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WHAT'S THIS?



Do you know what this is?
Email answer to pvrecorder@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.

Five readers correctly identified last week's photo as the sign for Zimmiz Hair Salon. The winner of the random draw was **Patti Kotchkowski**. Congratulations, Patti — you may pick up your prize at the Recorder office during normal business hours.



ADOPT A PET



CAT OF THE WEEK

Spooky was brought to the Pet Center as a stray. She is a 3-year-old female domestic shorthair. This little girl is very lovable with beautiful gold eyes. Come see Spooky today at the Pet Center. #51751



DOG OF THE WEEK

Gremlin was picked up as a stray. He is a male, neutered 3-year-old Dachshund mix. Gremlin is housetrained, great on a leash, good with other dogs and very sweet, lovable. Come see Gremlin at the Pet Center today. #52040

Any new pet being introduced to a new home will need time to adjust to its new environment. Please reinforce house training and behavioral training, and be mindful of interacting with other pets.

St. Johns County Pet Center

Cat adoptions are \$30 for males and \$40 for females. Dog adoptions are \$45 for males and \$60 for females. Adoption fees include microchipping, neutering/spaying, rabies vaccinations and shots. The Pet Center is located at 130 N. Stratton Road in St. Augustine, off U.S. 1 between County Road 210 and International Golf Parkway. Business hours are Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center is closed to the public on Sunday. On Monday, the office is open by appointment only to claim a lost pet. For more information, please call the St. Johns County Pet Center at (904) 209-6190.

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Solutions correspond to last week's puzzles.





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Situated on an oversized corner lot home showcases upgrades and custom details throughout. Built in 2017 this 4-bedroom home features an open floor plan with high ceilings and plenty of natural light along with an additional office and upstairs bonus room.

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Cheers to 50 Years!

Ponte Vedra Recorder celebrates 5 decades

By Maggie FitzRoy

The Ponte Vedra Recorder has been celebrating its existence for many years. In 1981, 12 years was a big deal, and an occasion to cheer.

But this year is especially important, because it's the BIG 5-0!

The Ponte Vedra Recorder was first published in 1969, and your community paper wants to celebrate its 50th birthday with you. Send us your stories, photos or memories from that year in our Northeast Florida paradise. What did the area look like back then? Where did you go to school? Where did you shop? Where did you go out to eat? Which beach did you head to for a swim in the sea?

If you were lucky enough to live here in 1969, what chapter of life were you in? Send us school photos, wedding pictures, grinning -littlekid-on-the-beach pictures. Tell us what sports activities you were involved in, where you hung out, what type of clothes you wore, and where.

For lifelong residents, what changes through the years strike you as the most notable? What has changed for the better? What was better back then?

For newcomers, tell us why you now call this area home. Because the memories you are making today will be interesting to people in the future.

Email your photos and memories to maggie@opcfla.com with "Cheers to 50 years" in the subject line.

Thank you!

The Ponte Vedra Recorder welcomes Maggie FitzRoy as new editor

Maggie FitzRoy, a journalist with extensive experience covering Ponte Vedra Beach, the Beaches, St. Johns County and the First Coast, has joined the Ponte Vedra Recorder as editor.

FitzRoy began her career as a journalist at the Ponte Vedra Recorder in 1998, freelancing as a photographer and writer. She has since worked as a writer, photographer and editor at newspapers and magazines throughout the area; and is also the

author of two nonfiction history books and two

"I am excited to be back at the Recorder, where I started," FitzRoy said. "I am passionate about community journalism and have always considered myself a community connector—connecting people with each other through stories."

FitzRoy looks forward to hearing from readers. Email: Maggie@opcfla.com; Phone: 904-686-3939.





K9s For Warriors canine trainer Christel Fleming (right) works with new rescue dog, Chilly, in the training facility in Nocatee, while trainer April

K9s For Warriors expanding in Nocatee



Photos by Maggie FitzRoy

A recently arrived rescue dog named lan is ready for training by K9s For Warriors K9 trainer April Johnson.

Thanks to Davis Family and PARC Group donation, local nonprofit adds to growth

By Maggie FitzRoy

Every month, up to a dozen disabled military veterans spend three weeks at the K9s For Warriors facility in Nocatee learning how to work with their new service dogs, rescue animals from around the country.

But before soldier "warriors" and their dogs are paired, the dogs undergo three to six months of pre-pairing training on the Nocatee Camp K9 campus.

Currently, there is room for up to 60 dogs.

But that is about to expand.

Jed Davis, President of DDI and Roger O'Steen, Founder and Chairman of The PARC Group, recently donated an additional 5.5 acres to the current 9-acre facility. K9s For Warriors plans to build mega-kennels to house an additional 250 rescue dogs on the new land, which "will increase the number of warriors we can pair with service dogs," Public Relations Manager Brianna Bentov said.

A veterinary technician center, and an indoor and outdoor train-

Tickets on sale for THE PLAYERS

Tournament to implement several changes in anticipation of reaching capacity in 2020

Tournament officials recently announced tickets for THE PLAYERS Championship are now on sale.

The strongest field in golf returns to TPC Sawgrass to kick off the Season of Championships, March 10-15, 2020.

"THE PLAYERS Championship should be on every sports fan's bucket list, and we are continuously working to elevate the experience each and every year," Executive Director Jared Rice said. "Those efforts have paid off, as we anticipate reaching capacity at this coming year's event. With that in mind, we'll be implementing several changes to our ticketing process in order to ensure the best on-site experience for our fans and continue to increase our impact on the Northeast Florida community."

New items for the 2020 tournament include:

■ Mobile only and day-specific tickets: The event will move exclusively to mobile-only for all tickets, including day-specific Stadium Pass tickets. Issuing day-specific passes will allow the event to better anticipate attendance for each day and to deliver the experience fans have come to expect at THE PLAYERS. Tickets can be purchased exclusively online at www.THEPLAYERS.com.

Tickets available are:

• Day-specific Stadium Pass: THE PLAYERS Stadium Pass provides access

to nearly 20 venues, numerous local food and beverage options, rope-side access to the best players in the world and much more

- Tuesday Military Appreciation Day tickets will go on sale at a later date.
- Wednesday \$25
- Thursday-Sunday Ranging between \$65-\$70.
- Day-specific Captain's Club: Ticketholders will experience a premium club space with views of the 16th and 18th holes at TPC Sawgrass. Beer, wine and soda are all-inclusive and food is available for purchase. Soft seating, full bar, televisions and outdoor viewing creates an exciting environment to experience THE PLAYERS.

Other hospitality options including the Benefactor, the Turn and THE PLAYERS Club are selling fast, but are currently

available at www.THEPLAYERS.com/hospitality.html.

- Military THE PLAYERS will continue to provide all career military (active duty, reserve, military retirees and dependents) with complimentary admission to the tournament all week, as well as discounted admission for veterans. Fans should visit www.THEPLAYERS.com to get verified.
- Youth Policy Youth 15-and-under can attend for free when accompanied by a ticketed adult. As in the past, there is no limit to the number of youth that can enter free of charge with a ticketed adult.
- Parking Parking is expected to sell out, so fans are urged to purchase their daily passes in advance of the event, and parking is NOT sold on site.

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TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse gets makeover







Photos provided by Lilly Higginbotham of the Zimmerman Agency

By Amber Lake

Lighter and brighter was the theme of the recent renovation at the TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse. The \$1.5 million in updates included a new color pallet, window treatments and wool carpets. While most of the renovation has been cosmetic, the space was also updated with more power options to give guests a wider variety of stage capabilities for events.

The director of food and beverage, Tyler Hagin, said the public's reaction to the recent renovation has been universally positive. "The best feedback we've gotten is from potential brides or current brides that are really blown away with the space," Hagin said. "With it being wedding related, I think they like it to be light and airy."

The redesign encompassed the entirety of the 9,500-sq.ft. clubhouse. By choosing a more neutral color pallet, applying fresh paint and redressing the windows, Hagin said the transformation has been impressive.

"Before it was very closed off and dark, even though we do have prominent windows in all the rooms," Hagin said. "It feels more open. It actually feels like a bigger space now. The windows and the brightness were really the biggest thing. People said, 'Wow, look at those views.' You never used to even see the views with the 18th hole. Now it's wide open and it's so much more dramatic in a way."

The clubhouse aimed at trying to lighten the space while also staying true to the "Mediterranean Revival" architecture design that inspired the building. By removing the valences from the windows, Hagin said the banquet hall now makes for a great photo op while staying true to its original form.

"That was kind of the balance," Hagin said. "How do you update it and make it more modern and more appealing to while staying within the concept of what our building is? That was the real challenge, and I think we've done a really good job with it."

To find out more about booking the TPC Sawgrass event space, visit tpc.com/sawgrass/meetingsand-events.

The TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse completed its recent renovation at the end of July.

Originally from the west coast, Charlie Chacos has embraced life on the First Coast and looks forward to his new role as district executive director of YMCA Florida's First Coast. Chacos has always played sports, and with just two years on the tennis court, he's already winning doubles tournaments.

What can you share about your background? How did your involvement with the YMCA begin?

I grew up in Los Angeles and moved to Darien, Connecticut, at age 12. I played soccer and basketball at the Darien YMCA where my dad was a board member. This was my first experience with a YMCA, and one that shaped my future career and lifelong love of sports. I have always been very outgoing and passionate about connecting with others, which is why working for the YMCA is a perfect fit. I love getting to interact with members and the greater community on a regular basis.

Tell us about your role as district executive director, YMCA Florida's First Coast.

I am excited about this new role where I'll be overseeing operations at both the Ponte Vedra Family YMCA and the new Y opening in next summer at Baptist HealthPlace in Nocatee. Northern St. Johns County is growing exponentially, and the YMCA is committed to strengthening this community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. With two locations, we are able to serve even more community members with our unique programs and services. As district executive director, I wear many hats but I am focused on building bridges within the community, managing resources, developing membership, fostering innovation in programming and overseeing a strong team.

What do you like to do when you're not at work?

I love being outdoors. If I'm not at work, you can find me fishing, playing tennis and spending time with my wife and kids.

Do you use YMCA facilities?

Yes, I regularly play tennis at the Williams Family YMCA and I am on several teams. I also enjoy playing basketball and lifting weights at the branches. We have a great facility at the Ponte Vedra YMCA with brand-new cardio and strength equipment, a variety of group exercise classes taught by empowering instructors, a cycling studio, a heated eight-lane outdoor pool and a Healthy Living Center.

The Ponte Vedra Y is more than a just a gym and swim. We aim to serve as a total wellness hub of resources to this community and positively change the lives of members both inside of the building and out in nearby neighborhoods. I hope everyone – members and nonmembers — will come check out all of the exciting initiatives we have happening at the Ponte Vedra YMCA.

What do you like most about living on the First Coast?

I live in Julington Lakes in St. Johns County. We really enjoy this area's focus on outdoor living. I love going to the beach, visiting my in-laws in St. Augustine, visiting my parents in Amelia Island, playing tennis with my friends at the Williams Y and spending time with my family in the outdoors.



You won the 2019 Firehouse Subs Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament in May. Tell us about that experience.

Yes, my friend Stuart McNally and I won the 3.5 men's doubles division. I met Stuart at the Williams Family YMCA and we quickly became friends. He is a board member at the Williams Y and a great advocate for the First Coast YMCA as a whole.

When did you begin playing tennis?

I began playing tennis about two years ago, when I first began working at the Williams Family YMCA. All of our tennis members were having fun and I noticed the social nature of the sport, then decided I wanted to

be a part of it. I fell in love with the sport right away and it has become a passion of mine.

Who's your favorite tennis pro?

I am a huge Roger Federer fan and also enjoy watching John Isner. Isner is 6'10" and I am 6'5", so I like rooting for the tall guys.

Would you like to tell us about your family?

My wife, Morgan, of 15 years, is a nurse practitioner at Community Hospice. We met at the University of Tennessee and are both big Vol fans. My daughter, Sloane, is 8 years old and my son, Drew, is 4 years old.

Edited by Christine Rodenbaugh

PINK RIBBON VOLUNTEERS RAISE MONEY FOR THE CAUSE



The annual Pink Ribbon Golf Classic was not held this year due to renovations at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club golf course. But volunteers for the nonprofit still raised money to find treatments and cures for breast cancer Oct. 10, by selling pink flags honoring loved ones impacted by the disease. They sold flags for \$20 each, and displayed flags purchased over the past five years in front of Publix at Sawgrass Village Shopping Center. The charity raises money for Mayo Clinic-Jacksonville and Baptist Medical Center Beaches, to help in their efforts to research and treat breast cancer. From left, the volunteers: Becky Jewett, Sharon Gibbons, Kathie Seabrook.





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Thursday, Oct. 17

Friday, Oct. 18

Sunday, Oct. 20

Grief support group

The grief support group meets on the third Thursday of the month at St. Paul's Catholic Church in room 102 of the Family Life Center. The group is for men and women who are grieving the death of a family member or friend. For information, call Kathy at (904) 553-8933 or Catherine at (904) 247-0665. St. Paul's Catholic Church is located at 578 First Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach.

'Beautiful Skin Starts Within'

Diet is the most over looked step in skin care and one of the most important. Alternative Medicine Physician and Clinical Nutrition Practitioner, Dr. Lexie Romero, DC., will share secrets of how to eat properly to get healthy, glowing skin from 5:45 to 6:30 p.m., Oct. 17, at Optimal You Brain Centers. Light snacks and drinks will be provided in a relaxed environment in order to absorb all the information needed. Seating is limited. For how to attend, call Optimal You Brain Centers at (904) 373-5852. Optimal You Brain Centers is located at 151 Sawgrass Corners Dr., #102, in Ponte Vedra Beach.

4her Solutions Series: Women with Drive

Join like-minded female business professionals from 8:30 to 10:45 a.m., Oct. 17, to network and hear from a talented panel of female executives on their career journeys and how they claimed a seat at the table so others can, too. Panel members include Donna Deegan, founder of the The DONNA Foundation, Catherine Graham of Baptist Health, Melissa Fulmore-Hardwick of Acosta Sales and Marketing, Charlene Landen of PGA Tour Entertainment and more. Listen to quick tips on etiquette and terminology on how to conduct business on the golf course. For questions or more information, call (904) 273-3235 or email PATH@bmcjax.com. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Life Wellness Center at Baptist MD Anderson Cancer Center. Visit www.EventBrite.com for tickets and search for the Baptist Health event, " Women with Drive: How to get in the game." TPC Sawgrass is located at 110 Championship Way in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Ponte Vedra Professional Networking Group meeting

The Ponte Vedra Professional Networking Group schedules weekly meetings inside Fidelity Bank, where members network with each other and guests. Each member/guest will introduce themselves and one member will present about the businesses he/she represents. The next meeting is Oct. 18 at 8:45 a.m. Fidelity Bank is located at 110 A1A N. in Ponte Vedra Beach.

TOOTHLESS: A Vampire Comedy

TOOTHLESS takes a bite into the eighties horror movie genre with its goofy spin on what it's like to live life as an outsider. After a bullying incident at school, Penn retreats to a lonely but safer existence as a home-school student. On a family day trip. Penn stumbles upon an injured bat, Z, who ends up in Penn's backpack for safekeeping. Penn's effort to rescue this distressed creature backfires as Z turns out to be anxious, shape shifting vampire bat with a weak stomach and a dislike for the taste of blood. The show is recommended for ages 11 and up and starts at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 18, at the APEX Theatre Studio, General admission is \$15. For more information, visit www.apextheatrejax.com. The Apex Theatre is located at 5150 Palm Valley Road, #205, in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Adult pumpkin carving

Main & Six Brewing Company may not serve pumpkin beers, but they do have an old-fashioned pumpkin carving starting at 6 p.m., Oct. 18, to get everyone in the Halloween spirit. Main & Six will provide the newspapers and fun stencils, just bring the pumpkin and whatever tools needed for carving the most creative (or must adult-themed) pumpkin. Don't worry about eating pumpkin seeds for dinner. Lumpia Station will be attending for any hungry carvers looking for a snack. For more information, call Main & Six at (904) 374-4750 or email info@mainandsixbrewing.com. Main & Six Brewing Company is located at 1636 N. Main St. in Jacksonville.

2019 Chemo Noir Fall Gala

Join the local nonprofit, Chemo Noir, for the 3rd annual Chemo Noir Fall Gala from 6 to 9 p.m., Oct. 19, at the 3 Palms Grille in Ponte Vedra Beach. This year, Chemo Noir will have a variety of flavorful food and drinks, live musical entertainment from Barrett Thomas, a vast silent auction line-up, cork pull raffle, and of course, overflowing wines. Cocktail attire is encouraged. This is one of Chemo Noir's signature events and largest fundraisers. The Chemo Noir mission is to host and inspire wine centric events that raise money to provide financial support to the patients battling with cancer. 3 Palms Grille is located at 254 Alta Mar Dr. in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Saturday, Oct. 19

17th annual Buddy Walk

The Down Syndrome Association of Jacksonville will host its 17th annual Buddy Walk with registration beginning at 9 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 19, at the Seawalk Pavilion. Registration is \$20 per person. Proceeds from the event will support DSAJ's programs, all of which are designed to enhance the lives of children, teens and adults with down syndrome in Jacksonville and the surrounding communities. The one-mile walk starts at 10:30 a.m. on the beach. Attendees can expect family-friendly festival activities including inflatable jumps, carnival rides, music, face painting, and more. For more information, visit www.DSAJ.org or call (904) 353-6300. The Seawalk Pavilion is located at 75 First St. N. in Jacksonville Beach.

Markland Annual Fall Festival

Markland residents, friends and families from surrounding areas are invited to this free Fall festival from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 20, outside the Markland Manor house. Fun activities for children and adults include crafts, face painting, carnival games, a balloon artist, food trucks, live music and local vendors and more. The festival will also contribute to the Humane Society and will have boxes on site where guests can bring donations to drop off. For information on what to donate, visit www.staughumane.org. The event is open to the public. The Markland Manor house is located at 2001 International Golf Pkwy. in St. Augustine.

VIGLO pop-up dinner

Vietnamese food has been heavily influenced by French cuisine since the French colonization of Vietnam and Cambodia, French Indochina in 1887. The colonization lasted 70 years and gave new, unique flavors to traditional Vietnamese cooking. Join chefs Mimi Lan, Alexander Yim and Antonella Di Benedetto as Vietnamese with Global Influences (VIGLO) presents an intimate five-course Vietnamese and French pop-up dinner from 5 to 8 p.m., Oct. 20 at San Marco's Matthew's Restaurant. For more information, call Matthew's Restaurant at (904) 396-9922. Tickets can be found at www.904jax.com. Matthew's Restaurant is located at 2107 Hendricks Ave. in Jacksonville.

Eva Grayzel at Beth El Synagogue

Eva Grayzel, a motivational speaker and interactive storyteller specializing in Jewish Folklore, will be at Beth El The Beaches Synagogue at 9 a.m., Oct. 20. Grayzel incorporates teachers, parents and students at this event, starting with a teachers segment of "Walk the Talk: Hands on Storytelling," followed at 10 a.m. with a parents segment of "Putting Quality into Quality Time" and ending at 11 a.m. with a students segment of "Tales with a Twist". This is a free event and is open to the entire community. Reservations are requested. For more information, call Beth El The Beaches Synagogue at (904) 273-9100. Beth El is located at 288 N. Roscoe Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Catty Shack Haunted Forest

Enjoy all the big cats and other animals from 1 to 5 p.m., Oct. 20, as guests stroll through the sanctuary on the way to the Trail of Fears. There will be crafts and games for kids to enjoy and candy for all ages. For tickets or more information, visit www.cattyshack.org. The Catty Shack Ranch is located at 1860 Starratt Rd. in Jacksonville.

Sundays at Surfer the Bar

Join Big Fish Power Yoga on Sundays for a free "music & flow" class at Surfer the Bar. The class is held upstairs and runs from 10 to 11 a.m. Bring friends and family and enjoy brunch and mimosas after class. Register under classes at www.bigfishpoweryoga.com. Surfer the Bar is located at 200 First St. in Jacksonville Beach.

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Monday, Oct. 21

Beaches Business Association lunch and networking meeting

The Beaches Business Association is a group of business owners and professionals who work together to support the beaches communities and raise funds for high school graduating seniors. The group meets Mondays at the Moose Lodge in Jacksonville Beach for networking and lunch. Karen Nutter, of "The Writing on the Wall" will be the guest speaker for the Oct. 21 lunch. Networking begins at 11:30 a.m., with the meeting following from noon - 1 p.m. For questions or more information, visit www.jaxbba.org The Moose Lodge is located at 805 First Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach.

Southern Tea: Sip, shop & support

Join Skinny JAX at its Southern Tea event at 4:30 p.m., Oct. 21, and shop, sip and support women-owned businesses. This month's vendors include LulaMae, Couture Gems, Savour Sensations, Colorscience and Jan Marini products, Ortho Molecular vitamins and various Venus & Hydrafacial demonstrations. Giveaways (limited supply), discounts and prize drawings will take place in the final hour of the event To qualify for the large ticket items, like Skinny JAX's Facebook page and click "Attending" to the Southern Tea event. Skinny JAX is located at 1492 Third St. S. in Jackosnville Beach.

Run Club at Southern Swells

Join Jax Beach Runners Monday nights at Southern Swells Brewing Co. for an evening run starting at 7 p.m. It is a 4.2-mile route, but runners can run as much or as little as they'd like. After the run, hang out and enjoy \$1 Southern Swells beers. For more information about Jax Beach Runners and their events, visit their page at www.meetup.com/Jax-Beach-Runners. Southern Swells Brewing Co. is located at 1312 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach.

20th Annual Great Pumpkin Patch

Lord of Life Lutheran Church will host its 20th annual patch from 2 to 6 p.m., now until Halloween, with pumpkins for anyone's picking. There will also be "fresh from the patch" pumpkin pies and other goods for sale. Lord of Life Lutheran Church is located at 276 Roscoe Blvd. N in Ponte Vedra Beach

Tuesday, Oct. 22

Florida Blue free Tuesday at the Cummer

On Tuesday evenings from 4 to 9 p.m., enjoy free admission to the Cummer Museum and its historic gardens, thanks to the generous support of Florida Blue. Guests can enjoy free admission to the galleries and the Cummer Café, which is also open for Tapas Tuesday. This event is sponsored by VyStar Credit Union. The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens is located at 829 Riverside Ave. in Jacksonville.

Jacksonville University Singers concert

The 26 members of the Jacksonville University Singers will begin its 2019-2020 season and perform an eclectic repertoire of folk songs, music theatre, opera, Renaissance polyphony, Baroque and Classical masterworks and more. Doors open at 6 p.m., Oct. 22, at the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library. The concert is free and open to the public. Seating is limited. The Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library is located at 101 Library Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.

\$1 Tuesdays for kids at Trasca & Co.

Take the kids out to eat and save some money on Tuesdays 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. is located at 155 Tourside Drive in Ponte Vedra Beach.

First Coast Newcomers Adult Card Playing Club playing date

The First Coast Newcomers Adult Card Playing Events Club will host its next playing date Oct. 22, at the St. Augustine Golf Clubhouse. Guests are recommended to arrive at 2:15 p.m. The event will commence at 2.30 p.m. RSVP is required. Call the club organizer at (904) 829-0643 for the clubhouse location, to RSVP or for more information.

Bingo Tuesday with Mellow Mushroom

Join Mellow Mushroom, Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., for food, drinks, fun and prizes. Grab some good friends and family and get ready for a groovy time. Stick around after for late-night happy hour specials. Mellow Mushroom is located at 1018-2 Third St. N. in Jacksonville Beach.

Wednesday, Oct. 23

Wednesday Pier Farmers Market

On Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to noon, the Pier Farmers Market at the St. Johns County Pier offers fresh produce, bread and local arts and crafts. ranging from 60 to 80 different vendors. After browsing, visitors can take a stroll along scenic St. Augustine Beach. The market helps the local economy by allowing local merchants to sustain their business and also offer fresh, local foods to the community. For more information, call (904) 315-0952. The St. Johns County Pier Park at the St. Johns County Ocean Pier is located at 350 A1A Beach Blvd. in St. Augustine Beach.

Dinner with an Artist: Barbara Colaciello

Hosted at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach, Barbara Colaciello will be giving a lively talk at October's "Dinner with an Artist" in the "1¢ LIFE" exhibition space at 6 p.m., Oct. 23. Colaciello will talk about her history and career working for Andy Warhol and other important artists of the 1960s in New York City. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased at www.ccpvb.org. For more information, call the Cultural Center at (904) 280-0614 or email dguzzo@ccpvb.org. The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach is located at 50 Executive Way in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Survivor support group

The Women's Center of Jacksonville will host its survivors support group at 6 p.m., Oct. 23, with the session focusing on the importance of social support. Participants must be a Rape Recovery Team client or complete the intake prior to attending. The group is open to mixed-gender adults, 18+, who personally experienced or think they may have experienced rape, incest, child abuse, dating violence or sexual harassment of any kind. For more information, call. (904) 722-3000 . The Women's Center is located at 5644 Colcord Ave. in Jacksonville.

Ponte Vedra Connect: Network over lunch

Network with like-minded professionals from the beaches at Mulligans Pub from noon to 1 p.m., Oct. 23. All industries are welcome and encouraged to invite other professionals who are interested to network in the area. Mulligans Pub is located at 43 PGA Tour Blvd. in Ponte Vedra

The Allman Betts Band at

Ponte Vedra Concert Hall

The Ponte Vedra Concert Hallis will be host to American rock group, The Allman Betts Band, with special guests, Joanne Shaw Taylor and JD SIMO at 7 p.m., Oct. 24. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are on sale and range from \$40 to \$50. The worldwide tour will feature new music, songs from solo projects, classic Allman Brothers and Gregg Allman tunes in honor of the 50th anniversary of The Allman Brothers Band. Call the Concert Hall at (904) 209-0367 for tickets and more information. The Ponte Vedra Concert Hall is located at 1050 A1A N. in Ponte Vedra.

Thursday, Oct. 24

'Stranger Things' trivia

Hoptinger Jax Beach will be hosting a "Stranger Things" trivia night by Trivia Nation. There will be costumes, prizes and bragging rights for the winning team. Come hungry and thirsty to enjoy some snacks and beverages from the Hoptinger staff. This is a 21-and-up event. Call Trivia Nation at (904) 372-7150 or email admin@trivianation. com for any questions or concerns. To reserve a spot, visit www.trivianation.ticketbud.com. Tickets are bought by the team, not by player. For a table for four people, choose quantity "1" to reserve. Hoptinger is located at 333 First St. N. in Jacksonville Beach.

Fun with Macarons

Learn how to make some colorful macarons with JAX Cooking Studio's Pastry Chef, Meg, a from 6:30 to 9 p.m., Oct. 24. Chef Meg will show the class unique ways to make Halloweenthemed macarons and decorations. Just bring a container to take all the freshly-made treats home. Cost to attend is \$60. For questions or more information, call (904) 742-5906 or email info@iaxcookingstudio.com JAX Cooking Studio is located at 14035 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville.

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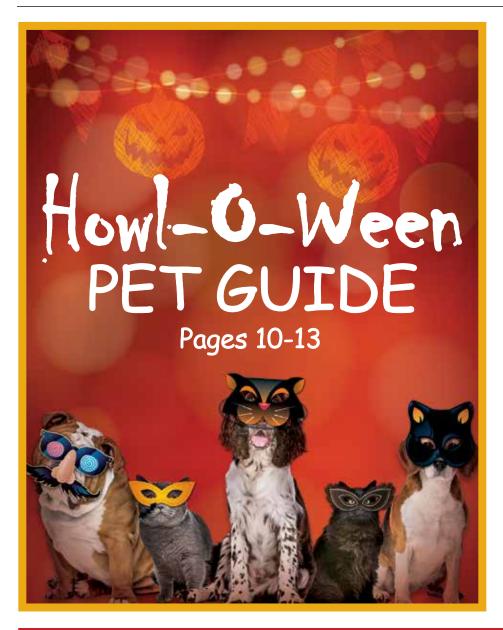


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Tips for dressing your dog for Halloween

By Maggie FitzRoy

Dare you dress your dog for Halloween? Does your dog want to celebrate Halloween?

Well, if you want to give it a try, why

Just be sure to take safety issues into concern, just as you would with a child. Following are tips from the Humane Society of the United States, as listed on petsmart.com:

TIP NO. 1

Your pets should always have identification and registration tags on their collars. This is even more important during Halloween, when opening doors offer more opportunities for escape!

TIP NO. 2

If your dog doesn't want to wear a costume, don't force the issue. Try getting them comfortable with the costume first. Start early and depending on the intricacy of the disguise, start dressing them slowly and in pieces to gauge their



Riley, owned by Ponte Vedra Recorder Editor Maggie FitzRoy, is decked out for Halloween.

A costume should never confine, constrain or aggravate your pet. Anything that makes them uncomfortable can stress them out and make them unhappy.

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Riley first gets her hat on.



Riley then gets her scarf on.



Riley gets her shades on.



Riley shakes her sunglasses off. According to dog experts, not every aspect of a costume will work for your dog, so experiment and keep their safety and comfort in mind.

TIP NO. 4

Once the costume is on and fitted properly, make sure there isn't anything that could be a tripping or burn hazard like a cape or long flowing hair.

TIP NO. 5

Check the costume for little parts within biting or chewing distance. Remember, dogs will chew on anything they find remotely interesting, especially if they are in a nervous state.

TIP NO. 6

Look closely at the eyes, ears, nose, mouth and throat of your dog or cat once they are dressed. Adjust the costume, as needed, including cutting eye and ear holes or removing whole portions of the costume to ensure your pet's ability to see, hear and breathe.

THER COSTUMED CUTIES



Aurora Belle is set to make her deliveries.



Tabatha is ready for a reggae party.



Porthos dresses as Dracula, without the biting.

LOCAL PET STORE HOLDS 'MUTTSTER MASH' OCT. 19

Pet Supermarket at 880 State Road A1A in Ponte Vedra Beach will be hosting a "Muttster Mash" costume contest for pets and kids from 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19. Winners will receive a variety of prizes and candy. For more information, call (904) 280-2072.







'Purrrrfectly' fun facts about black cats

Black cats are symbolic of Halloween. Black cats appear in decorations as well as Halloween folklore. Many cultures harbor superstitions about black cats - feeling they represent either good or bad luck.

Black cats have been connected to witches, with various tales indicating that black cats are witches' familiars. A familiar is an animal-shaped spirit or minor demon believed to be a domestic servant, spy and/or companion to a witch or magician. Familiars also help bewitch enemies or divine information.

Very often black cats unnecessarily have been given a bad reputation. However, black cats are no different from other types of cats, and they can make wonderful family pets.

The Cat Fanciers' Association recognizes 22 different cat breeds that are capable of producing solid black coats. These domestic cats can be mixed or specific breeds. Black is one of the three basic colors of cats that can be called "pure." The other two are red and white. All other colors and patterns of cats are a combination of black, white and red. The Bombay breed of cat was selectively bred to be pure black. Most other black coats occur through random genetics.

Black cats have appeared throughout history. Ancient Egyptians once worshiped black cats, and owning a black cat was thought to bring good luck. Those who live in

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England and Japan also felt black cats were harbingers of good luck. In Japan, some believe that a single woman who owns a black cat has a better chance of attracting suitors.

Due to their high melanin content, a condition called

melanism, black cats commonly have bright, yellow eyes. Because black cats can blend into the shadows easily, sometimes all a person may see are a black cat's glowing eyes.

Black cats once became so highly valued that some people could not afford to have them. That's because fishermen and their wives saw black cats as good luck. Cats were even allowed to ride aboard ships. Not only could they catch errant rodents, but also they may have been charms for safe travels.

Much as human hair color can change as a person ages, so, too can a black cat's fur. Black cats may start to develop gray or white fur as they age, according to the cat information resource Catster. Spending too much time in the sun also may cause the fur to "rust." This means the pigments lighten, leading to the cat's fur developing a rusty, red hue.

The San Francisco SPCA says black cats are usually the last to be adopted. They are half as likely to be adopted as other cats. This may be due to misperceptions and superstitions. What's more, unfortunately, black cats are also the target of malicious behavior around Halloween. Many shelters will not allow adoptions of black cats around Halloween out of fear for the animal's safety. For those who already own a black cat, it's adviseable to keep him or her indoors on or near Halloween.



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- garb 23. Tan purveyor
- 24. Best _____ secret 25. What highway-
- men do 28. Rossini's "La Scala di "
- 30. 1 1/2 calorie
- 35. Copycat 37. Rotterdam or
- Singapore, e.g. 39. Expressing an
- assertion 40. Wine, to Pliny
- 41. Hiker's path 43. Ship to Colchis
- 44. Finish 46. Serengeti ante-
- lope 47. Wyatt Earp action?
- 48. Like Matryoshka inside Matryoshka 50. Bagpiper's tartan
- 52. Hankering
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- 57. *Full of ghosts
- 61. *Fearful reaction 64. Acquiesce
- 65. Metal-bearing
- 67. Observatory observations
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- 70. Epitome of easiness
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- 1. Gayle King's network
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- 4. CNN's Blitzer and Accept guitarist Hoffmann 5. Blunders or bloop-
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- 7. Fly hangout? 8. Ankle support, e.g.
- 9. Horizontal wall beam10. Common hosiery
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KIDS SAY

In this new feature of the Ponte Vedra Recorder, "Kids Say," area children offer their answers for some pressing questions. This week, students at **Ponte Vedra Palm Valley Elementary School** were asked ...

If you could be a teacher for a day, what would you teach?



"I would teach football." **Jeremy**



"Math, times tables and division to help my classmates."

Rafe



"Math, so I can get smarter in math."

Cruse



"A story about a beach!" Ellanee



"Math or take-away!" **Sara**

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ABOVE: Rudy, a K9s For Warriors canine-in-training, is ready for a training session in the facility in Nocatee.

RIGHT: K9s For Warriors trainer April Johnson works with lan, a recently arrived rescue dog.



K9s For Warriors

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ing center are also slated be built there.

Nationally renowned K9s for Warriors is the country's largest provider of service dogs for veterans.

Founded in 2011, the not-for-profit organization is dedicated to providing service canines to veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

Traumatic Brain Injury and/or trauma as a result of military service post 9/11.

The canines, all rescue dogs, are at least a year old. They are also at least 24 inches tall, and weigh at least 50 pounds, enabling them to be able to support a warrior on command.

The Davis Family and The PARC Group donated the original 9 acres in 2014. That campus is located on Camp K9 Road, across from the Palm Valley Golf Course.

The new expansion will be located in western Nocatee, at the intersection of US1 and Nocatee Parkway, near Race-Track Road.

K9s For Warriors has not released a construction timeline yet.

But on a recent Facebook post, the organization shared: "The entire team at K9s For Warriors are so thankful for the impact that this tremendous donation will have on the warriors and rescue dogs we serve."

PLAYERS

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- On-site parking costs vary by day (Tuesday and Wednesday: \$15 per day; Thursday-Sunday: \$40 per day).
- THE PLAYERS will continue to provide fans with a limited number of free parking passes if they carpool with four or more people. These passes must be reserved online and are only available while supplies last.
- THE PLAYERS will again partner with Uber to further enhance the rideshare experience, and more parking info (bikes, golf cart, etc.) can be found at THE PLAYERS "Plan your visit information" page.

Also announced recently, THE PLAYERS' Chip in for Youth ticket program has launched. Through the program, any local youth-related charitable organizations or schools have the opportunity to promote the sale of discounted, \$55 day-specific tickets to THE PLAYERS 2020 (competition round tickets regularly start at \$65). For each ticket sold, \$30 will be donated directly back to the organization. The remaining net proceeds, after fees, will be donated to The First Tee, a nonprofit golf organization focused on teaching life skills through the game of golf.

THE PLAYERS has created a bonus pool for the top-three organizations that sell the most tickets, with a \$10,000 bonus for first place, \$5,000 for second place and, new in 2020, a \$2,500 prize for third place. To participate, youth-related organizations can register at www.chipinforyouth.com. This year's program runs through Feb. 28, 2020.

Cypress Village takes 'Lap Around the Lake' to fight heart disease

Cypress Village residents and associates organized a modified version of the First Coast Heart Walk on the senior living community's campus complete with cheering squad at the halfway point. While associates from Cypress Village participated in the American Heart Association's official heart walk held in downtown Jacksonville, Cypress Village created the "Lap Around the Lake" in order to offer a small-scale

alternative for residents from all levels of care to participate in the cause.

After living in Seoul, South Korea with her military husband, Hodges realized there was a need for adequate healthcare in the region, particularly for people whose heart ailments went beyond the technical skill available locally. By the mid-1990s Hodges had arranged travel to the United States for 3,017 Korean adults and children. She con-

vinced airlines to book seats, local nurses to serve as translators and American surgeons to book operating rooms. Hodges coordinated free or discounted cardiac surgery for more than 2,000 patients in about 20 medical centers throughout the United States. Her efforts are still recognized and honored by those, and the children of those, whose lives were saved by her servitude. Children whose lives she touched agave her the

name, "Halmonie," meaning "grandmother" in Korean, and by American doctors, she was known as the Queen of Hearts.

Cypress Village is a continuing care retirement care community that offers resident services, amenities and multiple levels of care. Located adjacent to the Mayo Clinic, Cypress Village has homes and apartments on a 120-acre campus. For more information, call (904) 223-6100.

OBITUARIES

George Charles Fetherston

George Charles Fetherston died October 8, 2019. He was born on January 15, 1943, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. George was a member of the graduating class of 1965 from Michigan State University.

George had a lifelong career in the hospitality industry management field working for Goldkey Inns in the Detroit, Michigan area, Harepenau Enterprises in the Cincinnati, Ohio area, Interstate Hotels in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania area and also in the state of Florida in Key West and Ponte Vedra Beach at the Marriott Sawgrass Resort and most recently as the General Manager of the Sawgrass Country Club.

George took great pride in his public service. Serving Rotary International for more than 40 years, and a President of the Sawgrass Rotary Club. George served as the Northeast Florida Director of the American Red Cross, Board Member of the Hotel Association, Historic Hotel Association of America, Southern America Inn Keepers along with serving as Chairman of the Vicar's Landing Board of Directors and most proudly as a minority share owner of the Green Bay Packers Football team.

George is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Jackie, sons Robert (Pam), Jon (Gwendolyn) and Matthew (Carla), grandchildren Nicolle, Andrew, Nicholas, Ashleigh.

A Memorial Service was held at 4:00 pm, Friday, October 11, 2019 at Vickers Landing, 1000 Vickers Landing Way,



Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida 32082.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Vickers Landings Members Trust Scholarship Fund. Please visit the online Tribute at www.quinn-shalz.com. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home.



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Robert Byron Fuller

Robert Byron Fuller, USN (Ret), 91, of Jacksonville Beach, died Oct. 4, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Robert "Bob" Goin

Robert "Bob" Goin, 83, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, died Oct. 12, 2019. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com

Kevin M. McCallon

Kevin M. McCallon, 61, of Jackson-

ville Beach, died Oct. 9, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Dr. Henry Randle

Dr. Henry Randle, 75, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, died Oct. 13, 2019. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com

Claire Jean Toner

Claire Jean Toner, 89, died Oct. 10, 2019. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com

Karlene "Kay" V. Vontz

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7th Annual First Coast's Benghazi Memorial

This is your chance to find out what's happening all over the country from some of the most knowledgeable experts in America. For tickets to the event and VIP Reception: Google "We Can Be Heroes in Jacksonville" and follow the link to Eventbrite Discounts for Seniors, Veterans, and First Responders are offered. Seating is limited.

A special feature of the event is an opportunity for you to honor your hero. The name of your Hero, Military Members, Veteran, First Responder or Loved One can be honored or memorialized in the event program and social media circulars. Info at the Events link at www.WeCanBeHeroesFoundation.org or 904 373-8817.

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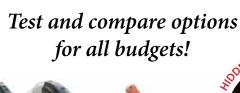
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Local church sings 'community' music

Choir director for Our Lady Star of the Sea focuses the stage light on the pews

By Amber Lake

Usually, when people walk into a church, they notice the vaulted ceilings, candlelit alter and the colored lights filtering through ornately stained windows. Visually, churches are soft and warm. Audibly, they echo with hushed conversations and creaking floorboards.

The first thing most people feel, however, is the music. Our Lady Star of the Sea's choir director, Jim Goodell, said the "feeling" part means he is doing his job right.

"When you start getting drowned out by the congregation, we are just starting to do our job," Goodell said. "The most magical times I've had as a liturgical musician is when I get drowned out and now my role has changed from a leader to just one of the folks in the pews."

Goodell currently co-directs with his wife, Chris, four different choir ensembles as well as a chancel. He starts with a 5:30 p.m. mass on Saturdays doing adult contemporary music, then, a 7:30 a.m. Sun Risers group, a 9 a.m. youth ensemble, the 11 a.m. traditional chancel choir and, finally, a 5:30 p.m. young adult contemporary band named Grace. Currently, this is his regular schedule following a career as the CEO of Goodell Group, a professional development organization, and running the Bella Voce Cabaret entertainment company. Chris Goodell is also a fulltime professor of business at Florida State College of Jacksonville. This "27/7 type of life" that Goodell has cre-



ated is actually his dream job. One he left being the vice president of Merrill Lynch to pursue.

"Once we started cutting the cord from mother Merrill, we went into this adventure of creating our own businesses," Goodell said.

The common thread running between all of Goodell's enterprises has been a strong sense of building community through music. When he isn't at Our Lady Star of the Sea, he is using music as a team building exercise at local companies. As someone classically trained to sing opera, Goodell has taught himself the secret of utilizing music to strengthen interpersonal connections rather than taking center stage. As a musician, this is not something

that comes easily. As a church choir musician, however, this is something he takes very seriously.

"It's about delivering it with humility and giving your best," Goodell said. "It's a challenge sometimes for professional musicians that serve at church because when you're a professional musician, it's about you. That's why you get paid. But when you serve a church, it's not about you. It's about getting out of the way of it and letting the music enhance what's going on at the altar."

Community is what runs through the heart of every church. Goodell directs the choir with this in mind. When he is approached by residents wanting to participate in the choir, he stays true to this mindset.



Photos provided by Jim Goodell

Jim Goodell's 9 a.m. youth ensemble, 'Joy,' teaches children the joy of singing in choir.



Dr. Jeffrey D. Weenick, with his family, is the interim pastor of Palms Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville Beach.

Palms Presbyterian Church at The Beaches names interim pastor

Dr. Jeffrey Weenink to relocate from New York beginning Nov. 1

The Session of Palms Presbyterian Church and the St. Augustine Presbytery has approved the Rev. Dr. Jeffrey D. Weenink as interim pastor of Palms. Weenink and his wife Jeanne will relocate from Pittsford, New York beginning Nov. 1.

Before serving as interim for the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford, Weenink was pastor, head of staff at the First Presbyterian Church of Bay City, Michigan for 20 years. In addition to other training and education, Weenink is certified as an interim pastor. Palms Presbyterian Church said in a news release that it is delighted and extremely blessed to welcome Pastor Weenink and his family to the Beaches community, and the Palms community of faith.

"My heart is filled with delight, elation, gratitude and

some healthy trepidation in looking forward to serving alongside you in this time of transition at Palms. Walking with God is a magnificent adventure, one which is full of serendipities, surprises and good gifts. I am looking forward to all of those things in covenant with you as your Interim Pastor. That means our time together will be limited to this time of transition. During that time, we will be busy with all aspects of our Lord's work, witness, mission and ministry. In addition, we will be intentionally looking into our heritage, our current context, ways we do ministry, our connections to the larger church, imagining the future and committing to new directions in ministry. I look forward to living the adventure together in dedicated effort, playful times, prayerful moments punctuated by healthy doses of good humor. Let's have fun doing this beginning Nov. 1," Weenink said.

For more information, call (904) 246-6427 or visit www.palmschurch.org.

DONNA Puck & Stick Stair Challenge powered by Jacksonville Icemen to be held Nov. 16

The second annual DONNA Puck & Stick Stair Challenge on Nov. 16 powered by Jacksonville Icemen features a multitiered endurance event, survivorship celebration and a Jacksonville Icemen Hockey game later that evening. There are four options to choose from - Team Puck, Team Stick Goalie and the Hat Trick Challenge.

The Goalie is ideal for younger enthusiasts and families. The Goalie lap is a short, flat concourse lap. Goalie entry fee is \$20.

The Pucks, more than a Goalie, not quite a Stick. This entry-level stair challenge

includes several flights of stairs and the concourse level of Veterans Memorial Arena, twice, before passing through the arena bowl and exiting the building to the finish line. Puck entry fee is \$45.

The Sticks, run a similar course, however, this group kicks it up a notch by including a five-level "turning" staircase. The Sticks adventure also includes a pathway of narrow stairways before passing through the arena bowl and building exit to the finish line. Stick entry fee is \$45.

The Hat Trick Challenge is for those select few strong enough to complete all three events and who enjoy a "challenge race." And yes, there is an extra medal. Hat Trick entry fee is \$65.

Registration Includes a gender-fitted, long-sleeved performance race shirt; preand post-race party with music, food and beverage; Heroes Hospitality to celebrate survivors and top fundraisers; chip-timed race with awards presented to the top finishers; commemorative medal for all finishers: and a ticket to the Nov. 16 Icemen hockey game against the Orlando Solar Bears.

Awards are given to the top overall

breast cancer survivor and top overall male and female finishers for each division.

Online race registration will remain open through Saturday morning. Register online prior to arriving. Packet Pickup is available 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at DONNA Headquarters, 11762 Marco Beach Drive, Suite 6. For information, call (904) 355-PINK (7465).

Race day packet pickup will be held after the race in the registration area because who wants to figure out what to do with that fabulous goodie bag and finisher's shirt BEFORE the race?



Laura Nicoles (left) greets guests and Nancy Jantz volunteers her calligraphy skills at the Oct. 2 kickoff party at Pusser's Grill. The flags honor those affected by breast cancer and will fly on the grounds at the tennis tournament

SenioRITAs at Sawgrass tournament kicks off Oct. 18

Tennis tournament benefits breast cancer research

It's an exciting time for the SenioRITAs at Sawgrass. This year marks the 20th anniversary of their efforts to provide funding for research, education, equipment and patient care programs through the SenioRITAs at Sawgrass Women's Tennis Tournament.

The three-day tennis tournament Oct. 18 to 20 at the Sawgrass Tennis Center features nearly 300 women. The net proceeds of the 2018 event were \$205,225 — a new record and testimony to the

commitment and efforts of supporters, contributors, participants, and volunteers.

Because the group is an all-volunteer organization, 100% of the proceeds go to Mayo Clinic and Baptist Medical Center Beaches. The tournament is open to the public.

For more information, visit www.the-rita-foundation.org/senioritas or email Chuck Jantz at chuckjantz@gmail.com.

Hooray for old Hollywood

Fantasy Farms to host themed fundraiser

For a chance to channel that inner movie star and support Fantasy Farms, attend the Hooray for old Hollywood fundraiser from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26. Prizes will be awarded to the three best movie star or movie character costumes.

Support Fantasy Farms animal preserve at a fun-filled evening in a bucolic setting in Ponte Vedra Beach. Stroll among classic cars and view domestic and exotic animals on the Fantasy Farms grounds. There will be food, entertainment and a few surprises. A cash bar will be available.

The silent auction includes a 2018 Ryder Cup golf bag autographed by Captains Jim Furyk and Thomas Bjorn, an experience riding with the Turtle Patrol, an Italian cooking class, a Larry Bird signed basketball, original paintings, a vodka tasting and more. There will also be a 50/50 cash raffle.

To purchase tickets, visit www.fantasyfarms.org. Ticket prices: Friends of the Farms member, \$65; nonmember, \$85; reserved table of four, \$300; reserved table of six, \$450. Make check payable to Fantasy Farms and mail to Gayle Banks, 191 Governors Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082.



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This friendly llama will greet guests at the Fantasy Farms fundraiser Oct. 26.



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What's in fashion this season?

Catch these tips from A'propos Boutique in Sawgrass Village

By Maggie FitzRoy

This year, animal prints are in for women, including python prints. So is camo--and also bright colors, "Which is great for the Florida climate,"

said Cathy Maddux, owner of A'propos Boutique in Sawgrass Village. "Generally, fall is brown, black and gray. But this year it's vivid colors, like fuchsia, royal blue and coral."

All the latest styles and trends are on

display at A'propos, which Ponte Vedra Beach resident Maddux has owned for 10 years. "We have everything from denim to cocktail, day to night, for any occasion,"

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ABOVE: Cathy Maddux, owner of A'propos Boutique in Sawgrass Village, stands in front of some of her latest fall fashions.

> **LEFT: Fall** fashion trends are on display at A-propos Boutique.

Photos by Maggie FitzRoy Stylish jeans are fall fashion staple

Denim jeans are an important fashion staple. Jeans can work as casual wear but also work when paired with a blazer or button-down shirt.

While denim will always be a part of many people's wardrobes, the styles of jeans come and go. Certain cuts and colors will always be popular. But by scouring the runways and keeping their eyes peeled on designers' latests offerings, budding fashionistas may find they can have a lot of fun with denim.

CROPPED

Cropped jeans, which end at or about the ankle, have been a fan favorite for awhile. Cropped styles are available from designers, but DIYers can create this look themselves with a sharp pair of scissors. Showing some ankle is chic, and these jeans pair well with just about any shoe, whether it's a ballet flat, sandal, stiletto, or sneaker.

MOM JEANS

The mom jean trend is going strong. Mom jeans are midwash, non-stretch, straight-leg jeans that tend to have high waists. And because they're timeless,

investing in a pair means being able to pull them out every couple of years and being right on trend.

FULL-LENGTH FLAIRS

Remember the boot-cut jeans of the 1990s? To-day's incarnations are a little more flared and boast a groovy appeal, borrowing a little from the flower power styles of decades ago. These full-length favorites can work well with a little heel. And when done in a dark wash, they easily can be dressed up for a night out. Many straight-leg and flared varieties are now being embellished with high-rise waists and button flies for even more styling power.

SKINNY JEANS

The popularity of skinny jeans shows little signs of slowing down. A comfortable blend of denim and stretch, these jeans hug curves and taper at the ankle. Ideal for fall, they easily tuck into tall boots or can be cuffed and worn with shorter booties or ballet flats. Less rigid than mom jeans, they're cozy enough to feel like yoga pants, but look more tailored when stepping out.



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Maddux said. "We specialize as a boutique with one-on-one customer service."

Personal stylist Dany Atkinson is an expert on what's hip for fall. "The cut-out sleeve is in right now," she said. The cut out, "cold shoulder" was in last year, but now it's the entire sleeve. For jewelry, it's feather earrings, which go along with the

animal motif, and cuff bracelets.

For women with international travel in their future, A'propos Boutique will feature stylish, versatile and wrinkle-free fashions at The Florida Travel Expo Nov. Sunday, Nov. 3 at World Golf Village.

Italy, Paris, Ponte Vedra Beach: "You don't have to go to Town Center in Jacksonville" for fall fashion, Maddux said.

A'propos is versatile, Atkinson said. "We can take you from pajamas to evening wear."



ABOVE: A'propos personal stylist Dany Atkinson is wearing the now very-muchin-style cut-out sleeve.

RIGHT: Feather earrings are in vogue for fall, on display at A'propos Boutique.

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A small group learns about "aquaponics" at the season's first Gyo Greens farm tour Saturday. Two more fall tours are scheduled at the local sustainable farm Nov. 9 and Dec. 7.

Symbiosis in Ponte Vedra Beach

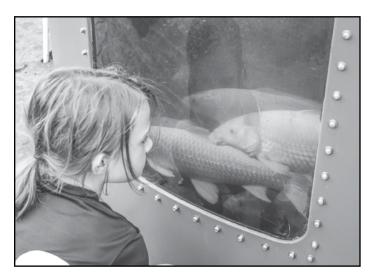
Gyo Greens employs aquaponics to cultivate sustainable microgreens for local chefs

By Christine Rodenbaugh

What started as Helga Tan Fellows' crazy idea has bloomed into a welcome addition to the community. Gyo Greens is an aquaponics farm nestled amongst single family homes along Canal Boulevard that provides sustainably produced lettuces and microgreens to the area's premier kitchens. Local chefs pledged to support the farm at its inception because Fellows was willing to grow the items needed to satisfy demands of Ponte Vedra and Palm Valley foodies.

Aquaponics combines aquaculture, raising aquatic animals, with hydroponics, which is cultivating plants in water. Gyo Greens farm raises koi fish in tanks and uses the nutrient-rich waste to grow plants in the recirculating water. It's a symbiotic relationship that is sustainable, pesticide free and organic. The live plants are delivered weekly to restaurant kitchens in custombuilt racks. The living plants provide fresh greens for garnishing and plating. At the end of the week, the Gyo Greens driver picks up the racks and returns them to the farm to be sanitized and used again. It's part of the farm's commitment to reducing waste.

From the outset, Fellows intended to focus on community education. The farm is only open to the public through scheduled tours in the fall and spring. Fellows is especially happy when



Lily Samples, 7, watches koi swim against the current in a tank at Gyo Greens farm. She toured the farm and tasted a variety of microgreens with her twin sister Anabelle, 2-year-old sister, Juliet and her mother, Rachel.

school groups tour the farm.

"If I build a farm here, there are seven schools around," Fellows said, hoping to attract students for educational field trips. "I was proven right. The kids come here."

work longer or take more risks? President Franklin Roosage welt area said.



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Franklin Roosevelt once said,
"There is no tragedy in growing old, but there is tragedy in growing old without means of support." How would you answer the

following question; why do you invest your money? If you are like most folks, you would respond with something like, so it will increase in value. I would argue that what we are really investing for is "income." In other words, I suggest that most investors focus too much on the growth of their assets instead of what the income would be from their nest egg. I encourage you to remember that income is the outcome! If you agree with the humble author, then we must ask ourselves two critically important questions:

- 1. Where will our retirement income come from?
- 2. How long will it last?

Back in the day, when an a large amount of companies offered a defined benefit plan (DB) the answer was straightforward and simple for most peeps, company pension and social security checks. If one were fortunate enough to have saved money during their working years, the additional savings would be a bonus. Regrettably, as of 2017, only 16 percent of Fortune 500 companies offered a defined benefit pension plan to its new hires, according to a Willis Towers Watson report. That fact is a dramatic drop from the 59 percent of companies offered pensions in 1998. Did you know there are now only 14 Fortune 500 companies that offers a pension plan?

Instead of having a traditional pension plans, most companies incorporate the familiar 401k plan, which I have argued for years that

ABOVE: Cathy Thomasson (from left), Jodi **Burns and Cara English** pose in front of the photo of Sidney Cardel, Thomasson's mother and inspiration behind the Sidney Cardel's boutique.

RIGHT: The Jacksonville Beach shops of 4th and **5th Street South united** Oct. 12, to host the first Coastal Collective Market, featuring store specials and the celebration of Sidney Cardel's eight-vear anniversary.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Lindsey Amerault, cofounder of The Admiral's Daughters, used to work at Sidney Cardel's and was featured pop-up vendor for the Coastal Collective Market.

Photos by Daniela Toporek





Coastal Collective Market celebrates Sidney Cardel's 8-year anniversary

By Daniela Toporek

The Jacksonville Beach shops of Fourth and Fifth Avenue South united Saturday, Oct. 12, to host the first Coastal Collective Market, featuring store specials and the celebration of Sidney Cardel's eight-year anniversary.

Shop entrances were decorated with balloons as guests wandered through each store. One of them, Sailors Siren, hosted local vendor pop-ups such as The Glided Shell, Case + Drift, Yours Truly Jewelry and more, along with a "bubbly bar" for thirsty guests.

Meanwhile, Ashes Tea Room served tea and appetizers and the Seaside Shoppes, Cottage by the Sea and Gregory Paul, hosted even more local makers and

Taylor Tacos Food Truck parked outside Sidney Cardell's storefront, while anniversary cake and margaritas were found

"It's been wonderful," Sidney Cardel storeowner, Cathy Thomasson, said regarding the market launch and anniversary celebration of the shop that features home décor, interior design and jewelry. "We've had a lot of customers, regulars and newcomers, so it's been really good."

The Admiral's Daughters were the featured pop-up shop of the market and set up business right in front of Sidney Cardel's door. Cofounded and designed by Lindsey Amerault, The Admiral's Daugh-



Margaritas and anniversary cake were found inside the Sidney Cardel boutique in celebration of its eighth anniversary.

ters sells local fashion while benefitting ocean conservation and military nonprof-

"I've known Cathy for about four years now and actually worked at Sidney Cardel's on and off to give them some extra hands," Amerault said. "I'm very close to them and their cause."

Amerault is so close to them that she was filled in on the business's next venture, which is actually to close up shop. Thomasson plans to close Sidney Cardel's by the end of the month. Although Thomasson is emotional about ending her current business, which has been very successful, she's also ready for the next chapter in her life. Thomasson was introduced to a health and wellness company that sells "life-changing products" about a year

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Chamber Before Hours hosted at local law firm

The SJC Ponte Vedra Beach Division Chamber Before Hours was hosted at 9 a.m., October 2, at Lippes Matthias Wexler Friedman LLP., where Chamber members and guests united to network and learn from one another's businesses.

The law firm's Partner-In-Charge, Christopher Walker, and other attorneys started the day informing guests about the firm, connecting with Chamber members and the public while preparing for the day up over coffee.

"The event was mix and mingle as much as possible for the early morning," joked Shannon M. Peabody, director of marketing for the firm. "Everyone enjoyed themselves."

For more information on Chamber events, visit www.sjcchamber.com.

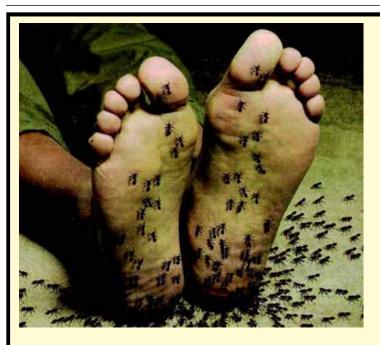


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Chamber before Hours LMWF.jpg (Left to Right) Karen Bourque Everett, Erika Hamer, Christopher Walker, Alessandro Apolito, Shannon M. Peabody and Bethany Reichard pose for a photo at the Chamber Before Hours event at Lippes Matthias Wexler Friedman LLP



Claire Berry of Berry & Co. Real Estate (left) and Jennifer O'Neal of MosquitoNix Jacksonville network at Chamber Before Hours



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Andrea Acosta tends to pea shoots at Gyo Greens farm. She began as an intern in high school and now works part time while attending college.

Microgreens

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In addition to finding Gyo Farms greens at restaurants, look for seasonal offerings at the Palm Valley Farmers Market on Tuesday afternoons and selected Saturday mornings at the Palm Valley Community Center, 148 Canal Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Farm tours are scheduled for Nov. 9 and Dec. 7. For more information, visit gyogreens.com, email info@gyogreens.com or call (904) 334-1181.



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Thomasson plans to close Sidney Cardel by the end of October to pursue new passions in life. Sidney Cardel is located at 237 5th Ave. South in Jacksonville Beach.

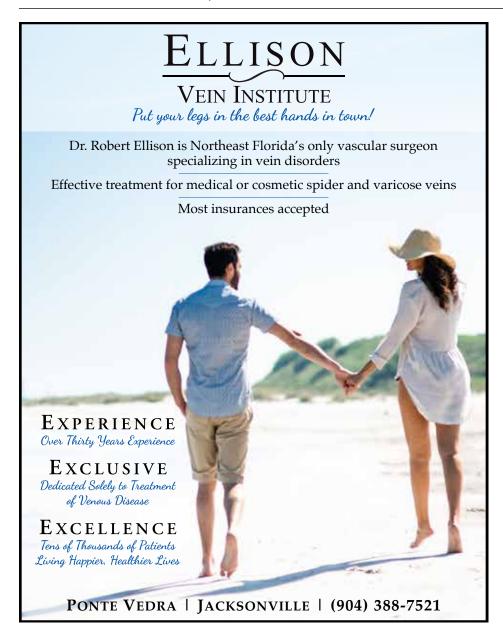
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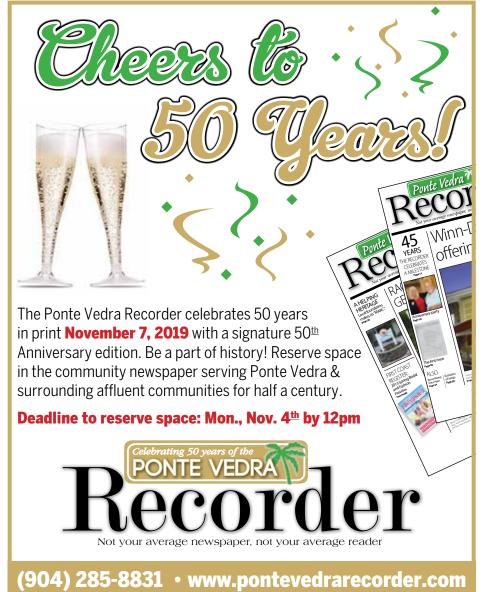
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ago. She said if she had known about the products when her mother, Sidney--who the store was named after--was alive, she would possibly still be alive today.

Thomasson opened Sidney Cardel in honor of her mom and by the end of October, she will close the store for the very same reason.

"It's a bittersweet anniversary," Thomasson said. "But I'm really, truly excited about new things to come."





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Mydry owners Brian and Heather Bush (left), pose with Kristin Risser and husband and Mydry co-owner, Mark Risser.



Mydry Blowout Bar hosted the grand opening of its second store location Oct. 5, located off **Gate Parkway and Deerwood Park Avenue.**



Mydry guests, Cici Anderson and Carrie Davis, pose behind the Mydry art decor along

Mydry Blowout Bar opens 2nd location by St. Johns Town Center

By Daniela Toporek

Jacksonville Beach's Mydry Blowout Bar hosted the grand opening of its second location, Mydry Gate Parkway, Saturday, Oct. 5, at Gateway Village at Town Center, located off Gate Parkway and Deerwood Park Drive.

Guests were treated with a variety of hors d'oeuvres, desserts, drinks and other goodies to take home. The evening also featured raffles for free blowouts and outfits from Mydry's boutique, including a chance to win free outfits for a year.

"What shocks people the most is that we also have a fantastic boutique," said Mydry co-owner, Heather Bush, who opened the blow dry bar alongside her husband, Brian Bush, while he deployed with the U.S. Navy, and business partner, Mark Risser.

While some guests lingered through the

boutique, others posed for a photoshoot from Pompy's Portraits, snacked on treats and poured some drinks.

Invited fashion bloggers and other media received the red-carpet treatment and sampled some of Mydry's beauty services like their blowouts and other hair styling.

The Mydry staff had a blast, themselves, as they were finally able to enjoy the second location after all their work setting it up.

"The opportunity to get the staff, owners, guests and everyone together to celebrate the success of a second location is probably my favorite part," said Mydry Manager, Jennifer Campbell, about the grand opening.

Even though the original Mydry Blowout Bar opened in 2016, locals and visitors alike are just finding out about the beauty and fashion concept.

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ABOVE: Sweet and savory treats were served to guests at the grand opening.

LEFT: A guest gets her hair done at the grand opening of Mydry's second location.

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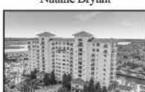
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The Weinberg family dropped by the open house for some feast and entertainment at Woody's Bar-B-Q of Ponte Vedra on Oct. 12. Woody's Bar-B-Q of Ponte Vedra hosted an Open House Beach Bash to celebrate the renovation of the restaurant and support the local nonprofit, K9s for Warriors.

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Woody's Bar-B-Q of Ponte Vedra hosts Open House Beach Bash

By Daniela Toporek

Dogs, beach and barbecue were the themes of Woody's Bar-B-Q Ponte Vedra's Open House Beach Bash, Oct. 12, celebrating the newly remodeled restaurant and the local nonprofit, K9s for

"Corporate HQ once owned the Ponte Vedra location, but sold it to a prospective franchisee in the early 2000s," said Woody Mills, CEO, co-founder and namesake for Woody's Bar-B-Q. "I'm excited to say that Woody is back to the good people of Ponte Vedra Beach."

Most of the renovation aimed to reflect the new Woody's Bar-B-Q brand, and to keep a little originality--the beach scene mural that regular patrons see every visit remains unchanged.

The open house featured dish and drink samples, as well as raffle prizes, give-aways, magic and balloon art for guests.

Proceeds from the event went to K9s for Warriors, who help provide service dogs to military veterans. The nonprofit brought along pups "in training," to the event, so Woody's guests could meet and greet the furry cadets before they were sent to their new homes.

Woody's Bar-B-Q of Ponte Vedra is open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Visit www.woodys.com/locations/ponte-vedra for more information.



Woody's Bar-B-Q's open house featured special guest, Bill Stump and his K9s for Warriors pup, Woody, who was originally adopted by Woody's Bar-B-Q.



Woody's Bar-B-Q cofounder, Yolanda Mills-Mawman, poses at the open house alongside her husband. Graham Mawman.

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ABOVE: Chef Jody Petronella (from left) poses with Coastal Wine Market owners, Steve and Shaun Lourie, and guests, Shirley and Dennis Mahoney.

P hoto by Susan Griffin

LEFT: Coastal Wine Market's lunch menu includes a chicken salad sandwich that comes on a house-baked croissant, topped with pear and fig jam and gouda cheese.

Photo by Jody Petronella





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Coastal Wine Market's lobster roll is available year-round.

Coastal Wine Market opens for lunch

By Daniela Toporek

While Nocatee residents prepared for the potential wrath of Hurricane Dorian early September, Coastal Wine Market quietly launched its new lunch to those braving the storm.

"We've been quietly running lunch since, but our full new menu drops the week of October 21," said Coastal Chef, Jody Petronella, who credited Coastal guests for sparking the lunch idea. "They've been asking for a lunch option for a while."

After careful planning by owners Steve and Shaun Lourie, Petronella said it was "the right time" to launch.

The timing was so perfect for longtime friend and former associate, Allen Horne, that he made a visit to the Market after the quiet lunch drop and indulged in its \$2 Taco Tuesday special.

Before the lunch launch, "He wouldn't have been able to prior to 4 p.m.," Petronella said.

When asked about his favorite lunch dish, the Chef opted for the Chicken Salad Croissant Sandwich. "You can't go wrong with a simple, well done chicken salad and a house-baked croissant," he said. "Topped with a pear and fig jam and a bit of gouda."

Coastal Wine Market opens from noon to 9 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, and 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday. For more information, call Coastal Wine Market at (904) 395-3520.

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putting relatively complex investment decisions in the hands of individuals with little or no financial expertise is incredibly problematic. Nevertheless, it is what it is, and it does not appear that we are ever going back to the days of company pensions. Therefore, it is essentially up to us to figure out the retirement income maze. In the end, there are only three things that we can do to potentially achieve our retirement income goal; save more, work longer, or take more risk. As you might expect, distributing assets in a way that ensures that we get the most out of your retirement without running out of money is a difficult balancing act. I believe that far too many retirees are taking too much risk because they are focusing on growth and not income. Sadly, far too many investors do not even know they are taking the unnecessary risk. Moreover, I find that most people fail to realize the impact of taxes on their retirement income. For example, if we have a 401k worth \$1 million we really only have about \$700,000 or so because Uncle Sam is going to take his share when money comes out of our IRA or 401k!

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Dieticians of Palm Valley co-owner Sammy Previte presents a check to Genna Lancaster, program director for the Tesori Family Foundation.







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Dieticians open shop in Ponte Vedra

The Dieticians of Palm Valley hosted a grand opening party to celebrate its new storefront at 230 Canal Blvd, Suite 2 in Ponte Vedra Beach.

"We've been in business for 13 years," co-owner Sammy Previte said. "But this is the grand opening for our new space in Ponte Vedra.'

Spavia and other local businesses supported the event that benefitted the Tesori Family Foundation. Raffle ticket and silent auction item sales raised \$900 for the nonprofit. There was a yoga session at 10 a.m. followed by a health expo, snacks, drinks and several vendor booths.



Nicole Davis purchases a "Lettuce turnip the beet" tee at the Dieticians of Palm Valley grand opening Saturday.



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Jacksonville Beach resident reunites with famous friend

By Maggie FitzRoy

In 1985, Curtis Allen produced up-and-coming country music star Marty Stuart's first top-ten single, "Arlene." On Oct. 10, Allen, now a Jacksonville Beach resident, reunited with Stuart backstage after his sold-out performance at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall. Stuart is featured prominently in Ken Burns' epic documentary Country Music, currently streaming on PBS Television. And he and Curtis have remained friends through the years.

The last time the two saw each other

was ten years ago, when they had lunch in Nashville. Allen said when he reunited with Stuart backstage, "I just had a feeling of intense brotherly love." When Allen was Sturt's record producer, "He was transitioning from being Johnny Cash's guitar player to being a solo artist," Allen said.

Shortly after that Allen changed careers and went into advertising. But he and Stuart kept in touch, and Stuart's performance was just what Allen expected. "It included famous songs and some you'd never heard before," he said. "The crowd was uproariously loud and enthusiastic."



Photo provided by Curtis Allen

Jacksonville Beach resident Curtis Allen, left, and country music star Marty Stuart reunite backstage Oct. 10 at the Ponte Vedra Music Hall.



Art lovers attend the Simon Bull exhibition Oct. 11 at Cutter & Cutter Fine Art in Ponte Vedra Beach.



Cutter & Cutter family members pose with artist Simon Bull and his wife, Joanna. From left: Len Cutter, Sonya Cutter, Simon Bull and his wife, Joanna, Mark Cutter and Matthew Cutter.



Photos by Maggie FitzRoy

People attend the Simon Bull exhibition Oct. 11 at Cutter & Cutter Fine Art in Ponte Vedra Beach.

World famous artist comes to Ponte Vedra

By Maggie FitzRoy

California-based artist Simon Bull's work is collected by royalty, heads of state, museums and private collectors. Some of those collectors, along with art lovers from around the First Coast, came to meet Bull and admire an exhibition of his paintings Friday, Oct. 11 at Cutter & Cutter Fine Art in Sawgrass Village in Ponte Vedra Beach.

"We have close to one hundred pieces here," said Mark Cutter, one of the owners of the family-run business that also has a gallery in St. Augustine. "He is a prolific painter."

Bull was the official artist for the 2019 National Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington D.C, and some of his colorful pieces from that event are featured at Cutter & Cutter. So is a series of "plein aire," or painted onsite, images of Yosemite National Park, which are being exhibited for the first time anywhere.

"When I'm out in the countryside, I go out and paint," said Bull, whose wife, Joanna, also attended the exhibition of his work. He said growing up in Hong Kong, he was "very much influenced by Asian art." For his cherry blossom paintings, he said he loves "the story telling aspect of cherry blossoms as a spiritual renewal." Pointing to one of his largest cherry blossom paintings, he described the symbolism of the branches and flowers as: "Life is a journey and to get to your destination life takes many twists and turns. Branches come down from above. Wisdom comes down from above. The branches break into flowers, full of life."

"Bull is especially popular and well known in California and Europe," said Cutter & Cutter Marketing Director Scott Dingfelder. "For all his accolades and his popularity, he cannot keep his gallery filled."

The exhibition in Ponte Vedra Beach gives North Florida residents a chance to view and purchase numerous examples of the artist's works and will be on exhibit through October.

Trio of local authors debut children's books

3 different positive messages offer something for everyone

By Amber Lake

"THERE'S A DAY OUT THERE"

Beautifully illustrated, "There's a Day Out There," by Sharon Goldman aims at taking children's attention away from television, iPads and video games and toward exploring the outside. Goldman, a professional artist who also teaches private art classes for children, said she wrote the book to help encourage nature and outdoor discovery in a world that is leaning toward personal disengagement and technology overreliance.

"There has been a lot of parents tell me their kids are saying, 'Let's go back outside!' Goldman said. "This is a great way for them to connect with their parents and friends rather than electronic devices."

Along with encouraging going outside, the book also helps children and adults interact with each other. The book's callout writing engages children to actively participate with the story. In addition, the soft cover features an activity workbook for children wanting to color the pages or learn more facts about the great outdoors.

More than anything, however, the book's lush and colorful illustrations bring the outside in. Wet birds shaking off droplets of dew and dandelions losing wispy seed pods in the breeze make the world as beautiful as it is inviting. Page by page, "There's a Day Out There" captures nature as seen through a child's eyes exploring it for the first time.

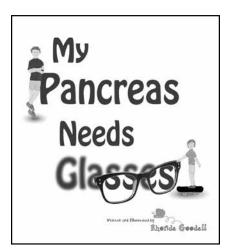


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"My Pancreas Needs Glasses" by Rhonda Goodall

"MY PANCREAS NEEDS GLASSES"

Challenging readers to uncover the meaning behind the curious title, "My Pancreas Needs Glasses," this book also teaches children how to ask questions and open dialogue with people who have disabilities. Author and illustrator, Rhonda Goodall was inspired to write the book from her own experience raising her son, Julian, who is diabetic.

"When the kids were very young, they were always so curious about why Julian had to have shots every day," Goodall said. "Although we talked to them at the beginning of the school year, (Julian and I both), they didn't completely understand. I really started realizing how important it is that kids know that they're going to meet many people throughout their lives that will be a little different from them--whether it's Diabetes or a food allergy."

The book takes the reader through a day with Julian and his brother, Zach. Over the course of the day the brothers walk around the neighborhood meeting and interacting with all kinds of people with a range of different disabilities. Heart conditions. thyroid issues and even people with missing limbs are encountered. Together they learn that Julian isn't really that different, saying that just as someone might need glasses for their eyes, Julian's pancreas needed insulin to work. "Everyone has a story," Zach tells his parents.

Goodell said, "The book teaches a child not facing the condition themselves stop to think about being sensitive and kind to others that are, that may feel singled out because they're feeling different. It also helps the child dealing with the medical issue gain some self-confidence because as they go through the book, they realize that everybody's got something to deal

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Sharon Goldman holds a copy of her children's book "There's a Day Out There."



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"Wake Up Ponte Vedra" by Brian Small

Author Brian Small said he was inspired to write the book after going to the library with his young daughter and not finding any books about the area. He

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American rock group The Allman Betts Band to perform Oct. 24

The American rock group The Allman Betts Band will perform at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall with special guests Joanne Shaw Taylor and JD Simo on Thursday, Oct. 24. Joanne Shaw Taylor and JD Simo last performed at the concert hall in September 2018.

After a successful year touring as The Devon Allman Project with special guest Duane Betts, the sons of Gregg Allman and Dickey Betts are joining forces to form The Allman Betts Band. They kicked off 2019 with a new Allman Betts Band album and a worldwide tour featuring new music, songs from their solo projects, classic Allman Brothers, and Gregg Allman tunes in honor of the 50th anniversary of The Allman Brothers Band.

The Allman Betts Band launched a World Tour in March and are performing throughout 2019 at festivals, theaters and historic venues.

Joanne Shaw Taylor has established herself as the UK's number one star of the blues-rock world. The girl with the big voice from the Black Country has toured extensively around the world, released critically acclaimed albums and gained a global fan base as well as having the honor of playing alongside some of her musical idols. Joanne's debut album, "White Sugar," first opened

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took it upon himself to create not only a book for his daughter, but a homage to his town.

"Our daughter wanted to read a book about where she lived," Small said. "It did not exist, so we worked for a year to create it."

Small worked with illustrator Ginger

Neilson to bring Ponte Vedra to life. Hidden in the lush beaches and golden sand, Small was also inspired by a loved one whose favorite place in the world was the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club. A small, yellow butterfly memorializes Small's dedication to them.

In addition, Small just loves his town. "It's a place that we are proud to call home," Small said. "We absolutely love Ponte Vedra and wanted to share its story."

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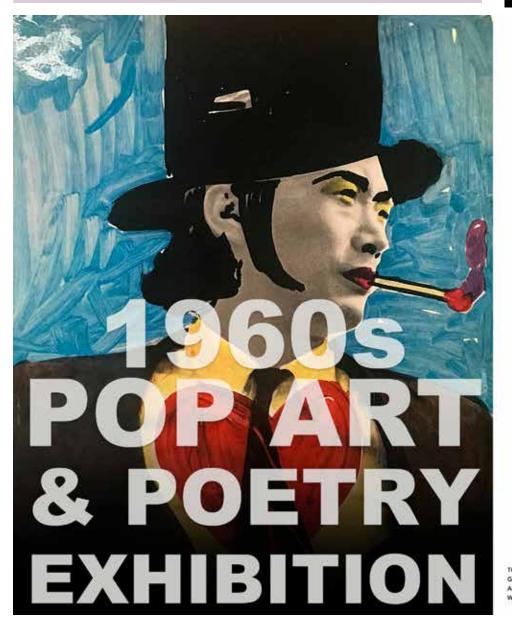
the door and her career has since gone stratospheric. She beat the stereotypes of her age and gender, gaining acclaim from critics and peers alike.

On his new and first solo record, the soon to be released, "OFF AT 11," recording artist and Chicago native, currently residing in Nashville, JD SIMO said what

matters most to him is that music should be honest. The artist more than offers this in a psychedelic, free-flowing, dynamic soundscape that exemplifies just that ... honesty. NPR said, "Nashville blues trio SIMO sounds as if it comes to us straight from 1968."

The Oct. 24 show starts at 7 p.m., and doors open at 6 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$38 to \$43.50. Visit www.allmanbettsband.com or www.pvconcerthall.com for more information.

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Locals compete in St. Augustine Amateur

Ponte Vedra residents Paul Tesori, Duke Butler IV and Kirk Irvin teed off at 10:12 a.m. in the final round of the St. Augustine Amateur on Oct. 13 at the St. Johns Golf Club in Elkton.

Ty Gingerich, of Carmel, Indiana, shot a final-round 1-over 71 to cruise to a three-shot victory at the tournament.

Irvin finished in a tie for ninth place with a 1-over 211 total, and Butler fin-

ished tied for 11th with 2-over 212.

Tesori, who caddies for PGA Tour player and THE PLAYERS 2018 champion Webb Simpson, finished tied for 14th with fellow Ponte Vedra Beach resident Michael Smith with a 4-over 214 total.

In the Mid Am Division of the tournamnet, the four players finished at the top, with Irvin finshing No. 1, followed by Butler, Smith and Tesori.



Kirk Irvin played consistent golf carding 70-70-71 to take the 2019 Mid-Amateur title with a 1-over 211.





ABOVE: Paul Tesori won the 2018 Mid-Amateur title in last year's St. Augustine Amateur, his first time playing the event. Testori started off strong with a 67 (3 under) on Friday, but ended the tournament tied for third in the Mid-Am with a 4-over 214. Tesori has been Webb Simpson's caddie since 2011.

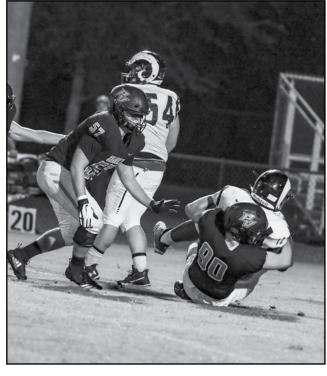
LEFT: Duke Butler IV had his best round on Saturday shooting a 68. He finished in second place in the Mid-Am with a 2-over 212.

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PVHS ROUTS ENGLEWOOD; NEASE FALLS TO BARTRAM TRAIL



Ponte Vedra's Keaton Thomas runs with the ball during last Friday's game against Englewood. Thomas had 93 yards rushing and a TD in the Sharks' 61-6 victory.



LEFT: Ponte Vedra defensive end Evan Fleischer (90) tackles an Englewood player during last Friday's 61-6 win at PVHS. The Sharks (6-1, 1-0 District 3-6A) shut out the Rams in all but the second quarter. Quarterback RJ Glod was 8-of-9 passing for 262 yards and three touchdowns. Aiden Lingenfelser had 102 receiving yards on three receptions, two for a touchdown. After a bye week, PVHS next plays district rival St. Augustine at home at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25.

Photos by Dylan Lane

Bartram Trail remained undefeated with a 52-22 victory over visiting Nease last Friday. Quarterback Joseph Nieves was 15-of-28 passing for 161 yards and a TD for the Panthers (1-6, 0-3 District 1-8A). He also rushed for a team-high 95 yards. Nease's Dequan Thompson Jr. finished with a gamehigh nine tackles, including seven solo. The Panthers face visiting St. Augustine (4-3) this Friday at 7 p.m.

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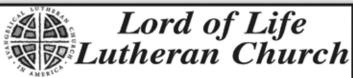
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