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One reader correctly identified last week's photo as the Eventide sign. The winner of the random drawing was **Melissa Flood**. Congratulations, Melissa — you may pick up your prize at the Recorder office during normal business hours.



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CAT OF THE WEEK

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Ponte Vedra Beach residents sound off on potential MSTU/BU for beach restoration

County Commission approves survey, initiates process

By Samantha Logue

Some Ponte Vedra Beach residents are rejoicing this week after the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) unanimously decided Tuesday, June 5 to take the first step toward the creation of a Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) or a Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) for the restoration of the area's beaches.

"I see no way not to do this — to initiate this process," Commissioner Jay Morris said at the BCC meeting.

Although the 5-0 decision did not officially approve an MSTU/BU, it did set the process in motion by directing the county to survey property owners in Ponte Vedra Beach as to whether they would support a special assessment to cover the "start-up costs" of a beach restoration project, totaling about \$1.2 million.

"As we know, the community in Ponte Vedra Beach has experienced extreme erosion along their coastline following Hurricane Irma and the nor'easters that followed," said Damon Douglas, project manager for the county. "We have been hearing from them, answering questions and listening for the past several months, and they have requested that we begin the process for putting together some kind of local funding mechanism to help them with a potential future beach restoration project."

While one resident questioned the commissioners on how much money taxpayers who do not live on the beach would be required to contribute, several others expressed their support for the creation of an assessment to restore the beaches, including Ponte Vedra Beach resident Lori Moffett, who spoke on behalf of Save Ponte Vedra Beach Inc.

"We are very encouraged by the steps that you're taking today," Moffett said. "We simply want what you've done for South Ponte Vedra. We want to create our own municipal district to eventually get an engineer on board and hired and the beach restored."

On December 19, the County Commission voted to approve the creation of MSTUs for the restoration of Vilano Beach and South Ponte Vedra Beach. As of yet, however, there is still no county-approved plan for Ponte Vedra Beach proper, and that is what Save Ponte Vedra Beach ultimately hopes to change.

According to a study performed by coastal engineering firm Olsen Associ-



Photo courtesy of Lori Moffett

Coastal erosion in Ponte Vedra Beach has some residents pushing for the creation of a Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) or a Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) for the restoration of the area's beaches.

"At the moment, as you probably know, property values in Ponte Vedra are spiraling downward, and the only thing that will reverse that trend is a renourished, wider beach."

Lori Moffett

Ponte Vedra Beach resident and representative of Save Ponte Vedra Beach Inc.

ates, Ponte Vedra Beach has lost 135 feet of coastline since 1970. As St. Johns County's beaches are a key component of what draws tourists and homebuyers to the area, a failure to maintain them could be devastating for the county, Moffett contended.

"At the moment, as you probably know, property values in Ponte Vedra are spiraling downward, and the only thing that will reverse that trend is a renourished, wider beach," she said. "Otherwise, we're looking at a downward spiraling of property values to come, and that has dire consequences financially for the whole county."

Recently, Save Ponte Vedra Beach conducted its own survey to gauge the support throughout the Ponte Vedra community for an assessment to fund beach renourishment. Out of the more than 600 people surveyed, the organization reported that about 91 percent responded favorably to the idea.

While many local property owners may

support an assessment, however, Commissioner Jimmy Johns expressed frustration over the lack of details that had been provided to the BCC.

"I'm looking for ways to get government out of peoples' way so that they can protect their property, but if we have to participate in this process, then we need to clearly convey what the expectations are before running down this path," he said.

Commissioners Jeb Smith and Paul Waldron echoed Smith's concerns regarding the lack of information and costs. Morris, however, contended that more details couldn't be obtained until a survey had been conducted.

"We can sit here and analyze this until the cows come home or the beaches are gone," he said. "Let's start the process. ... If we sit here and argue about this, nothing's going to take place."

In addition to an MSTU or MSBU, another possible local source of funding that supporters of the Save Ponte Vedra

Beach initiative are hoping to secure is a proposed 1-percent increase (from 4 to 5 percent) in St. Johns County's bed tax. Currently under county consideration, the tax increase could potentially yield more than \$2 million annually for beach renourishment if approved by the BCC. According to county officials, however, the date for the board's final vote on that matter is still pending.

Still, while the question of local funding remains uncertain, beachgoers and property owners may soon find some relief at the federal level. On June 6, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Water Resources Development Act of 2018, which, if passed by the Senate, would include \$15 million for beach renourishment in St. Johns County.

"The House passage of the Water Resources Development Act is a significant step toward vital investment in our nation's ports and waterways, as well as protecting our communities against natural disasters like we saw last year in Jacksonville with Hurricane Irma," Rep. John Rutherford (R-FL) said in a statement released last week. "This bill contains several important provisions that will invest in Northeast Florida, and I am proud to have voted in favor of it. I commend my colleagues in the House for recognizing the need to strengthen our water infrastructure and look forward to working with them in the future to further improve our communities."

MSD Board reminds community of upcoming elections

By Jon Blauvelt

The Ponte Vedra Beach Municipal Service District (MSD) Board of Trustees reminded attendees of its meeting Monday, June 11 at the Ponte Vedra Library that St. Johns County will hold elections this year for MSD seats 1, 3, 5 and 7.

According to the St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections website, current Board Chairman Gary Jurenovich is the only candidate for seat 1. Gordon Blalock and Mack McCuller have filed

for seat 3, and Alva A. Hollon Jr. and Holly Kartsonis are currently uncontested for seats 5 and 7, respectively. Current Board Treasurer John Wegl and Trustees Murle Harrison and Greg Wong now hold seats 3, 5 and 7 respectively and have not filed for reelection.

The term for an MSD board member is four years, and the candidate must be a resident of the MSD. In general, MSD Board members meet once a month to provide management and oversight of safety, traffic, municipal services, beau-

tification and other areas that impact the MSD community and the well-being of its residents. Learn more by visiting the St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections website at www.votesjc.com or by calling (904) 823-2238.

The deadline for candidate filing is noon on Friday, June 22.

Other items of interest

In other MSD news, Wegl said FDOT will soon be conducting a speed survey on the stretch of A1A from Mickler Road

to the GTM Reserve to consider decreasing the speed limit there.

In addition, Jurenovich suggested the board work with the community to develop a “MSD Vision” that outlines goals and projects for the next five, 10 and 20 years.

The MSD Board concluded the meeting by engaging in preliminary budget discussions for fiscal year 2018-19, which will continue at the next meeting on Monday, July 9 when the trustees set the millage rate.



Photo courtesy of Sam Hall

Duval County School Board District 2 candidate Sam Hall (second from left) gathers with Atlantic Beach Mayor Ellen Glasser, Former Neptune Beach Mayor Harriet Pruette and City Commissioner candidate Sandy Golding at Hall's campaign event in Jacksonville Beach on June 9.

Hall kicks off campaign for Duval County School Board

Retired scientist Sam Hall formally kicked off his campaign for the District 2 seat on the Duval County School Board on Saturday, June 9, sharing his vision for the public schools with supporters at a backyard barbecue in Jacksonville Beach.

In addition to local residents, parents, and supporters, numerous current and former elected officials attended the event, including Jacksonville Beach Mayor Charlie Latham, Atlantic Beach Mayor Ellen Glasser, former Atlantic Beach Mayor Mike Borno and former Neptune Beach Mayor Harriet Pruette.

“I’m on the Neighborhood Accountability Board with Sam and I respect Sam very much — I can’t say enough good things about him,” said Pruette, who introduced Hall at the event. “Sam’s heart is in the right place — in our community.”

Hall told attendees that serving on the school board would be a natural extension of his nearly 25 years as a community education advocate working to not only protect children and teachers but also to enhance and expand the school board budget to better equip educators to teach the students in District 2. Hall, a native of rural Alabama, comes from two generations of educators, whom he cites as a

major reason for running for school board.

Hall said his experience serving on numerous community boards, including chairman of the nonprofit educational agency, The Bridge of Northeast Florida, offered him an opportunity to witness the success of both involving parents and collaborating with other social service agencies to improve student achievement, which is his key priority if elected.

Hall said, if elected, he would apply his extensive budgetary experience to the school budget while also prioritizing student safety. Hall’s other priorities are training and retaining excellent teachers and administrators, educating the whole child through STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) and working to increase community involvement in schools.

“I have no ambitions to run for higher office (than school board),” said Hall, who is also a member of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach. “I just want to help children and make sure they get a good education. This is my way of showing my appreciation and gratitude for having a good public education myself.”

For more information on Hall’s campaign, visit www.samhallforschoolboard.com.

Trump Club meeting features Congressional District 6 debate

By Danny Griffin

Special to the Recorder

Fred Costello and Michael Waltz publicly touted their resumes to be the next congressman to represent District 6 at the June 4 Trump Club of St. Johns County meeting held at the St. Johns County FOP Hall.

Both candidates explained their views and what they would do if elected to face the problems they see facing the nation. Moderator Diane Scherff, along with emcee John Reardon, posed nine questions to the candidates, followed by questions posed at random by the audience, which were all answered to the apparent satisfaction of the crowd. A third contender for the office, John Ward, did not appear as he had previously declined the invitation to participate in the debate.

Costello is currently a dental surgeon, and formerly served in office as Ormond Beach commissioner, mayor and state representative. He was also an Air Force captain. Waltz is currently

a defense consultant, author and a Fox News contributor. He served over 21 years in the military as an Army Special Forces Green Beret lieutenant colonel in the Middle East and Africa, and in the Pentagon as defense policy advisor to Defense Secretaries Donald Rumsfeld and Robert Gates. Waltz also served in the White House as Vice President Dick Cheney’s counterterrorism advisor.

Also at the Trump Club meeting, Dr. Michel Pawlowski, a member of the St. Johns County Republican Executive Committee, presented St. Johns County Trump Club President Diane Scherff with a pin from Ronna McDaniel, chair of the Republican National Committee. The pin was awarded for two resolutions from the club: “a Voice of the People,” which Dr. Pawlowski personally delivered to President Trump and other dignitaries, and for the hard work she and the club members have completed.

The Trump Club of St. Johns County is growing with currently 170 active members.



Photo by Danny Griffin

Congressional District 6 candidates Michael Waltz and Fred Costello tout their credentials at the June 4 Trump Club of St. Johns County meeting held at the St. Johns County FOP Hall.

Pablo Alfaro is a regional sales manager at Pacific Southern Wine Co. who has lived in Ponte Vedra for 21 years.

Pablo Alfaro

Can you please tell us about your background?

I was born and raised in Lima, Peru, where my entire family still lives today. While I was in Peru, I was a personal trainer and model, and I also worked for a credit card company. I came to the United States in 1988 to Huntington Beach, California, where I attended and played soccer at Orange Coast College. After school, I worked in the restaurant industry as a bartender and waiter. I moved to Orlando in 1993 to play indoor soccer and work in the real estate industry. I moved to Ponte Vedra in 1997 and in 1999, I started working at Pacific Southern Wine Co.

What are your primary roles and responsibilities as regional sales manager at Pacific Southern Wine Co.?

I represent a fine wine portfolio of 15 wineries (mainly from California, plus a few international wines), and I work directly with our distributors and wine buyers in Florida. I educate both sales staff at the distributors and consumers about the wines. I attend wine events and wine dinners and speak about the wines and winemaking in general.

What makes Pacific Southern Wine Co. different?

Pacific Southern is family-owned, and we represent wineries such as Steele, Frog's Leap, ZD, Truchard and others. We are very dedicated to our wineries and sell the wine brands as though they are our own.

What do you enjoy most about working in the wine industry?

I enjoy meeting people and sharing knowledge about the wines and the region that they come from. I enjoy the curiosity of people when it comes to wine, and there are no "wrong questions," as it is a constant learning process. I have made many friends through wine events and spent many evenings over some really good wine getting to know people in our community.

What do you like to do in your free time?

I love sports. I surf when the waves are good, and I love soccer as I grew up in South America, where it's the No. 1 sport. I'm very excited this month as Peru is in the World Cup for the first time in 36 years. And of course, living in Ponte Vedra, I like to play golf on a regular basis.

What do you enjoy most about living in Ponte Vedra?

This is a wonderful community, where people know each other. I think highly of our schools and educators and the YMCA in Ponte Vedra. I try to support as many charity events as I can. As a member of The Ponte Vedra Inn & Club — my "second home" — I've made many friends and feel very fortunate to have the ability to live and work in such a beautiful place.



Edited by Jon Blauvelt

Photo by Jon Blauvelt

To watch a video portion of the interview, visit pontevedrarecorder.com and click One of Us.

Affordable health screening coming to Ponte Vedra Beach June 21

Residents living in and around the Ponte Vedra Beach area can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions at a Beth El the Beaches Synagogue's event on Thursday, June 21. The site is located at 288 Roscoe Blvd. N. in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Screenings can check for:

- The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health
 - HDL and LDL cholesterol levels
 - Diabetes risk
 - Bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis
 - Kidney and thyroid function, and more
- Screening is accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is also available.

Packages start at \$149, but consultants will work with interested parties to create a package based on age and risk factors. Guests should ask about the Wellness Gold Membership Program, which allows customers to get the screenings they need now for \$19.95 per month. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.



LEFT: Jeff Hart (third from right), stands alongside his fellow Rotarians after receiving the Brent Williams Spirit of Rotary Award at the District 6970 conference in Amelia Island May 17-20.

Photo courtesy of Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset

BELOW: Hart addresses his fellow members at the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset about receiving the recognition.

Photo by Susan Griffin

Hart receives Brent Williams Spirit of Rotary Award

Rotarian Jeff Hart, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset, recently received the Brent Williams Spirit of Rotary Award at the District 6970 conference in Amelia Island.

Each year, the award recognizes one outstanding Rotarian

within District 6970 who has exhibited multiple years of service in at least two of Rotary's six areas of focus with an emphasis on helping others. Nominations are made by club presidents.

Hart was presented the award at the district conference May 17-20.



PVHS students receive first-time Venus Manly Scholarship awards

At an awards ceremony held Thursday, May 4, Ponte Vedra High School seniors Elizabeth Fox, Zuri Goodman and Victor Manly became the first-ever recipients of the Venus Manly Scholarship, presented by the Center for Spiritual Living St. Augustine.

Established in memory of a member of the Center for Spiritual Living who died at age 14, the goal of the Venus Manly Scholarship program is to stimulate a reflection on big ideals that the students can see themselves achieving.

Eleven senior high school and home school students from St. Johns County applied for the scholarship by submitting an essay on how to make the world a better place. The three recipients were chosen based on their essays and interview scores. The winners also identified their plans for attending college: Fox will attend Notre Dame University, Goodman will attend Yale University and Manly will attend Nova Southeastern University.

In addition to the three winners, four semi-finalists also received an honorarium in recognition of their ideas and conscientiousness in applying for the scholarship: Amber Kidd from Pedro Menendez High School, Jasmine Brody from Pedro Menendez High School, John Kasting from Ponte Vedra High School and Marc Moreira from Nease High School.



Photo courtesy of Tongila Manly

Tongila Manly (from left) stands with the 2018 recipients of the Venus Manly Scholarship: Victor Manly, Zuri Goodman and Elizabeth Fox.

Rev. Ken Wilcox, who presented the award at the Ponte Vedra High School Senior Awards Night, encouraged the high school graduates to dream large to make an impact on the world.

Nease student participates in local financial literacy camp

Incoming Nease High School junior Preston Frazier wasn't initially pleased when his mother signed him up for a week-long financial literacy camp without asking him. However, after attending First Florida Credit Union's second annual Camp CEO at their County Road 210 branch last week, he not only feels the experience was worth it, but also recommended it for his younger siblings.

Frazier said Camp CEO offered good information about student loans he may need, and he learned more about various money terms he wasn't sure of before — all while meeting some new friends.

First Florida Credit Union Community Relations Specialist Ashleigh Robin-

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Preston Frazier, an incoming junior at Nease High School, learned about student loans, credit card offers and more during First Florida Credit Union's second annual Camp CEO at their County Road 210 branch last week.

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son said reactions like Frazier's are why her organization created the program that provides youth aged 13 to 16 lessons on

financial concepts in a fun, interactive format.

"Less than half of states in our country have financial literacy requirements in schools," said Robinson. "First Florida wants to fill that gap and ensure youth are properly prepared to make informed decisions on everything from credit card offers to student and auto loans."

First Florida will offer Camp CEO again in early June 2019. The Jacksonville-based credit union provides a wide variety of other free financial workshops throughout the year. Check out the community section of the credit union's website at www.firstflorida.org for calendar listings and for 24/7 access to their financial education video series "It's a Money Thing."

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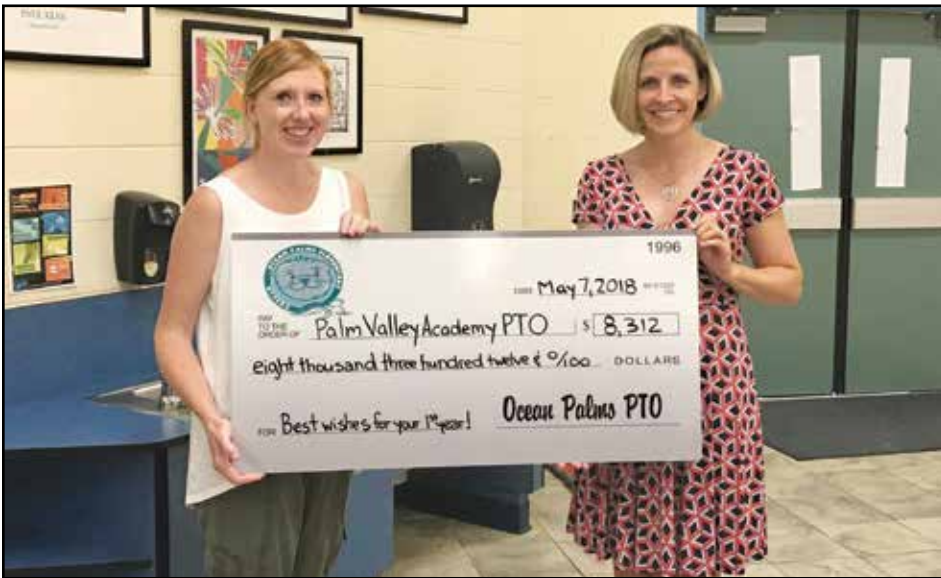



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The Ocean Palms Elementary School PTO recently presented the Palm Valley Academy PTO with seed money and a portion of the proceeds from the recent Groovin' Fundraiser to help get the school started. The donation totaled \$8,312. Pictured left to right are Kelly Simmers, PTO president of Ocean Palms Elementary School, and Jill D'Amato, PTO co-president of Palm Valley Academy.



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Nocatee Happenings

New condos to open in Del Webb Ponte Vedra at Nocatee

Construction is underway on new condominiums in the 55+ community of Del Webb Ponte Vedra, with model homes expecting to open in Fall 2018.

The carriage-style condominiums start in the low \$200s and include all exterior maintenance. Pulte Homes is offering four condominium floor-plans ranging from 1,457 to 1,868 square feet, with two to three bedrooms, two baths and one-car garages. Most condos will back up to preserve or water.

In addition to the amenities and recreational venues located within Del Webb Ponte Vedra, all residents have access to Nocatee's full complement of amenities, including Splash Waterpark, Greenway Trails, the Nocatee Community Park and more. Coming-soon Nocatee community amenities include the nearby Nocatee Landing and the Nocatee Spray Park.

Visit www.nocatee.com for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Here's a look at a few of the events that are upcoming in Nocatee:

Karaoke

Friday, June 15 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Splash Waterpark

Come out for a night of singing, dancing and socializing. If you aren't a singer, that's ok; come hang out and support your family, friends and neighbors. The Splash Bar and Rocky's will also be open. RSVP to fun@nocatee.com.

Nocatee Farmers Market

Saturday, June 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Swim Club Green

Get your Hawaiian shirts and grass skirts ready for the Nocatee Farmers Market: Island Experience. Attendees can look forward to performances by Prince Pele's Polynesian Revue, including a variety of Polynesian dances, costumes, live music and more. Fire dancing will also be part of the excitement for the last portion. There will be photo opportunities with the performers throughout the day. Along with this theme, the market will include over 70 local vendors offering items such as organic produce, herbs, spices, delicious unique foods, crafts, jewelry and more. Also, there will be crafts and a bounce house for the kids. Plus, the bar will be open for beer and wine purchases.



Photo by Susan Griffin

Nocatee Farmers Market

Coastal Wine Market & Tasting Room 2nd Anniversary Saturday, June 16 at 6 p.m.

641 Crosswater Parkway

Celebrate the second anniversary of Coastal Wine Market & Tasting Room with complimentary wine tastings, giveaways, raffles and more. Come early to ensure your spot; the event is limited to 50 people. Also this summer, head to Coastal Wine Market on Saturdays from 2 to 5 p.m. for "Summer Saturdays," providing guests the opportunity to taste a variety of summer whites and rosés.

Noc-At-Night

Saturday, June 16 from 7 to 10 p.m.

Splash Waterpark

Come enjoy a night out at the Splash Bar. There will be music from DJ Levi, yard games and the bar will be serving select craft beers, wine and mixed drinks. Plus, Rocky's will be open. This is a free event for residents and their guests.

OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Gorman

Elizabeth Ann McNally Gorman, known to all as "Betty," died June 1, 2018, at the age of 83 after a long battle with dementia.

Betty shared 59 years of marriage with her best friend and husband, Ken. They had four children, Steve of Dothan, Alabama; Ken of Fanwood, New Jersey; Jeanine of Clinton Township, New Jersey; and Susan of Chatham, New Jersey; and nine grandchildren, Paul, Kelsey, Elizabeth, Daniel, Samantha, Maria, Teresa, Katie and Sarah.

Betty was born in the Bronx, New York, to Danny and Annie McNally, who immigrated from Scotland. She attended Villa Maria Academy and Hunter College, majoring in education. She was an admired teacher in the Bronx before moving to South Plainfield, New Jersey, in 1962, where she devoted her life to being a loving wife and mother. She volunteered in her children's schools, produced summer drama workshops, served as a Cub Scout den mother and spent many summer days



Elizabeth Gorman

driving a carload of kids to the Jersey Shore. Also, she was very active at Sacred Heart Parish and served in various roles, including Pre-Cana.

Betty's talents included sewing, creating afghans and quilts and playing the piano. Once her children were teenagers, she became a licensed practical nurse and cared for patients at Perth Amboy General Hospital. She and Ken moved to Morristown, New Jersey, in 1986, where she enjoyed volunteer work at Morristown Medical Center. In addition to spending as much time as possible with her grandchildren, she loved the beach, traveling, entertaining and playing golf. They relocated to Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, following Ken's retirement in 1997.

A celebration of Betty's life will be held on Monday, July 30, 2018, at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Ponte Vedra Beach at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Betty's memory to the Alzheimer's Association of America at www.alz.org.

Please visit the online tribute at www.quinn-shalz.com. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home.



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Ella Boyer

Ella Kathryn "Kitty" Boyer, 92, died May 31, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com.

Connie Britt

Connie Arnold Britt, 71, died May 22, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com

Emily Carlton

Emily V. Carlton, 75, of Jacksonville Beach, died May 30, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Delavan Dye

Delavan S. Dye, 99, of Atlantic Beach, died June 2, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

David Funkey

David Michael Funkey, 40, of Atlantic Beach, died June 2, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Rolande Goyette

Rolande Louise Goyette, 93, of Atlantic Beach, died May 21, 2018. Ar-

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Ann Hamilton

Ann Sterritt Hamilton, 83, of Jacksonville, died May 27, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

Susan Hyatt

Susan Elizabeth Hyatt, 81, died May 22, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com.

William Jensen

William Gene Jensen, 86, died May 16, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com

Lyn Montgomery

Lyn Marie Montgomery, 57, died May 14, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com.

Aileen Owens

Aileen Mary Owens, 87, died May 15, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravalley.com.

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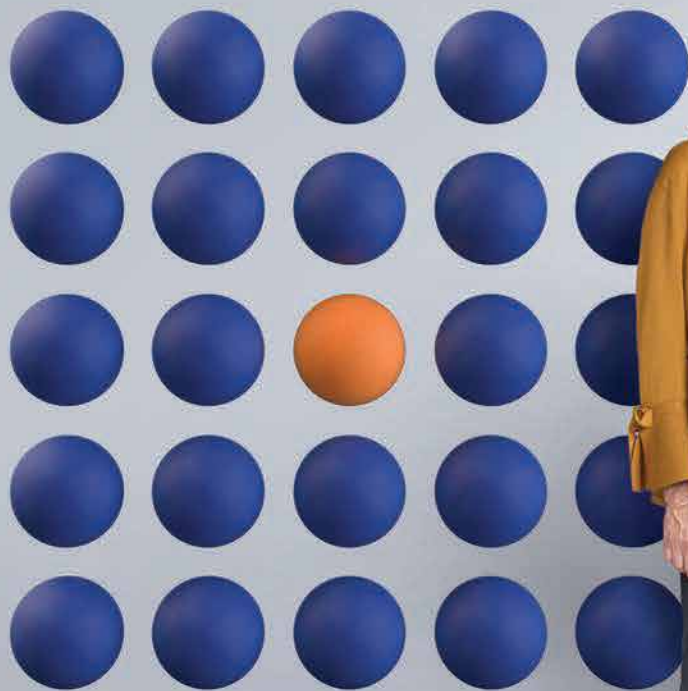
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Thursday, June 14	Friday, June 15	Saturday, June 16	Sunday, June 17
<p>Baptist Beaches Surgical Pavilion open house Baptist Beaches Surgical Pavilion will host an open house featuring a tour of the new facility June 14 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Interested participants can RSVP at www.beachesopenhouse.eventbrite.com.</p> <p>Matthew Pearl at The BookMark International and New York Times bestselling author of "The Dante Club" Matthew Pearl will appear at The BookMark June 14 to talk about and sign copies of his book at 7 p.m. The BookMark is located at 220 1st St. in Neptune Beach. Call (904) 241-9026 for more information.</p> <p>Empower Yourself: Learn How Not to be Scammed In recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, ElderSource is hosting a free workshop entitled, "Empower Yourself: Learn How Not to be Scammed" June 14 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Jacksonville Public Library Beaches Branch, located at 600 3rd St. in Neptune Beach. The workshop will help participants identify and protect themselves from scams.</p> <p>Schooner Freedom Sail Fundraiser Friends of First Coast Opera will host a Schooner Freedom Sail fundraiser June 14 from 2 to 4:15 p.m. All proceeds will go directly to the First Coast Opera. Call (904) 417-5555 for more information. Those interested in attending can purchase tickets by sending a \$40 check to Friends of First Coast Opera, 138 Herons Nest Lane in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Arts for Tots: Who's Going to Make the Dishes? This class, scheduled for June 14 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., will explore the Meissen Pottery collection and will discuss, "What is it made of? Why is it decorated? What purpose does it serve?" In the studio, children will create their own piece of tableware. Arts for Tots is funded through the Chartrand Family Foundation. For more information, email education@cummer-museum.org or call (904) 355-0630.</p>	<p>Maker's Mixer Crafters are invited to bring their unfinished projects to work on while mixing and mingling with other makers at Maker's Mixer. Visitors can make new friends and learn other crafts at this event, scheduled for June 15 from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Southeast Branch Library at 6670 U.S. 1 S. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum photo opportunity The World Golf Hall of Fame & Museum will host a special photo opportunity on each day during U.S. Open Week, which takes place June 14-17. The tournament will be shown throughout the museum during regular business hours. For more information, visit www.worldgolfhalloffame.org. The museum is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.</p> <p>Kids yoga Join St. Johns County Parks and Recreation for this free kid-friendly yoga event from 4 to 4:45 p.m. at Frank B. Butler Park East. Visitors are recommended to wear loose clothing and bring a towel or mat. Visit www.sjcpls.org/event-directory for more information.</p> <p>'Rooms with a View' exhibition This exhibition at The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach features paintings from advanced acrylic students of Ellen Diamond. Admission to the exhibition is free. The center is open Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is located at 50 Executive Way.</p> <p>Art stroll and tasting tour Enjoy St. Augustine's art and history with a licensed, professional tour guide on this VIP walking tour through the ancient streets of St. Augustine's historic district June 15 at 4:30 p.m. Participants will learn how St. Augustine's art, architecture and culture are juxtaposed to create a unique old world city. Visit www.tourstaug.com for more information and to sign up for a tour.</p>	<p>Cannon firing demonstration at Castillo de San Marcos National Park 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., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Rangers and volunteers 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 at 1 S. Castillo Drive in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Brette Petway at The BookMark Artist and author Brette Petway will appear at The BookMark June 16 at 4 p.m. to showcase her new book "Prayer is Good, a Path from Grief to Peace." In her debut religious and self-help book, Peyway explains that there can be color and expression in grief. The BookMark is located at 220 1st St. in Neptune Beach. Call (904) 241-9026 for more information.</p> <p>Budweiser Brewery Experience event The Budweiser Brewery Experience will celebrate the Jacksonville community June 16 with the Budweiser's Backyard event featuring food, beer and live music from artists like Matt Stillwell, Logan Brill and more. Doors open at 10 a.m. and close at 6 p.m. The Budweiser Brewery Experience is located at 111 Busch Drive in Jacksonville. Visit www.budweisertours.com for more information.</p> <p>Tricia Booker at FWA Ponte Vedra Writers meeting Journalist and professor Tricia Booker will explain her rules for penning memoirs in her presentation, "Get Naked," at the next meeting of the FWA Ponte Vedra Writers June 16 at 10:30 a.m. at the Ponte Vedra Library. The workshop will help writers swallow the fear of writing about family, motivate writers to put the words to paper and stimulate the memory to show that we remember more than we think. The Ponte Vedra Library is located at 101 Library Blvd.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Salt Air Farmers Market The Salt Air Farmers Market features home-grown produce, creative local art and more. The market will be open June 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 9505 Oceanshore Blvd. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>River City Brewing Company Guests are invited to the River City Brewing Company to dance with the Boogie Freaks from 4 to 8 p.m. The event will feature limited food menu and drink specials. River City Brewing Company is located at 835 Museum Circle in Jacksonville. Visit www.rivercitybrew.com for more information.</p> <p>Limelight Theatre performance In a small-town dime store in West Texas, the Disciples of James Dean gather for their 20th reunion. The arrival of a stunning but familiar stranger sets off a series of confrontations that smash their delusions and expose bitter disappointments. This show, entitled "Come Back to the Five & Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean" will be performed at the Limelight Theatre June 14-17. Tickets cost \$26 for general admission, \$24 for seniors and \$20 for students and military. Visit www.limelight-theatre.org for more information. Limelight Theatre is located at 11 Old Mission Ave. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Father's Day Special at the Corazon Cinema and Cafe A showing of "The Godfather" and lunch will be offered for Father's Day at 12:30 p.m. This film is about an aging patriarch of an organized crime dynasty transferring control of his clandestine empire to his reluctant son. 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<p>Florida East Coast: Selections from the Guidi Collection Exhibition This exhibition at the Crisp-Ellert Art Museum showcases a selection of works from the Guidi Collection highlighting local artist depictions of the Florida East Coast over the years. The paintings, ranging from the late 1880s to the 1970s, include idealized images of Florida's natural landscape, along with paintings of St. Augustine architecture that still exists today. The Crisp-Ellert Art Museum's hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.flagler.edu/news-events/crisp-ellert-art-museum.</p> <p>MOSH Mondays The Museum of Science and History's MOSH Mondays feature discounts including buy-one-get-one-half-off admission for adults, 10 percent off MOSH-branded items in the museum shop, 10 percent off memberships when signing up in-person and 10 percent off birthday packages when signing up in-person. MOSH Mondays also feature rotating weekly programs. MOSH is located at 1025 Museum Circle in Jacksonville. Visit www.themosh.org for more information.</p> <p>Caregiver support meetings The St. Johns County Council on Aging will host caregiver support meetings Mondays (except holidays) from noon to 1 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Memory Care Center at 1048 A1A N. For more information, call Paulette Kozlowski at (904) 209-3674 or email pkozlowski@stjohnscoa.com. The meetings will provide a supportive environment for people who are experiencing similar challenges in which they can share problems, ideas and solutions.</p> <p>Water exhibition by Eileen Corse This exhibition by Eileen Corse is on display at The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. Admission to the exhibition is free. The center is open Monday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit www.ccpvb.org for more information. The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach is located at 50 Executive Way.</p>	<p>Volunteers needed Volunteers are needed at THE PLAYERS Community Senior Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the kitchen. The center is looking for upbeat volunteers to help with new summer programs. Contact Amy Leach at (904) 209-3686 or email aleach@stjohnscoa.com for more information. The PLAYERS Community Senior Center is located at 175 Landrum Lane in Ponte Vedra.</p> <p>Florida Blue free Tuesday Every Tuesday, enjoy free admission to the Cummer Museum thanks to the support of Florida Blue. The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens is located at 829 Riverside Ave. in Jacksonville. The Cummer Museum's Tuesday hours are 4 to 9 p.m. No registration is required. For more information, visit www.cummermuseum.org or call (904) 356-6857.</p> <p>Bookmobile Visit Publix at Nocatee Town Center for a Bookmobile Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Bookmobile will feature books, movies, music and more. Publix at Nocatee Town Center is located at 120 Marketside Ave. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Yoga on the beach Each Tuesday morning through September, join yoga fitness instructor Emily Busichio as she leads a free yoga session on St. Augustine Beach at 8 a.m., weather permitting. The yoga sessions take place on the beach at the Ocean Hammock Walkover.</p> <p>Meet the trainers Meet the trainers of Marineland Dolphin Adventure twice every day this month to see them interact with the dolphin family members. The event will take place at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. each day. Marineland Dolphin Adventure is located at 9600 Oceanshore Blvd. in St. Augustine. Visit www.marineland.net for more information.</p>	<p>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 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.</p> <p>Making Do Exhibit at Lincolnville Museum and Cultural Center Learn about the South's rich African-American culture at the Lincoln Museum and Cultural Center, which features a collection of Gullah Geechee artifacts, culture and stories. The exhibit also features Willis Hakeem Jones' collection of treasures discovered in Africa and from coastal Georgia. The museum is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Market at St. Augustine Beach The St. Augustine Beach Wednesday Market offers oceanfront shopping at the St. Johns County Pier Park every Wednesday starting at 8 a.m. Approximately 60 to 80 vendors can be found at the market selling locally grown produce, baked goods, prepared foods, arts, crafts and more. Visit www.sabca.org for more information.</p> <p>Alzheimer's Support Group Cypress Village will host an Alzheimer's Support Group June 20 at 3 p.m. Call (904) 807-6222 to RSVP for the event. Cypress Village is located at 4600 Middleton Park Circle E. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Women's Wednesday speaker series This speaker series will showcase the stories of women who share their personal stories of struggle, triumph and the moments in between. The June 20 event will feature TV anchor, author and founder of The DONNA Foundation Donna Deegan. This event will take place at 24 Cathedral Place, Suite 111 in St. Augustine.</p>	<p>Farm Swap & Music Jam Enjoy music from local musicians while shopping for farm-fresh produce at the Florida Agricultural Museum June 21 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event will feature musicians, singers and songwriters of folk, bluegrass, old time, fiddle, country and blues, along with vendors offering fruits, veggies, honeys, jellies, nuts, arts and more. The Farm Swap & Music Jam will take place at 7900 Old Kings Road N. in Palm Coast. Visit www.floridaagmuseum.org for more information.</p> <p>'Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom' at IMAX Theater at World Golf Hall of Fame When the island's dormant volcano begins roaring to life, Owen and Claire mount a campaign to rescue the remaining dinosaurs from this extinction-level event. This film is showing at the IMAX Theater at World Golf Hall of Fame. Visit www.worldgolfimax.com for showtimes and to purchase tickets. The World Golf Hall of Fame IMAX Theater is located at 1 World Golf Place in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Yoga for Survivors The Y Healthy Living Center at the Ponte Vedra YMCA will host a Yoga for Survivors class June 21 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.</p> <p>'Early Literacy for Happy Babies' class Lapsit babies and their caregivers are invited to join Youth Services staff June 21 for stories, singing, and movement to help build early literacy skills and develop a love of reading. This event will take place the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch, located at 101 Library Blvd.</p> <p><small>Free calendar listings for community groups and nonprofit organizations are published at our discretion on a space-available basis. Send your event at least 10 days before publication. Submit events to ben@opcfla.com, post online at www.pontevedrarecorder.com using the automated form or call (904) 686-3939.</small></p>

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Ponte Vedra Beach resident hosts fundraiser for Volunteers in Medicine at Cultural Center

By Benjamin Naim

Ponte Vedra Beach resident Shelley Morgan hosted a wellness fundraiser benefiting Volunteers in Medicine on Saturday, June 9 at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach.

The event, entitled “Heart to Heart,” featured yoga classes, charcoal painting, massages, makeovers, a silent auction, a physician panel and more.

According to Morgan, who is the 2018 June “Woman with Heart” for the Jacksonville clinic, the event raised \$7,500 before doors even opened. She predicted at the event that proceeds could amount to at least \$10,000.

“That wasn’t the goal,” she said. “But if it happens, I love it because \$500 gives three months to someone who can’t afford medical treatment. \$100 gives someone a complete physical and wellness evaluation, and these things are so important to people. They’re working, but they can’t afford medical insurance and they’re making anywhere from \$13,000 to \$30,000 a year.”

The physician question and answer session featured Dr. Pamela Rama, a cardiologist; Dr. C.W. Randolph, an expert in the fields of hormone health and optimal aging medi-



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Diana Hartley, Dr. Pamela Rama, Shelley Morgan, Doug and Danya Crescimanno and Tom Romano gather at the wellness fundraiser benefiting Volunteers in Medicine at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach on Saturday, June 9.

cine; and Dr. Shreena Patel, an orthodontist. Following the panel, Mayo Clinic registered dietician and nutritionist Elizabeth Bailey hosted a diet presentation and food sampling session.

Morgan said her two favorite aspects of the event were the yoga classes and physicians panel.

“It’s all about enjoying,” she said. “We just

want people to come and enjoy. We advertise that it’s friends in the community, it’s people from all over who come and have a great time.”

Volunteers in Medicine is a full service nonprofit clinic providing free medical services and programs to working, uninsured individuals and families. For more information, visit www.volunteersinmedicine.org.




THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR NORTHEAST FLORIDA HIRES PONTE VEDRA BEACH RESIDENT



Ponte Vedra Beach resident Mariette Brodeur, J.D. joined The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida as gift planning officer in May. She will provide gift planning services for donors and prospective donors, and will coordinate communication with, and provide leadership and support to, the foundation’s Professional Advisory Councils. Brodeur has 25 years of experience providing legal counsel and policy advice in the areas of healthcare, human services and public health.

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Local Rotary Club gives back

By Jon Blauvelt

The Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach presented check donations to three Jacksonville area nonprofit organizations last Thursday, June 7.

The first recipient was children's organization Daniel Kids, which initially received \$15,000 to support the purchase of a van. However, the club presented Daniel with an additional \$8,200 that was raised by a push-up contest during the meeting.

K9s For Warriors and Volunteers in Medicine also received \$3,000 check donations from the Rotary Club. K9s For Warriors CEO Rory Diamond attended the meeting to talk to the club about his nonprofit's efforts in pairing service canines with military veterans suffering from Post-traumatic Stress Disability, traumatic brain injury and/or military sexual trauma as a result of military service post-9/11. Volunteers in Medicine CEO Mary-Pat Corrigan also attended, discussing the Jacksonville-based healthcare clinic that serves working, low-income and uninsured individuals and families.



Photos by Jennifer Logue and Jon Blauvelt

Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach President Billy Wagner (right) presents Daniel Kids with a \$15,000 check donation to support the purchase of a van. The club later raised an additional \$8,200 for Daniel after holding a push-up contest.



Wagner (left) presents K9s For Warriors CEO Rory Diamond with a \$3,000 check donation.



Wagner (right) and Past Rotary Club President Shelley Morgan (left) present Volunteers in Medicine CEO Mary-Pat Corrigan with a \$3,000 check donation.

Mission House launches 'Pave the Path to Hope' campaign

Mission House, a nonprofit homeless day facility in Jacksonville Beach, recently created a new initiative aimed at helping increase the number of individuals and families back to productive and self-sufficient lives.

Through the "Pave the Path to Hope" campaign, donors can purchase an engraved brick to cement their legacy with helping people who are homeless. These bricks are being laid in between the existing pathway to Mission House's client entrance.

"Our hope is that clients walking into Mission House for the first time will recognize this pathway to hope and with each step, they will feel a sense of support from their community," said Mission House Executive Director Lori Anderson.

For \$250, donors can engrave their legacy and help complete the path to hope for an individual or family in need. Proceeds from each brick sale will support the Mission House Endowment, assuring basic services of hot meals, clothing and showers will never be jeopardized. The endowment assures these life-saving services will continue on well into the future.

To learn more or get involved, visit www.missionhousejax.org.

Graduates of Operation New Uniform gather after being recognized for their accomplishments at an event at the Haskell building in Jacksonville June 8.

Photo courtesy of Operation New Uniform



Operation New Uniform celebrates graduation of 15 ONU veterans

On Friday, June 8, Operation New Uniform (ONU) — a Jacksonville-based nonprofit organization that provides veterans with tools to succeed in the business world — graduated its 25th cohort and second night cohort of ONU veterans.

Held at the Haskell building in Jacksonville, the event featured the graduation of 15 ONU veterans. Since the first Cohort

in 2014, ONU has served 193 veterans. The programs they go through immerse the veterans in a positive team environment comprised of successful veterans, business professionals and accomplished educators, and gives them the tools and resources to secure meaningful careers.

For more information, visit www.operationnewuniform.org.

12th Annual DONNA Marathon Weekend introduces reimagined course and events

Runners participating in the 12th annual DONNA Marathon Weekend Feb. 8-10, 2019 can expect a new flatter and faster course with start and finish lines at the Beaches Town Center.

"We believe The Beaches Town Center, with its eclectic mix of shops, restaurants and entertainment will provide runners with a unique beach destination experience," said event founder Donna Deegan. "This is what runners are telling us they want. A beautiful running venue and one that also offers a welcoming fan experience and exciting post-race celebration."

The 12th year's weekend events including the 5K, marathon, half marathon and race expo will take place on the island, and participants will continue to enjoy Jacksonville's four beach communities of Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach, Jacksonville Beach and Ponte Vedra Beach with scenic views and an outpouring of crowd support. The shift means the Intracoastal Bridge is no longer a part of the route. That

makes the Boston Marathon-qualifying course, already one of Florida's fastest, an even greater opportunity for some new personal records, according to the foundation. The exact route of the course will be announced soon.

"We are truly thrilled to welcome this amazing event to Neptune Beach," said Neptune Beach Mayor Elaine Brown. "Our community already embraces these runners with open arms, and I know our neighborhoods and our business community will go all out to support them and the wonderful cause they represent."

DONNA Marathon Weekend is the signature event for The DONNA Foundation, providing financial assistance to families facing breast cancer, and breast cancer research at Mayo Clinic. Finishing breast cancer remains at the heart of this 26.2-mile beach block party.

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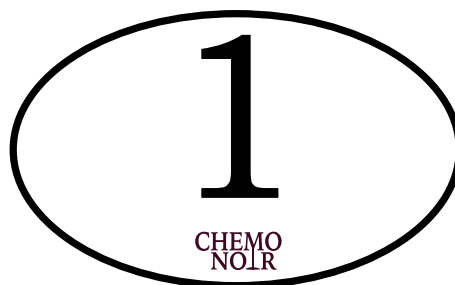
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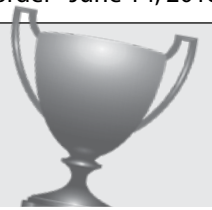
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Local gift giving ideas for Father's Day

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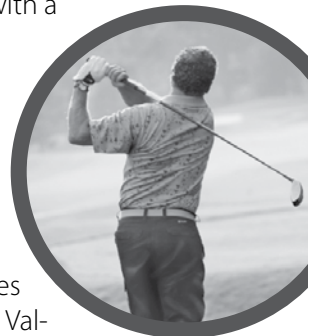
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Lessons about money can be priceless gifts to children



Karsten L. Jacobson
Columnist

By Karsten L. Jacobson, CFP®

Father's Day is almost upon us. If you're a dad, you certainly may enjoy getting cards and gifts, of course. But, over time, you will gain even greater satisfaction by what you can give your

children — such as some valuable financial lessons.

These lessons can include the following:

- **Setting goals:** If you are contributing to an IRA and a 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan, explain how you build these accounts now, while you are working, so you'll have enough money to enjoy a comfortable retirement someday. And you can bring your children into the picture, too, by telling them that another financial goal is saving enough to help send them to college or to further their education in other ways.
- **Value of understanding the finan-**

cial markets: You may actually be quite surprised at how interested your kids are in investing, especially the concept of "owning" companies through stocks and stock-based vehicles. Depending on their ages, you might even want to show them the progress of your own investments and describe, in general terms, how different events can cause the markets to rise and fall, especially in the short-term. You could even discuss the difference between the basic types of investments, such as stocks and bonds.

- **Putting time on your side:** You might want to emphasize the importance of patience, and how investing is not a "get-rich-quick" scheme, but a process that requires decades of diligence and persistence. Let your children know that it's of great value to start investing as early as possible, so you can put time on



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your side, giving investments a chance to grow.

- **Living within your means:** We all know that you can't always get what you want. Stress to your children that you can't just splurge on big purchases whenever you feel like it, because such behavior can lead to bad outcomes. Use concrete examples: If you have a car that's several years old, tell your children that it would be nice to have a new one, but you simply must wait until you can afford it.

- **Paying debts on time:** Tell your children that, no matter how good a saver you are, or how thrifty you try to be, you still have debts, such as your mortgage

payment, and it's important to pay these debts on time. You may not want to get too detailed about the consequences of missing debt payments — bad credit scores may not be that easy for children to understand — but you can certainly mention that if you're always late on payments, you might find it harder to borrow money when you really need it.

By sharing these principles with your children, you will, at the least, give them something to think about, and you may well find that you've helped start them on the path to a lifetime of making solid financial moves. And who knows? If they truly master the ideas you've taught them, one day they might give you some really nice Father's Day gifts.

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Cultural Center at PVB reveals potential plans for new arts center

By Samantha Logue

On May 15, the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners approved Alta Mar Holdings LLC's plans to sell off the back 40 acres of the Oak Bridge Club at Sawgrass' golf course for commercial and age-restricted residential development. Thanks to that decision, staff at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach may now see their hopes for a larger facility come to fruition.

"At the May 15 meeting, our reaction was all excitement," CCPVB Executive Director Donna Guzzo said. "We had over 25 people there representing Alta Mar from our center and promoting and pushing for that land sale so that, eventually, we could make our dream happen."

According to Art Hayden, president of the CCPVB Board of Directors, Alta Mar approached the nonprofit's staff two years ago to propose selling them the land on the course that abuts A1A between Swawgrass Village and the Summer House condos. As a result, the Cultural Center has been planning for some time now to construct a new facility on that land, but has been awaiting the county's final vote to move forward. Although an official agreement has not been signed with Alta Mar, approval of the development moves the Cultural Center one step closer to its new location, which would not only offer more space for the organization's many outreach programs, but also more visibility.

"Our current building is behind Al's Pizza and we've had it for 20 years," Hayden said. "Nobody can find us, parking is bad and the building is inadequate for our needs. We currently service about 8,000 individuals out of this facility. With the new building, we believe the number will move to approximately 31,000 people."

In addition to providing parking for up to 140 vehicles, one notable feature of the new Arts Center at Ponte Vedra Beach would be its rooftop deck.



Rendering courtesy of Mark Macco

A rendering displays the future entrance of the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach's new arts center.

"We actually have a donor who has put a reserve on that space up there already," Hayden added. "We will have facilities for expanded exhibit space, along with seating and a kitchen, which will provide us with the capability of having banquets for up to 200 people — a lot of the stuff that isn't readily available very close to Ponte Vedra Beach, or the center of Ponte Vedra."

Designed by architect Mark Macco, who is also the president-elect of the CCPVB Board of Directors, renderings of the front of the 15,000-foot facility also feature a fountain with a rather sculptural overhang, seeming to hint at the building's artistic purpose.

"Arts are what separate a good community from a great

community," Macco said. "The iconic new Ponte Vedra Arts Center will not only improve the quality of life for the area's citizens, it will be great for local businesses."

Construction on the \$7 million project is expected to take about 24 months, and Cultural Center staff are optimistic that the process will be underway by the end of 2018.

"We are super excited to make this dream a reality for many people in St. Johns County and the Beaches area," Guzzo said. "Having a new facility with visibility can only enhance our programming, especially bringing awareness to the Sound Connections Music Therapy program for children with special needs. It's a win-win situation for all."

Cultural Center opens new art exhibitions

The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach opened two new art exhibitions on Friday, June 8 that will remain open to the public through July 7.

Eileen Corse's "Water" series is exhibited in the Front Galleries. Worked in large, bright palette-knife strokes, these oil paintings feature underwater scenes of swimming pools and summer fun.

"We are really excited about this exhibition" said Catherine Tatem, CCPVB's arts programs & outreach manager. "It should be a great show for families and tourists to come see and a good way to get a break from the summer heat. We are even planning several projects around it for the young artists attending our summer arts camps and workshops."

The second exhibition also has a connection to arts programs at the Cultural Center. "Rooms with a View" will feature artists who have studied under local master artist Ellen Diamond at the Cultural Center.

"This should be a really interesting exhibition; the Advanced Acrylic student artists have so much talent and it will be really fun to see so many different painters interpret a single theme" said Sara Bass, CCPVB's exhibitions



Photos courtesy of the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach

Eileen Corse's "Swoosh"

& communications manager.

Paintings exhibited in "Rooms with a View" will all include a window view, but styles will vary greatly as the 21 participating artists show off their individual styles



"Hydrangeas" by Mareen Ryder

and interpretations. This subject draws inspiration from traditions in art history and was used by Diamond to free the artists from an academic approach allowing them to focus on concept, composition and color.

Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company student performs in Russia

Kieryn Brophy, a 13-year-old student from Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company, recently performed at Hermitage Theatre in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Studying ballet during the 2018 Dance Open held in St. Petersburg, she was joined by Ballet Detroit students of master instructor Sergey Rayevskiy.

"It was such an honor to have her dance on the Hermitage stage," said Dawn Wolf, artistic director of Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company. "We are fortunate enough to bring the Ballet Detroit Winter Intensive here to Ponte Vedra every year, and now to have her dance in Russia, this just made our spring fantastic too."

Brophy will be continuing her ballet studies this summer at the Houston Ballet.

Overall, Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company dancers have had a busy year. Opportunities have included workshops from Ballet Detroit with famed dancer/choreographer Rasta Thomas, principal dancer Sergei Sidorski and ballerina Yulia Pivotskaya, and master classes from Martha Graham's Kim Jones, Alvin Ailey's Alicia Graf and Italy's Company Ivir's Irma Cardano.

"We are very happy to be able to expose our dancers to top notch training," said Wolf.

Several other Ponte Vedra Ballet dance students will be traveling this summer to study at various conservatories. Mallory Merritt will be studying at the North Carolina School of the Arts and has an invitation to join its year-round program. Anne Case will be attending the Rock School in Philadelphia. Emily Shende and Alexandra Willis will be attending the ABT program in Austin, Texas. Kaelin Eubanks was accepted into Patel Conservatory in Tampa, and Anna Woody was accepted at both Patel and Joffrey Ballet School in New York City.

For more information on the Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company, visit pvballet.com or call (904)-859-2223.



Kieryn Brophy, a 13-year-old student from Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company, recently performed at Hermitage Theatre in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Photo courtesy of Ponte Vedra Ballet & Dance Company

Alhambra debuts 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang'

To celebrate 50 years of one of the world's favorite films, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," the Alhambra Theatre & Dining opened the musical of the same name on Wednesday, June 13.

Based on the 1968 film version of Ian Fleming's children's book, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" is a family-friendly musical adventure featuring an out-of-this world car that flies through the air and sails the seas. It tells the story of eccentric inventor Caractacus Potts, who with the help of his children Jeremy and Jemima and the ever-lovely Truly Scrumptious, sets about saving a former Grand Prix-winning race car from the scrap heap.

Soon they discover the car has magical properties, including the ability to float and take flight. After word gets out about its abilities, trouble ensues when the evil Baron Bomburst decides he wants it all to himself, launching Caractacus, Jeremy, Jemima and Truly on a series of high-flying adventures to save the miraculous motorcar.

The London production of "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" ran a record-setting three-and-a-half years and was nominated for two Olivier® awards. In 2005, the Broadway production of the show received five Tony® Award nominations, 10 Outer Critics Circle® Award nominations and four Drama Desk nominations.

"Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" runs through July 29. Alhambra tickets start at \$35 for children under 15 and include a three-course meal that changes for each show, a Broadway-style performance and complimentary parking. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. for evening performances with doors opening at 5 p.m. for dinner service.

In addition to the traditional menu options, there will be a special children's buffet for younger guests. The Alhambra Theatre & Dining is located at 12000 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville. Tickets can be purchased online at www.alhambrajax.com or by calling (904) 641-1212.

Writing coach to explain rules for penning memoirs at FWA Ponte Vedra Writers meeting

Writers of memoirs often leave out intimate details for fear they might cause hurt feelings to loved ones, but journalist and writing teacher Tricia Booker says writers should tell it like it is. Booker will explain her rules for penning memoirs in her presentation, "Get Naked," at the next meeting of the FWA Ponte Vedra Writers, Saturday, June 16 at 10:30 a.m. at the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library.

"We all have stories to tell, and we all worry about hurting the ones we love by telling those tales," said Booker. "But the truth is that most of those stories are about ourselves rather than other people, and once we write them down, we begin to see a path toward creating a strong narrative."

The workshop is designed to help writers:

- Swallow the fear of writing about family



Tricia Booker

- Motivate writers to put the words to paper

- Stimulate the memory to show that we remember more than we think

Booker is an award-winning journalist who has written for Folio Weekly, Southern Living, Notre Dame Magazine and other publications around the country. She cur-

rently teaches journalism at the University of North Florida and writes a blog about topics ranging from politics and literature to adoption and manners.

Her first book is a memoir about how she and her husband adopted and are raising three children, including one who suffers from an attachment disorder. "A Place of Peace and Crickets: How Adoption, Heartache and Love Built A Family" is a story about love, kids, dogs and chaos. It was published last year by Twisted Road Publications.

The Ponte Vedra Writers group is part of the Florida Writers Association, a statewide, nonprofit organization with over 1,500 members dedicated to the support of both aspiring and published writers in any genre. The June 16 meeting is open to members and non-members alike. Visit www.floridawriters.net for information on FWA.

How to conserve energy throughout summer



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Proper maintenance of cooling systems is essential to saving energy and keeping utility costs down.

Energy bills tend to be high during the summer when many people crank up their air conditioners to combat the heat. For some households, higher energy bills might be stretching their budgets, while others might be looking for ways to reduce their carbon footprints.

Conserving energy can help homeowners save money and help the planet at the same time. And reducing energy consumption in the summer does not require men and women to sacrifice comfort in the name of conservation. In fact, various strategies can help homeowners and apartment dwellers reduce their summer-time energy consumption.

■ **Stop cooling an empty home.** A cool home might be the ultimate necessity during summer heat waves, but there's no reason to cool a residence when no one is home. According to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), operating thermostats more efficiently can help homeowners trim their cooling costs by as much as 10 percent. One way to be more efficient with thermostats is to keep the house warmer than normal when no one is home. Programmable thermostats can be set so air conditioning units turn on shortly before residents arrive home, ensuring the house is comfortable and no energy is wasted.

■ **Narrow the gap between indoor and outdoor temperatures.** The DOE notes that the smaller the difference between the temperature indoors and outside, the lower cooling costs will be. While it may be tempting to set thermostats

to room temperature (68 degrees Fahrenheit) on days when temperatures reach 90 degrees Fahrenheit or above, that's an enormous temperature gap that will result in a high energy bill. Instead, the DOE recommends setting thermostats to 78 degrees Fahrenheit whenever possible.

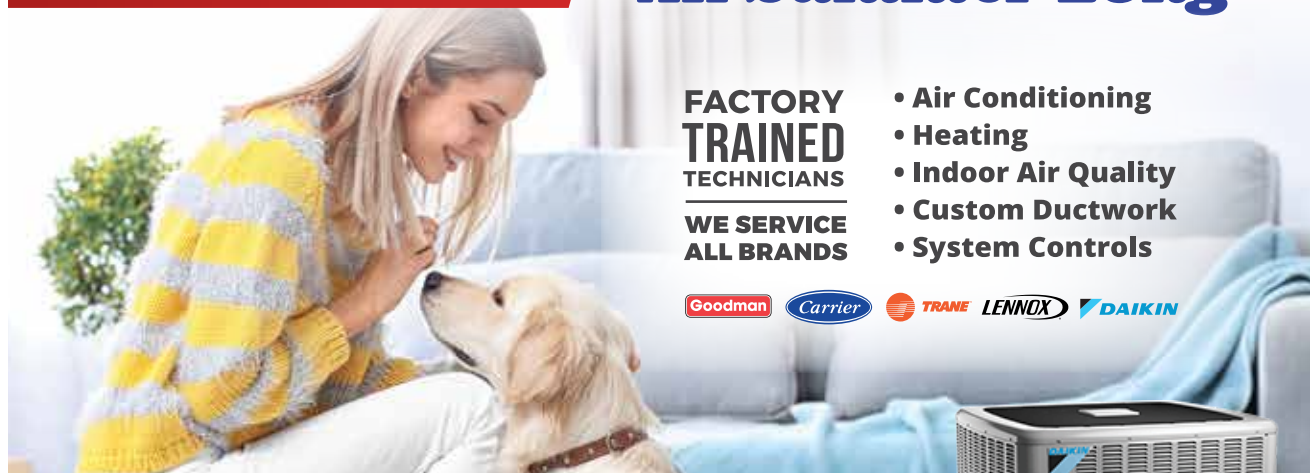
■ **Open the windows at night.** Daytime temperatures, particularly during the dog days of summer, may necessitate the use of air conditioners. But if temperatures drop at night, you can sleep with the windows open. This reduces energy consumption and saves money, and can be a great way to introduce fresh air into a home during a time of year when air can become stagnant.

■ **Do not set air conditioner thermostats at lower than normal temperatures when turning them on.** The DOE notes that setting thermostats at lower than normal temperatures when turning air conditioners on will not cool homes any faster than setting them at typical temperatures. Such a strategy will only lead to excessive energy consumption and higher energy bills.

■ **Install ceiling fans.** Ceiling fans can improve cooling efficiency in a home. According to the DOE, ceiling fans allow men and women who use air conditioners to raise the thermostats on their AC units about 4 degrees Fahrenheit without adversely affecting comfort levels. Men and women who live in temperate climates may find that ceiling fans are enough to keep rooms cool without the need for air conditioners.



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The key is balance



By Ric Schilling

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Columnist

I recently read an article in the New York Times and observed the authors raising a point that the stock market has become increasingly concerned about in recent weeks, namely that the period

of low interest and inflation rates may be coming to an end. If this is true, what impacts are likely to be felt by investors and consumers, and what actions should you take to protect your future?

First, the two issues are not unrelated — the Federal Reserve has been raising the Federal Funds rate (the interest rate they control and the rate upon which all other interest rates are based) consistently over the last 18 months, both to gradually withdraw their involvement in and support of the credit markets and as a means of getting the inflation rate nearer their target rate of 2 percent per year. So, increasing interest rates cause the inflation rate to rise; therefore, the fact that they are both increasing is not unexpected — it is planned.

Second, the stock market generally regards increasing rates negatively because higher interest rates dampen consumer spending (homes, cars, furniture, credit cards); higher inflation rates cause more money to be spent on necessities, leaving less for discretionary spending; and higher interest rates make fixed income investments more attractive relative to stocks. So, don't expect the stock market to react positively to this trend.

Third, higher interest and inflation rates means consumers will have less to spend because the cost of things is going up, as is the cost to finance purchases. This in turn can have a dampening effect on our economy as consumer spending slows, resulting in smaller corporate profits, leading to lower stock prices.

As with any change, the key here is balance — finding the right position on the teeter-totter (remember the teeter-totter you once played on?) between

Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa launches monthly vegan dinners to prepare for future

By Jon Blauvelt

The culinary team at Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa has launched a monthly event series called “Feast for Rabbits” to meet the rising demand of plant-based diets and invest in what it says is the future of the food industry.

Over 30 people attended the resort's second event of the series this past Sunday, June 10 at Vernon's, enjoying fresh cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a five-course Italian-themed dinner. From artichoke arancini to tofu piccata and carbonara to chocolate-orange cannoli, every piece of food prepared for the event was animal-free and locally sourced.

“This is the way of the future, and this is not going away,” said Executive Chef Joe Natoli. “We're going to learn it and really try to take hold of this area and make you



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

Tofu Piccata with roasted fingerlings and broccolini was one of the courses served at Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa's “Feast for Rabbits” dinner on June 10.

feel comfortable to dine any time.”

Chef Riley Philo, a vegan specialist, has been the driving force in moving the resort in this forward-thinking direction. Natoli hired him about a year ago to incorporate plant-based eating into the resort's various

dining options. Since then, Philo has hit the ground running.

“He's (Natoli) given me absolutely open range to show what we can do,” said Philo. “Every aspect of the hotel, I have had a hand in, from our banquet and catering menus to downstairs at our pub, to outside at our pool. There's a vegan option on every menu.”

Natoli, Philo and the rest of the culinary team developed the idea for the “Feast for Rabbits” event series a few months ago and held the first dinner in April, offering a “First Coast Classics” menu of items like crab cakes and chicken and waffles. The next dinner, to be held Sunday, July 29, will feature a “Summer Barbecue” menu.

Those interested in attending should check out the resort's Facebook page come early July to register via Open Table. The cost to attend is \$50.



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Toni Boudreaux, Catherine Tatem, Jennifer Sartiano, Donna Guzzo, Sara Bass and Mary Bonatakis gather at the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Ponte Vedra Beach Division “Before Hours” event June 6 at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. Attendees of the event enjoyed the opportunity to network and eat breakfast before work.

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Pham named EY Entrepreneur of the Year Florida award recipient

By Jon Blauvelt

Ponte Vedra Beach resident and Espero BioPharma CEO Quang Pham was named the EY 2018 Entrepreneur of the Year Florida in the Emerging category last week.

Pham was one of 11 award recipients in different categories selected by an independent judging panel consisting of previous winners of the award, leading CEOs, private capital investors and other regional business leaders. The recipients were unveiled at a special gala on June 7 at the Lowes Sapphire Resort in Orlando.

"I'm honored and humbled to receive this award," said Pham to the Recorder via email. "It's a great recognition for Espero for all of our efforts. It's also wonderful to be recognized as a Jacksonville company."

The EY awards program recognizes entrepreneurs who are excelling in areas such as innovation, financial performance and personal commitment to their businesses and communities. Now in its 32nd year, the program has expanded to recognize business leaders in more than 145 cities and more than 60 countries throughout the world.

Pham is a biopharmaceutical entrepreneur with over 20 years of experience in founding, financing and growing



Photo courtesy of Espero BioPharma
Ponte Vedra Beach resident and Espero BioPharma CEO Quang Pham displays his EY 2018 Entrepreneur of the Year Florida award, which he received in the Emerging category at a special gala in Orlando on June 7.

companies. Prior to founding Espero, an emerging cardiovascular biopharmaceutical company, he started Lathian Systems, a company that provided online data and marketing services to pharmaceutical and biotech companies.

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The Bailey Group recognized as one of the healthiest companies in Northeast Florida

The Bailey Group has earned the Gold Level Award for 2018's Healthiest Companies presented by the First Coast Worksite Wellness Council (FCWWC) and the Mayor's Council on Fitness & Well-Being.

Based in St. Augustine, The Bailey Group is a four-time Gold Level Award winner. To earn the Gold-Level Award, the company demonstrated that it had a well-rounded and sustainable workplace wellness program that is a strategic and integral part of its business.

The Bailey Group's Well-Being & Engagement team made up of Jaime Kennedy, Hanna Chester, Bailey Mullin, Savannah Tinlin and Gabrielle Lobban accepted the award at a ceremony held in April at the University of North Florida. In addition, 17 of The Bailey Group's clients took home awards recognizing them for their dedication to creating a culture of health and wellness within the organizations.

"This is our fourth year earning this

award level and we are overly grateful for our leadership team's continued support of wellness," said Jaime Kennedy, director of well-being & engagement at The Bailey Group. "We continue to look for new ways to motivate staff in becoming the best version of themselves. We firmly believe that healthy team members make a healthy business."

The FCWWC is an initiative of Healthy Jacksonville 2020. The mission of the council is to improve the health of the First Coast community by sharing resources and providing guidance to the member businesses. This group was charged with



Photo courtesy of The Bailey Group

The Bailey Group, which was recently recognized as one of the healthiest companies in Northeast Florida, gathers at the Ancient City ALS Walk in St. Augustine.

impacting community health through the business community and to create a platform for local businesses to be recognized for excellence in worksite wellness.

The Bailey Group is the largest pure

employee benefits firm in North Florida with over 60 full-time representatives. It also provides health insurance and financial strategies to individuals and families across Florida.

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rates that are high enough to cause wage inflation, which spurs growth, but not at the expense of killing consumer spending. The Fed works hard at achieving this balance, but they don't control all of the puzzle pieces. So, in the meantime, you can try to keep an allocation between equities and fixed income in your investments, or use an algorithm, which will protect your downside, whether they are in an IRA, 401(k) or other plan. As always, working with an independent advisor who acts as a fiduciary is one way to stay on track and help achieve both the safety and peace of mind you seek.

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- 13. Foolhardy challenge
- 14. 24-___ gold
- 15. Horizontal wall beam
- 16. Land o' blarney
- 17. Analyze
- 18. *Stanley Cup sport
- 20. Fanatic's quality
- 21. Street art
- 22. Have a bawl
- 23. Wear out
- 26. Maliciously satisfied one
- 30. Poor man's caviar
- 31. Send, as in troops
- 34. Prefix meaning "left"
- 35. Resoundingly successful
- 37. Be unwell
- 38. Give a green light
- 39. "I'm ___ you!"
- 40. Rudolph or Hermy, e.g.
- 42. 1950s "I Like ___"
- 43. Mended by a cobbler
- 45. *a.k.a. association football
- 47. Hauling truck
- 48. Sanrio's "___ Kitty"
- 50. Great Depression drifter

- 52. Most pleasing to the eye
- 56. Sainly glows
- 57. Owl's cry
- 58. Stringed instrument
- 59. Like old cracker
- 60. Prefers
- 61. *The Browns and Indians play near this lake
- 62. Hurt a muscle
- 63. Don't waste
- 64. College dwelling

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- 1. Epiphany guests
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- 3. Dry as dust
- 4. Cause of wheezing
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- 6. Type of window
- 7. Say it isn't so
- 8. *Known for its diamonds
- 9. Celestial bear
- 10. Figure of worship
- 11. Chester White's home
- 13. King's order
- 14. If you can hum, you can play it!
- 19. Beat the Joneses
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- 48. *Popular colloquial sport name
- 49. Be theatrical
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The secrets to being an organized family

Modern families seem to be juggling more than ever before. When time seems to be a luxury, an ability to stay organized can help families manage the hustle and bustle of daily life more effectively.

An online survey conducted by an internal research team on behalf of The Huffington Post polled more than 1,000 American adults in 2013, revealing 84 percent of recently stressed Americans say they worry that their home isn't clean or organized enough. Within that group, 55 percent cited disorganization at home as a source of recent stress.

Disorganization does not occur overnight, and neither will getting re-organized. But with some motivation, all families can become more orderly.

Sort the entryway

Home entryways are usually hubs of traffic. Such areas are the first and last place family members go when entering or leaving the house. As a result, these areas need some routine organizational attention. Use sorting bins for shoes, hooks for coats, trays for mail or homework and other sorting equipment to keep things orderly.

Manage mornings

Families can usually use more help getting out of the house each morning in a timely manner. Each member of the house-

hold should have a designated area where they keep the items they will need for the next morning. Backpacks and briefcases should be prepacked, and lunches made the night before. In addition, sort the next day's clothes before going to bed. Such efforts should make it easier to get out of the house on time each morning.

Embrace the purge

Take a hard look at what you use and what you don't use around the house. Holding on to items you rarely use can contribute to clutter and create a disorganized home. Save only a few sentimental items,

donating, recycling or discarding the others.

Many organizational experts suggest going through items one by one and asking oneself if this is something that has been used recently. If it's been collecting dust for a year or more, it can go.

Sensible storage

Analyze what you have and then find sensible storage solutions. Store belongings in the same place each day so items are easy to find when needed. Frequently used items should be easily accessible. Seldom used items, such as holiday decorations, can be stored out of the way.



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Funk, Zitiello to host Champions for Hope Gala and Golf Classic

The Funk-Zitiello Foundation is holding the second annual Champions for Hope Gala and Golf Classic at TPC Sawgrass this weekend, June 15 and 16.

The event — presented by Ally and sponsored by Swisher, the PGA Tour, AutoNation, Celgene, Florida Blue, First Coast News and several other partners — will kick off on Friday evening with a gala emceed by WTLV-TV's Curtis Dvorak. The gala will include dinner, a silent and live auction and a private concert by the Chris Thomas Band at TPC Sawgrass.

Guests will tee off Saturday morning at THE PLAYERS Stadium Course. Ponte Vedra's John Craig Clothier will present the "Champions for Hope Purple Jackets" to the winning foursome. Celebrities guests include Fred Funk, Taylor Funk, Len Mattiace, Billy Kratzert, Curtis Dvorak, Jeff Klauk, Congressman Ron DeSantis, Dan Nevins, Jeff Klauk, Josh Lambo, Bryan Barker and many more.

The charity gala and golf tournament will benefit the JT Townsend Foundation and a grant to fund pancreatic cancer

PGA TOUR EMPLOYEES CELEBRATE WOMEN'S GOLF DAY



A group of PGA Tour female employees played the Oak Bridge Club at Sawgrass on June 5 to celebrate Women's Golf Day. People all over the world participated in similar events to showcase golf and introduce the game to more women and girls.

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research at Mayo Clinic's Florida campus. The JT Townsend Foundation continues to focus its efforts on helping children and adults living with disabilities receive adaptive equipment and resources to improve their lives. Since its inception,

the JT Townsend Foundation has helped 366 First Coast families with \$675,000 in assistance and adaptive equipment.

According to the Funk-Zitiello Foundation, Mayo Clinic researchers in Florida have developed new techniques for early

detection of pancreatic cancer, which is the third-leading cause of cancer related death in the United States. The disease is often diagnosed in patients in later stages when it has spread to other parts of the body and is much more difficult to treat. Funds from the Champions for Hope 2017 Golf Classic directly addressed this challenge, supporting a Mayo Clinic team that is performing research to improve early detection.

For Funk-Zitiello Foundation Managing Director Judi Zitiello, who is a four-year pancreas cancer survivor, this is a personal experience.

"This year we focused on awareness," she said. "I wanted everyone to know the symptoms and that pancreas cancer is misdiagnosed 31 percent of the time based on a 2016 report. What typically was a cancer of 60-plus men and women is now striking all ages and genders and is expected to be the No. 2 cancer killer by 2020. This is why early detection is critical. With our help, Mayo is on the hunt for a minimally invasive test."

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