



**BEFORE THEY WERE VILLAGERS | C5**  
Joel Lemmer learned loyalty in the Army, then took it to Kellogg, where he worked 30 years.

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6 p.m. 85°  
9 p.m. 78°

**THE CHECKUP | C1**  
Early detection is key in the treatment and mitigation of Alzheimer's, according to studies.

## MODERNA BOOSTERS GET PANEL'S NOD, A3

FDA officials have announced that some Americans — seniors or younger adults with health problems or those who have jobs or living situations that put them at increased risk — should get a half-dose of the Moderna vaccine if their last shot was at least six months ago.

The FDA's recommendation is nonbinding but is a step toward boosters for more people.



## Medicare Opens Annual Enrollment Options Today

HEALTH CARE IN THE COMMUNITY

Seniors 65 and older have until Dec. 7 to choose new coverage plans that better fit the care they receive.

By BILL ZIMMERMAN | Daily Sun Specialty Editor

It's time to tailor your Medicare coverage to your needs. The Annual Enrollment Period opens today, allowing seniors 65 and up to choose new plans for 2022. Experts advise checking prices individually, with a mix of ups and downs expected: Federal officials say Medicare Advantage is expected to drop about \$2 per month to an average of \$19, while Part D prescription coverage is expected to rise about \$1.50 per month to an average of \$33.

Staff at Health Insurance Resource Centers and Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders in The Villages will help

**Where To Get Help**

**Health Insurance Resource Centers:** thevillageshealth.com/medicare-resources or 352-205-4032.  
**SHINE:** floridashine.org or 800-963-5337.  
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OUR TOWN | SPACE COAST TRAFFIC

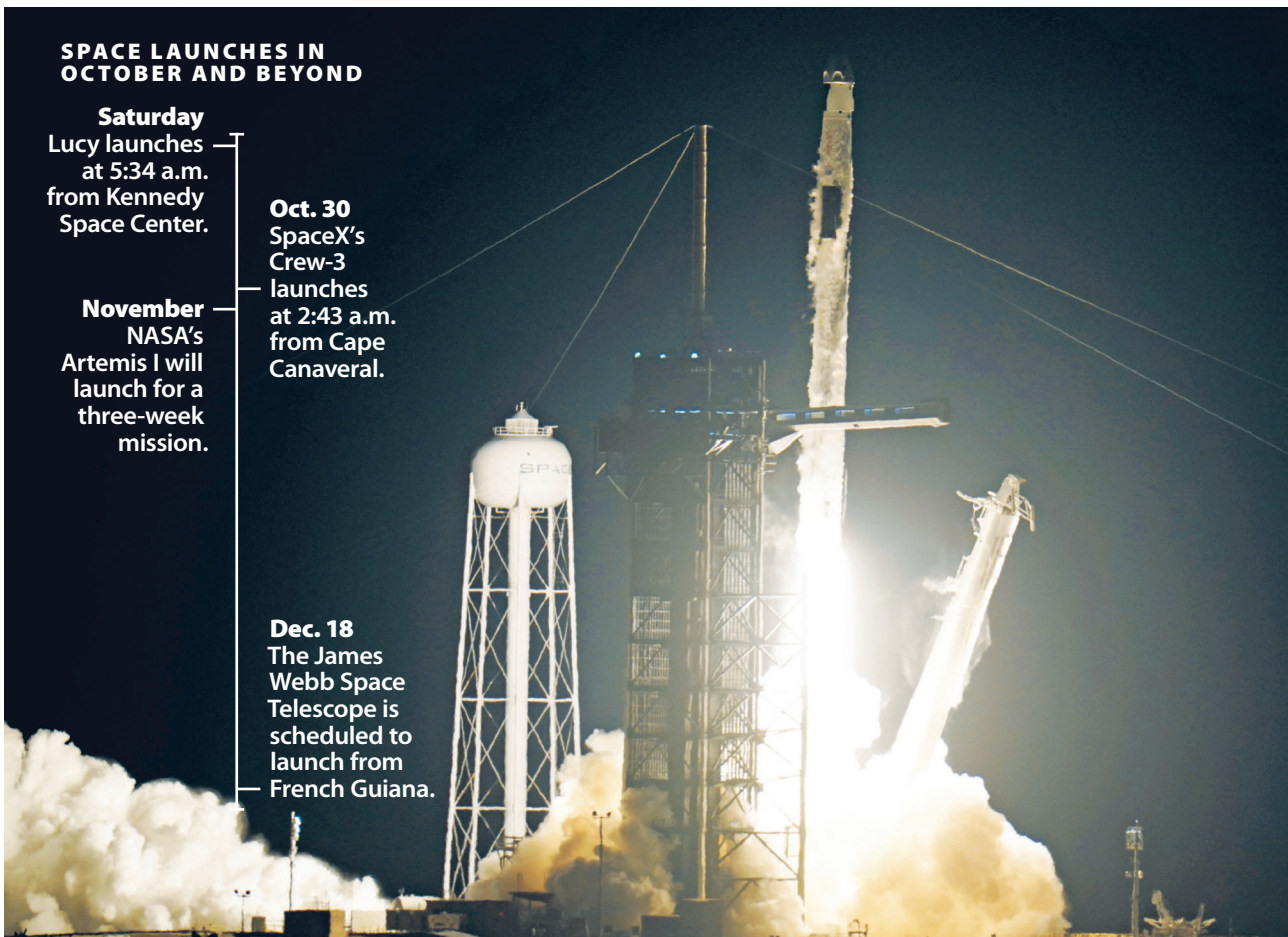
SPACE LAUNCHES IN OCTOBER AND BEYOND

**Saturday**  
Lucy launches at 5:34 a.m. from Kennedy Space Center.

**Oct. 30**  
SpaceX's Crew-3 launches at 2:43 a.m. from Cape Canaveral.

**November**  
NASA's Artemis I will launch for a three-week mission.

**Dec. 18**  
The James Webb Space Telescope is scheduled to launch from French Guiana.



John Raoux | The Associated Press

A SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket with the Crew Dragon space capsule lifts off from pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral. Next up is Lucy, which will study Jupiter's asteroids over 12 years.

# Spaceflight Schedule To Set a Soaring Pace

By MICHAEL SALERNO | Daily Sun Senior Writer

Space travel is making giant strides this year, and this month brings even more advances. Already, multiple flights have sent both professional astronauts and civilians into the stratosphere. NASA landed a new Mars rover that not only expanded our knowledge of the red planet, but also carried with it a helicopter that became the first powered machine to achieve flight on a planet other than Earth. But the year isn't over yet — and many of the achievements to come are taking shape in the coming weeks. Kennedy Space Center will be the site of two high-profile launches this month: Lucy on Saturday, an unmanned spacecraft that will study Jupiter's asteroids in a 12-year mission, and SpaceX's Crew-3 mission on Oct. 30, its fourth launch of professional human

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ONLY IN THE VILLAGES

By Ryan Weiss

**The Top Shelf billiards team was scrambling. Heading into the final day of the Billiards Congress of America Pool League World Championships in Las Vegas, the team made up of Villages residents needed to reschedule flights and book more nights at the hotel.**

They didn't originally expect to make it that far. "The last day was a Saturday and if you were playing on a Saturday you were playing for the championship, and we said, 'Well, what are our chances?'"

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**HOUSES OF WORSHIP OFFER FALL EVENTS FOR FAMILIES**

Autumn means more to area houses of worship than traditional Halloween trick-or-treating. From fall festivals to trunk-or-treating, churches have a lot to offer for family-focused activities this season. C3

**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA VISITS LEGION POST 347**

The organization promotes the importance of honoring veterans and telling their stories. C7

**THEATER COMPANY PRESENTS 'STRANGERS' ON A TRAIN'**

The production offers new challenges to the group with complicated scene changes. D2

## RISE & SHINE

THAT'S AMAZING!

### Shredded Banksy Artwork Sells for \$25.4 Million at Auction

A work by British street artist Banksy that sensationally self-shredded just after it sold at auction three years ago fetched \$25.4 million Thursday — a record for the artist, and close to 20 times its pre-shredded price. "Love is in the Bin" was offered by Sotheby's in London, with a presale estimate of \$5.5 million to \$8.2 million. After a 10-minute bidding war involving nine bidders in the sceleroom, online and by phone, it sold for three times the high estimate. The sale price of \$25,383,941 includes a sales tax known as a buyer's premium.

— The Associated Press



TODAY'S BEST SHOT

Submitted by Jeff White, of the Village of DeSoto. Send your high-quality, local images to photos@thevillagesmedia.com.



Entertainment news today, D2  
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from the front page

**MEDICARE**

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sort it all out. "Some folks have different needs, and that's why they meet with agents to help match up those health needs to the right plan," said Bob Trinh, CEO of The Villages Health, which has resource centers located alongside its clinics.

Among this year's new offerings locally, plans from Humana are available at Health Insurance Resource Centers. The insurer joins Florida Blue and United-Healthcare. Also new: United is accepted at UF Health Shands Hospital.

Anticipating the care you will need, knowing what your doctor accepts and how accessible your doctor is are important factors, said John Krier, Lake and Sumter area coordinator for the state-backed SHINE, which offers independent counseling.

It's important to weigh the differences between traditional PPO-style Medicare coverage and Medicare Advantage.

PPO has separate hospital (Plan A), primary-care (B), prescription (D) and Medigap components that cover providers in or out of network.

Medicare Advantage can bundle those coverages into a more affordable plan with optional dental, vision and hearing while staying in-network.



SHINE counselor Joanne Tomko, center, of the Village of Pinellas, gives advice to Paul and Patricia Bonneau, of the Village of St. James, at Eisenhower Regional Recreation Complex.

"I think the biggest advantage that Medicare Advantage has is that you've got coordinated care," Trinh said.

Whether doing it all yourself or preparing for help from an agent or counselor, websites such as medicare.gov/plan-compare, florida shine.org and thevillages health.com/medicare-enroll ment show you what to expect.

Insurers also have dedicated websites, such as uhc.com/medicare, flordablue.com/medicare and humana.com/medicare.

The Villages Health and SHINE help seniors with Medicare questions throughout the year, but times such as the Annual Enrollment Period that runs through Dec. 7 can be particularly busy.

Many existing plans have changed, sometimes expanding offerings or just changing premiums, Krier said.

"How they've expanded and what the benefits are depends on the individual plan," he said, from dental coverage to

prescription premiums and more.

Providers have a similar chance to update how they take care of people.

"The Villages Health is a learning entity," said Emilio Noble, vice president of sales and marketing, "which means that we are always looking to adapt to the needs of our patients."

Here are the upcoming scheduled sessions offered by The Villages Health and SHINE to help seniors make their choices:

**The Villages Health**

**Brownwood Care Center:** 10-11 a.m. Nov. 10, Nov. 26; 2-3 p.m. Dec. 2

**Center for Advanced Healthcare at Brownwood:** 10-11 a.m. Nov. 2

**Creekside Care Center:** 10-11 a.m. Oct. 29; 2-3 p.m. Nov. 16

**Lake Deaton Care Center:** 10-11 a.m. Oct. 20

**Mulberry Grove Care Center:** 2-3 p.m. Nov. 10, Nov. 17

**Pinellas Care Center:** 10-11 a.m. Nov. 29

**Santa Barbara Care Center:** 10-11 a.m. Nov. 1; 2-3 p.m. Nov. 18

Sessions also available online; register at thevillageshealth.com/medicare-resources/medicare-simplified-class. For more information, call 352-205-4032.

**SHINE**

**Chula Vista Recreation Center:** 3-5:30 p.m.: today, Oct. 22, Oct. 29, Nov. 5, Nov. 19, Dec. 3.

**Colony Cottage Regional Recreation Complex:** 9-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16.

**Eisenhower Regional Recreation Complex:** 9-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 10, Nov. 17, Dec. 1.

**Lady Lake Library:** 2-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 10, Nov. 17, Dec. 1.

**Lake Miona Regional Recreation Complex:** 9-11:30 a.m. Oct. 26, Nov. 2, Nov. 9, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14.

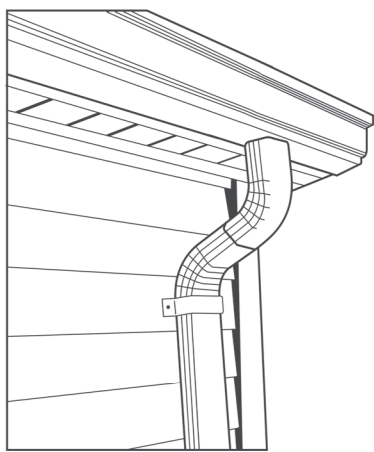
**"Understanding Medicare," Aviary Recreation Center:** This group presentation for seniors turning 65 takes place 1-3 p.m. Nov. 10 and Dec. 8.

For more information, call 800-963-5337.

**Avoid scams**

Do not click links in emails or answer unsolicited calls about Medicare, experts say. Instead, use your doctor's or insurer's main phone number or website to reach them.

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