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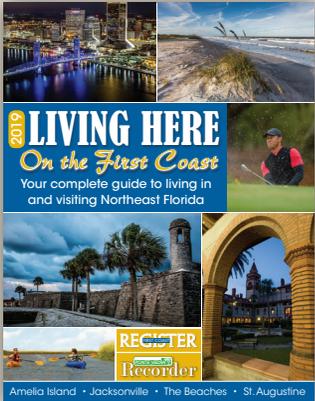


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MILESTONES AND MEMORIES



Nease and Ponte Vedra high schools held their graduations on Friday and Saturday at University of North Florida. *Flip to pages 10-11 to read about the milestone events and see more photos.*

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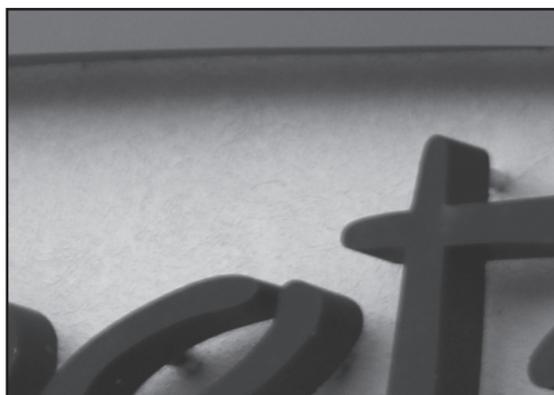
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WHAT'S THIS?



Do you know what this is?

Email your answer to jonb@opcfla.com by Monday at 5 p.m.

All correct entries will be entered into a random drawing to win tickets for two adults and two children to the Jacksonville Zoo. In order to allow as many families as possible to win, participants are only eligible to win a ticket prize pack once every four months.

Ten readers correctly identified last week's photo as the sign for Hilton Garden Inn. The winner of the random drawing was **Anna Washington**. Congratulations, Anna — you may pick up your prize at the Recorder office during normal business hours.



ADOPT A PET



CAT OF THE WEEK

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Local residents express health concerns over recently relocated monopole on PGA TOUR property

Relocation part of company's plans for new headquarters

By Amber Lake

PGA TOUR Vice President of Integrated Communications Kirsten Sabia shared her company's excitement about its new global home at a recent Ponte Vedra Beaches Coalition Meeting on May 20. Some community members in attendance, however, did not share that same enthusiasm.

Resident Ehsan Shirazi, an emergency medicine physician, spoke out against the PGA TOUR's relocation of a cell phone tower closer to the Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus' playground, which is adjacent to the planned global home. Shirazi said he believes there is a possibility the frequencies emitted by the cell phone tower could be dangerous for children.

"A lot of parents want to pull their kids out of the school," Shirazi said at the meeting held at the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library.

Cell phone tower radiation has come under more scrutiny as technology has begun the transition toward 5G, which can emit a higher radio frequency emission,

according to Lifewire. The American Cancer Society claims the towers are "unlikely to cause cancer," although opponents say some studies have shown a correlation of negative health effects and that more data needs to be collected before the towers are placed near schools and homes.

The Bolles School recently released the following statement regarding the controversy.

"The new single pole cellular tower erected this month next to the Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus soccer field fence is on PGA TOUR property," said Tyler Hodges, president and head of the Bolles School. "We understand it replaces a tripod tower that had existed for many years much further away from our campus. The new tower, not yet completed or activated, also includes the St. Johns County's emergency communication system. Bolles administrators continue to work with PGA TOUR officials daily to seek a better solution that will not have an adverse impact on the School. Currently, the PGA TOUR has agreed to put the tower construction activity on hold as we work through this process. Any concerns or questions regarding the construction of this tower or the merits of its location should contact officials with the PGA TOUR and St. Johns County Commission. This is an issue of concern for the entire Bolles community. The health and safety of all Bolles students, faculty and staff are

our No. 1 priority, and we will be pursuing all avenues to resolve this situation as quickly as possible."

Sabia said at the meeting that not only was the PGA TOUR approved for the relocation of the tower by St. Johns County but that when it goes live, "it will not be a 5G tower." She did say, however, that the tower could, "have the potential" to be 5G. In fact, she noted that the former tower had 5G capability.

"If you go onto the American Cancer Society or the FCC, you can get information about the difference between a radio frequency type of tower and the radiation that comes out of X-ray machines and body scanners as you go through the airport," she said. "One is ionized, and one is not. The FCC regulate those types of towers."

Non-ionizing radiation (such as visible light, heat, microwaves and radio waves) is a type of electromagnetic radiation that does not carry enough energy to damage the DNA inside cells. Stronger types of radiation that are classified as ionizing, such as X-rays and cosmic radiation, are thought to be able to cause cancer, according to the World Health Organization.

Recently, however, CBS Sacramento reported about parents in Ripon, California, who are protesting a tower near their children's school that they deemed dangerous after a fourth cancer diagnosis of a student in the past three years. More than

200 students were absent from the school following the protest.

Resident Nicole Crosby isn't convinced there is enough evidence against the towers to warrant the relocation, which Sabia said was more "aesthetically pleasing."

"I know that all the appropriate hearings and approvals were in place, I understand that, I'm not debating that," Crosby said. "But anyone can go on the internet and see literally hundreds of studies from around the world about how these things can affect us. I mean municipalities nationwide have been putting standards in place specifying staying 800 or 1,500 feet from schools and residences. I'm not saying that you're violating any rules because we know you didn't, but the PGA (TOUR) must have had an awareness of people's concerns about this."

The PGA TOUR recently released a statement concerning the decision about the location of the tower.

"The PGA TOUR has been a good neighbor with The Bolles School for the 20 years it has abutted THE PLAYERS Championship parking lot," the PGA TOUR said in the statement. "Many of our employees currently have, or had, their children attend the school due to its rich curriculum and family environment. The new monopole and its relocation was a central component of the Major Mod-

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Nominations open until May 31 for Recorder's Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra contest

By Jon Blauvelt

Readers and community members have until 11:59 p.m. on Friday, May 31, to nominate their favorite businesses, professional services, organizations and more in nearly 300 categories online in the Ponte Vedra Recorder's Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra contest.

Nominations can be made at www.pontevedrarecorder.com/BestOf.

The Recorder launched the first-ever contest May 16 in celebration of the newspaper's 50th anniversary, which is coming up in November (#CheersTo50Years). The contest covers zip codes 32082 and 32081.

From best boss to best charity event, best artist to best yoga instructor and best barbecue to best jewelry store, the categories run the gamut and are sure to include your favorite things. So far, community members from the Ponte Vedra area have submitted 1,736 nominations, which is more than twice as many nominations tallied on May 23.

Anyone can nominate a business or person — there is



no limit to the number of nominations each person can submit — through May 31. Online voting will begin once nominations are complete. Voting will take place from June 1 to July 20, during which each person can vote once per day in as many categories as he or she wants.

The nominees who receive the most votes will be named 2019 Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra. Nominations and voting are completely free and open to the public.

The Best Of platform on the Recorder's website features lists of nominees in an easy-to-use format. Nominees can participate in advertising packages that promote their entry by expanding their listing to feature additional details on the business.

Winners will receive a free framed certificate and a Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra window cling. Each winner will also be listed in our Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra special section and on the winners' website. Winners will be notified by Ponte Vedra Recorder staff in July.

For more information or to find out how to get your nominated business or product involved in promotions that will be going on throughout the contest cycle, contact your sales representative, email susan@opcfla.com or call (904) 285-8831. Nominate your favorite business, service, person, restaurant or product now at www.pontevedrarecorder.com/BestOf.



Vera Combs, 90, celebrates with her family at the luncheon. Photos by Amber Lake



Ollie Flowers, 99, and her daughter celebrate family at the Centenarian Luncheon on May 22 at THE PLAYERS Community Senior Center in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Ponte Vedra residents aged 90 and up honored at Centenarian Luncheon

By Amber Lake

In 1919, World War I had just ended, and Woodrow Wilson was president. A loaf of bread was about 10 cents at the local grocery store, and the 19th Amendment was to be ratified the following year, granting women the right to vote. A typical day might involve taking a drive in your Model T to go see the silent film and then arriving back to your mail-order home to turn on the radio and catch Irving Berlin croon “A Pretty Girl Is Like a Melody.”

At that time, Ponte Vedra centenarians Maxine Bohn, Connie Ratcliffe and June Reed may have been playing with their Raggedy Ann dolls or their Theodore Roosevelt-coined “Teddy Bears.”

Recently, these centenarians and others were honored by the St. Johns County Council on Aging (COA), in conjunction with the Social Security Administration, at the annual Centenarian Luncheon on Wednesday, May 22, at THE PLAYERS Community Senior Center in Ponte Vedra Beach. The event honors both centenarians and nonagenarians in the community.

The luncheon was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach and included hospitality and food service by the Landrum Middle School IMPACT Club. Local favorite pianist John Thomas provided the entertainment. In addition to honorees’ friends and family members, representatives from the St. Johns County Sherriff’s Office and St. Johns County were in attendance. COA Board Member and Rotarian Bruce Barber emceed the event.

Barber took time to individually address each guest, asking them about the most memorable events of their lives.

Ollie Flowers, 99, doesn’t cite the significant historical moments or political turns of the century. Instead, looking back, she simply remembers her “family and God.”

Many guests were also asked what the secret to their longevity is. Answers included, “a personal relationship with Jesus Christ,” “love everyone,” “lots of laughs and humor in your life,” and one honoree even joked, “Be stubborn to die!”

Afterward, guest speaker Rev. Wendy Billingslea from Christ Episcopal Church told the group of nearly 40 honorees, “We all want to be like you when we grow up.”



The annual Centenarian Luncheon was hosted at THE PLAYERS Community Senior Center by the COA and Social Security Administration.



ABOVE: Selena Neardt, 94, attends the annual Centenarian Luncheon.



RIGHT: Ian Charlton, 93, attends the annual luncheon.

BELOW: John Thomas entertains on the piano.



The Landrum Middle School IMPACT Club provides table service and hospitality at the event.



Bruce Barber hosts the event as the master of ceremonies.

Vickie Cavey is the president of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach and a longtime area resident.

Vickie Cavey

Can you please briefly tell us about your background?

I'm about as close to local as you can get without being born here. I was born in Virginia but moved here as a baby. I graduated from Sandalwood High School and on the advice of my calculus teacher, I went into mechanical engineering, graduating from University of Florida (UF). After graduation I went to work for JEA as an engineer during the time of the construction of the St. Johns River Power Park. What an exciting time that was. I held many different leadership positions at JEA, my last being the director of strategy development and implementation. I retired in 2016 after 32 years. I have always been active in the local nonprofit community and have served on the board of the United Way of Northeast Florida, the MaliVai Washington Youth Foundation, the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women and others. At the Beaches, I volunteered for years at Mission House, BEAM and Meals on Wheels.

How did you get involved in Rotary?

My husband Dan and I attended the Rotary Gala fundraisers for 17 years before I joined. My dear friend, Jim Hoener, would always invite me to join the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach. I was so active downtown in many other organizations and worked downtown, so I would decline and say maybe later. In late 2013, I started thinking about retirement, and decided to join. I got immediately involved, wondering why I hadn't done it sooner. Rotary International is a remarkable organization, and our club is extremely special. There is nothing better than getting to know the 133 high-caliber individuals that are members. Every Thursday I get to spend time with them while listening to outstanding speakers and participating in social and community service projects.

What are you most passionate about when it comes to Rotary?

Rotary's motto is "Service Above Self." I am very proud and passionate about what we do as a club with what is called the "Family of Rotary." Not only does it mean involving our own families in Rotary's service mission, but also others. We sponsor a service club at PVPV/Rawlings called EarlyAct. We also sponsor a service club at Ponte Vedra High called Interact and a young professionals club called Beaches Rotaract. In addition, we sponsor Rotary Youth Exchange students internationally. We host, as well as sponsor, local high school students who would like to do year-long exchange abroad. These youth programs can all be life changing. Each work to foster leadership, service and international understanding. Of course, our local foundation has also raised and distributed \$1.5 million to local charities.

What are your goals for the club during your presidency?

It is an honor to be chosen as president and to serve an organization whose members are all extraordinary business and community leaders. The club was chartered in 1983 and is among the strongest clubs in our district with respect to membership, giving to Rotary International and fundraising for local charities. I would like to see us capture our rich history and the methods that made our club and its culture so strong. I want each of us to tell Rotary's story throughout the community, especially Rotary International's commitment to eradicating polio in the world. Here locally we host our annual Mineral City Celebration where we honor a "Rock of the Community" and raise funds that are distributed locally through a diligent grant process. This year we honored Deane Beman.



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

What do you enjoy most about living in Ponte Vedra Beach?

The people and the lifestyle. We all live in a paradise, in many ways. I've always been a beach person. It's in my blood. I used to spend a lot of time underwater scuba diving and now spend most of my time on or near the ocean instead. My husband and I talk about how special Ponte Vedra and the people are when shopping at our local Publix, while enjoying THE PLAYERS, when entertaining out-of-town visitors, when spending time with friends or enjoying the many fine restaurants we have close by.

What do you like to do in your free time?

Anything outdoors enjoying our beautiful community. My husband Dan and I are very active members of the Sawgrass Country Club. He loves golf, I love the

ocean and paddleboarding and spending my mornings up on the beach with the sunrise. We both enjoy taking yoga together about four times a week. Good food and going out to eat, almost every meal except breakfast, is almost a passion. You can always find us at Medure's on Monday nights; our friends often tease us about it. We love to travel internationally, but don't do it enough. Whenever we can, we head to Fort Myers and visit our daughter, Samantha, and her boyfriend, Andy. They both own their own businesses, and it's wonderful to watch them grow. They are terrific hosts, and they love to cook almost every meal and are quite the gourmets! There we enjoy spending time at their home and on their boats fishing. We are going to be doing some remodeling of our home, so I anticipate that will be taking much of my free time soon.

Edited by Jon Blauvelt

NOCATEE HAPPENINGS



Photo by Susan Griffin

Allen Horne (center) gathers with Manuel "Manny" Rey (left) and Steve Lourie on May 3. A longtime Coastal Wine Market associate and former owner of Manuel's Deli and Wines, Horne is re-retiring to spend time with family in North Carolina.

Coastal Wine Market bids farewell to longtime associate Allen Horne

By Jon Blauvelt

Coastal Wine Market & Tasting Room said goodbye to longtime associate and Ponte Vedra resident Allen Horne in early May.

The former owner of Manuel's Deli and Wines in Ponte Vedra, Horne came out of retirement to help Coastal Wine start its business in 2016. Now, co-owner Steve Lourie said Horne is re-retiring to spend time with family in North Carolina.

"He'll definitely be missed," Lourie said. "As a previous business owner, he had this extensive knowledge of wine and just this amazing gift with the guests. He knew how

to take really good care of them. Of course, it was ultimately extremely bittersweet because we knew it was time for him to kick back and relax. We wished him the best and of course we'll miss him greatly."

Coastal Wine Market hosted a farewell celebration for Horne on Friday, May 3. Throughout Horne's entire shift, Lourie said people came in to say goodbye, give him hugs and deliver him parting gifts. The business also gifted Horne with an oversized bottle of wine that was signed by the team and friends.

"Allen was comfort food for our team and our guests," Lourie said. "He was like a warm bowl of cassoulet."

COASTAL WINE MARKET HOSTS REVOLVER WINE CO. WINEMAKER FOR MEET-AND-GREET EVENT

Coastal Wine Market & Tasting Room co-owner Steve Lourie (right) stands with Bryan Page of Revolver Wine Co., who stopped by on May 22 for the Nocatee business "Meet the Winemaker" series. Page shared tastings of his newly released wines, and a bottle of Vine/Vein was raffled off. Revolver Wine Co. is based in Napa Valley, California.

Photo by Susan Griffin



OBITUARIES

Vincent L. Downs

On Friday, May 3, 2019, Vincent L. Downs, loving father of 5 children, passed away at the age of 87 in Jacksonville Beach, FL.

Vince was born on November 25, 1931 in New York City to Charles and Helen (Norkus) Downs. On October 30, 1953, he married Eva St. Clair. They raised four daughters and one son. He received his BS in Industrial Management through a General Electric work study program from the University of Cincinnati in 1955.

Vince had a passion for helping



Vincent L. Downs

others and spent much of his adult life volunteering through a host of ministries sponsored by his local church. He was known for his sense of humor, generous spirit

and dedication in both his personal life and his lifelong career at General Electric. Vince retired from the position of Employee Relations Manager in 1991, after 41 years at GE. Following retirement, Vince and Eva relocated from Arkansas City, KS to Neptune Beach, FL, where he reconnected to his childhood love of the ocean.

Vince was preceded in death by his father, Charles, and his mother, Helen, wife Eva and three older brothers, Robert, Charles and Eugene. He is survived by daughters, Kathy York and her husband Rick of Arkansas City, KS, Linda Guyer and her husband Duane of Moundridge, KS, Karen Holtgrewe and her husband Dave of Lawrenceville, GA, Laurie Osborn and her husband Randy of Neptune Beach, FL; one son, Tom Downs of Neptune Beach, FL; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, June 3, 2019 in the Chapel of Quinn-Shalz Funeral Home, 3600 3rd St. South, Jacksonville Beach, FL.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Vince's name to Redeemer Church Benevolence Fund.

Mail donations to: Redeemer Church, 190 S. Roscoe Blvd., Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082.

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Donald E. Benedict

Donald E. Benedict, 84, of Jacksonville, Florida, died May 15, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Ruby Deese

Ruby Deese, 94, of Atlantic Beach, Florida, died May 18, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Charles Henry Dupraw

Charles Henry Dupraw, 87, of Atlantic Beach, Florida, died May 23, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Ruth Flood

Ruth Flood, 91, died May 24, 2019. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravally.com

Timothy Kuipers

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Zander Javier Laurin

Zander Javier Laurin, 16, died May 22, 2019. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravally.com

Alan Randall Martin

Alan Randall Martin, 59, of Neptune Beach, Florida, died May 24, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Danny McCrimon

Danny McCrimon, 59, of Jacksonville Beach, Florida, died May 17, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Ruth-Mary Miller

Ruth-Mary Miller, 78, died May 20, 2019. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravally.com

Marian M. Nichols

Marian M. Nichols, 92, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, died May 16, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

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Rose Trammell, 63, of Neptune Beach, Florida, died May 8, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Russell C. Trapp

Russell C. Trapp, 89, of Jacksonville, Florida, died May 23, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

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mously approved by the St. Johns County

Commission in 2017. It was also approved
by the Ponte Vedra Architectural Review
Committee and the Planning & Zoning
Board of St. Johns County. A represen-
tative of the PGA TOUR had multiple
conversations with the school's leadership

prior to the permitting approval meetings.
We are continuing to have conversations
directly with the School's administration
and hope to put the concerns to rest."

Shirazi, who brought his young son to
the Coalition meeting, thinks the possi-
bility the PGA TOUR's decision is

right doesn't weigh against the possibility
they're wrong.
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and say we made a mistake?" he asked.
"Now let's pay 20 billion dollars to these
parents for all we caused?"

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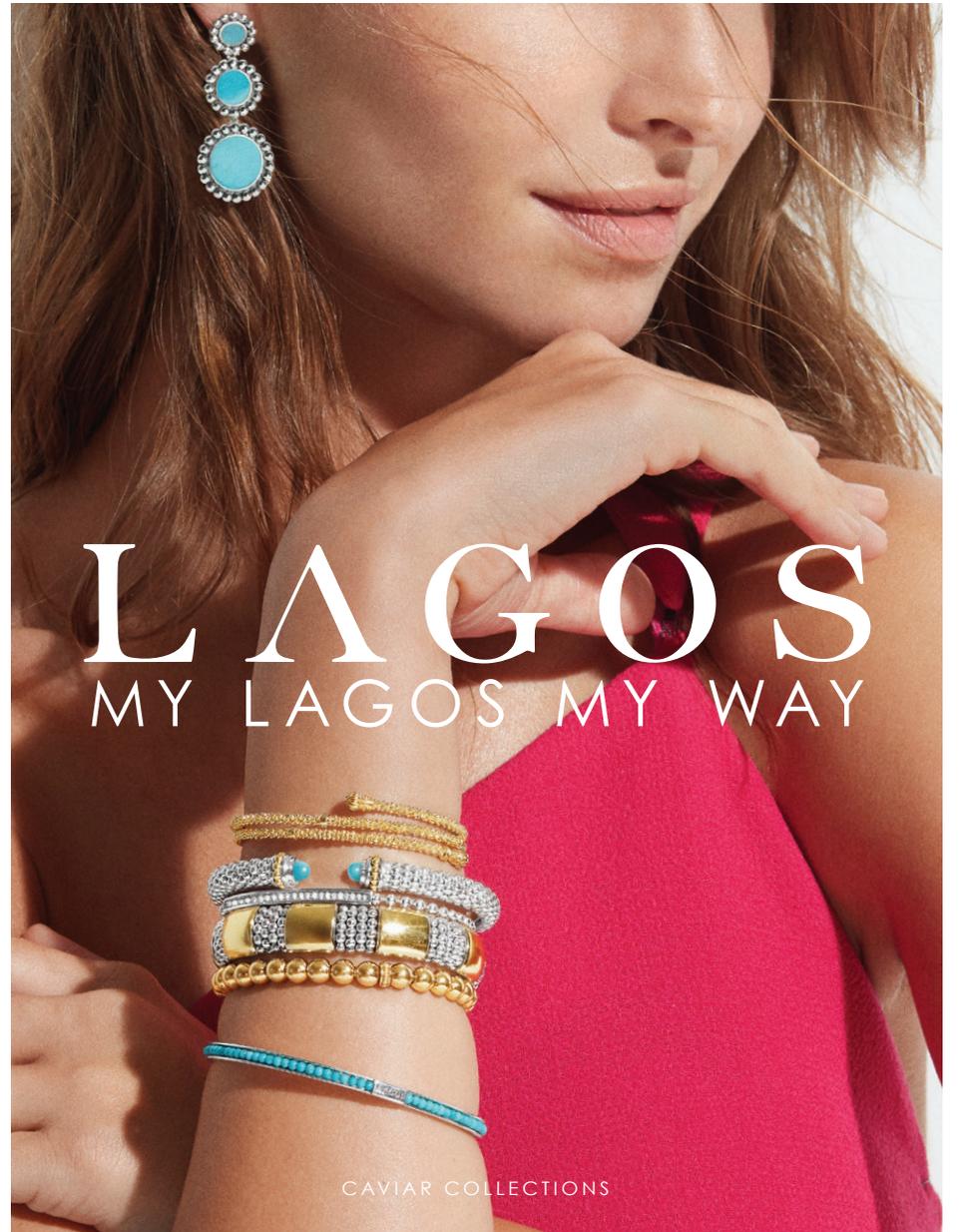
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Congratulations Class of 2019



ABOVE: St. Johns County School Board Chair and District 4 Representative Kelly Barrera presents a Nease graduate with her diploma.



ABOVE: Ponte Vedra High School graduates chat amongst themselves after taking the long walk for their diploma last Saturday.

RIGHT: Valedictorian Elise Belkin addresses the crowd while playing a few songs on a keyboard.



LEFT: Valedictorian Grace Freedman makes a powerful speech to the class of 2019 about using their voices for a better future.

Photos by Jon Blauvelt

Photos by Daniela Toporek

Nease graduates reflect on past, look forward to future

By Jon Blauvelt

A class of 552 local students graduated from Allen D. Nease High School on Saturday at the University of North Florida (UNF) Arena.

Before the presentation of diplomas, district and school leadership and the class' salutarian and valedictorian addressed the audience of graduates, staff and teachers, family and friends.

St. Johns County School District Superintendent Tim Forson reminded the graduates to be reflective as they chart their next path in life.

"I know how fast your life is," Forson said. "I don't know where your quiet place is. Is it the beach? Maybe it's somewhere else that you find is your place to be reflective. But in this fast-paced world that you're in and that you're about to enter, be reflective. Think about how can I make the world a better place."

St. Johns County School Board Chair and District 4 Representative Kelly Barrera shared similar advice, encouraging graduates to be present in the moment.

"It's a hard thing to practice and especially during this busy and exciting time," Barrera said. "But I want to remind you that each day is a gift. Today and in your adventures ahead, never take any single moment for granted."

Ajay Sarma finished as the class'



Nease Principal Lisa Kunze and St. Johns County School District Superintendent Tim Forson



Salutarian Ajay Sarma delivers his speech at graduation.

salutarian, ranked second with a GPA of 4.7933. With plans to attend Harvard University in the fall, Sarma nostalgically and comically reflected on the past four years, while also providing insight about

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Ponte Vedra High School celebrates class of 2019

By Daniela Toporek

A swarm of hungry Ponte Vedra Sharks flooded the University of North Florida Arena Saturday afternoon as the class of 2019 completed their final assignment to walk across the stage for their graduation.

The ceremony began with principal Dr. Fred Oberkehr welcoming guests and the graduates. He praised the parents of the graduates and assured them that they "are an exceptional group of young men and women who have worked hard at everything they have done and will continue to do."

Oberkehr also gave an emotional tribute and asked for a moment of silence for faculty member Theresa Stevens and 17-year-old student Frank Ferrante, two Ponte Vedra Sharks who died earlier this school year.

"Here on stage, we have two empty seats to honor two very special people," he said. "The first is for our gifted itinerant, Ms. Theresa Stevens who passed this year. To know her is to understand how she helped so many of our gifted students with the day-to-day challenges of academics as well as life, in general. The other is for a young man who certainly should have been seated with us today. A man who put others before himself, a gentle soul who was respected among his peers and will be missed greatly. And of



Principal Dr. Fred Oberkehr stands alongside Associate Superintendent of Human Resources Cathy Hutchins prior to the ceremony.



PVHS celebrated the class of 2019 at the UNF Arena last Saturday afternoon.

course, I'm referring to Frank Ferrante."

St. Johns County School District Superintendent Tim Forson then spoke about being reflective and making the world a better place.

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the next chapter.

“The reality is it’s more like opening a whole new book with maybe some of the same characters,” Sarma said. “Whether you’re going to a four-year college or university, a trade school, joining the armed forces or going right into the workforce. Whether you’re planning on living in St. Johns County for the rest of your life or moving across the country, this is a huge shift. And it might sting for a little bit. But I think that’s just part of growing up.”

Elise Belkin finished as the class’ valedictorian, ranked first with a GPA of 4.8403. With plans to attend University of Florida in the fall, Belkin incorporated music into her speech, playing several songs on the keyboard that symbolized her message.

“It takes initiative to build a foundation,” Belkin said. “Learn the first chord, the first four notes and then you can create.”

“These four years of high school at Nease, you built that foundation,” Belkin continued. “I hope that you’ll use the foundation you’ve built here to play the notes how you want to and learn new chords along the way.”

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St. Johns County School Board Chair and District 4 Representative Kelly Barrera reminded students about the importance of being present in the moment. Salutatorian Gabby Keller reminded the audience that “even though we may not know how to cook meals or do our own laundry, we know much more geometry than we’ll ever need.”

The final speech of the ceremony came from Valedictorian Grace Freedman, who shared her two hopes for the class of 2019.

“My first hope for our class is that we don’t succumb to societal pressure of defining success in conventional terms,” she

stated. “That we refuse to measure intelligence linearly, for confining it to numbers, letter grades and even parking spots leaves out important aspects of humanity, like passion and creativity, services above self and the greater good.

“My second wish is that we use our voice,” she continued. “America’s youth has proven time and time again that it has the power to wield an enormous impact via our collective voice and remarkable actions. Whichever issue you deem important, it’s incumbent upon all of us to leave the world in a better shape. ... For if we do so, we will be remembered as a class, and by extension, a generation of action and hope. A generation that’s not only passionate, but compassionate, filled with innovation and intellect, creativity and progress.”

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<p>Improv for Everyone' workshop with Amy Angelilli Check all inhibitions at the door and discover how to feel more confident and fun, in everyday life. with the help of Amy Angelilli from the Limelight Theatre. Improvisational theater games aren't just for actors or comedians. They're for anyone who wants to be more spontaneous, communicate more effectively, and be more present in life. No acting or comedy experience. is needed. Just bring an open mind and a sense of adventure. The class will be held on May 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. at The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. Register for the class at www.ccpvb.org. Fees are \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members. The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach is located at 50 Executive Way in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Palm Valley Child Development Center open house The new Palm Valley Child Development Center (PVCDC) in Ponte Vedra Beach offers a unique school experience for children with special needs in preschool and elementary school. PVCDC will be hosting an open house on May 30 at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. for new students needing assistance in occupational therapy, speech & language, physical therapy, mental health therapy, applied behavior analysis and psychiatry & medication management. Palm Valley Child Development Center is located at 171 Canal Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Art Technique classes at River House Beginning May 30 from 10 a.m. to noon or 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. every Thursday, River House will host two art classes for artists of all levels. Improve techniques, such as watercolor, pastels, colored pencil, mixed media and more. Bring in current projects so that instructor, Jaime Bernstein, may guide through the tips and tricks of various art forms. Space is limited, and reservations required. For more information, contact 904-209-3655. River House is located at 179 Marine Street in St. Augustine.</p>	<p>Catty Shack Friday night feeding Enjoy a 45-minute guided tour of the Catty Shack on May 31. Gates open at 6 p.m. and close at 7 p.m. At 7:30 p.m., watch Catty Shack connoisseurs feed the animals as they hand out as much as 600 pounds of meat. The facility is mostly packed dirt or grass and is accessible to wheelchairs and strollers. Photography is permitted. For more information, contact (904) 757-3603 or email curt@cattyslack.com. The Catty Shack Ranch is located at 1860 Starratt Rd. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Greenhouse Yoga Join Maggie's Herb Farm every Wednesday and Friday morning from 10 to 11:30 a.m. for a mindful Kripalu flow yoga practice in the greenhouse at Maggie's Herb Farm. Soothe body and mind in the fresh air, grounded on natural, river pebbles for a unique greenhouse yoga experience. Practice yoga surrounded by beautiful greenery, butterflies, herbs, hummingbirds and free-range chickens. Attendees are encouraged to bring their yoga mat, towel and water bottle. Pre-registration is not required. Maggie's Herb Farm is located at 11400 Country Road 13 N. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Beach Church Jax: Beach block party Beach Church Jax's annual Beach Block Party is back on May 31 and all are welcome! Join as Beach Church Jax kicks off the summer with this family-friendly event with music, free food and tons of entertainment, including bounce houses, a dunk tank, a petting zoo, and Beach Church Jax's favorite ice cream food truck, the Nitrogen Creamery. Invite friends, family and neighbors for this community event held from 6 to 8 p.m. Beach Church Jax is located at 325 7th Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Pound 4 Pound: Comedy Showdown Calling all comics! Take the stage at Players by the Sea on May 31 and show Jacksonville Beach in this comic competition hosted by Phatt Katz Comedy. To sign up, purchase tickets or more, call (912) 980-9065 or call Players by the Sea at (904) 249-0289. First place wins \$1000 and bragging rights. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m. Players by the Sea is located at 106 N. Sixth St. in Jacksonville Beach.</p>	<p>Tunes by the Dunes: Beaches Storytellers A panel of local music legends will share their stories and memories of the Beaches music scene through the years on June 1 at 1 p.m. at the Beaches Museum. Guests are invited to bring their own memories, photographs and memorabilia to share at the event. Panelists include Sam Veal, David Plummer, Gene Nordan, Cara Burky and more. Guests can also visit the current exhibit, "Sand, Soul, & Rock N' Roll: Music at the Beaches." The event is free to Museum members with a \$5 donation for non-members. RSVP at www.beachmuseum.org/tickets or call (904)241-5657. The Beaches Museum is located at 381 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Surf Medicine: 101 Meet up at the Jacksonville Beach Lifeguard Station on June 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. for this four-hour course that will show surfers basic medical skills to save a life on the beach. Topics include cardiac arrest, drowning, CPR, major bleeding control, and severe allergic reactions. No prior medical experience is needed and the event is free. Instructors will be emergency medicine doctors and surfers from UF Health Jacksonville. All activities for this course will be land based. Limit 25 participants There will be a waitlist. The Jacksonville Beach Lifeguard Station is located at 2 Ocean Front N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>River Jam sunset cruise All aboard the River Jam! Join the St. Johns River Taxi on Friday and Saturday nights as they depart from downtown Jacksonville on the Miss Hadley. Cruise along the St. Johns River, listen to live music by local artists, look for dolphins and other wildlife and watch an amazing sunset on the river. BYOB. Small coolers, drinks and appetizers are welcome on the boat. Return to the sparkling city skyline after an evening of fun, friends, and fabulous views! For tickets, schedules and more information, contact info@rivertaxiandtours.com. The St. Johns River Taxi is located at 1015 Museum Circle in Jacksonville.</p>	<p>Sundays at Surfer the Bar Every Sunday, join Big Fish Power Yoga for a free Music & Flow class at Surfer the Bar. The class is held upstairs at the bar and runs from 10 to 11 a.m. every week. Bring friends and family and enjoy brunch and mimosas downstairs following class. Register under classes on bigfishpoweryoga.com. Surfer the Bar is located at 200 First St. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Corey Kilgannon: Transcontinental Residency Born in the outskirts of New York City and raised along the coast of Florida, Corey Kilgannon is an emerging indie-folk artist who's built a considerable fanbase in cities across the country. Becoming known for radically stripped down sets under bridges to room-quieting performances in packed out venues, Kilgannon will be performing at Blue Jay Listening Room on June 2. Set against a backdrop of acoustic and atmospheric textures, each track reflects his indie and traditional singer-songwriter influences like John Prine, Bob Dylan, and John Denver. Doors open at 7 p.m. and showtime starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and can be found at www.904tix.com Blue Jay Listening Room is located at 2457 S. Third St. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Swing Dance Sundays Swing Dance Sundays is a weekly event with free lessons starting at 7 p.m. at The Volstead. Attendees can either bring a partner or come alone. The Volstead is located at 115 West Adams St. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Aussies & Collies at Kanine Social On June 2 from noon to 2 p.m., Australian Shepherds, mini Aussies, Border Collies, mixes, and more are invited to enjoy a day at Jacksonville's only indoor dog park and bar at this monthly social. The event is free for Kanine Social members. Day pass fees are required for non-members. All breeds are still welcomed in the park during the events! Before visiting, please create an account on www.kaninesocial.com. Upload proof of up-to-date medical records. All dogs over six months of age must be spayed/neutered. Kanine Social is located at 580 College St. in Jacksonville.</p>

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<p>Crafts & Drafts: Mosaic Night in Jax Beach It's art all cracked up and only for \$30 and up. No experience is necessary. To join the team of Beach Life Mosaics at Southern Swells in Jacksonville Beach. On June 3 from 6 to 8:30 p.m., enjoy a night of mosaic fun with friends and family. For this class, choose from over six-dozen projects and ideas. To view any of these projects before selection, along with prices and more information, visit www.beachlifemosaics.com/projects or check out their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/beachlifemosaics for project inspiration and ideas. Southern Swells is located at 1312 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Kids Italian cuisine camp at JAX Cooking Studio Parents can choose from either the 9 a.m. or 2 p.m. classes at JAX Cooking Studio for this enlightening, one-week camp for kids starting on June 3. Children will learn to make a variety of Italian dishes, ranging from appetizers, soups, entrees and desserts. This camp is intended for kids ages 6 and above to ensure the maximum benefit for all children. Class size limit is 16 due to the level of individualized attention provided at JAX Cooking Studio. For prices and more information, visit www.jaxcookingstudio.com/classes/. If Italian cuisine is not already one of their favorites, it will be after this week! JAX Cooking Studio is located at 14035 Beach Blvd. Suite #6 in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Barking about Bingo Join the Jacksonville Humane Society at Culhane's Irish Pub on Southside on June 3 for a night of bingo and fun. With a \$10 donation, receive a bingo playing card and a free house drink. Enjoy some food and have a great time while supporting JHS, which helps save the lives of more than 8,000 dogs and cats this year! Contact Culhane's at (904) 619-3177 for more information. Culhane's on Southside is located at 9720 Deer Lake Ct. in Jacksonville.</p>	<p>Florida Blue free Tuesdays at The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens Each Tuesday evening from 4 to 9 p.m. enjoy free admission to the Cummer Museum and its historic art galleries and gardens, thanks to the generous support of Florida Blue. The Cummer Café is also open for Tapas Tuesday, sponsored by Vystar. The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens is located at 829 Riverside Ave. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>First Coast Card Club playing date The First Coast Card Club will host its playing date at the St. Augustine Main Library on June 4 at 1 p.m. The event is free to attend with walk-ins and guests welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Contact the club organizer at (904) 829-0643 to RSVP, the hotel location or for more information. The Main Library is located at 1960 N. Ponce De Leon Blvd. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Kids \$1 Tuesdays at Trasca Co. & Eatery Take the kids out to eat and save some money every Tuesday at Trasca & Co Eatery. Children eat for \$1 with the purchase of an adult entrée. The special works for dine-in, take out and deliveries. For more information, call Trasca & Co Eatery at (904) 395-3989. Trasca & Co Eatery is located at 155 Tourside Drive in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Sterling's Summer Pier dance Put on some snazzy summer attire and join for an entertaining evening at Casa Marina Hotel, benefiting the Beaches Emergency Assistance Ministry (B.E.A.M.), a community based organization serving low income residents in Jacksonville's beaches communities and relying heavily on community support to assist neighbors in time of need. Prepare to dance on June 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. while the band Baystreet performs live. Tickets are \$25 with all proceeds going to B.E.A.M. Casa Marina Hotel is located at 691 First St. N. in Jacksonville Beach. Visit https://www.jaxbeam.org/summer-pier-dance/ to buy tickets.</p>	<p>First Wednesday Artwalk The First Wednesday Art Walk is a monthly event produced by Downtown Vision, Inc. (DVI), the Business Improvement District, to bring people to the cultural and historical center of the city and showcase Jacksonville's deep and energetic pool of creative talent. Open to visual and performing artists, Art Walk is on the first Wednesday of every month from 5 to 9 p.m., rain or shine in downtown Jacksonville, centering in Hemming Park. Explore Jacksonville's local art, talent and businesses and much more on June 5. For more information, contact Hemming Park at (904) 515-5098. Hemming Park is located at 135 W. Monroe St in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Twilight golf league at St. Johns Golf Club Sign up a three-person, captain's choice team for St. Johns Club's drop-in every Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. The league runs through fall and costs \$17 for members and \$23 for non-members. For more information, contact Tommy Aycok at taycock@sjcfl.us or (904) 209-0350. The St. Johns Club is located at 4900 Cypress Links Blvd. in Elkton.</p> <p>Newcomers Alumnae new member meeting Newcomers Alumnae group was formed to give graduates of Newcomer groups a chance to continue growing in the community and to foster friendships through social activities. Now, Newcomers Alumnae is looking for new members and their next meeting is June 5 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Marsh Landing Country Club in Ponte Vedra Beach. Can't make it this time? Newcomers Alumnae meets the first Wednesday of every month for lunch from September through June. To join or for more information, contact brookemeister@msn.com. Marsh Landing Country Club is located at 25655 Marsh Landing Parkway in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Starling at Nocatee open house On June 5, visit Starling at Nocatee from 3 to 5 p.m. for its open house. Tours will be offered every 15 minutes and light refreshments will be served. No RSVP is necessary. Starling at Nocatee is located at 999 Crosswater Parkway in Ponte Vedra.</p>	<p>Slightly Stoopid: Summer Vacation 2019 On June 6 at the St. Augustine Amphitheater, all-time favorite reggae-rock band Slightly Stoopid returns for their Summer Vacation 2019 tour, alongside Matisyahu, Hirie and Tribal Seeds. Enjoy some fun live music and positive vibrations. Showtime starts at 4:20 p.m. For ticket prices and more information, visit Ticketmaster or www.staugamphitheatre.com. The St. Augustine Amphitheater is located at 1340 A1A S. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Records on the Roof Hoptinger in Five Points presents its new regular night of music and drink specials every Thursday from 5 tp 9 p.m. Coast to Coast Records will be on the turntable on Hoptinger's rooftop area for this BYOV (bring your own vinyl) event. Don't own vinyl? No worries. A collection of records will be available for purchase. Hoptinger Five Points is located at 1037 Park St. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Night under the stars St. Johns County Parks and Recreation have partnered with Ancient City Astronomy Club (ACAC) for an educational evening that is out of this world! On June 6 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., ACAC will lead an Astronomy 101 class all about the night sky at the St. Johns County Fairgrounds. Bring friends and family to learn about constellations, star names and more. Telescopes and binoculars will be on-hand to view the moon, planets, and other objects. This program is free, but space is limited. Registration is required. For more info, contact Kelly Ussia at kussia@sjcfl.us or (904) 209-0335. The St. Johns County Fairgrounds are located at 5840 SR 207 in Elkton.</p> <p>Free calendar listings for community groups and nonprofit organizations are published at our discretion on a space-available basis. Send your event at least 10 days before publication. 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Third annual Jamie Chapin Classic raises money for national brain cancer research

By Jon Blauvelt

For the third consecutive year, a Ponte Vedra family organized a fundraiser to support national brain cancer research led by the University of Florida Brain Tumor Immunotherapy Program (UFBTIP).

Held May 17-18, the third annual Jamie Chapin Classic was hosted by Deb and Sandy Chapin, whose son Jamie died from brain cancer, as well as their family, friends and the UF men's lacrosse team, of which Jamie was a player and captain after graduating from Nease. The Jamie Chapin Classic relaunched when UF lacrosse coach Garrett Hanrahan decided to select a cause for the team and became aware of Jamie and his legacy. Jamie fought a battle with a particularly deadly type of brain cancer called a Glioblastoma/Astrocytoma.

The event kicked off this year May 17 with a Caribbean Moonlight Gala at a private residence in Ponte Vedra Beach. Guests enjoyed Caribbean music and cuisine, and the opportunity to hear from Dr. Duane Mitchell, who leads the UF Brain Tumor Immunotherapy Program. Mitchell discussed the ReMission Alliance, a collaboration of 12 top research centers in the United States and Canada under the direction of UF and charged with changing the trajectory of brain cancer.

Mitchell arrived at UF six years ago to start building its research program and expanding the brain tumor center. With support from the V Foundation for Cancer Research, which Deb Chapin's father Jim Allegro helped to create, and in collaboration with the ReMission Alliance, Mitchell's team has undertaken a groundbreaking approach to brain cancer.

Cancer cells, noted Mitchell, come from normal cells and send signals to the body that they are normal tissues under distress. As a result, the body's response is to repair the tissues, turn its own mechanisms against itself and ultimately feed the cancer. Mitchell's team is working to change the body and immune system's response so that it rejects the growing mass, instead of it repairing it.

What's been interesting and challenging, Mitchell said, is that two people with the same diagnosis have very different cancer diseases. As a result, his team has been charged with creating therapy programs that are very specific for each individual.

Mitchell shared the success story of one young girl who survived brain cancer thanks to this approach. Diagnosed with Medulloblastoma, she was treated with standard radiation and chemotherapy. One year later on her fourth birthday, the cancer returned. Mitchell's team subsequently took a portion of her own tumor, exposed her immune system to the genetic material expressed inside her cancer, and hoped



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

Jim Allegro, Dr. Duane Mitchell and Deb and Sandy Chapin gather at the Caribbean Moonlight Gala May 17 kicking off the Jamie Chapin Classic.



that her immune system would recognize the abnormal parts of the tumor and start to attack it. Mitchell shared that this young girl recently celebrated her 11th birthday tumor-free, marking seven years treated for relapsed cancer without any evidence of disease. This was the first time that Mitchell's team had successfully treated a relapsed Medulloblastoma after its failed radiation.

"What you're doing is making a huge difference," Mitchell said to attendees of the fundraiser. "This really is the solution to curing this disease. I don't mean University of Florida or us. But I mean working collaboratively to try to bring people together to tackle this in a much more efficient way."



ABOVE: Golfers enjoy the Jamie Chapin Classic at Ponte Vedra Inn & Club on May 18.

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LEFT: Ponte Vedra junior lacrosse player Dylan Hess (right) receives the Jamie Chapin Award from Deb and Sandy Chapin.

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In addition to Mitchell, Deb Chapin spoke about her family's fight with cancer, noting that her mother also died from the disease.

"Quite frankly, I'm kind of sick of it," she said. "Cancer doesn't care if you're red or you're blue, if you're black or you're white or what your gender is, it's just a bully. It's just gone on for too long."

She also spoke about Jamie, saying that he was "full of humor and devoted to his family and friends" and "the kind of guy to go to when things went wrong." Chapin additionally shared a letter written from Jamie to her shortly before his diagnosis that spoke to his positive nature, devotion to family and maturity.

Also at the Moonlight Gala, the Chapin Family presented awards to a few people in attendance. Dr. Mitchell received the Perseverance Prevails award for his efforts. Rick Sontag, who wasn't in attendance, received an award for the millions of dollars he's donated to his foundation supporting the fight against brain cancer. Jim Allegro also received an award for his efforts with the V Foundation, and Ponte Vedra junior lacrosse player Dylan Hess received the Jamie Chapin Award, which is presented annually to an area lacrosse player that exemplifies Jamie's character and leadership on and off the

field. UF coach Garrett Hanrahan also spoke at the end of the evening.

The following day on May 19, the UF lacrosse team and Jamie's friends hosted the golf tournament at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club Lagoon Course.

The Jamie Chapin Classic is appreciative of its sponsors and support. Donations can be made to UF Foundation by contacting Jessica Maier via email at Jmai0001@shands.ufl.edu or by phone at (352) 265-7237.



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North Guana Outpost hosts Chamber 'Before Hours'



Jessica Braack, Lindsay Hardy, Lauren Ingalls and Gail Ingalls

North Guana Outpost hosted a "Before Hours" event for the Ponte Vedra Beach Division of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce on May 8. Attendees enjoyed the opportunity to network, while also kicking off the first Spring PaddleFest at North Guana Outpost held May 11.



Ricki Taylor, Jackie Smith and J. Lacey Taylor



Kim Scott and Teresa Hale

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OVM FINANCIAL CELEBRATES NEW OFFICE IN PONTE VEDRA BEACH WITH RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY



Photo by Susan Griffin

New St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce member John Kersey, a mortgage loan originator with OVM Financial, celebrates his new office in Ponte Vedra Beach by participating in a ribbon-cutting ceremony with his team and Chamber representatives on May 9. OVM Financial is an independently owned and operated retail mortgage lender serving Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Maryland, Florida, Colorado and Texas with plans for continued expansion in new markets. The business has several branches and satellite office locations with the bulk of its operations team located at the corporate headquarters in Chesapeake, Virginia. For four years running, the company has been recognized by Inc. 5000 as one of America's fastest-growing private companies. The new Ponte Vedra Branch is located at 822 North A1A Highway, Suite 310.

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Experienced law firm exec Kevin Russell joins Marks Gray

Marks Gray, P.A. recently announced that Ponte Vedra Beach resident Kevin P. Russell has joined the firm as chief operating officer, bringing with him more than 25 years of experience in the legal field.



Kevin Russell

In his role, Russell will manage all the administration and operational functions for the firm and work with the Management Committee to achieve the firm's strategic initiatives.

"We are delighted to welcome Kevin to the Marks Gray family and look forward to the insights, experience and leadership he brings," Firm President Frederick H. Kent III said.

Marks Gray, P.A. is a multi-faceted business law firm with offices in Jacksonville and Jacksonville Beach. The lawyers at Marks Gray represent national, regional and local clients in a variety of matters. The firm's various practice includes extensive commercial and professional liability and tort defense litigation, as well as banking, real estate, business law, intellectual property, probate, tax law, estate planning, immigration and workers' compensation.

"I'm very excited to be joining Marks Gray at this time," Russell said. "The strong reputation and longevity the firm has had throughout Northeast Florida is a testament to its continued growth and success. I look forward to the challenges and the opportunities this new role will bring."



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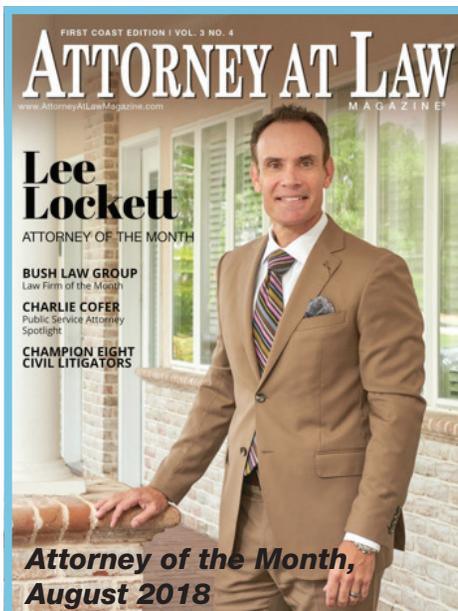
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ABOVE: Flagler College President Dr. Joseph Joyner addresses attendees of a "Chamber at Noon" event May 15 at Ruth's Chris Steak House in Ponte Vedra Beach.



RIGHT: Jim Moyer, Toni Boudreaux-Godwin and Brian Zehren

Photos by Susan Griffin

'Chamber at Noon' event features discussion on Flagler College

The Ponte Vedra Beach Division of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce hosted Flagler College President Dr. Joseph Joyner at its "Chamber at Noon" event on May 15 at Ruth's Chris

Steak House in Ponte Vedra Beach. Joyner discussed the value of Flagler College to the community, its neighbors and the world. Visit www.flagler.edu for more information on Flagler College.

RezLegal welcomes new associate Ryan Morris to firm

Ponte Vedra Beach-based RezLegal recently announced the addition of attorney Ryan Morris to the firm.



Ryan Morris

Morris is an experienced business and healthcare law specialist who is licensed by both the Florida Bar Association and the State Bar of Georgia. He provides expert counsel for healthcare providers, IT companies and

others operating in the healthcare industry across a full spectrum of corporate, administrative and regulatory affairs, including representation in complex litigation. Morris specializes in analyzing and

structuring favorable healthcare business arrangements that take into consideration such statutory frameworks as HIPAA, anti-fraud and abuse laws (anti-kickback, self-referral, patient brokering, fee-splitting, False Claims Act, etc.), the Affordable Care Act and ERISA. He provides experience in provider/payor disputes and unbundling complex billing arrangements; defending against allegations of fraud and misrepresentation and improper claims procedures; and assisting healthcare organizations in matters of compliance with regulatory safe harbors and billing standards.

RezLegal is a business and healthcare law firm based in Ponte Vedra Beach. It has been recognized as one of the Best Law Firms in the nation for four con-

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WHY I SERVE

Featuring Wounded Warrior Project

Mario Caycedo



In this edition of Why I Serve, featuring Wounded Warrior Project, the Recorder sat down with St. Augustine resident Mario Caycedo, a Marine Corps veteran who served in Kuwait and Iraq. He recently graduated from the MBA program at the University of Florida and is soon to launch his own business venture.

What did you learn most from your military experience?

Leadership, integrity, brotherhood, camaraderie. Those are all key terms that you hear from a lot of military folks, but they do have a deep meaning to us.

When you returned to the States, how did you get involved with Wounded Warrior Project?

When I got back to the States, for the first few months as I transitioned back from deployment, I didn't really think too much about what was going on, but then it quickly became apparent that I was having some internal struggles. I dealt for probably several years trying to figure out what was going on. Wounded Warrior Project did not have a big presence in California during these times. It was introduced through some friends who kind of dealt with some struggles as well. When I finally did hook up with Wounded Warrior Project, I think one of our first events, we did a fishing trip. It was one of those

first times where you were able to really reconnect with some other military, like-minded folks who had gone through some of these issues. Probably shortly after that, we ended up moving to St. Augustine. Obviously Wounded Warrior Project is headquartered here in Jacksonville, and they have a huge presence in Florida. We got here and immediately connected with a lot of members. We have created lifelong friends through the organization.

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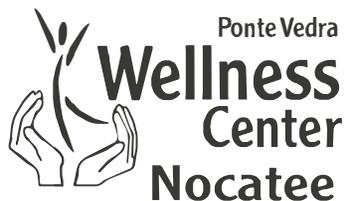
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Divorce, separation and summer vacation schedules



Lawrence Datz
Guest Columnist

By Lawrence Datz
Special to the Recorder

Summer planning can be complicated for families when the parents of minor children are separated, divorced, getting divorced or were never married. For some separated parents, the

age-old questions of who gets the children, when and for how long, can make this planning complex and contentious.

The first question is whether the parents have a court order or judgment that designates a summer timesharing schedule. If so, they must follow that schedule, yet may vary it by agreement. If the parents do not have a court-prescribed schedule, they will have to get one, make an agreement or “catch as catch can.”

When summer timesharing is ordered, separated parents usually may bring children on traveling vacations during that parent’s scheduled timesharing, but extended or international trips can raise issues if not addressed in existing court orders. Varying summer schedules and the costs of summer camps and activities can also create conflicts. Ideally, parents should work out their differences by agreement. Without a court order or agreement, however, parents may have to resort to the courts.

Anticipating such issues and advanced planning can go a long way toward avoiding adding tension to the situation. The best practice is to plan, communicate with each other and be flexible. These situations demand parents focus on solving problems with what’s best for the children.

Even with a court order in place, figuring out dates when children will be with each parent during the summer can still be challenging. Some routine orders use less specific phrases such as “five days after school recesses” or “one-half of the summer break,” and leave parents to agree on exact dates. Varying school schedules as well as parents’ vacation dates, work

travel and other employer demands can further complicate matters.

Travel aside, summer timesharing might have other conflicts. Issues about who will watch the children and what they will be doing must be navigated along with summer camp or activity choices and the expenses related to each, if not clearly ordered.

These potential disagreements might be resolved through compromise, reasonableness and common sense. Yet, parents dealing with these issues often think, “I do compromise, am reasonable and certainly have common sense. The problem is (fill in name or non-affectionate nickname for other parent).” Although some cases do involve only one blameworthy parent, one should not ask a family law attorney or judge if he or she can recall one.

Other summer vacation questions may involve where the child will be while on vacation, who will accompany the parent and child and how the non-vacationing parent might communicate with the child while they are traveling. A frequent issue with the place of the vacation is whether the child will need a passport. Federal law requires both parents to authorize issuance of a passport to a child. This requires cooperation between parents, not to mention agreement as to whether the child should travel outside the country.

Some vacation-related objections are legitimate. Others can be more about a power struggle. These struggles are usually more about blame and resentment and less about the genuine interests of the child. When divorced or separated parents do not resolve these issues by themselves, they might need help from a family law attorney. Remember, the attorney and courts need time to act, and that is just another reason to work on summer vacation long before the summer.

Lawrence Datz has spent more than three decades practicing family law. Board certified in marital and family law, Datz is a Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. He is also past president of Florida’s Association of Family and Conciliation Courts.

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Southeastern Grocers 'rounds up' support to honor military heroes

In-store community donation program will benefit families of fallen and disabled military

Southeastern Grocers, Inc. (SEG), parent company and home of BI-LO, Harveys Supermarket and Winn-Dixie grocery stores, recently announced the launch of a six-week community donation program to benefit Folds of Honor.

According to a press release from the company, the grocer is committed to supporting Folds of Honor's mission to provide educational scholarships to the children and spouses impacted by a loved one's sacrifice for the United States military.

Now through the Fourth of July, BI-LO, Harveys Supermarket and Winn-Dixie customers can honor America's heroes and their families by rounding up their total grocery bill to the nearest dollar at check out. Every cent donated to Folds of Honor helps provide a brighter future for the legacies of fallen and disabled service members through education.

"At Southeastern Grocers, we are proud to stand with Folds of Honor in support of those who have sacrificed their ability to stand themselves," said Andrew Nadin, EVP and chief customer officer of Southeastern Grocers. "It's



Photo courtesy of Southern Grocers

Southeastern Grocers launches "round up" community donation program in support of Folds of Honor families through July 4. (From left to right) Andrew Nadin, EVP and chief customer officer for Southeastern Grocers; Ben Leslie, executive vice president of Folds of Honor; Hannah Simpkins, Folds of Honor scholarship recipient; Eddie Garcia, EVP of Store Growth for Southeastern Grocers.

not just about honoring those who made it their responsibility to fight for the freedoms Americans cherish most; it's also about our responsibility to fight for those they left behind — because military families serve too."

Major Dan Rooney, founder and CEO of Folds of Honor, said, "We greatly value our partnership with Southeastern Grocers and its commitment to honor our servicemen and servicewomen. We are incredibly grateful for the compassion and generosity their customers and community members have shown and continue to show for our military families."

The continued partnership with Folds of Honor allows Southeastern Grocers to expand their support of the customers, associates and families of those who have served,

continue to serve or have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

Since 2007, Folds of Honor has awarded nearly 20,000 educational scholarships to spouses and children of America's fallen and disabled service members. Last year alone, Folds of Honor awarded 4,000 educational scholarships throughout the United States, including more than 1,300 scholarships within the seven states Southeastern Grocers serves, but Folds of Honor urges that the need is still great. Last year, 700 eligible and qualified applicants throughout the United States went unfunded.

Customers are encouraged to visit their neighborhood BI-LO, Harveys Supermarket or Winn-Dixie store for more information on how to contribute.

Shannon Peabody joins Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP as southeast region director of marketing

Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP announced this week that Shannon M. Peabody has joined the firm as southeast region director of marketing.

"We are delighted to have Shannon lead our business development and marketing initiatives in our Florida offices," said Christopher A. Walker, partner-in-charge, Florida. "Her emphasis on identifying how to meet client needs fits perfectly with our firm's philosophy of providing optimal representation and service as true partners to our clients, helping them achieve their goals and ensure their success."

Peabody brings more than 15 years of experience in strategic planning, marketing analytics, brand positioning, prospect targeting, new product launches and marketing communications to her new role with the firm. Before joining Lippes Mathias, she was marketing director at

Marks Gray, P.A. Peabody has a bachelor's degree in marketing from the State University of New York at Oswego. She also serves as secretary of the Jacksonville Legal Marketing Association.

"I couldn't be more excited about joining Lippes Mathias," Peabody said. "From a marketing perspective, this is a unique opportunity to continue the momentum of the recently established new Jacksonville office and expanded service offering to individuals and businesses in Florida and beyond."

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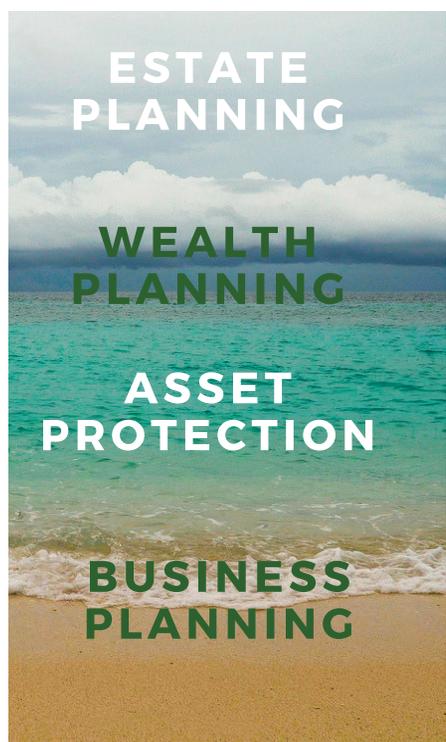
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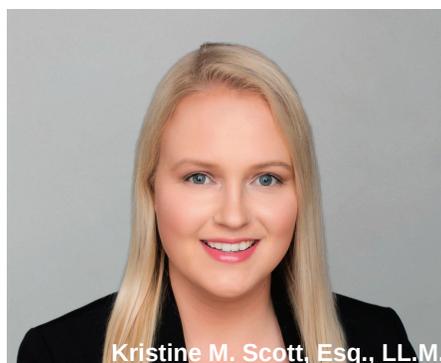
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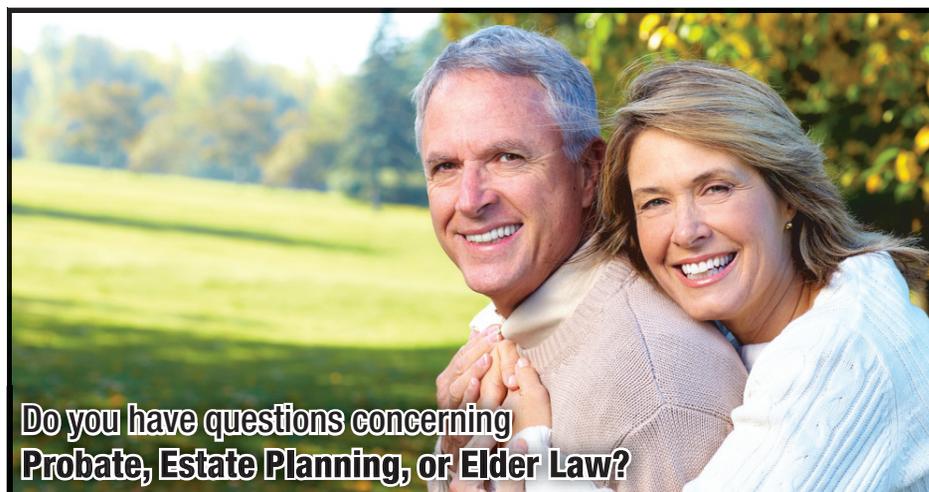
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Townhome presales underway at Beacon Lake

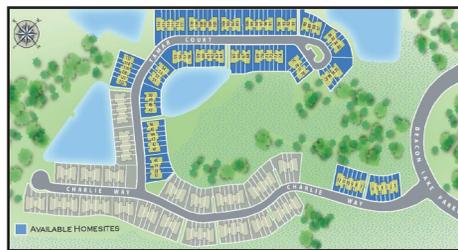
Pre-sales have started at Harborside at Beacon Lake, a new townhome neighborhood by Dream Finders Homes.

Our luxury townhome community appeals to a wide range of buyers, from young professionals and families to early retirees,” said Bruce J. Parker, managing director for BBX Capital Real Estate, Beacon Lake’s master developer, in a press release.

Beacon Lake is a lakefront lifestyle master-planned community in northern St. Johns County. The Harborside at Beacon Lake townhomes feature open floor plans with three or four bedrooms including an owner’s suite and spacious kitchens with islands that open into the family and dining rooms. The townhomes include attached two-car garages and lanais for enjoying the community’s surroundings. Harborside townhomes are priced from the low \$200s.

Harborside amenities include water and nature preserve views, three neighborhood pocket parks and a stop-a-while for enjoying the community’s natural surroundings. Harborside residents also will have access to Beacon Lake’s resort-style amenities.

The Lake House is the heart of those amenities and the Beacon Lake community. Anchored by a developing 43-acre lake designed for kayaks and canoes and nestled within 358 acres of nature preserve, the 8,200-square-foot Lake House is a gathering place for entertainment and get-togethers as well as a place for fitness and relaxation. The Lake House includes a state-of-the-art fitness center with cardio



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Pre-sales have started at Harborside at Beacon Lake, a new townhome neighborhood by Dream Finders Homes

and strength training equipment, free weights, spin bikes and a fitness studio. The Culinary Studio and Demonstration kitchen is available for catered events, cooking classes and chef demonstrations.

The Lake House amenities include a Splash Park, fun pool, junior Olympic swimming pool and lakeside sand beach. The dockside Crew House will provide kayak and canoe rentals. Other features include tennis courts, a multipurpose playing field, bark park, playground and multipurpose paths.

Located on the south side of County Road 210 between U.S. Route 1 and Interstate 95, Beacon Lake is within the St. Johns County Public School District and zoned for A-rated schools including Ocean Palms Elementary School, Alice B. Landrum Middle School and Allen D. Nease High School for the 2018-2019 school year.

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Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company dancers enjoy professional training, success

Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company dancers have had an active year.

Highlights have included winter workshops alongside Movement Migration founder and former Martha Graham dancer Kim Jones, as well as Ballet Detroit's Ballet Master and Artistic Director Sergey Rayevskiy. The company is looking forward to summer dance intensives with guest artists including dancer/choreographer Rasta Thomas, Brittany Butler, Eivar Martinez, Daniel Fetecua-Soto, Watershed Dance Theater Artistic Director Sarah Emery and Movement Migration dancers Dominique Wills and Nya Bowman.

"All of us at Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company are so delighted to be able to present our dancers to top-tier training," said Dawn Wolf, owner and artistic director of Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company.

Many Ponte Vedra Ballet dance students will be traveling around the nation this summer to study at the various large,

professional conservatories. Alexandra Willis will be attending Miami City Ballet, was accepted to the American Ballet Theatre and was placed on the waitlist for the School of American Ballet. Emily Shende will be studying at Bolshoi Connecticut and was accepted to Joffrey Ballet in New York City. Madison Brown will be attending Koresh Dance Company in Philadelphia, while Margaret Ivantsov has been accepted to both Alvin Alley and Joffrey Ballet in New York City and will be attending Joffrey's Miami program. Former Ponte Vedra Ballet and Dance Company students Kierny Brophy will be attending Ellison Ballet in New York City, and Mallory Merritt will be attending Kirov Ballet in Washington, D.C.

Summer dance intensives and children's camps, open to the public, run from June 10 to August. Visit pvballet.com, follow the company on Instagram @pontevedraballet or call (904) 859-2223 for more information.

Several Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company students will attend prestigious summer dance intensives. Pictured from left to right are Emily Shende (Bolshoi), Alexandra Willis (Miami City Ballet), Margaret Ivantsov (Joffrey Ballet) and Avery Mangan (The Rock School).

Photos courtesy of Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company



ABOVE: The cast of "Ain't Misbehavin'" perform a scene from the award-winning musical at Alhambra Theatre & Dining.



LEFT: Tarra Conner Jones (from left), Christopher G. Patterson, Cherry Hamlin, E. Mani Cadet and Amitria Fanae star in Alhambra's production of "Ain't Misbehavin'."

Photos courtesy of Alhambra Theatre & Dining

REVIEW

Alhambra's 'Ain't Misbehavin'' is a don't-miss showstopper

By Paris Moulden

It's difficult to pick just one — or even just a few — highlights from Alhambra Theatre & Dining's production of the jazz-centric "Ain't Misbehavin,'" given the immense power of the voices of the show's performers.

The musical boasts a small cast of just

five actors, each of whom possesses a dynamic voice and magnetic stage presence. The production also benefits greatly from the ever-present on-stage band, led by pianist Anthony Felton, which performs the live numbers, and while never outshining the main actors, definitely adds to the vibrancy and authenticity of the performance. The overall feel of the production is like being invited back in time, joining some friends at a cozy nightclub for some music, laughs and even some drama.

The musical, which opened on Broadway in 1978 and won a Tony Award that year for Best Musical, pays tribute to the life and music of Thomas "Fats" Waller, and celebrates the unique musical creativity and glamour of Harlem Renaissance during the 1920s and 1930s.

There's really no actual dialogue or a particular timeline of events, but that doesn't deter at all from the flow of the performances. All the stories are told through song and the performers' expressions and movement, and the Alhambra cast does a phenomenal job conveying the messages through those mediums.

Songs like "Ladies Who Sing With The Band," and "Your Feet's Too Big" were a lot of fun, with laugh-out-loud lines, and it was hard not to join in the dancing with numbers like "Cash For Your Trash" and

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“The Joint is Jumpin.” Although most of the musical numbers are fun and upbeat, there were certainly some more somber songs, including “Mean to Me,” and particularly “Black and Blue,” which served as a reminder of the time and place the musical is based, and the impact of institutionalized racism. ‘Ain’t Misbehavin’” is a celebration of the black experience, artistic culture, and ethnic pride that exploded during the time in the African-American community.

The set design provides a sultry, jazz-club vibe, but it was obvious by the audience response, the singing was the main feature. Tarra Conner Jones, who plays Nell, was fantastic, with a wonderfully powerful voice and dynamic control over her instrument.

In addition to Jones, Alhambra’s production stars Cherry Hamlin, Amitria Fanae, E. Mani Cadet and Christopher G. Patterson, who also choreographed. Alhambra’s production was produced and directed by Tod Booth.

But enough can’t be said about the stellar singing performances, and when the show was over, it felt like many in the audience weren’t ready for the party to end.

“Ain’t Misbehavin’” runs through June 9 at Alhambra. For more information, visit alhambrajax.com.



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Ponte Vedra native sees success in professional beach volleyball

PHVS alumna places 5th in international volleyball tournament for Team USA

By Daniela Toporek

After graduating from Pepperdine University in California and Ponte Vedra High School earlier, 22-year old Corinne Quiggle has made quite a name for herself in the professional beach volleyball scene, and is determined to make it to the top.

Quiggle recently returned to the United States after competing in Malaysia's FIVB (Fédération Internationale de Volleyball) Kuala Lumpur Tournament, where she placed fifth in the entire competition.

"We were super happy about it," Quiggle said. "The No. 1 team in the world right now, the Czech team, was there. Kerri Walsh was there. Laura Ludwig, who won the last Olympics in 2016, they were all there and we came in fifth place there which was amazing."

According to Quiggle, tournaments are ranked from one to five stars. The more stars, the more challenging

the competition and the more points players can win to qualify for the Olympics.

"The three-star tournament winners are the people who play in the five-stars (tournaments) and win them, so that was a really big tournament for us," said Quiggle, who plays with teammate Amanda Dowdy.

Quiggle and Dowdy represent Team USA in all FIVB tournaments, and they also play in the AVP, or the Association of Volleyball Professionals. This is Quiggle's first full season as a professional player. Playing with Dowdy, their first tournament was this past February in Cambodia. They finished in second place.

"It's a really good finish for our first tournament together," Quiggle said. "It was a two-star FIVB Tour, and it was the first tournament we ever played together. We definitely figured a lot out between our partnership and how we were going to play."

But before Quiggle was a world-travelling professional, she started out at Ponte Vedra High School with



Photos courtesy of Corinne Quiggle

Ponte Vedra native Corinne Quiggle is making a name for herself in the professional beach volleyball scene.

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her high school volleyball coach, Robin Mignerey.

“She’s the one that got me into it and set me up with collegiate coaches,” Quiggle said. “And as soon as I got into it, I knew I wanted to play professional beach volleyball.”

Quiggle moved to California during her junior year of high school and graduated

from Pepperdine University with a degree in business administration. She continues to work toward her goal of being an Olympic athlete and hasn’t looked back since, except to reminisce about the place she calls home and the journey and people that helped her get to where she is now.

“I love Ponte Vedra and where I grew up,” she said. “I’m so thankful that I can actually withstand the heat and humidity in all these places that we go to because you’d actually be surprised. It’s a huge factor on the beach.”

When Quiggle was younger, she admired and watched volleyball players such as Kerri Walsh. After years of hard work and persistence, Quiggle made it to Malaysia, where she not only saw Walsh play live, but also competed against her in the tournament.

So for those young girls watching her on TV now, hoping to follow in her footsteps, Quiggle encourages them to “just enjoy every moment of it and keep it light and positive.”

“It’s hard not to get ramped up because beach volleyball is a grind,” Quiggle said. “It’s a great sport, but it’s really hard and it’s easy to get distracted from enjoying every moment. I’m in Austin now. I go to New York soon. It’s just an amazing sport that can show you so many parts of the world. Enjoy the places that it takes you.”



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Corinne Quiggle (right) stands alongside her teammate Amanda Dowdy after competing in March.

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