be your group's 'home away from home' with a variety of accommodations and amenities for every budget.

For a full-service stay, the Courtyard by Marriott Jacksonville Orange Park, Hilton Garden Inn Orange Park and the Holiday Inn & Suites Orange Park - Wells Rd. offer guests a convenient stay near restaurants, shopping and more.

The Days Inn by Wyndham Orange Park/Jacksonville, the Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Jacksonville Orange Park and the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fleming Island offer easy access to Interstate 295 and connecting roadways.

For those interested in camping or traveling via RV, explore

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the possibilities at Camp Blanding Recreation – James E. Johnson Memorial RV Park, Camp Chowenwaw, Gold Head Branch State Park and Whitey's Fish Camp.

Schedule Outdoor Activities and Adventures

Plan a picnic day at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs along the St. Johns River. With covered picnic areas, grills, playgrounds and even a community swimming pool. Settle in for a meal with loved ones, let the little ones play and make new memories with your family.

Rent the 'Big Cabin' at Camp Chowenwaw where your group will have access to a kitchen, a meeting room, tables and chairs and views of Black Creek. A nearby pool, kayak launch, nature center, amphitheater and campsite facilities are within walking distance of the Big Cabin. With a maximum capacity of 150 people, this gathering space was once part of the campgrounds for the Girl Scouts of the Gateway Council.

For indoor fun, set up an afternoon of fun at Orange Park's Skate Station where your family can skate, play mini-golf and test their skills at the outdoor rock climbing wall. For a throwback, enjoy pizza and arcade games at the Leaderboard Arcade Bar & Pizzeria.



Leaderboard Arcade, Orange Park, FL



Big Cabin at Camp Chowenwaw, Clay County, FL



Skates at Skate Station- Clay County, FL



Hawaiian French Toast, Chicken, and Tots at Just A Pinch Cafe

Delegate Roles to Others

Let someone else do the cooking so you can catch up with loved ones during your family reunion. Whether you choose a private caterer or plan a special, on-site meal at one of the area's restaurants or meeting venues, Clay County offers a variety of affordable and unique dining options.

For a bit of Hawaiian Fusion cuisine, the folks at Just a Pinch Café and Catering can create a family-friendly meal – at your place or right at their restaurant. The Hilltop Club & Restaurant specializes in hosting social events, specialty dinners and

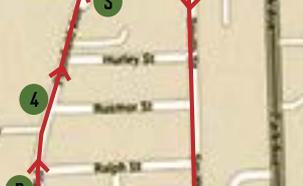
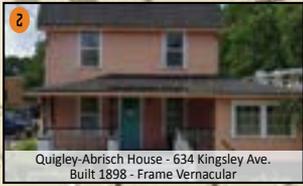
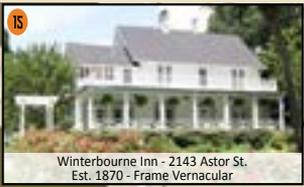
catering too. Settings for your event include the nature garden, a poolside event or one of the many indoor ballrooms.

And don't forget to contact Clay County's Department of Tourism for copies of the latest Explore Clay guidebook. Your guests and family members will enjoy getting to know the area better and have a little something to take home with them too.

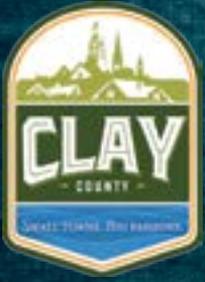
For more information on planning your next family reunion in Clay County, visit www.ExploreClay.com.

TOWN OF ORANGE PARK HISTORIC DRIVING TOUR

The Town of Orange Park was founded in 1877 by the Florida Winter Home and Improvement Company. The property was subdivided into building lots and small farm tracts, and the present street system was laid out which included Kingsley Avenue, River Road and Plainfield Avenue. Enjoy a glimpse of the past on this historic driving tour. Please remember most locations are private residences and should be viewed from the street. To learn more about this history of the Town, visit ophistory.org.



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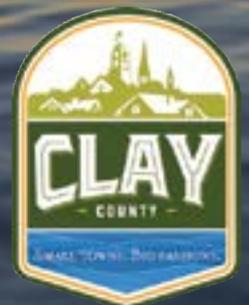
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*Enjoy
your
visit!*



The Keystone Heights Heritage Commission presents:

Walking Tour of Historical Homes

Keystone Heights was established in 1923 by the Lawrence Developing Company. Its owner, J. J. Lawrence, was from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The town was to be a vacation spot and health benefits from recreational opportunities, climate and clean water were highly emphasized in sales brochures. Keystone Heights was on the Chatauqua RR Circuit. Citrus and pecan trees were also touted as good investment possibilities. Frank Walrath, a cousin, was head of sales for the development company.



The town was laid out in 1923 by an unrelated C. Ray Lawrence, also from Pennsylvania, who was a retired civil engineer. Streets and alleys as planned then, exist today.

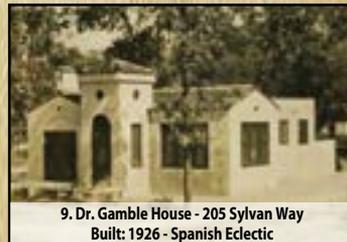
Keystone's earliest homes, including that of J. J. Lawrence, are thought to be mail order catalogue homes. Some evidence exists in the form of handwritten labels and model numbers on framing. The homes in this tour are from the first building period (1921-1929). Initial development stopped when the stock market fell.



1. Lawrence House - 580 Lawrence Blvd.*
Built: 1921 - Craftsman Sears Kit Home



2. J.M. Bergin House - 460 Magnolia Ave.*
Built: 1925 - Craftsman Bungalow



9. Dr. Gamble House - 205 Sylvan Way
Built: 1926 - Spanish Eclectic



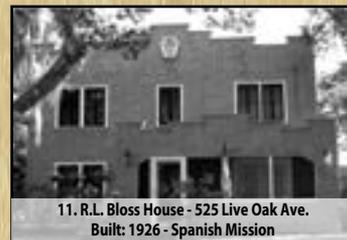
10. S.L. Hart House - 350 Sylvan Way
Built: 1928 - Simple Craftsman



3. Caughey House - 450 Magnolia Ave.
Built: 1925 - Craftsman Bungalow



4. B. Mack House - 440 Magnolia Ave.
Built: 1925 - Craftsman Bungalow



11. R.L. Bloss House - 525 Live Oak Ave.
Built: 1926 - Spanish Mission



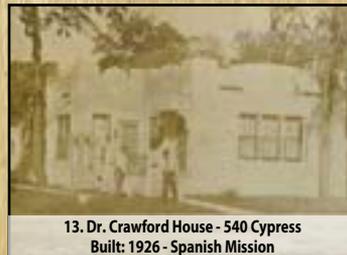
12. Judge McKlem House - 320 Oriole Street
Built: 1926 - Spanish Mission



5. J.&E. Bird House - 355 Magnolia Ave.*
Built: 1927 - Spanish Revival



6. Parks House - 160 Magnolia Ave.
Built: 1926 - Spanish Mission



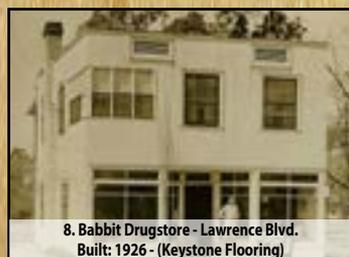
13. Dr. Crawford House - 540 Cypress
Built: 1926 - Spanish Mission



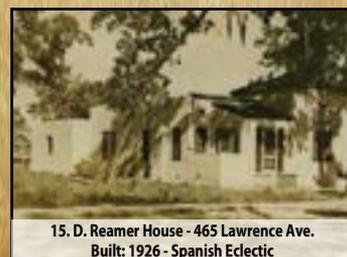
14. Houser House - 250 Lakeview Street
Built: 1925 - Craftsman



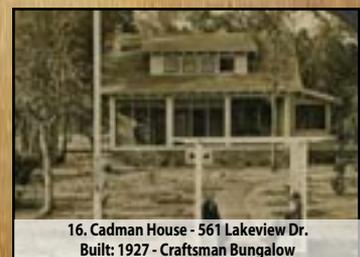
7. Hardware Store - Lawrence Blvd.
Built: 1926 - (Locker Room)



8. Babbit Drugstore - Lawrence Blvd.
Built: 1926 - (Keystone Flooring)



15. D. Reamer House - 465 Lawrence Ave.
Built: 1926 - Spanish Eclectic



16. Cadman House - 561 Lakeview Dr.
Built: 1927 - Craftsman Bungalow



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