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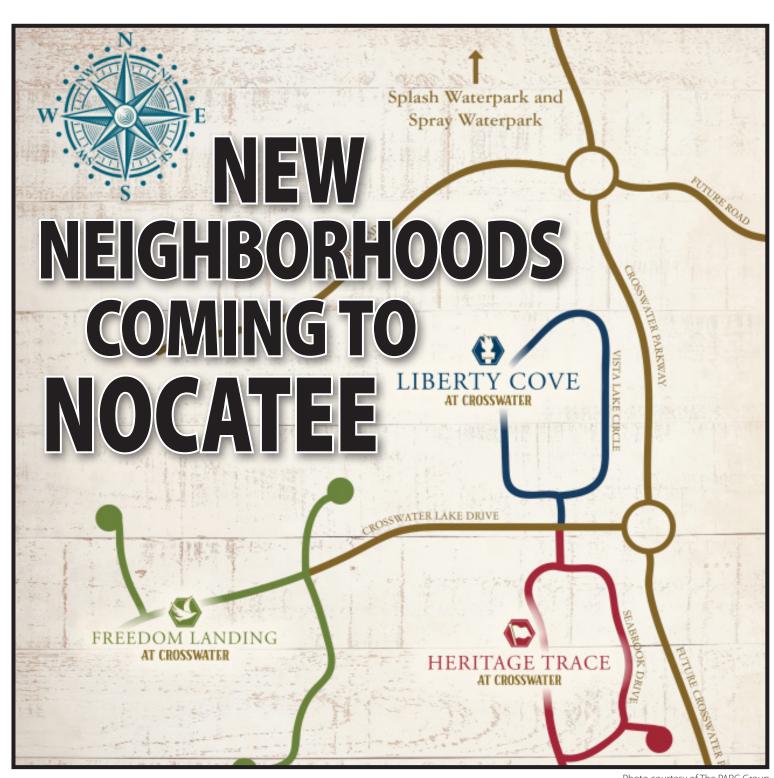


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Do you know what this is?

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20 readers correctly identified last week's photo as Bogey Grille. Good job, everyone!

The winner of the random drawing was Gregg Quick. Congratulations, Gregg – you may pick up your prize at the Recorder office during normal business hours.



ADOPT A PET

CAT OF THE WEEK

My name is Georgia, and I am a 5-year-old female cat who is looking for a new home. I was brought to the pet center as a



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DOG OF THE WEEK My name is Sophia,

and I am a 6-vear-old female dog who is looking for a new home. I was brought to the pet center as a stray. As this animal was a stray, there may be some traits that are unknown at this time.

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Photo Courtesy of PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School

PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School welcomed its kindergarteners on Tuesday, Aug. 15, for the first day of school. The PVPV-Rawlings PTO and Lazzara Orthodontics presented students with Ponte Vedra "Class of 2030" T-shirts to celebrate their first day in the St. Johns County School District system.

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PZA recommends approval of PGA Tour's development applications for new headquarters

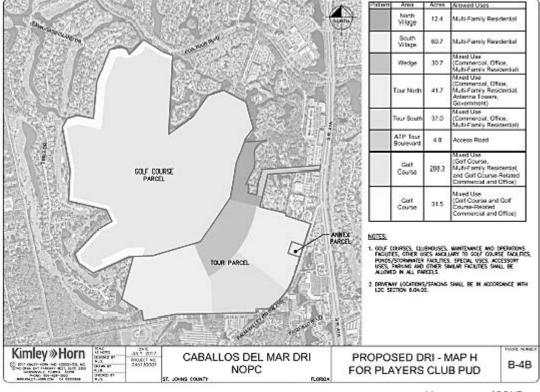
By Jon Blauvelt

The Planning and Zoning Agency (PZA) last week unanimously recommended approval of the PGA Tour's applications to modify its development plan and consolidate parcels of its existing land in Ponte Vedra Beach with the County Courthouse Annex parcel on Palm Valley Road for a new corporate headquarters.

The PZA's recommendation of approval at the Aug. 17 meeting represents the completion of the second of three hearings for the PGA Tour's modification to the Caballos del Mar Development of Regional Impact (DRI), as well as its Major Modification request to the PLAYERS Club Planned Unit Development (PUD). The Ponte Vedra Architectural Review Committee (PVARC) recommended approval of relevant and applicable parts of the Major Modification request Aug. 9. The DRI modification and PUD Major Modification will go before the **Board of County Commissioners** Sept. 19 for a final vote.

In the applications, the PGA Tour is asking to consolidate and transfer its vested development rights and uses across its existing land, which were approved in 1975, and extend some of those same rights and uses to the annex parcel, which is soon to be acquired by the tour. The proposed changes within the applications would result in the relocation of the annex's services to another location, which is still to be determined.

The applications also propose replacing the existing lattice tower on the annex parcel that is used for communications services with a monopole that will be relocated to the north end of the PGA Tour's property. The new tower will be a 250-foot, galvanized finish monopole that will be upgraded to a higher windstorm rating capable of withstanding a Category 5 windstorm event. It will be located approximately 500 feet



Map courtesy of PGA Tour

A map included within the application submitted by the PGA Tour in June shows the company's plans to combine its property along Palm Valley Road (CR 210) with the adjacent St. Johns County Courthouse Annex parcel for a new headquarters.

west of the Palm Valley Road right of way, directly south of the post office.

By consolidating its development rights, the tour would most notably be allowed to develop multi-family residential units on its golf course parcel where TPC Sawgrass is located. Project representatives on behalf of the tour said the company's vision is to eventually build condominiums on the "nongolf course pockets" of the golf course parcel. They emphasized that there are no plans to change the course itself. The applications also propose the addition of a land equivalency table that would allow the PGA Tour to convert a portion of its residential entitlements to commercial or office uses.

Within the applications, the PGA Tour is requesting several waivers, many of which were previously approved and need further approval to be extended across the company's entire property, including the soon-to-be-acquired annex parcel. A few of the others are classified

as "deferral waivers," providing the tour with more time to gather information on items like wetland acres and impacts and type and extent of upland forests.

Among the requests are a few controversial waivers that caused debate amongst the PZA board and hearing attendees. One such waiver would allow the PGA Tour to illuminate its practice facilities two and half hours prior to sunrise.

"We're wakened every morning at 4 a.m. and 5:15 a.m. with work on the golf course," said John Kinsella, a Ponte Vedra resident who lives on Seven Mile Drive. "Can you imagine what time it's going to start if you allow lighting two and a half hours before sunrise?"

Project representatives said the golf practice facilities are located 375 feet from the nearest residential uses. They also said they are looking at lighting that is not as tall as typical ball field lighting.

Another waiver would allow the company to bypass the requirement that five acres of active recreation be provided per 1,000 design population on the golf course property. The company's representative said that if the PGA Tour does decide to build multi-family units on the golf course parcel, the TPC Sawgrass course and clubhouse, as well as amenities within the PLAYERS Club PUD would provide the necessary recreation space.

Among the waivers included another controversial request regarding signage allowances. Palm Valley Overlay District regulations currently limit parcels of 5 acres or more in size to one ground sign that has a maximum Advertising Display Area (ADA) of 60 square feet. Previously, the PGA Tour received approval to build two 35-foot-tall decorative features (e.g. towers) at future entrances along Palm Valley Road. This new waiver would allow the tour to install one wall sign on each of these entry features that has an ADA of 100 square feet. One of these future entrances is expected to be built on the annex parcel.

Several of the Ponte Vedra residents at the meeting said they were not made aware of the PGA Tour's specific plans until 24 to 48 hours before the hearing. One particular resident called it a "stealth plan." PGA Tour representatives said they did everything they could to inform the community, including attending a meeting of the master homeowners association board for the Sawgrass PLAYERS Club. The PGA Tour representatives said the company received approval of the applications from that board, which they said consists of representatives of the sub-associations within the community.

Residents and PZA board members also spoke to the lack of clarity regarding several of the elements within the PGA Tour's applications.

"There's nothing in here that tells you very much about anything, and that really bothers me a great deal," said Palm Valley resident Mary Kohnke.

The PZA board, however, ultimately decided to trust the PGA Tour given its track record.

"I take the leap of faith on this one in terms of looking at the past experience of the PGA Tour and what they've done and how they've acted," said Board Member Mike Koppenhafer. "However, if this was another applicant, I would not be supporting this thing because the other applicant likely does not have a 42-year track record of being a good neighbor."

Board Member Brad Nelson echoed Koppenhafer's sentiments.

"I have the utmost confidence in the PGA Tour to do the right thing here, even though there's certainly some subjectivity," said Nelson. "This is a very large, very complex, very unique property. I trust that they don't really know what's going to happen. They can't define it precisely. We have to make decisions based on what's likely to happen."

FDOT hosts open house on St. Augustine's upcoming intersection improvement project

By Jon Blauvelt

With construction on St. Augustine's San Marco Avenue, May Street and West San Carlos Avenue intersection to soon begin, project representatives have a simple message for Beaches residents who regularly visit the Ancient City.

"Be patient," said Randy Downing, an engineer from Hanson Professional Services, the design consultant for the project. "It's going to take a while for this to happen. It might be a little bit more inconvenient. In the long run, we're hoping this will be a huge improvement."

Downing was one of several representatives on hand to discuss the project at an Aug. 16 open house hosted by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The owner of the intersection property, FDOT gathered representatives from its various contractors involved in the intersection improvement project, as well as a subsequent drainage improvement project on May Street, to inform St. Johns County residents about timeframes, construction activities, traffic impacts and other details. Officials from Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc., the primary contractor of both projects, as well as representatives from Jacobs and JEA Construction Engineering Services (JEAces) attended.

Construction of the new intersection configuration will begin in mid-September and is scheduled to be open for operation in summer 2018. Upon the opening of the intersection, the drainage project, which consists of the replacement of a storm water pipe on the north side of May Street from San Marco Avenue to east of Magnolia Avenue, will begin and is expected to be complete in summer 2019.

Downing characterized the new intersection as a "multilane one-way loop" that will decrease the number of cycles in traffic lights and ultimately alleviate the traffic that consistently accumulates there. Contrary to popular belief, the engineer emphasized that the intersection is not a roundabout because it will feature traffic signals and be more of an oblong shape.

"This is a very special kind of intersection," said Downing, who added the intersection will address growth for the next 20 years. "There's not really a true typical descriptor for it. It's one of the few in the state."

According to FDOT, the loop will feature dedicated right and left turn lanes; median additions and modifications; synchronized and interconnected traffic signals; new and rebuilt sidewalks; shared bicycle lanes; and High-Intensity Activated crossWalk (HAWK) signals, which can automatically detect the



County residents discuss the upcoming intersection improvement and drainage projects with project representatives at the open house.

St. Johns

Photo by Jon Blauvelt

presence of pedestrians waiting to cross

Project representatives at the open house also noted that the intersection will include two left turn lanes and one right turn lane on West San Carlos Avenue to enable drivers to more efficiently head south and north on U.S. 1. In addition, the entrance/ exit to the St. Johns County Library that's currently on West San Carlos will be removed, and two new entrances/exits (driveways) will be added on U.S. 1.

During the construction, Downing said the objective is to keep the same number of lanes open that are currently there to keep traffic moving. Of course, he said, any construction will cause some slowdowns. His recommendation for Beaches residents using the Francis and Mary Usina Bridge to head into downtown St. Augustine is to do so during nonpeak times or use the Nocatee Parkway to connect to U.S. 1.

Residents at the meeting had varying opinions on the project. Vilano Beach resident Lisa Lloyd said there are many good aspects about it.

"Changing the library entrance, adding

the extra lane to go south on U.S. 1 from West San Carlos ... there are a lot of good things that will be helpful," she said.

Over the last several months, Lloyd has been adamantly advocating for the removal of the traffic barricades that were added to North Magnolia, Douglas and West San Carlos avenues in November 2016, claiming they have only worsened the traffic woes on May Street and created an unsafe traffic situation for beach residents. Acknowledging that the barriers will now probably not be removed, Lloyd thinks they should be closed off to prevent motorists from maneuvering around the barricades illegally, which she said is a common practice today. According to City of St. Augustine representatives at the meeting, no plans are currently in place to move or change the barriers.

St. Augustine resident and San Marco Avenue business owner Bill Ferrigno is not so optimistic about the new intersection, especially during its construction.

"I expect a mess," he said. "It's not going to stop tourists from coming. It will be a mess for two years."

For more information about the projects. visit www.nflroads.com. If you have any questions, contact FDOT Public Information Officer Debbie Delgado at (904) 831-3368 or debbie.delgado@dot.state.fl.us.





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Jonathan Gibbs is the agent/owner of the State Farm Insurance office in Nocatee that opened in December 2016.

He is also a Ponte Vedra native who attended Nease High School.

By Jon Blauvelt

Can you please tell us about your background?

I grew up in Ponte Vedra Beach and attended all the local schools, including PVPV-Rawlings Elementary and Landrum Middle, and finished high school as a Nease Panther. I always played sports with my older brother Robert, starting out with little league baseball and pop warner football as a Ponte Vedra Panther. Then I played football for Nease High School. Growing up, I can remember watching my dad leave the house day in and day out headed to work with one objective: helping people as only a good neighbor would. I vividly remember thinking, "My dad had a great job." I knew then, that I too, would be a State Farm agent. Taking steps to follow my dad's lead, I attended Bethune-Cookman University after high school. There, I majored in business administration and learned the epitome of hard work. I returned home after college to begin my journey towards agency. I worked with my dad at Bob Gibbs State Farm for seven years. While there, both my mom Shirley and dad were my biggest supporters, and they've helped me tremendously and endlessly. Without them, my dream of agency would have never come to fruition.

How has everything been going over the past 8-9 months at the office?

Things in my office have been awesome! The community has really embraced us and is supporting what we're doing on Town Plaza Avenue. Like any new business, it's a grind. Community involvement is key to our success. Luckily for us, the farmers market has been a great avenue to promote what we're doing and let the community know we are the "good neighbor" in Ponte Vedra (not to mention, the exposure you all have provided us in the Recorder, in addition to the Chamber and The Kindness Revolution and other local exposure). As far as growth, we're on target to hit all of our first-year goals, and I couldn't be more excited about that.

What does a typical day look like for you?

A typical day in my office begins with the office doors opening at 8:30 a.m. for a full team meeting. I hold the meeting each morning to prepare my team for opening at 9 a.m., before customers arrive. I lead the meeting based on our weekly objectives, we go over the numbers and I give a pep talk to get the day started. My goal each day is to try to keep a fun, uplifted atmosphere for both my team and customers walking in the door, setting a positive precedent for the entire day.

What are your goals for the office moving forward?

Our mission, now as well as moving forward, is to help people manage the risks of everyday life, recover from the unexpected and realize their dreams. Our goal here in the Nocatee community is to be the first and best option for insurance and financial services in the products that we provide. My team and I are here to provide a comfortable setting for our clients to discuss their insurance needs. It is our priority to make sure you are totally covered in the event of a total loss.



State Farm

Photo by Jon Blauvelt

Jonathan Gibbs

What do you enjoy most about living in Ponte Vedra?

I enjoy the sense of community here in Ponte Vedra, the great schools and restaurants. I also love the small-town feel, but that it's close to everything. I grew up here. I know a lot of the families, they know my parents, we went to school together, we played sports together and it's my home. I have lifelong friends and associates here. I love the beach aspect of this city and the leisure of it all. It's a great place to live.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

In my free time, I enjoy traveling, going to the gym and relaxing from the daily routine of the work week. I make a point to spend time with my girlfriend Christin and the rest of my family and indulging in all that Ponte Vedra and the surrounding area has to offer.

What's one thing about you most people wouldn't know or expect?

Something people wouldn't expect or realize about me is that I'm pretty down-to-earth. I'm incredibly focused in the office with so many tasks to accomplish and goals to reach, so sometimes I can seem very serious. But I do have a lighter side. Those who know me best may even say I'm a kid at heart. I'm always looking for a way to laugh and ease the mood when dealing with tense situations, to make everyone feel at ease. I really enjoy what I do, and I really enjoy laughing. It's cliché to say, but laughter really is the greatest way to endure the stress of everyday life. "A smile is the curve that sets everything straight."

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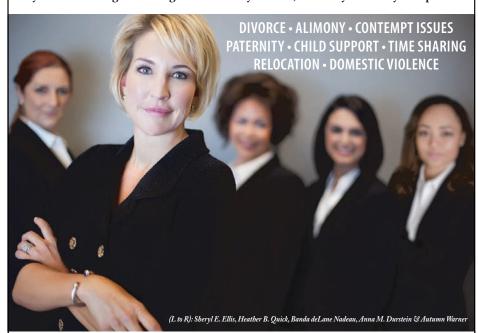
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Yoga for Survivors

The Y Healthy Living Center at the Ponte Vedra YMCA will host a "Yoga for Survivors" class Aug. 24 at 11:30 a.m. Cancer patients, survivors, caregivers and others with range of motion and pain limitations are invited to join in this gentle and safe yoga practice, which is free and open to the public. Call (904) 202-5376 or visit www.baptistjax.com/ymca to reserve a spot. The Ponte Vedra YMCA is located at 170 Landrum Lane.

Concerts in the Plaza

St. Augustine's Plaza de la Constitución will host the oldest city's summer-long concert series, "Concerts in the Plaza." The series will provide free concerts featuring local musical entertainment every Thursday night at 7 p.m. Aug. 24, The Gatorbone Band will play jazz music. All of the "Concerts in the Plaza" shows are free to attend and visitors are encouraged to bring lounge chairs for seating. Picnic dinners are allowed, but alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the plaza

Resume Writing the Right Way

Christ Episcopal Church will host a "Resume Writing the Right Way" presentation Aug. 24 at 9 a.m. by Cari Andreani, the associate dean of academic affairs at Keiser university. Immediately following the workshop program, Budder Webster, parter and president of LEADERS Professional Recruiting Inc., will review resumes during a personal "Five-Minute Resume Review' session. Christ Episcopal Church is located at the Parish Center Conference Room at 400 San Juan Drive in Ponte Vedra Beach.

MOCA Jacksonville Book Club: Hamilton – The Revolution

Hamilton: The Revolution explores the influence behind and the inner workings of Hamilton. Attendees are encouraged to share their thoughts on the power of storytelling, hip-hop and the integration of music and art. This book club, which starts at 5:30 p.m., will take place at MOCA Jacksonville at 333 North Laura St. in Jacksonville. For more information visit mocajacksonville.unf.edu.

Friday, Aug. 25

Coastal Wine Market Wine Tasting

Coastal Wine Market hosts Friday wine tastings from 6 to 8 p.m. at 641 Crosswater Parkway, Suite B, Ponte Vedra Beach. Taste six wines for \$10. For more information, call (904) 395-3520.

Cannon Firing Demonstration at Castillo de San Marcos

National Parks Service volunteers and personnel demonstrate a cannon firing at the Castillo de San Marcos museum / monument every Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Rangers and volunteers will demonstrate the weapons and relate the experiences of the colonial Spanish soldier of 1740s St. Augustine. Firing times are subject to change depending on weather conditions and staff availability. Castillo de San Marcos is located on 1 South Castillo Drive in St. Augustine.

Casee Allen Live at Seachasers

Seachasers will present live music with country artist Casee Allen and special guest Cassidy Lee Aug. 25 at 8 p.m. Attendees can bring a toy benefiting #SmithStrong to receive a free appetizer. During his career, Allen has performed alongside notable country stars such as Brad Paisley and Kip Moore. Seachasers is located at 831 First St. N., Jacksonville Beach. Call (904) 372-0444 or email eventstaff@seachasers.com for more information.

Lakeview Health August Lecture Series

John R. Colaluca will deliver a lecture entitled "The Evolving Drug Culture: Emerging Drugs of Abuse" Aug. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon at Lakeview Health's conference center at 1900 Corporate Square Blvd. in Jacksonville. Colaluca will lead the discussion on designer drugs and their emergence in the Internet age. Contact Donna Mahacek at (904) 513-5823 for more information.

Exhibition Opening: Nackashi and Benedict

To be held Aug. 25 at 50 Executive Way in Ponte Vedra Beach at 6 p.m., new works from Jim Benedict and David Nackashi will be presented at the Cultural Center's Main Gallery. The public is invited to the opening reception.

Saturday, Aug. 26

MOSH Boat Tours

St. Johns River Taxi and MOSH host a St. Johns River boat tour every Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. The tour features a history host who explains the historical signifigance of the river and various landmarks in Jacksonville. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$12 for children. MOSH is located at 1025 Museum Circle in Jacksonville.

Old City Farmers Market

The Old City Farmers Market features fresh produce, baked goods, handcrafted items and plants along with live entertainment. Fresh seafood in season will be available for purchase as well. The farmers market takes place every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre on 1340 A1A South. Admission is free.

The BookMark's 27th Birthday

The BookMark is celebrating its 27th birthday on Saturday, Aug. 26 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event will feature Story Time with Miss Pat for children ages 3 – 8 and other festivities throughout the day, including treats and a chance to win prices. The Bookmark is located at 220 1st St. in Neptune Beach.

Childbirth Education

To be held at the Y Healthy Living Center at 170 Landrum Lane on Aug. 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., this comprehensive class includes information on stages and phases of labor, pain management, cesarean birth, postpartum care and normal newborn characteristics. There is a \$65 fee per couple. Call (904) 202-5376 or visit baptistjax.com/ymca to reserve your spot.

Gallery Tour "Tide Runs Quiet: The Photographic Works of Thomas Hager"

As part of the "Tide Runs Quiet" exhibit at the Beaches Museum, an artist demonstration will be offered Aug. 26 at 11 a.m. Enjoy an opportunity to visit with Thomas Hager as he discusses the techniques involved in creating his artwork. This event is free to Museum members with a suggested \$5 donation for non-members. Call (904) 241-5657 for more information. The Beaches Museum is located at 381 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach.

Sunday, Aug. 27

Sandals, Shorts and Steel Drum Service Every Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to noon., St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church invites guests to put on sandals and shorts for a more casual worship service featuring the tropical sound of steel drum music. The church is located at 465 11th Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach.

Life Enrichment Group

The Life Enrichment Group is designed for those with memory changes who want to remain mentally, physically and socially active, while giving caregivers and loved ones some free time for themselves. The program is offered daily, serving the Jacksonville Beach and Ponte Vedra area. For more information call (904) 417-7354 or email life_enrichment-group@yahoo.com

Nature & Wildlife Exhibit

Located at 22 Marine St. in St. Augustine, this exhibit (running through Aug. 27 from noon to 4 p.m. at the St. Augustine Art Association) features more than 125 original works of art depicting the wonders of nature submitted by artists from across the U.S. and abroad. The installation features an array of wild animals, from apes to zebras, as well as plants, landscapes and marine life, represented in paintings, sculpture, photography, drawings, collages, fiber and more. For more information, call (904) 824-3210.

Game of Thrones Free Showing

Season 7 of Game of Thrones is showing every Sunday night at 9 p.m. at the Corazon Cinema and Cafe in St. Augustine. Attendees are encouraged to purchase snacks and drinks. The Corazon Cinema is located at 36 Granada St.

Holiday Cultural Festival

Chabad Beaches will host the Holiday Cultural Festival Aug. 27 at 11:30 a.m. at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. View Judaic art, enjoy live Jewish music, experience Jewish culture, design a new ceramic piece for a holiday table, taste from three food packages and purchase Mezuzahs and gifts at the festival. It will be held at 50 Executive Way. Visit www.chabadbeaches.com/festival to register.





Monday, Aug. 28

Tuesday, Aug. 29

Thursday, Aug. 31

MOSH Daily Programs

Join Jacksonville's Museum of Science and History for its Daily Animal shows. On Monday at 2 p.m., explore "Skin and Scales" in the Florida Naturalist's Center, during which guests learn about the cold-blooded world of reptiles and amphibians. Prior to the program at 1 p.m., museum-goers can witness the exploration of space in the Bryan-Gooding Planetarium during "Astronaut," an interactive venture lead by a test astronaut named Chad. For tickets and additional information, visit www.themosh.org.

'Friends for the Arts'

Get involved in the arts by joining a team of fellow art supporters at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. Help develop and support fundraising projects and help initiate special projects to benefit and promote the Cultural Center and the arts in our community. For more information, visition www.ccpvb.org/friends-for-the-arts.

Invasive Plants Lecture Presented by Men's Garden Club

To be held Aug. 28 at the Men's Garden Club of Jacksonville, Lisa Hassel of the Florida Department of Agriculture will present a lecture on invasive plants, the major culprits of invasive plants, new and emerging pests and diseases, rules and regulations and more. The event begins at 7 p.m. The Men's Garden Club of lacksonville is located at 1005 Riverside Ave

Steve Anderson Art Exhibition at the Villa Zorayda Museum

The Villa Zorayda Museum hosts an art exhibition of Steve Anderson's highly innovative paintings of St. Augustine's architectural heritage. Anderson is unique among the city's artists in the fact that he is visually impaired and has less than 10 percent of his sight. View Anderson's exhibition at 83 King St., St. Augustine Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. General admission to Zilla Zorayda Museum is \$10 for adults and \$4 for youth.

Free Admission at Cummer Museum

Every Tuesday, the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens offers visitors free admission to its galleries and gardens, for its "Florida Blue Free Tuesday" promotion. The Cummer Museum is located at 829 Riverside Ave., Jacksonville.

Tapas Tuesday

The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens presents Tapas Tuesday at the Cummer Cafe every Tuesday from 5 to 7:30 p.m. View the sunset on the Cummer Cafe patio while listening to local musicians and enjoying beer, wine or artfully inspired tapas for sale at the Cafe. Reserve your table by calling (904) 899-6022. For more information, visit www.cummermuseum.org. The museum is located at 829 Riverside Ave.

Prenatal Yoga

This prenatal yoga class offers women the chance to destress through yoga, meditation and guided visualization. Participants are encouraged to bring a yoga mat, towel and water. There is a \$13 class fee per attendee. Call (904) 202-5376 or visit baptistjax.com/ymca to register. Class starts at 6 p.m.; it will be held at 170 Landrum Lane in Ponte Vedra Beach.

The Art of Susanne Schuenke

The public is invited to view artwork from international artist and St. Johns County resident Dr. Susanne Schuenke. The exhibition is on display from Aug. 1 to Sept. 21. at the St. Johns County Administration Building at 500 San Sebastian View in St. Augustine. Visitors must pass through a security station to reach the building's main corridor. The facility is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Improv Basics Course

Throughout this introduction class, students will explore the basic concepts of improvisation and explore their creativity. This six-week course begins Aug. 29 at 6:30 p.m. Cost to participate is \$125 and the last day to sign-up is Aug. 28. It will be held at Limelight Theatre, located at 11 Old Mission Ave., St. Augustine. Visit www.adventure-project.com for information on how to register.

Toastmasters Club

Toastmasters Club #5199 of Ponte Vedra Beach meets every Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at THE PLAYERS Community Senior Center. These meetings will help attendees improve public speaking and gain leadership skills. The senior center is located at 175 Landrum Lane in Ponte Vedra Beach. Email Lucy Reep at lucyreep@gmail.com for additional information

Wednesday, Aug. 30

Music by the Sea Concert Series

The "Music by the Sea" concert series returns to the St. Johns County Pier for its 15th year, bringing free weekly concerts in a variety of genres from 7 to 9 p.m. every Wednesday. Visitors are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket. Dinner is offered for \$10 or less beginning at 6 p.m. The Aug. 30 concert will feature Catch the Groove. The St. Johns County Pier is located at 350 A1A Beach Blvd. in St. Augustine Beach. For more information, visit www.sabca.org.

'The Dixie Swim Club' at the Alhambra

The Alhambra Theatre & Dining will present "The Dixie Swim Club" from Aug. 16 through Sept. 24. Starring Morgan Fairchild, the comedy follows five southern women who met on their college swim team, through 33 years of friendship. The Alhambra is located at 12000 Beach Blvd., Jacksonville. For more information, call (904) 641-1212, or visit www.alhambrajax.com.

Wednesday Market

Each Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., approximately 60 to 80 vendors participate in the Wednesday Market at St. Augustine Beach. Vendors and artists display produce, prepared foods, local seafood, art, crafts and more, placing an emphasis on home-grown and homemade items. The Market is held at the St. Johns County Pier Park at 350 A1A Beach Blvd, St Augustine Beach.

Yoga for Survivors

The Y Healthy Living Center at the Ponte Vedra YMCA will host a "Yoga for Survivors" class Aug. 31 at 11:30 a.m. Cancer patients, survivors, caregivers and others with range of motion and pain limitations are invited to join in this gentle and safe yoga practice, which is free and open to the public. Call (904) 202-5376 or visit www.baptistjax.com/ymca to reserve a spot. The Ponte Vedra YMCA is located at 170 Landrum Lane.

Concerts in the Plaza

St. Augustine's Plaza de la Constitución will host the oldest city's summer-long concert series, "Concerts in the Plaza." The series will provide free concerts featuring local musical entertainment every Thursday night at 7 p.m. Aug. 31, Lonesome Bert & The Skinny Lizards will play boogie music.. All of the "Concerts in the Plaza" shows are free to attend and visitors are encouraged to bring lounge chairs for seating. Picnic dinners are allowed, but alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the plaza.

PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School Open House

An open house will offer parents an opportunity to see what their child is doing at school and meet other parents in the community. Attendees can choose one of two sessions starting at 6:30 or 7:15 p.m. PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School is located at 610 A1A N., Ponte Vedra Beach.

River City Swing 2017

Paul Stewart and Andrew Sinclair present a swing dance event over Labor Day weeked in Ponte Vedra Beach. The four-day festival, starting Aug. 31 at 7 p.m., will feature group workshops, social dancing, competitions and nightly entertainment. It will be held at 1000 PGA Tour Blvd., visit www.rivercityswing.com to register.

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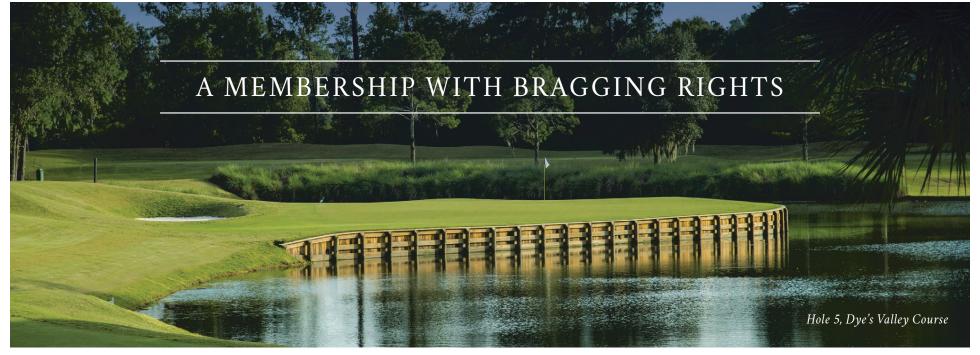
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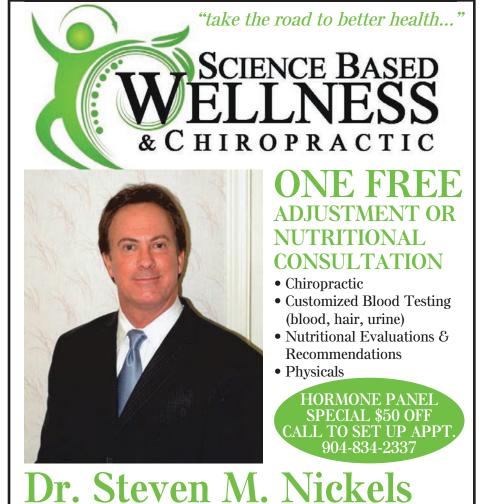
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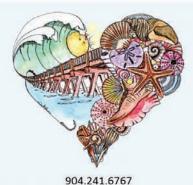
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Rotary Club donates to Boys & Girls Clubs, honors Pivot CPAs' Peter Reynolds

TOP: Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach President Billy Wagner (right) and Rotarian Peter Reynolds of Pivot CPAs present Darby Stubberfield of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeast Florida with a \$3,000 donation at the club's Aug. 17 meeting.

RIGHT: Wagner thanks Reynolds for his many years of service to the community service organization at the club's Aug. 17 meeting. Reynolds served as the Rotary Club's treasurer for a decade, donating his services to the nonprofit.



Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach receives top district honors for charitable giving

The Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach was honored for its charitable giving. The community service organization received several top honors at the Rotary Foundation District Seminar on Aug. 12, at the Thrasher Horne Center in Orange Park.

The seminar recognized local Rotary clubs that donated thousands of dollars to the International Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach was honored as the No. 1 club out of 64 clubs in the district for charitable giving to Rotary's signature Polio Plus campaign during 2016-2017. Since the 1970s – when Rotary clubs around the world took up the challenge to eradicate the disease worldwide – the number of annual cases of polio has dropped from 350,000 to approximately 35 last year.

"We are so close to eradicating only the second disease in history, and we are excited and committed to helping see that mission through," said Michael Bruce, who served as club president during 2016-17

The Ponte Vedra Beach Rotary Club was also one of the few local clubs to receive an award for being a 100 percent Paul Harris Fellow Club. Named for Rotary's founder, the Paul Harris Fellow recognizes Rotarians who have contributed \$1,000 or more to the Rotary Foundation to support its charitable and humanitarian work around the world. By the end of 2016, each of the Ponte Vedra Beach Rotary Club's 125 members had contributed that amount, earning the club the 100 percent recognition.

"Special credit for this remarkable achievement goes to club members, Dr. Christine Ng, who led the drive to become a 100 percent club for the third time in our history, and Don Blackburn, who provided matching assistance to help us reach this goal," Bruce said.

Rounding out the Ponte Vedra Beach club's honors were awards recognizing the club for being among the top three clubs in the district for both total annual giving and per capita giving for the year. Club president Billy Wagner praised Bruce for his leadership and the club's entire membership for their commitment to Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self."

"As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of The Rotary Foundation, it's gratifying to see how our local Rotarians continue to lead the way as people of action, giving of their time, talents and treasure to make our world a better place," Wagner said.

SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING



Children paint at the arts and crafts table on Cascade Deck at Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa while waiting for Monday's solar eclipse.





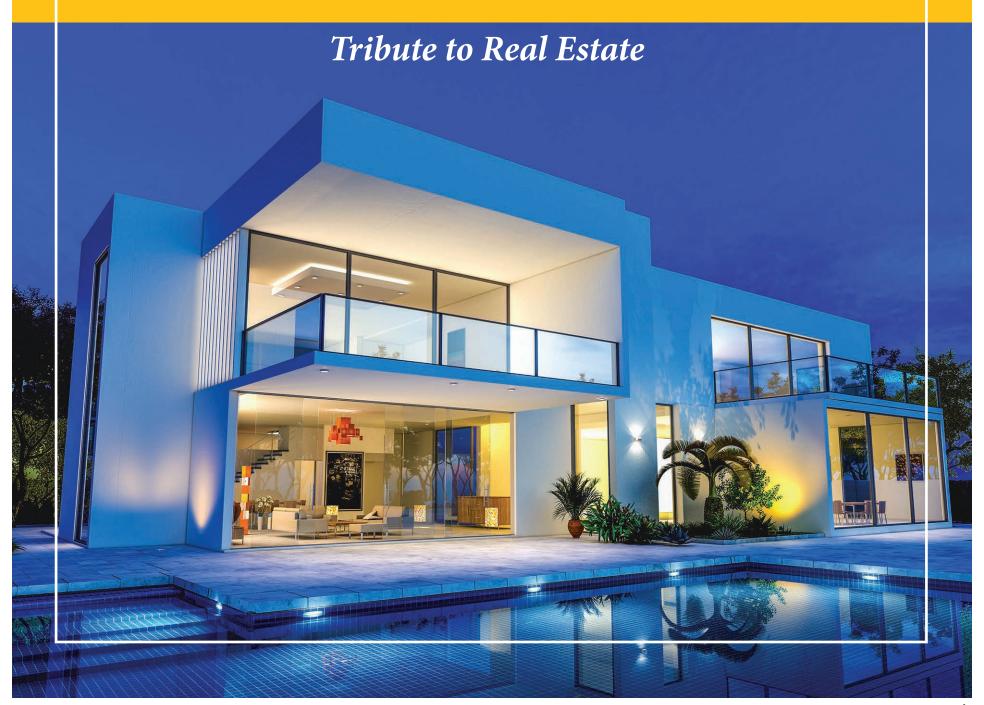
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ABOVE: Locals at the Jacksonville Public Library attempt to find a glimpse of the eclipse through the cloudy sky.

LEFT: Attendees of the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch library viewing party use solar eclipse viewers made out of cereal boxes to protect their eyes.

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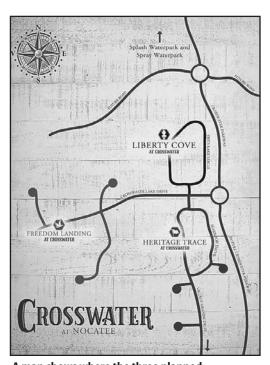
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The homes in the new neighborhoods will harken back to old-town America, featuring white picket fences, big front porches and the American flag.

Nocatee announces newest collection of neighborhoods

More than 400 homes coming to booming master-planned community



A map shows where the three planned neighborhoods that make up Crosswater at Nocatee will be located.

By Paris Moulden

It seems there's no slowing the growth of Nocatee

The PARC Group unveiled plans for the Crosswater at Nocatee, a collection of neighborhoods that will add more than 400 new homes to the popular masterplanned community in St. Johns County.

"Since breaking ground on Nocatee in 2005, we have continued to open new neighborhoods to meet the growing demand for new homes," said Kelly Ray of The PARC Group. "The opening of Crosswater is a continuation of the Nocatee vision."

Crosswater at Nocatee will feature three neighborhoods: Heritage Trace (188 home sites), Freedom Landing (106 home sites) and Liberty Cove (138 home sites). The PARC Group says the homes in this neighborhood will boast "Americana" style features, including tree-lined streets, white picket fences and

large front porches. But there will also be variety to offer homeowners some flexibility based on their needs.

"The three neighborhoods will share the same style and theme, but the size and price of homes will differ by neighborhood, giving buyers the opportunity to choose the neighborhood that best meets their own desires," Ray said.

The cost of the homes will start in the high \$200s and range from 1,300 to 3,200 square feet. The homes will range in price depending on home size, lot size and builder. Homebuilders include CalAtlantic Homes, David Weekley Homes, Providence Homes, ICI Homes and Riverside Homes, a first-time builder in Nocatee. Sales of the homes will start in September, and model homes will be open in January 2018. Construction of the model homes will begin in the next 60 days, and pre-sold homes will be ready for move-in sometime next year.

The neighborhoods will be located off Crosswater Parkway, just south of the Nocatee Splash Water Park and the Nocatee Spray Park. There will be variety of home sites with varying-sized lots, and many homes will back up to a nature preserve or lake.

In 2016, Nocatee was ranked as the nation's third best-selling community for the third consecutive year, according to real estate advisory firm RCLCO, and Ray said the Crosswater at Nocatee neighborhoods were a part of the community's long-range development plan.

"This area of Nocatee has always been planned for residential neighborhoods," said Ray. "A benefit of building a home in a master-planned community is that the residents can have confidence in the sustainability of the master plan."

To find out more about the upcoming developments in Nocatee, visit www.nocatee.com.

Hines receives several awards at Southeast **Building Conference**

Hines, the international real estate developer of Markland in St. Augustine, recently received two Excel Awards and a Silver Aurora at the Southeast Building Conference July 27-28 at the Gaylord Palms Resort and Conference Center in Kissimmee.

The company won Excel Awards for Best Master Planned Community of the Year and Best Brochure for Markland. The Excel Industry Awards honor sales and marketing excellence in the building industry and were presented by SEBC, Florida Sales and Marketing Council and the Florida Home Builders Association.

Hines subsequently won a prestigious Silver Aurora for Best Community Site Plan for Markland at the Aurora Awards. which honor the best in design. This year's competition drew 400 entries in 58 Categories.

"The Aurora Gala was a sold-out event and showcased all Aurora winners" said Aurora Awards Chairman Patti Guthrie.

"The event was definitely the place to see a spectacular overview of emerging design and planning trends in residential and commercial development."

A panel of four building industry leaders reviewed entries, and judges from among the most successful individuals within the homebuilding industry were selected to determine the winners. Judge Sarah Breen of CDC Designs said this year's competition was exceptionally diverse coming from across the southeast.

"Creative ideas in design do not know boundaries," she said. "We found the variety and level of excellence to be particularly heartening this year."

Established in 1977, the Southeast Building Conference is a regional building industry trade show providing the latest in residential and commercial construction products and services.

Markland, a new neighborhood in Northern St. Johns County, is centrally located on International Golf Parkway just



Walter O'Shea, Carla Luigs and Lane Gardner of Hines accept Aurora Award trophies at the Southeast Building Conference on July 28, at the Gaylord Palms Resort and Conference Center in Kissimmee.

east of I-95 with model homes open daily. Five homebuilders offer a diverse mix of house plans with pricing that range from \$280,000 to over \$700,000.

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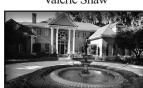
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BBX Capital Real Estate selects building team for community at Beacon Lake

BBX Capital Real Estate, a division of BBX Capital Corporation (NYSE: BBX), recently announced that Dream Finders Homes and Mattamy Homes have been selected as the exclusive phase one builders at Beacon Lake, BBX Capital Real Estate's master-planned community in northern St. Johns County. Dream Finders and Mattamy Homes plan to

build approximately 151 single-family homes each within the new community.

"We are excited to have Dream Finders Homes and Mattamy Homes bring their extensive home building expertise to Beacon Lake," said Bruce J. Parker, managing director for BBX Capital Real Estate. "BBX Capital Real Estate's goal is to develop outstanding communities

featuring exceptional quality homes and world-class amenities. The reputation and experience of Dream Finders and Mattamy Homes are a perfect fit for Beacon Lake, and we look forward to working with both of their teams."

Dream Finders and Mattamy Homes plan to offer a selection of home designs. New homes will range in size from 1,800 square feet to over 4,000 square feet and will be priced up to \$500,000.

The Beacon Lake community plan calls for 1,280 single-family homes and 196 townhomes on approximately 630 acres, more than half of which consists of a dedicated wetland preservation, enhancements and restoration areas. Anchored by a paddle-friendly 43acre lake, Beacon Lake will offer opportunities for outdoor and indoor recreation. Residents will enjoy

neighborhood amenities including an expansive community clubhouse overlooking Beacon Lake with a halfmile view to the southern shoreline.

Located in northern St. Johns County on the south side of County Road 210 between U.S. Route 1 and Interstate 95, Beacon Lake is near shopping, dining, employment centers and area beaches. The community is within the St. Johns County School District.

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Shearwater community wins five design and construction awards

Shearwater, a new master-planned community on County Road 210, was recently honored with four Aurora Awards for design by the Florida Home Builders Association (FHBA) and the Southeast Building Conference (SEBC), as well as a 2017 Excellence in Construction Award by the Florida First Coast Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. (ABC).

"We are very excited that Shearwater was recognized for excellence in construction, planning and design by local industry professionals," said Suzanne Maddalon, vice president of Freehold Communities. "As with all of our properties, Freehold Communities focuses on working with quality partners, such as ELM, DSC and Ansana Interior Design to create a truly unique community that offers natural beauty and timeless designs."

Freehold Communities worked with various Northeast Florida companies to develop Shearwater.

Jacksonville-based planning and architecture firm Ervin Lovett Miller (ELM) was Shearwater's master planner, amenity architect and community landscape architect.

As the project amenities and hardscape contractor, Dicky Smith & Co. (DSC) built the 12.5-acre amenity center, neighborhood entrances and parks. Ansana Interior Design

(Ansana) provided interior design services for the community amenities.

"Shearwater represents a unique commitment to outdoor recreation. nature, wellness, and quality of life that is reflected throughout the community but is especially evident in the design of the central recreational center, the Kayak Club." said Steve Lovett, Shearwater's lead designer.

"This recreational and community hub was designed to offer residents a highquality social, aquatics, fitness, play and tennis experience."

The Aurora Awards are presented annually by the FHBA and the SEBC to recognize excellence in planning, design and construction in projects across the southeastern United States and eastern Caribbean.



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Architecture enthusiasts tour Ponte Vedra Beach's Milam House



ABOVF: Architecture enthusiasts on the tour learn more about the Milam House.

Photo courtesy of Clare Berry

RIGHT: Located at 1033 Ponte Vedra Blvd., the Milam House is currently for sale for \$4,700,000.

Photo courtesy of Robert Champion



A group of architecture enthusiasts took a trip to Ponte Vedra Beach Aug. 12 to tour the renowned Milam House designed by acclaimed architect Paul Rudolph.

Located at 1033 Ponte Vedra Blvd., the house was built in 1961 by Rudolph and named the "House of the Year" by Architectural Record in 1963. It was Rudolph's last Florida residence and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2016. The house is currently for sale for \$4,700,000.

About 60 people participated in the tour of the home, included a group from the Sarasota Architectural Foundation, as well as other architecture fans hailing from Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Orlando, Jacksonville and New York. Attendees of the tour enjoyed viewing the house, as well as the opportunity to hear from Paul Rudolph Heritage Foundation President Kelvin Dickinson, Fellow of the American Institute of Architects Carl Abbott and former Docomomo (international committee for documentation and conservation of buildings, sites and neighborhoods of the modern movement) Miami Chair Richard Shieldhouse.

"It was a very, very cosmopolitan group with an eye for artistry when it comes to architecture," said Clare Berry, realtor and owner of Berry & Co. Real Estate, the listing agent for the home. "They were very grateful to be there, and we were grateful to welcome them and share the house with so many gracious guests!"

The main house and guest house total 6,858 square feet, while the entire area including garages, pool and terraces is about two times as large. The interior currently includes five bedrooms, five full baths and two half baths, a separate bar, an office and exercise room as well as a garage for three cars.

"Their jaws were dropping walking through," said Berry. "It was very exciting to see informed appreciation of Paul Rudolph's work."

Toll Brothers launches limited-time savings event

Buyers enjoy limitedtime incentives on quick delivery homes.

Toll Brothers started its Tour It, Love It, Make It Yours event Aug. 2 at the company's various Northeast Florida communities.

The home builder is offering limited-time savings for buyers who execute an agreement of sale by Sept. 15 and close on a home by Oct. 31. Sales and incentive packages will vary, so buyers are encouraged to contact their community of interest for more information.

"These luxury homes are a great option for buyers who need to move in quickly," said Steve Merten, Toll Brothers Northeast Florida Division senior vice president. "We encourage interested buyers to visit our communities today to tour available homes.'

Toll Brothers Northeast Florida communities hosting the Tour It, Love It, Make It Yours event include Coastal Oaks at Nocatee, Toll Brothers at Atlantic Beach Country Club and Julington Lakes. Sales centers and designerdecorated model homes are open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday and

Monday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. For more information, visit TollBrothers.com/FLN.

Toll Brothers is a Fortune 500 home building company founded in 1967 that is currently building in 20 states nationwide. It is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Trailmark welcomes Mastercraft Builder Group

GreenPointe Communities recently added MasterCraft Builder Group to its family of home builders in Trailmark.

"MasterCraft Builder Group has deep roots in Northeast Florida and has earned an outstanding reputation among homebuyers, real estate agents and community leaders," said GreenPointe Communities North Florida Division Manager Mike Taylor. "I am happy to welcome MasterCraft to our premier team at TrailMark. Our community builders are well known for their talent and experience and are highly regarded for building exceptional quality homes that fit the needs and lifestyle of today's homebuyer."

At TrailMark, MasterCraft Builder Group is offering six oneand two-story floor plans ranging in size from 2,987 square feet to 4,071 square feet. MasterCraft Builder Group homes at TrailMark are priced starting in the the high \$300,000s.

"MasterCraft Builder Group is proud to be local craftsmen first and foremost," said MasterCraft Builder Group Managing Partner Chris Shee. "We have chosen this



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MasterCraft Builder Group is now building homes at TrailMark.

area to raise our families, and we take pride not only in our quality craftsmanship, but giving back to the community as well."

MasterCraft Builder Group

won the Northeast Florida Builders Association's 2012 Builder of the Year award and has received numerous awards in the Parade of Homes. For more information, visit www. MastercraftBuilderGroup.com.

Trailmark is a residential community in northern St. Johns County featuring trails,

an amenity center, a camp house, a lakeside pavilion, oak tree hammocks, winding waterways and other community destinations.



ABOVE: A home in Marsh Landing's Harbour Island offers Iuxurious amenities and striking marsh and water views.

Photo courtesy of Lisa Barton

RIGHT: Ponte Vedra Beach is famous for its high-end real estate lining the beaches.

Photo courtesy of Linda Ostoski and Jim Zeller



Financial Times labels Ponte Vedra Beach a'hidden gem for prime homes'

By Samantha Logue

The Financial Times, a news organization of international acclaim, recently profiled Ponte Vedra Beach as a prime location for real estate in Florida.

Citing the area's proximity to the beach and numerous golf courses, the article detailed some of the attractions that Ponte Vedra Beach holds for professionals in the Greater Jacksonville area.

"On one side, oceanfront mansions overlook a sugar-white beach with 40-foot sand dunes," wrote Alistair Gray, the Financial Times' U.S. financial correspondent. "On the other, country clubs and gated communities face a pretty stretch of the east coast's

Intracoastal Waterway."

According to Gray, these aspects make Ponte Vedra Beach an ideal location for the growing influx of higher-income workers in Jacksonville, which this year, Forbes listed as the fifth fastest-growing city in the country.

"The four biggest U.S. banks – JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America, Citigroup and Wells Fargo – together employ 20,000 people locally," Gray wrote. "Healthcare and defence [sic] also support the local economy. Military facilities employ more than 50,000 people while Mayo Clinic has one of its major medical centres [sic] in Jacksonville."

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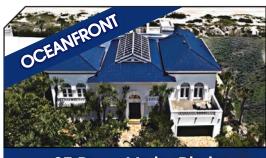
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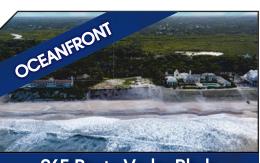
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Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty to celebrate newly renovated St. Augustine branch office

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty is celebrating the reopening of its newly renovated St. Augustine branch office with a ribbon cutting ceremony Aug. 31 from 5 to 8

Clients, business partners and the general public are invited to attend the grand reopening celebration.

"We appreciate the wonderful support we have received from our community, and we hope everyone will join us for our grand reopening celebration," said Ann King, broker/manager of the company's SeaGrove and Murabella offices. "We are excited to unveil our newly refreshed office, which offers buyers and sellers a convenient setting for real estate consultation."

The reopened office, located at 112 SeaGrove Main St., features an open and contemporary design, providing the company's realtors and customers with meeting spaces and access to the latest technology.



"Our newly renovated office provides an exceptional client experience and

a more open, collaborative space for our outstanding team of Realtors," said Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty Broker/ **Executive Vice President Christy** Budnick. "We are the market leader and home to the area's most successful and community-minded agents who deliver an exceptional client experience and the most positive real estate results."

In addition to the full service branch office in the SeaGrove Town Center,

Services Florida Network Realty Berkshire Hathaway operates a full service branch office at the Shoppes at Murabella and a satellite office at the Villages of Seloy, a "55 and up" community where Berkshire is the

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Lots now available at McGarvey's Ocean Ridge Community in St. Augustine

McGarvey Residential Communities is accepting contracts for a limited number of lots at the Ocean Ridge community located at Mickler Road and 11th St. in St. Augustine Beach.

"Developing neighborhoods like Ocean Ridge is a passion project of mine," said developer Jay McGarvey. "We are fortunate to already have three great builders in the community, Riverside Homes, Landon Homes and SH Design. With roads paved and all horizontal improvements completed, we have opened 10 additional lots for sale to individual buyers."

The new community will feature coastal homes that range in size starting at 2,200 square feet, with

expansive floor plans, master suites, gourmet kitchens and covered patios.

"St. Augustine and the beaches are some of the most sought-after destinations in the southeast, so to be able to purchase a lot just blocks from the ocean is truly a once-in-a-lifetime event," added McGarvey. You won't always be able to find property like

McGarvey's other St. Augustine Beach communities include Sea View, Sea Colony, Sea Grove, Anastasia Dunes and Beach Haven in Flagler

For more information on Ocean Ridge lot sales, contact Sean McGarvey at smcgarve@gmail.com or call (904) 247-9160.

C. Dennis Luettich Jr. joins Gibraltar Title Services



C. Dennis Luettich Jr.

Gibraltar Title Services, LLC, a partner of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty, recently announced that C. Dennis Luettich Jr. joined the organization to serve as associate counsel.

"We are pleased to welcome Dennis to our firm," said Gibraltar Title Services General Manager Alan Copertino. "First and foremost, Dennis is an outstanding lawyer and advocate for his clients. His deep knowledge and diverse experience will be invaluable to our company and the clients we serve."

Luettich has represented companies

and high net-worth individuals in contract negotiations, corporate governance and real estate closings for more than 15 years as both an in-house attorney and outside counsel. Prior to joining the firm, Luettich owned and operated a law firm focused on business, corporate, real estate and estate planning, small market enterprises and individuals. He also served as assistant vice president and senior claims counsel at Fidelity National Title Group and as an attorney at Roetzel & Andress in Orlando and Pavese Law Firm in Fort Myers. Luettich earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and his

MBA and law degrees from the University of Missouri in Kansas City.

Established in 1994 and founded by Michael Hughes, Gibraltar Title Services, LLC provides loan closing services to lenders and acts as an agent for a number of title insurance companies. The company closes transactions at all price points and has facilitated closings at uncommon locations including naval ships and hospitals. Gibraltar is a partner of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty, a wholly owned subsidiary of HomeServices of America, a Berkshire Hathaway affiliate.

Pat Wood joins sales team at Davidson Realty's World Golf Village office

Davidson Realty recently welcomed agent Pat Wood to its World Golf Village office.

Wood comes to Davidson with decades of experience in sales and customer service, including real estate. She is eager to utilize that experience to guide her customers throughout the home buying and selling processes.

"Pat is really focused on listening to customers' needs and providing superior service," said Sherry Davidson, president of Davidson Realty. "We are glad to have her on our team."

Visit Davidson Realty online at www.DavidsonRealtyInc.com to search available properties and get to know Davidson's team of agents.

For more than 25 years, Davidson Realty, Inc. has been a leader in Northeast Florida real estate, marketing and sales of residential and commercial properties in Jacksonville, St. Augustine and surrounding areas. The firm has been recognized as one of the area's 50 Fastest Growing Companies and Best Places to Work by Jacksonville Business Journal, and one of Florida's Best Companies to Work For by Florida Trend magazine.

Davidson Realty has more than 60 realtors with a variety of client-focused



Pat Wood

specialties from Certified Distressed Property Experts to multilingual agents. The firm's sister companies include Davidson Property Management, Davidson Development, Davidson Advisory Services, Davidson Referral Network and nonprofit foundation Davidson Cares.

Davidson Realty has offices in World Golf Village (100 E. Town Place, St. Augustine) and Jacksonville Beach (1500 Beach Boulevard, Suite 215).

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Historic St. Augustine

One of the best locations in downtown St. Augustine is 3 Palm Row located in the historic district, on a narrow brick lined street, that is tucked away & w/ only a handful of homes. This pool home w/ 3bd/2.5ba + office/flex space, sits on the southern side of the street & the garage and plenty of extra parking is on the northern side. Fully renovated in 2013. \$939,000

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LIGHTHOUSE CHIROPRACTIC HOLDS GRAND OPENING IN PONTE VEDRA



Lighthouse Chiropractic held an open house and a ribbon-cutting ceremony Aug. 11 at its new office located at 145 Hilden Road, Suite 123 in Ponte Vedra. Hosted by the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce, the grand opening celebration featured food, music, raffles, face painting, networking and more.

The Fresh Market gets fresher, holds grand reopening at local stores

By Samantha Logue

In an effort to enhance customers' shopping experience, The Fresh Market refreshed its Jacksonville-area stores last week with a grand reopening.

The company started rolling out its new changes Wednesday, Aug. 16 and continued to hold special events throughout the rest of the week. Customers were offered free reusable shopping bags and food samples, and were also treated to live entertainment as well as various cooking demonstrations.

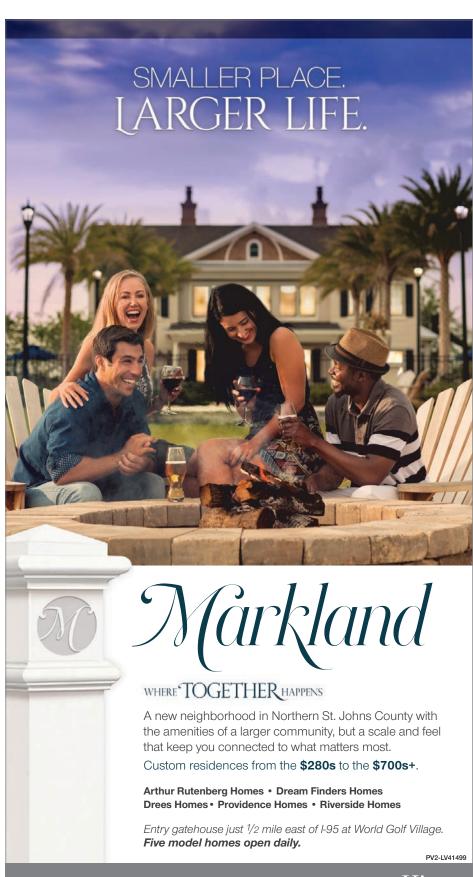
In addition to a new sampling station, updates to stores include an expanded selection of pre-prepared entrees and side dishes at the delicatessen and a "Mind and Body" department of health, wellness and beauty products, as well as improvements to lighting and signage.

The Fresh Market has five stores in the Greater Jacksonville area, including one located in Ponte Vedra Beach at 840 A1A North, Suite 200. For more information, visit www.thefreshmarket.com.



Photo by Susan Griffin

An employee offers free samples to customers at The Fresh Market.



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Considering divorce? First...you need an exit strategy!



Harry Pappas Columnist

By Harry Pappas Special to the Recorder

Before we get into this week's narrative, allow me a moment of diversion so I can articulate the following disclaimer. Although I am a

Certified Divorce Financial AnalystTM and board certified as an estate and trust specialist, I am not an attorney. Therefore, I cannot provide legal advice. I encourage you to seek the assistance of a competent legal professional to address your legal issues. Okay, now that we satisfied the legal folks, away we go...

We may get a chuckle out of the following quote from Zsa Zsa Gabor, "I am a very good housekeeper. Each time I get a divorce, I keep the house." However, divorce is not a laughing matter. Frankly, I argue that one does not know the true emotional and financial impact of divorce proceedings unless one has participated in such an unfortunate event, as divorce is incredibly complicated and often overwhelming. I should know, as I have the scars to prove it, both as a divorced spouse and a financial advisor assisting

Nevertheless, as much as it might appear conniving, anyone that is contemplating a divorce owes it to himself or herself to prepare diligently for his or

Please understand that pre-divorce planning is not about trying to take advantage of one's spouse or being deceitful. Instead, it is all about carefully planning and making clever choices with a clear mind to ensure a good, stable economic future and to prevent long-term regret with financial decisions made during the divorce process. Said differently, it is paramount to have one's "ducks lined up" BEFORE the initiation

So where does one begin to be prepared and organized? Arguably, one of the best resources that one can utilize is a Certified Divorce Financial Analyst (CDFATM); yet, regrettably, few people know about CDFAs. Of course, as a CDFATM, I am biased to how instrumental a CDFATM can be to the divorcing spouse and his/ her attorney. For example, working with a client and his/her attorney, a CDFATM professional can forecast the potential long-term effects of the divorce settlement. This includes details of all tax liabilities and benefits.

Developing a long-term forecast for the financial situation is far better than a short-term snapshot. Moreover, a CDFATM professional can educate their clients by providing a thorough knowledge and understanding of the often complicated financial decisions. In the end, using a CDFATM professional can reduce the amount of apprehension and misunderstanding about the divorce process, which leads me to the following quote from one of my favorite authors,

"A clear vision, backed by definite plans, gives you a tremendous feeling of confidence and personal power," said

One critical area of pre-divorce planning that is repeatedly neglected is estate planning. In other words, there is often a significant amount of work that needs to be done in this so-called dark corner of planning. For instance, most likely one will have to revoke his/her current will, change guardians for any minor children, make new powers of attorney, update health care proxy and change beneficiary designations on life insurance policies, retirement plans, transfer on death (TOD), and payable on death (POD) designations.

Please understand that the abovementioned items are not the responsibility of your divorce attorney. In other words, you are on your own to figure this stuff out, which is just another reason to consider employing the services of a CDFATM. Now get this, one could "hire" a CDFATM without it costing him or her anything! Yep, it is true. What is the catch, you ask? Simple: a CDFATM hopes that you will find him or her competent enough that when it comes time for one to receive his or her lump sum settlement or alimony payment, one would consider employing his/her money management services. Of course, one has no obligation to do so. Therefore, it appears to be as close to a free lunch as one can get!

Finally, my last bit of advice to anyone anticipating a divorce or already involved in the divorce process is perhaps the most important words of wisdom that

I can offer. One must check at the door your ego, your sense of entitlement, your impatience, your fear, your hope and your anger. Yep, one MUST leave it ALL behind because if you do not, you will likely make the situation far worse than you ever imagined. Again, I should know because I have the scars to prove it. As they say, do as I say, not as I do, did!

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PONTE VEDRA BEACH DIVISION HOSTS 'CHAMBER AT NOON' EVENT



The Ponte Vedra Beach Division of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce hosted speaker Richard Goldman (center) at the Sawgrass Beach Club in Ponte Vedra Beach Wednesday, Aug 16. The Executive Director of the St. Johns County Visitors & Convention Bureau, Goldman presented "How Tourism Affects You" at the Chamber at Noon event, which was sponsored by the Browning Agency. Left to right: Isabelle Rodriguez, Richard Goldman and Toni Boudreaux.

Castillo de San Marcos partners with company to offer visitors digital entrance passes

The Castillo de San Marcos National Monument is partnering with digital government services company NIC Inc. (NASDAQ: EGOV) to offer digital entrance passes to visitors through NIC's "YourPassNow."

"YourPassNow" allows visitors to use their personal computer or mobile device to purchase an entrance pass online, at no additional cost. Once purchased, the pass can be used at the Castillo de San Marcos immediately, stored on a mobile device or printed for later use.

"We are pleased to be able to provide an easier planning process for our park visitors and be able to utilize available

technology," said Castillo de San Marcos National Monument Superintendent Gordie Wilson.

Located in St. Augustine, Castillo de San Marcos is a national monument representing a clash of cultures that stands as the oldest structure in St. Augustine and the oldest masonry fort in the continental United States.

Founded in 1992, NIC is a Kansasbased provider of government solutions and secure payment processing. The company has seen the transition of digital services from green-screen computers to mobile apps and artificial intelligence.

Hawkers Asian Street Fare unveils new seasonal menu

By Samantha Logue

The sizzle of summer isn't only in the air. Hawkers Asian Street Fare - an Orlando-based restaurant chain known locally for its communal-style dining experience – has rolled out a new seasonal menu with an authentically ethnic, spicy

Rolling out at all four of the restaurant's locations, Hawkers' seasonal menu follows a decidedly summery theme, from its seafood highlights to the incorporation of various spices and citrus flavors. With a backdrop of sun and surf, the restaurant's Neptune Beach location provides the perfect setting to enjoy these seasonal updates.

When dining at Hawkers, it is important to consider that each dish will be shared with the whole table. The new Roti Canai, which pairs soft, chewy Malaysian flatbread with Hawkers' signature spicy curry sauce, stands out as an easy-to-share option for larger parties.

A national dish of Singapore, Hawkers' new Singapore "Chilli" Crab features a breaded soft-shelled crab covered in a house-made chili garlic sauce. Served with a pillow-soft, fried bao bun, this dish is perfect for those seeking to taste and feel the summer heat.

On the other hand, the flavorful Tiger Salad is a must-try for those looking to cool things down. With fresh cilantro, poached octopus, carrots, celery, cucumber and green onions tossed in a rice wine vinaigrette, this refreshingly crisp dish will be a fast favorite.

Other menu highlights include the #DimSumCrunchyBalls, which are hush puppy-like balls of shrimp and pork encased in a crispy spring roll batter and paired with a chili dipping sauce, and the Crispy Chicken Skin Skewers, which include three chicken kebabs char-grilled to perfection and sprinkled with lime iuice.

For dessert, patrons can also try The Mochi Trio, which comes with three small, dumpling-shaped balls of soft, chewy rice cake filled with ice cream in flavors of green tea, lychee colada and Thai tea and topped with whipped cream.

Hawkers clientele will have the opportunity to try these new menu options now through next spring, when they will be replaced by an updated selection. For more information about Hawkers Asian Street Fare, visit www.eathawkers.com.



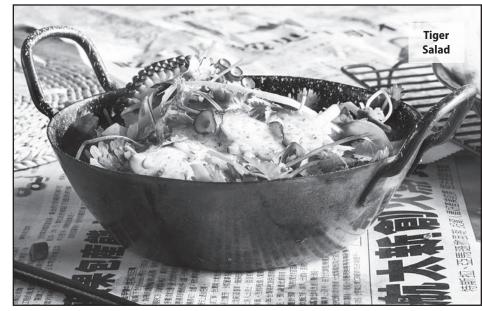


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FirstAtlantic Financial Holdings merges with National Commerce Cooperation

FirstAtlantic Financial Holdings, Inc., the parent company of FirstAtlantic Bank, and National Commerce Corporation (NCC), the parent company of National Bank of Commerce (NBC), jointly announced their merger on Aug. 16.

FirstAtlantic Bank will become a part of National Bank of Commerce (NBC), but will continue to operate under the FirstAtlantic Bank trade name and its existing management team. The transaction is expected to result in a combined institution with approximately \$3.1 billion in assets.

"We are excited to partner with Mitch Hunt and his team at FirstAtlantic, and

we look forward to the opportunity to work together to build a great company," said Richard Murray, IV, president and chief executive officer of NCC. "The FirstAtlantic franchise is a great fit for us, and we are optimistic about the potential for the Jacksonville market."

Mitchell W. Hunt, Jr., president and chief executive officer of FirstAtlantic. also commented on the announcement.

"Our affiliation with NCC will allow us to continue and accelerate our path to become the bank of choice for Jacksonville," he said. "We share with NCC and NBC a commitment to community banking and exceptional

customer service. We are honored and excited to become a part of the NCC family, and we look forward to continuing to build on our foundation."

Under the terms of the agreement, each share of common stock of FirstAtlantic issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the merger will be converted into the right to receive either 0.44 shares of NCC common stock or \$17.25 in cash. However, the total amount of cash payable in the merger will be equal to \$11,148,555, subject to NCC's right to increase the cash component of the merger consideration up to \$14,857,305 if cash elections from

FirstAtlantic shareholders exceed the initial cash amount.

The boards of directors of NCC, NBC, FirstAtlantic and FirstAtlantic Bank have approved the transaction, which is subject to customary closing conditions, including receipt of regulatory approvals and approval by FirstAtlantic's shareholders.

National Commerce Corporation (Nasdaq: NCOM) is a financial holding company headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama. FirstAtlantic Financial Holdings, Inc. is the holding company for FirstAltantic Bank, a full-service community bank headquartered in Jacksonville.

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REVIEW

Alhambra's 'The Dixie Swim Club' is a hilarious, must-see comedy

By Jennifer Logue

Special to the Recorder

Be sure to wait at least 30 minutes after eating before diving into the Alhambra Theatre & Dining's new production of "The Dixie Swim Club." There's a good chance you'll laugh so hard at this hilarious comedy, you'll get a stitch in your side.

Fortunately for Alhambra patrons, the theater offers a brief respite following its popular dinner service before plunging into this hysterical play about five Southern women and the strong friendship they've maintained since they first met decades ago on their college swim team. Every August, the women meet for a weekend reunion on North Carolina's Outer Banks, where they kick back, catch up and get real with one another as only true, lifelong friends can.

"Dixie Swim Club" kicks off when the women are in their forties, and as they arrive for their annual retreat, the group dynamics are quickly established.

As the self-appointed leader, Sheree is a classic Type A organizer and health fanatic whose need to micromanage every aspect of these annual weekends goes over about as well as the inedible, healthy snacks she foists on her friends each year. Dinah is a successful. single career woman who proves an able foil for Lexie, a selfabsorbed cougar working on her third divorce. Rounding out the club are Jeri Neal – who became a nun after college – and sad sack Vernadette, who never lets



Photo courtesy of John Hoffman

Morgan Fairchild (left) performs in "The Dixie Swim Club," currently showing at the Alhambra Theatre.

the black cloud that perpetually hovers over her life dampen her dry wit.

As the audience follows this devoted quintet for more than 30 years, they revel in the women's joys and share in their sorrows. It's hard to be sad, though, when spending time with the ladies of the "Dixie Swim Club," whose prowess in the pool is exceeded only by their ability to fire off

one, sidesplitting one-liner after another. So strong is the chemistry among the Alhambra's cast and so natural is their repartee that it's easy to believe these women really have been friends for decades.

Actress Morgan Fairchild – well-known for her roles on such popular TV shows as "Dallas," "Falcon Crest" and "Friends" – first performed at the Alhambra

back in the 1970s in "The Seven Year Itch." She returns for the theater's 50th anniversary season as the lovely, lustful Lexie. And while the role offers her ample opportunity to showcase her considerable comedic talents, Fairchild also excels at communicating the subtle sadness lurking just beneath the surface of Lexie's comely exterior.

As Sheree, Vickie Daignault does a fine job portraying that friend we all have who's happiest calling all the shots, but you love her anyway. Alhambra regulars Lisa Valdini and Patti Eyler are also in fine form, with Valdini's Jeri Neal experiencing the most dramatic life changes and Eyler's Dinah serving as the group's

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Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach to open new exhibits

The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach is opening two new exhibits on Aug. 25.

The first exhibition features the art of Jim Benedict and David Nackashi in the center's main gallery. Benedict's body of work focuses on the collision of physical action and conceptual ideation while David Nackashi's paintings are designed to give the viewer a "sense of place."

The second exhibition entitled "Who Are You" is presented by the Society of Mixed Media Artists (SoMMA) in the scene gallery. It will showcase pieces by various award-winning members of SoMMA that challenged the artists

to create works of art (both two and three dimensional) representing their personality, likes, dislikes and hobbies.

Both exhibits will be introduced Aug. 25 with an opening reception from 6 to 8 p.m. that is free and open to the public.

The event will feature live music, wine, appetizers and a chance to meet

the cultural center's featured artists. Attendees will also be able to purchase original work from local artists.

Local artist Jami Childers will judge the entries in the "Who Are You" exhibit.

The exhibits are scheduled to run through Sept. 29 at the cultural center, which is located at 50 Executive Way.



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EMMA Concert Association opens season Oct. 7 with 'Big Band Gala' fundraiser

Swing into EMMA's 39th season with the "Big Band Gala" on Saturday, Oct. 7, at the Flagler College Solarium at 74 King St. in St. Augustine.

The gala, a fundraiser hosted by the EMMA Guild, will feature musical entertainment by E.T. Swing's the Thing, along with hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and an eclectic silent auction from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person, and space is limited.

For more information or to request reservations, call (904) 806-4308.

Following the Gala, EMMA's opening night concert of the season will feature the Orlando Jazz Orchestra under the direction of Greg Parnell at the Lewis Auditorium at Flagler College, 14 Grenada St.

Well-known jazz singer Linda Cole will perform with the orchestra as she pays a special tribute to Ella Fitzgerald, her famous relative Nat King Cole and others. The ensemble recognizes the famous big bands of the swing era and also performs as a jazz orchestra, highlighting the music of such luminaries as Count Basie, Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller and Harry James.

The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 (\$5 for students) and may be purchased in advance at www.emmaconcerts.com, by calling (904) 797-2800 or at the box office, which opens one hour before the performance.



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Sing Out Loud Festival to feature more than 200 performers, 50 showcases throughout St. Augustine

The Sing Out Loud Festival, the largest free music festival ever held in North Florida, released its schedule of live entertainment that will take place throughout St. Augustine for three weekends in September

The festival will feature a wide range of musical genres, including Texas outlaw country, New Orleans brass and funk, alternative indie rock, Americana, bluegrass, neo-soul, folk, punk, hip-hop, spoken word, comedy, electronic and more. Now in its second year, the Sing Out Loud Festival has expanded to include more than 200 national, local and regional

acts playing 50 showcases at 15 St. Augustine venues during the weekends of Sept. 8-10, 15-17 and 22-24.

Some of the national acts scheduled to perform include Steve Earle & the Dukes, Lake Street Dive, Wolf Parade, Dirty Dozen Brass Band and Los Lobos, in addition to a massive regional and local lineup.

New to the festival this year is a poetry showcase hosted by 100 Thousand Poets for Change and A Kids Matinee, with live entertainment and activities for children. Two showcases will be staged at St. Paul Park in the historic Lincolnville

neighborhood on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue between Park Place and DeHaven Street.

The Narrow Magazine, comedy and Gamble Rogers showcases will return this year as well as showcases dedicated to Americana, blues, reggae, hip-hop, punk and more.

"The Festival represents an intersection of live entertainment and community," said Ryan Murphy, director of the St. Johns County Cultural Events Division and coordinator of the Sing Out Loud Festival. "It is very exciting to provide this massive free music festival to the community;

one that features such a high profile and eclectic lineup and shines a light on St. Augustine's vibrant performance scene."

The schedule with full performance lineups, show times and locations is available online at singoutloudfestival. com/schedule. The Sing Out Loud Festival is presented by Community First Credit Union and produced by the St. Johns County Cultural Events Division with support from the St. Johns County Tourist Development Council, the St. Johns Cultural Council and the St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra, and The Beaches Visitors and Convention Bureau.



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anchor, keeping these swim sisters moored tightly together as they weather storms – both literal and figurative – through the passing years.

For sheer comic relief, however, Brooks Anne Hayes Meierdierks is a standout. As the unlucky Vernadette, Meierdierks had the audience in stitches every time she opened her mouth. Vernadette's wry observations on the train wreck that is her life are so hilarious, in fact, that they make the play's bittersweet ending even more poignant.

"Dixie Swim Club" runs through Sept. 24 at the Alhambra Theatre & Dining. Take the plunge and see if it if you can.



Jacksonville Symphony to hold chorus auditions on Sept. 9

The Jacksonville Symphony Chorus auditions on Sept. 9, originally scheduled to be held at Jacksonville University, have been moved to the chorus room on the second floor of the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts.

Auditions will consist of a 90-second sightreading activity, establishment of range and singing an excerpt of "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place" (measures 85-123) from "Ein deutsches Requiem" by Johannes Brahms.

Auditions are by appointment, but walk-in auditions will be available beginning at 10:30 a.m. For more information or to schedule an audition time, email chorus manager Jill Weisblatt at jweisblatt@jaxsymphony.org.

The Jacksonville Symphony Chorus has general rehearsals each Tuesday from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at JU's Marks Chapel. All performance-week rehearsals occur at the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts. Chorus members are asked to commit to an entire season of rehearsals and performances.

Led by Donald McCullough, the all-volunteer Jacksonville Symphony Chorus has been accompanying performances by the Jacksonville Symphony for more than three decades and includes many professional musicians, amateur performers and college students on its roster. Some of the most recent performances by the chorus have included distinguished works such as "The Dream of Gerontius" and Handel's "Messiah."

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Ponte Vedra quarterback Jack Murrah looks for a receiver as Christian Ventouras provides protection during Friday's Kickoff Classic.

Sharks edge Fletcher in Kickoff Classic

By Jerry Norton

Special to the Recorder

If the Aug. 18 Kickoff Classic between Ponte Vedra and Fletcher is any indication of what's to come during the regular season, be ready for some exciting football. The Sharks edged the visiting Senators 16-14 on a 20-yard field goal by Riley Robbins on the game's final play.

In the Kickoff Classic format, the varsity squads for each team played the first half, then the two teams used underclassmen in the third and fourth quarter. But for two plays, the game's excitement came in the final quarter when the freshmen and JV squads were on the field.

Ponte Vedra's varsity scored on its opening drive of the game when junior quarterback Jack Murrah connected with senior wide receiver Jarrett Stepp for a 60-yard touchdown. On the ensuing kickoff, Fletcher's Anthony Evelyn answered with a 90-yard romp down the sideline for the game-tying touchdown. With two scores in less than four minutes, the game appeared to be heading for a wild offensive shootout, but the defenses stepped up and dominated play.

The first half ended with the teams tied at 7-7, and it wasn't until the four-minute mark of the fourth quarter that the scoreboard came back to life.

At that point, Ponte Vedra's freshman quarterback Jacobi Myers engineered a long and impressive drive mixing runs and passes that ultimately ended in the second Sharks touchdown. With the extra point attempt missing wide to the right, Ponte Vedra held a 13-7 lead. But Fletcher wasn't ready to pack it in despite needing a touchdown with little time remaining.

In less than a minute, two deep passes by sophomore



Ponte Vedra's Tommy Zitiello (17) and Duncan VanKuteran (left) come close to blocking a Fletcher punt.

quarterback Devon Lingle gave the Senators a first down at the Sharks' 25-yard line. On the next play, the quarterback rolled left all the way to the end zone. The point after was good, and the visitors led 14-13 with 3:22 left on the clock for the Sharks' offense.

Ponte Vedra coach Matt Toblin sent his freshman quarterback back in the game, and he proceeded to engineer another long drive that culminated in the winning 22-yard field goal as time expired.

Said Toblin after the game, "I was pleased with the way all our players competed, especially the younger guys. We were able to get all our player some game action, and that was what we wanted to do."

Nease tops Yulee in preseason scrimmage

Panthers prepare for season opener against Ponte Vedra

By Paris Moulden

Nease got its feet wet for the 2017 season with its preseason Kickoff Classic against the Yulee Hornets last Friday at Yulee. The Panthers came away with a 25-14 win, and now have bigger fish to fry heading into their season opener against the rival Ponte Vedra Sharks.

With the starters playing the first half, the Panthers set the tone early on both sides of the ball. The defense, led by Kenny Whitehead, Trey Ragin, Nick Witherspoon and Jacob Allsup, contributed a sack and forced a turnover in the first quarter. On offense, quarterback Preston Staples had a long pass reception to Dylan Patricolo to put Nease at first-and-goal, and running back Jareem Westcott punched it in with a little more than a minute remaining in the first quarter to give the Panthers a 7-0 lead.

Nease coach Tim Krause said he saw room for improvement during the scrimmage, but was also encouraged by his team's toughness.

"In preseason situations, everybody's going to be sloppy," Krause said. "You kind of go into it expecting that a little bit, not that you can tolerate that, but understand there's going to be some mistakes and we sure made some tonight, but I felt like overall, we played really hard. There's always growth in failure, too, so we get to take the things we messed up on a little bit and work on it, put in on film and practice for next week."

The Hornets got on the board with a touchdown in the second quarter, but the Panthers padded their lead when Staples threw a deep pass to Ashton Wood for a touchdown, and Collin Hartley kicked a field goal to put Nease up 19-7. The Panthers' defense closed out the first half on a high note, sacking Yulee quarterback Brandon Kline and forcing a turnover with one second left.

Staples looked solid in his starting performance after taking over for standout Leighton Alley, who graduated in May

"He's a much different player than Leighton, and anytime you're replacing

Nease

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a three-year starter who has played as much football as Leighton, it's a challenge to find your identity," Krause said of Staples. "But he's done a great job through the offseason, and did a good job in fall camp so we're excited going forward."

Yulee closed the gap with a TD in the

third, but the highlight of the quarter was a 55-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Whitehead to give the Panthers a 25-14 lead. The Hornets had a long touchdown pass called back on an eligible receiver penalty. The backups took over

in the third quarter for Nease, and Krause was pleased with what he saw.

"I felt like our young guys really competed hard," he said. "We got in a lot of good reps with those guys, especially the way they played out there on the defensive side. They created turnovers, held their own and did a really nice job."

The Panthers finished last season with a disappointing 2-7 record after making the playoffs and going undefeated in the district in 2015, but Krause said the team is just focused on what's ahead.

"As a coaching staff, as players, as a team, I think we spent the offseason kind of putting last year to bed and moving on with what we have this year," Krause said. "We're really excited with what our senior class is like and how they're going to lead us. That's the biggest thing we're looking for, is guys that understand the expectation here is to win and to play really hard."

The Panthers kick off the season at 7 p.m. Friday at Ponte Vedra.

"We're excited to get the chance to go play a real football game," Krause said of Friday night's rivalry matchup. "Obviously when you play a team like that, there's added emotion on both sides and added energy and it makes it fun to coach in. That's what you want as a player and as a coach, a challenge and an environment that excites you and an environment that makes you want to win, so we're really excited about that."

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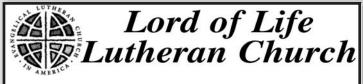
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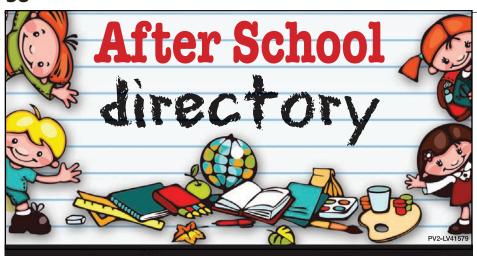
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Championship-bound dragon boat paddlers to host wine tasting fundraiser in Ponte Vedra

Three members of the Jax Fire Dragons dragon boat club have been selected to represent the United States in the World Nations Dragon Boat Championships to be held at Dianchi Lake, Kunming, China later this year. From 5:30 to 7 p.m. Aug. 28, they will host a wine tasting event at Table 1 in Ponte Vedra Beach to raise funds for their trip.

The Jax Fire Dragons team members who will be traveling to China are Geri Rohrbaugh, Drew Rogers and Karen Schindler

Rohrbaugh, who is an Isle of Palms resident, is a founding member of the team and has participated in several events, including being selected as a team member for the Club Crew World Championships held in Italy.

Rogers, a Neptune Beach resident, is president of the Jax Fire Dragons group and also serves his community as a major with the United States Air Force Auxiliary 383rd squadron based at Craig Field in Jacksonville.

Schindler lives in Arlington and is also active in several other water sports, including outrigger canoe racing.

Dragon boating on the First Coast has been around for more than five years, though the sport — which originated in China — is more than 2,000 years old. Dragon boat festivals and races are held all over the world, and Jacksonville has a unique group of athletes who compete in this sport, several of whom have been selected by the United States Dragon Boat Association to participate in various events throughout the world.

Tickets for the wine tasting must be purchased in advance of the event, which will take place at 330 A1A North, Suite 208. For more information, call Geri Rohrbaugh at (904) 607-8550.

For those who wish to see the sport in person, the Jacksonville Dragon Boat & Paddle Fest will be held Sept. 23 at the Metropolitan Park Marina. For more information about the upcoming race, visit www.jacksonvilledragonboatfestival.com.



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