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Brakes for Babies

For the remainder of this month, we are proud to launch our Brakes for Babies campaign to support the Children's Cancer Center. Thanks to NAPA, your brake pads are FREE.

*You pay labor and/or any additional parts.

We'll donate 10% of your total repair to help children and families fighting cancer. Together, we can stop childhood cancer in its tracks!

Contact us today to make an appointment!

BRAKES FOR BABIES

Let's pump the brakes on childhood cancer. For the rest of October, receive FREE Napa brake pads!

*You pay labor and any/or additional parts, we donate 10% of total repairs to the Children's Cancer Center in Tampa, Florida.

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Emerging Professionals Committee

We're excited to join the Emerging Professionals Connect Committee with the Venice Chamber of Commerce! This group brings together young professionals ages 21–39 to network, collaborate, and get involved in the Venice community. We can't wait to meet new people and build lasting connections!

Axle Facts

Axles connect your wheels, but are also the backbone of your vehicle's movement, transferring power from the engine to the wheels and keeping your ride stable and smooth. When axles begin to wear, you might notice vibrations, clunking sounds, or uneven tire wear. Regular inspections help keep your axles in top condition & ensure your vehicle stays safe and reliable.



October Birthdays!

This month, we're sending a big happy birthday to all our team members celebrating in October! Your hard work, positivity, and dedication make our workplace brighter every day. Whether you're marking the occasion with cake, family, or a well-earned day off, we hope your birthday brings plenty of joy and good memories.

Here's to another great year ahead — may it be filled with success, laughter, and everything you love most!

Photographed is Jenny - Marketing Director
and Gene - Technician



New Digs : City Fleet Edition

The City of Venice is taking an exciting step forward in improving operations and community services! The city's fleet department has officially moved to a new location designed to enhance efficiency and streamline daily operations. The new facility provides a modern, well-equipped space where vehicles can be serviced and managed more effectively—helping ensure the city's essential services run smoothly.

In addition, the site includes a brand-new building for the City's Waste Management Division, providing upgraded facilities for staff and equipment that will support cleaner, more sustainable operations for years to come. This move represents an important investment in both infrastructure and environmental stewardship.



Napa BDG Group Meeting



Every quarter, several NAPA AutoCare Shops from the surrounding area come together to share ideas, discuss industry trends, and learn about the latest innovations NAPA is bringing to the table. Over a shared meal, we exchange insights, talk through challenges, and support one another with questions or advice. These meetings are a great opportunity to strengthen our community, grow our collective knowledge, and stay connected as we work together to keep our industry moving forward. This month we met at Fin & Tonic and had a great time. Highly recommend you try them out for a dinner!

Jessica Costanzo Scholarship Golf Tournament



We had an amazing time teaming up with Hazeltine Nurseries at the Jessica Costanzo Scholarship Golf Tournament! Our team enjoyed a fun-filled day on the course while supporting a wonderful cause. We were also proud to be a hole sponsor at this year's event. What a great way to give back and connect with our community!



The Venice Chamber of Commerce Turns 100!



We were honored to join the celebration of our Chamber of Commerce's 100th anniversary. For a century, the Chamber has been a cornerstone of our business community, supporting growth, collaboration, and local success. Some of our own City leaders even joined in on the celebration, they are hosting a joint gala with the chamber and the city to commemorate the centennial for both entities in January!

It was a privilege to stand alongside so many local businesses, leaders, and neighbors to commemorate this incredible milestone. Here's to the next 100 years of building a stronger, more connected community together.

Gala Date is Wednesday, January 21, 2026 @5:00 PM Venice Community Center



Celebrations at AIA!

We had a blast celebrating Jesse's birthday in the office!

The day was filled with laughter, colorful party hats, festive desk decorations, and plenty of fun whistles to keep the celebration lively. It was a great reminder of how much joy a little office festivity can bring to the workday. Happy Birthday, Jesse!





Father Daughter Moment at the Shop

We had a special visitor in the shop when Jesse's daughter stopped by in her Venice Indians soccer uniform. It was such a fun father and daughter moment, and everyone enjoyed seeing their smiles and team spirit. Moments like these remind us of the perks of what we do every day—being part of a workplace that feels like family and getting to share those little moments that mean the most.

GO INDIANS!

Recipe of the Month

Jenny's BLT Dip!

- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 cup mayo or salad dressing
- 1/2 pound bacon, cooked, & crumbled
- 1 small tomato

In a small bowl, combine sour cream, mayo and bacon; mix well. Stir in tomato. Use as a dip for veggies! Or on crackers or bread.



Vehicle of the Month

1930 Ford Model A

We had a special visitor in the shop recently, a beautifully restored 1930 Ford Model A. It came in for an alignment service, and it was such a treat to see this classic piece of automotive history up on the rack. Watching our team work on a vehicle that has been on the road for nearly a century was a great reminder of how far the automotive world has come. From vintage craftsmanship to modern technology, we love the opportunity to care for your treasured vehicles.



Birthday Celebrations at Carrabba's!



Our whole team, including the city fleet crew, took a well-deserved lunch break at Carrabba's to celebrate our September and October birthdays. It was a wonderful lunch filled with good conversation, great food, and even better company.

Taking time to gather outside the shop reminded us how important it is to celebrate milestones together and enjoy the camaraderie that makes our team so special.

Thanks Carrabba's for having us!

Looking forward to when we can all get together for our annual Christmas party in December. This year we will be hosting it at Made in Italy, a place we haven't held it at before. We are looking forward to having spouses together as well to continue fun traditions and even do a little gift exchange. But let's not get ahead of ourselves...everyone enjoy your Halloween, have fun dressing up & going trick or treating but just be SAFE and always look both ways before crossing the street!



Family Celebrates!

We were so happy to celebrate one of our owners, Donna Hazeltine, on her special day. The family and grandkids all gathered in downtown Sarasota for a lovely dinner to honor the matriarch of our family and business. It was a wonderful evening filled with laughter, love, and appreciation for all that Donna does. Her leadership, kindness, and dedication continue to inspire everyone around her.



Community Events (Let's Connect!)



The Frosty 5K is set for Saturday, December 20, 2025. Starting and finishing at Twin Lakes Park, 6700 Clark Rd, Sarasota, through the adjacent neighborhood. A great, wide-open, well supported road course, no grass or paths, all asphalt surfaces for a smooth & fast race.

Race Start: 8:00 a.m.



5th Annual Fostering Love Gala!
Come support the Twig Cares and join us for a memorable evening in the Grove ballroom in Lakewood Ranch. Save the date February 28th, 2026!

Introducing our FIRST EVER After Hours Social!

VENICE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Emerging Professionals Connect

No business talk. Just great people, a casual hangout and a night full of music and fun.

📍 Made in Italy (117 W Venice Ave, Venice FL 34285)

📅 Friday, November 21st

🕒 7:30 PM

Emerging Professionals Connect Social
November 21, 2025 *This event is for
individuals aged 21-39* - Nov 21, 2025



2nd Annual Trunk or Treat at Matthews-Currie Ford! Friday, October 24th, 2025 | 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM Matthews-Currie Ford | 130 N Tamiami Trail, Nokomis, FL
Join us for a fun-filled night of Halloween magic, family fun, and community spirit at our 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat! After a huge turnout last year, we're back and planning an even bigger celebration, and you're invited!