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GENERAL ELECTION GUIDE: Your guide to the candidates, the issues, local polling information and more

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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

This guide was produced by the staff at the Ponte Vedra Recorder to prepare area voters for the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

A significant portion of the information in the guide was submitted by the candidates. For candidates the Recorder was unable to get in touch with, background information was obtained from campaign websites. Information pertaining to the election was also provided by the St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections.

Also in this guide, readers will find helpful information on how and where to vote and what will be on the ballot.

PRECINCT LOCATIONS IN THE AREA

- **401:** Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library, 101 Library Blvd., Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
- ***402:** PVPV Rawlings Elementary School, 610 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach,
- **403:** Ponte Vedra Presbyterian Church, 4510 Palm Valley Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
- **404:** Christ Episcopal Church, 400 San Juan Drive, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
- **405:** Ponte Vedra Concert Hall, 1050 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
- **406:** St. Francis in the Field, 895 Palm Valley Road, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081
- **407:** Ponte Vedra Concert Hall, 1050 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
- **408:** The Palencia Club, 600 Palencia Club Drive, St. Augustine, FL 32095
- **410:** Crosswater Hall at Nocatee, 245 Nocatee Center Way, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081

Note: Precincts denoted with an * indicate a change in the polling location.

On election day, voters are required to vote at their assigned polling place based on their address. To find your polling place, visit the St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections website at www.votesjc.com and click "My Voter Status" in the "Quick Links" section of the homepage.

EARLY VOTING

Early voting runs through Oct. 31. Polls are open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. at all locations. See page 15 for a map of early voting locations in St. Johns County.

NOTES TO READERS FROM ST. JOHNS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Early voting runs from Monday, Oct 19 through Oct. 31. These 13 days of voting include two Saturdays and one Sunday. Hours are 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily at all 10 locations. Pick any date, time and location convenient for you to vote.

The general election ballot is long — its two pages front and back with many candidates and amendments. Take time, study your ballot and be prepared to vote when you arrive. If you did not receive a sample ballot, it is available at www.votesjc.com. By using MY VOTER STATUS you can check your record, verify your address and view your sample ballot. If you have moved, give the office a call at (904) 823-2238 and we will update your address before you vote.

Remember to bring photo and signature ID with you when you vote. Florida law requires it. If you do not have current and valid ID, you will be allowed to vote a provisional ballot.

Our priority remains keeping our staff, poll workers and voters safe during the voting process. We have adopted Voter Protection Standards for voting during COVID-19. We will be doing our part to keep our workers safe by providing face shields, masks, hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes at all voting locations.

Safety is everyone's responsibility. Voters, we also request you do your part. Please visit www.votesjc.com and look for Voter Protection Standards. This will help prepare you for voting in person. Simple things such as updating your address or voter record in advance of coming to vote are important so that we can meet the goal of casting your ballot as efficiently as possible and limit the amount of

time you spend inside the voting location. Face coverings are encouraged and, upon request, masks will be available at the voting locations for voters. Be aware most of our early voting locations are in County facilities and St. Augustine Beach that have face covering ordinances in place.

We are expecting record voter turnout, especially the first two days of early voting. Lines will be outside, so please be prepared to wait, be patient, and be respectful of others' space while waiting in line and inside the polling room.

Vote-by-mail ballots are still available upon request. The deadline for requesting a ballot to be mailed is Oct. 24 at 5 p.m. If you have a vote-by-mail ballot and would like to return it in person, secure drop boxes are available at all early voting locations during the hours of voting. There is also a 24-hour drop box located in front of the elections office. REMEMBER, your vote-by-mail ballot must be received in the elections office no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day in order to count. You can use the tools available on our website to track your vote-by-mail ballot including when its returned, and verify your vote is counted!

These are unusual times. I encourage you to stop a moment and thank our election workers that are putting themselves on the line to allow you to exercise one of your most cherished rights as American citizens — your right to vote. Elections could not happen without them!

If you have any questions or need assistance, visit our website or call the elections office at (904) 823-2238.

Vicky Oakes,
St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections



Voting By Mail

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, a record number of citizens are requesting absentee ballots to vote by mail this year. While each state has mail-in absentee voting, rules vary by state. Information and absentee ballot requests for each state are available through nass.org/can-i-vote or your state's election office website.



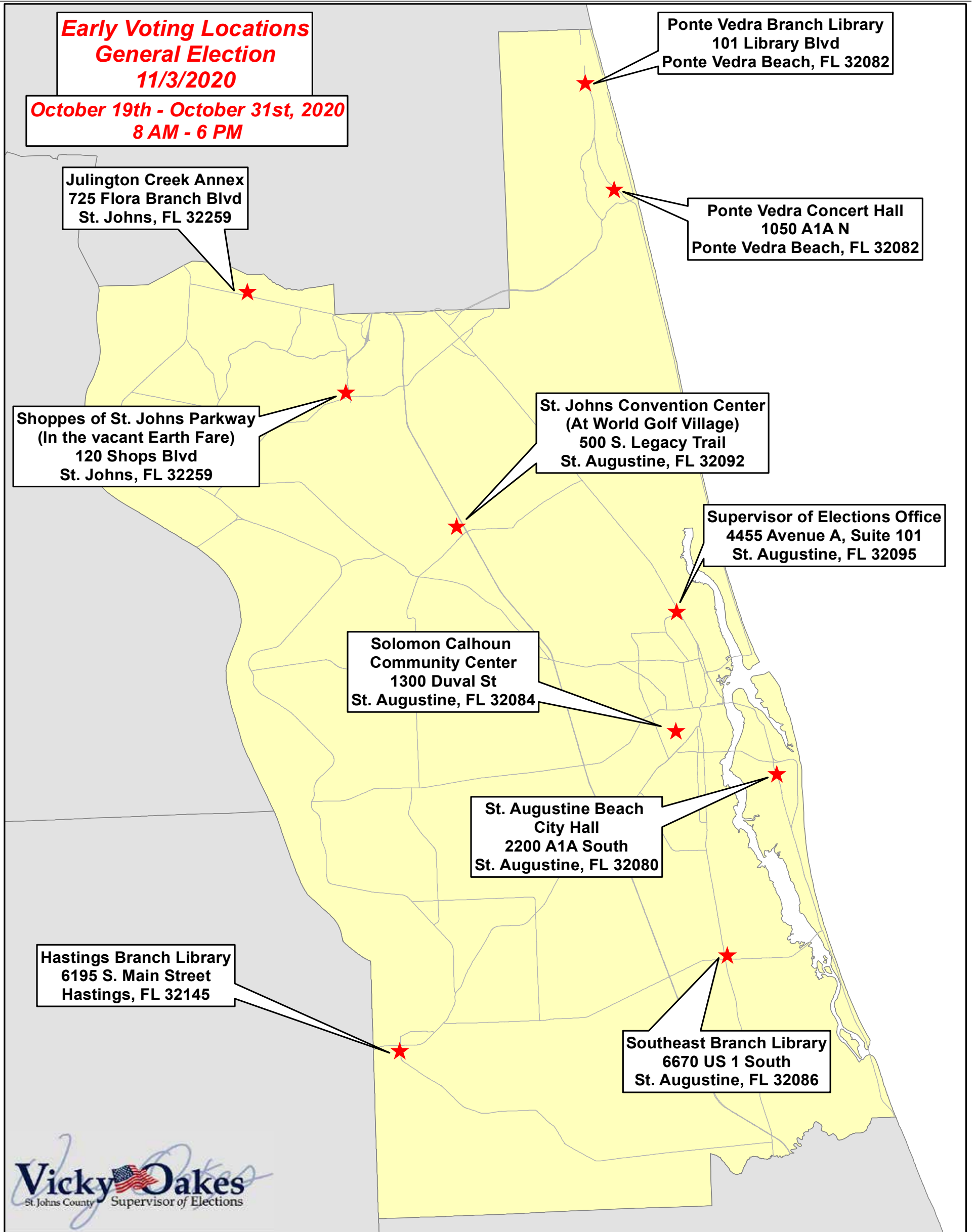
Tuesday, Nov. 3 will be an Election Day unlike any other.

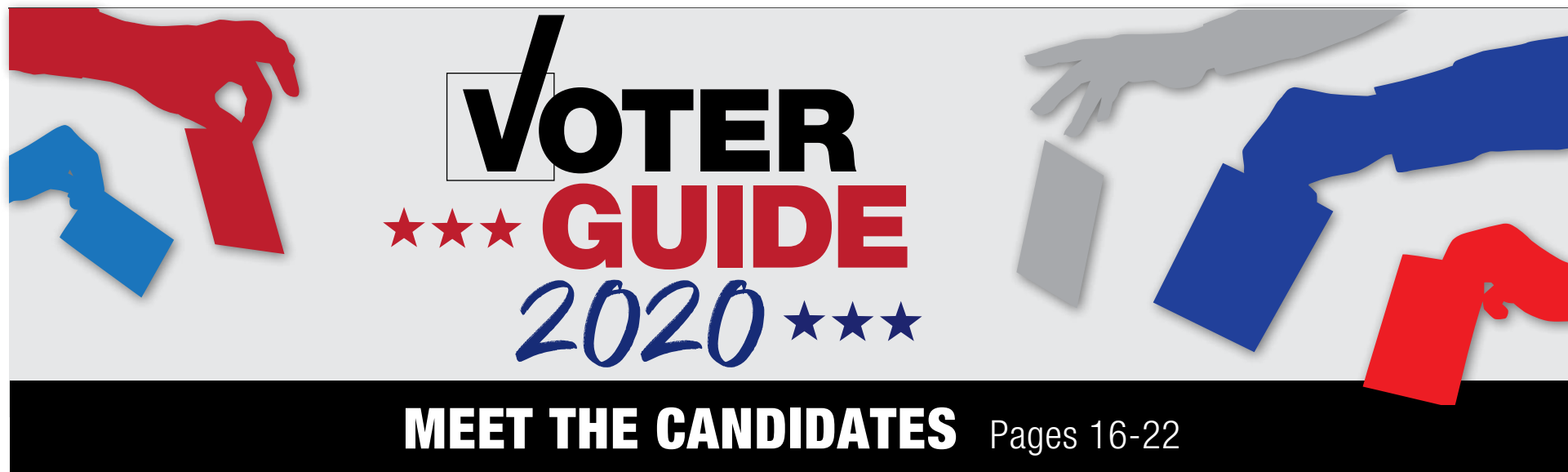
Take steps today to make sure your vote is counted, whether by mail-in ballot or at the polls!

Voting at the Polls in 2020

Voters casting their ballot in person will likely experience longer wait times due to safety measures and a potential shortage of poll workers. Here are some things you can do to be prepared and comfortable if you plan to vote in person on Nov. 3:

- Bring a book or headphones, and make sure your phone is charged.
- Bring a snack and a bottle of water.
- Wear comfortable shoes and layers of clothing.
- Wear a covering over your nose and mouth, and practice social distancing.
- Requirements to provide photo identification in order to vote at the polls vary by state. You can find your state's ID requirements at nass.org/can-i-vote.





State Senator



RICHARD DEMBINSKY Write-in

Richard Dembinsky is a write-in candidate in the general election.

He was a 2018 write-in candidate for chief financial officer of Florida, a 2016 independent candidate for Florida State Senate District 14, a 2010 write-in candidate for state House of Representatives District 28, a 2008 independent candidate for the state Senate District 7 and a 2006 independent candidate for governor.



HEATHER HUNTER Democrat

Heather Hunter was born and raised in Volusia County and has resided in that area for most of her life. Attending Flagler College, she was a Florida College Democrat, fighting for issues that pertain not only to college students but to Floridians as a whole.

Joining the College Democrats, she realized how much she wanted to help others and that politics can be a mechanism in that process. In her first year as a

College Democrat, she became the north regional director, which allowed her to get to know Democrats within her region.

She went on to work with other Democrats to hold community intergenerational panels that invited conversations about gun control, activism and education. She also canvassed and volunteered for various local, state and national campaigns. Eventually, she became president of the Florida College Democrats.

As a candidate, the issues she is focusing on surround the current pandemic, and she says unemployment and health care have severely been impacted due to the poor actions by the government. In addition, she says the environment and climate change are issues that Florida as a whole needs to focus more on.



TRAVIS HUTSON Republican

Travis Hutson has served in the Florida Senate since 2015. Prior to that, he served as the state representative for Florida House District 24, where he represented Flagler and parts of St. Johns and Volusia counties upon his election in 2012.

While serving in the Florida Legislature, Hutson championed crucial legislation for District 7 and the state, focusing on the economy, education and public safety. He helped craft enhancements to Florida's Career and Professional Education Act, responding to Florida's critical workforce needs. He closed loopholes in the release of violent sexual predators. In addition, Hutson successfully championed water policy reform and hurricane recovery.

Hutson works in his family's business, assisting in property and agricultural management and local charitable foundations. He also sat on the board of directors for HandsOn Jacksonville and on the development committee for St. Augustine Youth Services and has been a member of the board of directors for EPIC in St. Johns County.

Hutson graduated from Lafayette College in Pennsylvania in 2007 with a bachelor's degree in economics and business. He resides in St. Johns with his wife, Tanya, and their children, Taylor, Tyler and Turner.

U.S. Representative - District 4



DONNA DEEGAN Democrat

I'm proud of my deep roots in Jacksonville. I grew up on the Southside, attended Bishop Kenny High School and graduated from FSU.

As a journalist for 30 years, I listened to all sides to get to the heart of the matter and shine a light on the truth.

When diagnosed with cancer for the first of three times, I learned firsthand the toll a medical crisis takes on a family.

I heard from women who had to choose between food and medicine.

That's why I started The DONNA Foundation and marathon, raising millions to help struggling families.

There's real work to be done. Families are in real pain. Yet the people I talk to feel ignored by elected leaders.

While partisan politics holds our country hostage, I stand ready to work together to solve our most pressing challenges.

I'm committed to lowering the price of insurance and prescription drugs while investing in jobs with real wage growth, strong public education, safety, and climate change solutions to grow the economy of our future.

This community has been good to my family and me. It would be an honor to work for you. I would appreciate your vote on November 3.



GARY L. KONIZ Write-in

Gary L. Koniz has been involved in many humanitarian and social issues. Born in 1946 in Maryland, he served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as a heavy equipment operator and fought in the Vietnam War in 1966.

After his honorable discharge, he continued to work as a heavy equipment operator and later as a charter pilot. Experiencing a calling to become a writer, he attended college and graduated summa cum laude from The State University at New Paltz, New York, with a bachelor's degree in English.

He took a job as project development team supervisor for The Dutchess County Comprehensive Training and Employment Act Program. In 1979, he took a job as public information officer for the Poughkeepsie, New York, School District. He went on to freelance work in investigative journalism for 10 years.

Moving to Buffalo, New York, he worked on the Diocese of Buffalo's Christian Social Outreach Project on Government Reform and as an adviser and media consultant with Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan concerning the war on drugs.

Koniz and wife Kathleen moved to Jacksonville in 2000, and he has continued to write for many newspapers and agencies.



JOHN RUTHERFORD Republican

John Rutherford is currently serving the 4th District in the U.S. House of Representatives and is seeking re-election. He sits on the House Judiciary Committee and the House Appropriations Committee.

Rutherford has lived in Jacksonville since 1958 and attended Florida Junior College and Florida State University where he studied criminology. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, 171st Session and the National Executive Institute. He began his career in law enforcement in 1974 as a patrol officer in the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, working his way up and eventually serving as director.

In 2003, 2007 and 2011, Rutherford was elected sheriff of Duval County. For three terms and 12 years he ran a 3,200-employee office. Rutherford also served as chair of the Legislative Committee for the Florida Sheriff's Association.

Rutherford has been married to his wife Pat for 47 years. They have two children and six grandchildren and are also members of Assumption Catholic Church in Jacksonville.

State Representative - District 17



DAVE ROGERS
Democrat

Dave Rogers is a native of Norfolk, Virginia. He earned a bachelor's degree in 1979 from the U.S. Naval Academy and received a military citation from the

Naval War College Non-resident Program in 1992. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1979 to 2001.

His professional experience includes working as a consulting analyst. He is affiliated with the North Florida Green Chamber of Commerce and the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida.

Issues that he has focused on are climate change; racial, gender and income inequality; and growth and development.

According to his website, Rogers is running in part because "every elected leader, at every level of government, from my county commissioners to the president of the United States is a Republican. In this part of Florida, Republicans dominate. None of them believe in climate science."

He indicated his decision to run was to give voters a choice and that his opponent would otherwise have been unopposed.

CYNDI STEVENSON
Republican

Cyndi Stevenson is a CPA by profes-



sion with over 20 years of experience in public accounting and in industry. She has worked in both large and small public accounting firms and maintained her own practice for a number of years. She

has served as the controller for an insurance company as well as Children's Home Society of Florida, one of the largest child welfare providers in the state. She also has experience in real estate, health care and small business.

From 2004 to 2015 she was a St. Johns County commissioner. After having been elected countywide three times, she successfully ran for Florida House of Representatives in a special election in April 2015 and is now serving in her second term in the Florida House.

She has served as chair of Insurance and Banking, vice chair of Health Care Appropriations and chair of Government Oversight and Transparency in the House.

Stevenson is a lifelong Floridian who enjoys fishing, sailing, kayaking, bicycling and community service. She and Henry, her husband of 37 years, live in the Julington Creek area. They have two grown sons who were raised in St. Johns County and graduated from the county's top ranked school system.

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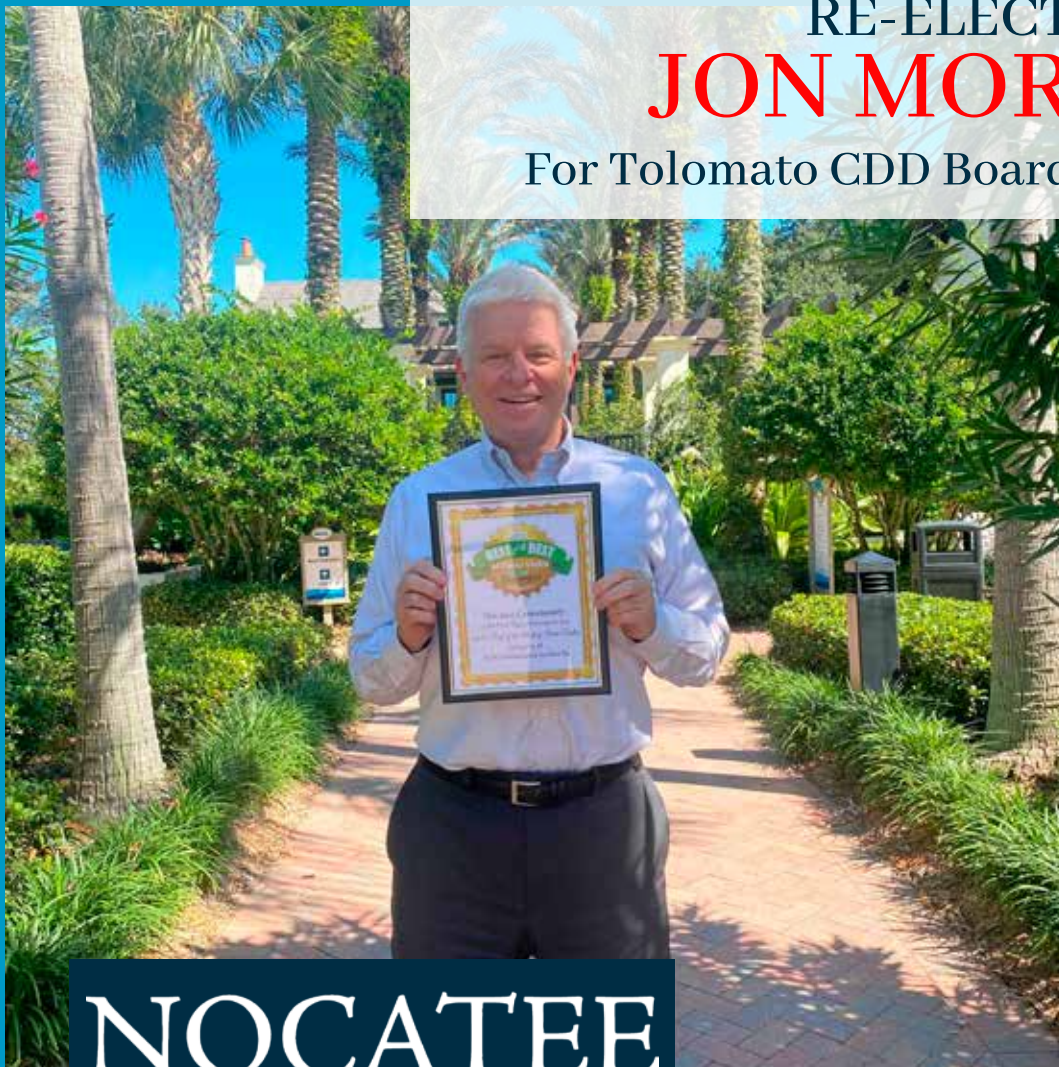
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For Tolomato CDD Board of Supervisors



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THIS IS WHY EXPERIENCE MATTERS

Jon is a long time resident of Nocatee with over 40 years of experience in construction and master-planned communities. His construction and industry experience has equipped him to serve a critical role in developing the Nocatee infrastructure while on the CDD board.

Experience matters because it's about your homes, your community. Protect your most valuable investment by voting for experience.

Lets finish Nocatee strong!

State Attorney



DONALD B. DEMPSEY JR.
No Party Affiliation

Donald B. Dempsey Jr. is a lawyer in Deland. He has more than 29 years of experience with clients throughout Central Florida. He focuses his practice on the needs of criminal defendants and men and women involved in divorce or family law matters. He is a former Deland/Daytona Beach prosecutor.



R.J. LARIZZA
Republican

R.J. Larizza is a native of Jacksonville, where he graduated from Bishop Kenny High School. He attended Troy State University and obtained his bachelor of science degree in criminal justice with a minor in English. Upon graduation, he entered the workforce with the Florida Department of Corrections, working with young probationers and parolees.

He stayed with the Department of Corrections for almost 13 years and attained the rank of supervisor II at the time of his departure in 1993. Most of his tenure with the Florida Department of Corrections – 10 years – was spent in the St. Augustine/St. Johns County office.

In the summer of 1993 at the age of 35, Larizza left the Florida Department of Corrections to pursue a law degree at Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in Macon, Georgia, and graduated in the top third of his class in May of 1996. While a student at the university, Larizza also worked as a law clerk for the Houston County District Attorney's Office in Perry, Georgia. As a law student, Larizza was on the Moot Court Board and Law Review for Mercer University in addition to maintaining his rank in the class. He also served as student prosecutor during his law school career.

Upon graduation from The Walter F. George School of Law, Larizza returned to St. Augustine where he worked as an assistant state attorney with the State Attorney's Office of the 7th Judicial Circuit of Florida. In January 2003 after 6½ years, Larizza left the State Attorney's Office to pursue a private practice career. Following his successful private practice endeavor, Larizza successfully ran for the office of State Attorney for the 7th Judicial Circuit, the office that he currently holds.



SCOTT C. BOUTWELL
Write-in

Scott Boutwell first worked on a farm, then with farm equipment dealers, and landed a job at the age of 19 in the transportation industry. He was one of the youngest to head up the maintenance division of a small trucking company. Under his management, the

company grew.

He later worked for himself in the land-clearing business. He sold the business in 1989 and moved to St. Augustine with his wife, Renee. They have three daughters.

Boutwell worked for several companies, including DBI Services, a multi-million-dollar company, as a regional maintenance manager. Over the past 10 years he has been instrumental in the growth and management of a large fleet of trucks throughout the Southeast, where he is required to maintain budgets and build teams.

He believes his experience of working within his multi-million-dollar budget and workforce of up to 300 employees gives him the experience needed for running the Sheriff's Office in a fiscally conservative manner.

Boutwell has 20 years of forensic science and consulting experience and has worked on many product liability, auto, truck, equipment and industrial malfunctions and accidents.

He has worked with municipalities, commissioners, boards of directors and business owners to build budgets and understand the formalities involved and to keep within the budget.



ROBERT A. HARDWICK
Republican

Longtime local resident Robert A. Hardwick has served as the St. Augustine Beach police chief since January 2013.

Previously, he served as the assistant chief investigator with the Office of the State Attorney 7th Judicial Circuit. During his

26-year law enforcement career, he also worked at the St. Augustine Police Department, Flagler County Sheriff's Office and Florida Department of Corrections.

He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and Florida Army National Guard with 25 years of service. He was deployed to Operation Desert Storm in 1990 and Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003-04.

Most recently, he was assigned as a platoon trainer with the National Guard at Camp Blanding Regional Training Institute's Officer Candidate School.

In August 2016, he was appointed to the Criminal Justice and Standards Training Commission.

In addition to his many affiliations, he volunteers as a youth coach.

Hardwick and his wife of 28 years have two sons.

Circuit Court Judge - Group 14



JOAN ANTHONY

Joan Anthony was admitted to the Florida Bar and the United States Court of Appeals in 1988. Joan has been a small business owner and manager of her own practice since 2004.



DAN HILBERT

Dan Hilbert began his legal career as a state prosecutor for the 7th and 4th Judicial Circuits in Florida. After a career handling the most serious of felony offenses, Mr. Hilbert entered private practice with the goal of representing individuals and businesses in a variety of areas of law. After years of serving as an advocate for many members of our community, Mr. Hilbert said he is ready to return to public service where his career began.

HENRY DEAN
FOR COUNTY COMMISSION - DISTRICT 5
ELECTION DAY:
NOVEMBER 3RD

Paid by Henry Dean, Republican, for St. Johns County Commission District 5.

Rob Hardwick
For St. Johns County Sheriff
COMBAT VETERAN ★ CHIEF OF POLICE
★ COMMUNITY LEADER ★
VOTE FOR ROB HARDWICK
ON ELECTION DAY
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3
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Paid by Robert Hardwick, Republican, for St. Johns County Sheriff.
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County Commission - District 1



JOE McANARNEY
Democrat

Joe McAnarney and his wife have lived in Julington Creek Plantation for more than 15 years, attracted to the quality of life they saw: large areas of open space and wetlands, excellent schools and ease of traveling to work, shopping and cultural events. McAnarney is a retired architect and planner with more than 40 years of experience working with building codes and development standards.



CHRISTIAN WHITEHURST
Republican

A third generation Floridian, Christian Whitehurst moved to St. Johns County 22 years ago, and now lives in Julington Creek Plantation with wife Courtney and their children. They are active members of Christ's Church.

At age 17, Whitehurst went to work at Fast Fix Jewelry & Watch Repair at the Avenues. He eventually bought the franchise from the previous owner. Since then, he has opened a second Fast Fix Jewelry & Watch Repair location at the St.

Johns Town Center.

Whitehurst was appointed to the United Way of St. Johns County campaign cabinet in 2015. He continues to volunteer both time and resources to various organizations, including Daniel Kids, March of Dimes and the Special Olympics of Florida.

County Commission - District 5



HENRY DEAN
Republican

Henry Dean is a longtime St. Johns County resident running for re-election as a Republican for the St. Johns County Commission, District 5. Dean is the former executive director of both the St. Johns River and South Florida water management districts. In nearly 20 years at the helm of the St. Johns River Water Management District, he directed the acquisition of sensitive conservation lands, like the Guana Preserve, Julington-Durbin Preserve and Moses Creek

Conservation Area.

Dean lives in St. Augustine. He is a member of the Florida Association of Counties Water Policy Committee.

MERRILL PAUL ROLAND
No Party Affiliation

No information was available regarding this candidate

JOHN "BUCKY" SYKES
for St. Johns
Soil & Water Conservation District 3

Preserving
Florida's Heartland
for Generations to Come

ELECTION DAY: NOV. 3
EARLY VOTING: OCT. 19-31

Paid for by John "Bucky" Sykes, Nonpartisan Candidate, for St. Johns Soil & Water Conservation District 3.

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GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3RD

OPEN TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY

VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Vote by mail ballots CANNOT be turned in at the polls on Election Day.

Due to a law change, the Drop Boxes will only be available in Early Voting locations during the hours of early voting.

Your ballot must be in the Elections Office by 7 PM on Election Day to be counted.

VOTE EARLY

GENERAL ELECTION

8 AM - 6 PM DAILY AT PONTE VEDRA LOCATIONS
OCTOBER 19TH THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST

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St. Augustine/St. Johns County Airport Authority -Group 4

SAMUEL J. BARRESI



For the last 10 years, Samuel Barresi has been associated with the Northeast Florida Regional Airport, and integrated with the City of St. Augustine and St. Johns County. He says he has the background and experience to

provide the Airport Authority with the direction it needs. He is endorsed by the St. Augustine Airport Pilots Association.

He has extensive experience as a corporate and general aviation pilot, active in general, business and government aviation. He holds commercial, instrument and multi-engine ratings. He is chief operating officer of a company listed on NASDAQ and founded and operated three corporations engaged in construction, engineering and property management.

As a design/build contractor, Barresi has built over 250,000 square feet of hangars and airport buildings across the United States. He has been a contractor for runway extension at LaGuardia Airport. While on the Airport Planning Committee for the Delaware Regional Planning Commission, he oversaw airline and business aircraft facilities and air traffic routing at the Philadelphia International Airport.

Barresi says his extensive experience in property management will aid the Airport Authority in maintaining a working rela-

tionship with its tenants.

He believes the airport can attract a regional airline to connect with major hubs for worldwide air service.

MICHAEL HENNE



Michael Henne is a 30-year veteran of the commercial aviation industry, spending the first decade of his career with Delta Air Lines. He has subsequently worked with carriers and airports on six

continents in finance, technology, operations and strategic planning capacities.

Notable for this election, Henne was a member of Delta's senior team, running the world's busiest airport, ATL. Also relevant is his experience in sitting "on the other side of the table" as airports make their case for scheduled service.

Having served on multiple boards of directors and as a senior executive in several aviation-related businesses, he says he possesses the requisite experience, executive bearing and commercial skills to serve the community as a board member.

Henne graduated with high honors from Georgia Tech with a B.S. in industrial management, and he earned his MBA in economics from Georgia State University. He is a former LTJG in the U.S. Navy Reserve.

Henne, his wife Shannon, and PVHS Sharks Will and Emma Grace reside in Plantation Oaks in Ponte Vedra Beach.

AUSTIN LEE LANTEIGNE



After graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy, Lantaigne served the country for nearly eight years as a naval flight officer in the U.S. Navy. He later earned his MBA and began working in the property

and casualty insurance industry as a product manager focused on developing homeowners' insurance for homes found within common hurricane threat areas. He continues to serve his community today as a high school and juniors volleyball coach and serves as a general manager for a youth sports organization.

Lantaigne wants to establish an Airport Authority Board that prioritizes the community of St. Johns County by ensuring the airport stays off the county tax rolls, never expands using eminent domain, increases community involvement and transparency, and focuses on promoting privatization in and around the Northeast Florida Regional Airport area.

Lantaigne's wife, Kara, is a St. Augustine High School graduate. They have one son, Weston, and two dogs, Goose and Remi.

ROBERT E. OLSON



I bring the experiences of a career in economic development, working with communities to attract high-value industry. This, plus recent service on the airport's Master Plan

Advisory Committee, have convinced me of the airport's potential for diversifying our tourist-dependent local economy.

Up to this point the authority's attention has centered on serving the owners of private aircraft. Supporting general aviation is important. However, the airport's new \$5 million passenger terminal sits locked and vacant. This is a clear message that goals are not being achieved.

I hope voters will consider my advocacy, qualifications and commitment to serving our community: Airport Master Plan Advisory Committee member, 2018-19; St. Johns County Cultural Resources Review Board vice chair, 2019-present; South Ponte Vedra Civic Association member; St. Johns County Civic Roundtable, 2016-present; master of public administration, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University; master of architecture and urban design, Washington University.

St. Augustine/St. Johns County Airport Authority -Group 5



JEROME DION

Jerome Dion, an urban planner, served in energy program planning and management, policy development and evaluation and analysis capacities over 33 years in state and federal civil service.

He led an integrated building technologies research team designed to develop net-zero energy homes and buildings, and an interdisciplinary team developing institutional change principles and methods to support federal agency energy and environmental policy implementation.

Mr. Dion is currently retired.

MARK ALAN FRAZIER

No information was available on this candidate.



REBA J. LUDLOW

I understand airport operations and possible opportunities for future sustainable growth, as a commercial pilot and airplane owner with 35 years of experience interfacing with our Airport Authority. Although I have made recommendations to the Airport Authority Board for many years, I was

not able to vote on decisions that were actually made. There is not a sufficient timetable for when the Master Plan elements can or will occur. I support the growth of high-quality business and employers like Northrop-Grumman, our airport as a regional tourist gateway, possible transportation hub, commercial air traffic,

support private property rights without eminent domain, and am committed to protecting the environment.

Some background:

As past president, Ludlow played a key role in revitalizing the St. Augustine Airport Pilots Association, and is endorsed by them.

She has been president of Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 600, which supports the Young Eagles, and is a former officer for Women in Aviation International.

She has been a volunteer pilot for Coast Guard search and rescue, Angel Flights Southeast and Civil Air Patrol.

As a member of the advisory board for the St. Augustine High School Aerospace Academy, she chaired the committee to award scholarships.

Soil & Water Conservation District - Group 3



NICOLE CROSBY

Nicole Crosby graduated from the University of Texas School of Communication with a degree in advertising and went to work for Doyle Dane Bernbach in New York where she became senior vice president, associate creative director. She garnered many awards for advertising creativity. She currently runs an Internet business

called the Texas Fireframe Company. She co-founded Save Guana Now to protect 100 acres of conservation

land from development, and she remains focused on protecting the property. She also co-founded NEST (Never Endanger Sea Turtles).



JOHN "BUCKY" SYKES

John "Bucky" Sykes is a generational farmer with over 50 years of successful experience working in the agricultural field. He grew up farming alongside his father, John "Buck" Sykes.

He is the owner of Sykes Farms

and Sykes Family Farms Crop Maze. He currently serves on the Farm Bureau and Farm Service Agency Board of Directors and the St. Johns County Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Sykes is a strong believer in the farming community and supports the local farmers and businesses. Over the years, he has worked with Water Management and the state departments of Environmental Protection and Agriculture.

Sykes says he is uniquely qualified to serve on the St. Johns County Soil and Water Conservation District Board for District 3 and will use his experience to conserve and protect St. Johns County.

Soil & Water Conservation District - Group 4



CHARLES C. OWEN

Charles "Chuck" Owen is a St. Johns County native who knows and loves the land. He is a home-grown farmer, small businessman and entrepreneur who

started his farming career in 1980. He has over 40 years in soil and water conservation experience.

The former owner and operator of Chuck Owen Farms Inc. grew up in Hastings in a large farming family. He attended St. Augustine High School and began farming with his uncles and cousins in the 1970s. He owned and operated multiple businesses in St. Johns County throughout his career, including a transportation and logistics company, a produce stand at DuPont Center, and a cabbage and potato farm in Elkton. He is a member of the Florida Farm Bureau, former member of the North Florida Potato Growers Association, and now works as the Farm Manager of Barnes Farm in Hastings.

Owen and wife Melissa McCall Owen have four children who live in St. Johns County. Two are teachers, one is an assistant state attorney and one is a mother of two.

Owen is running for Soil and Water Conservation District to bring common sense and experience to government, according to his website.



BRENDA STRATTON

My name is Brenda Stratton. I am married with five grown children. I am vice president of Mortuary Lift Company.

Being raised in Iowa and living in Indiana, Texas and now Florida has been wonderful to experience different parts of our great country.

I graduated from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa. The bulk of my volunteer work has been with the schools and community organizations. When volunteering with the schools, I worked to launch programs such as Adopt-An-Area, Lunch with Dads and Masterpiece Dinner Theatre (showcasing the incredible talent of students to the community who might not have the opportunity to see that side of the school).

I also focused on increasing fundraising, developing partnerships with businesses and expanding opportunities for parental involvement on campus.

In the community, I was on the School Foundation Board and worked with many community organizations to raise funding.

Now that my children are grown, I would like to focus on the complexities of the Florida ecosystem and parlay my past public service and school volunteer success to the St. Johns Soil and Water Conserva-

Bucky Sykes accepted \$10,000 in donations from the very developers who are trying to build 66 homes on the Outpost in Ponte Vedra.

These are the same developers that his opponent, Nicole Crosby, has fought against. As the incumbent, Sykes showed up for just half the meetings during his last term (prior to Covid cancellations). And he falsely claims to have twice renourished Crescent Beach - which has not been renourished. See Nicole's response to The St. Augustine Record questionnaire (which Sykes didn't bother to answer) by typing into your browser: tinyurl.com/y4spkwtu

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Anastasia Mosquito Control District - Seat 1



tion District to work for all St. Johns County residents.

CATHERINE BRANDHORST

Having been an owner of two pest control companies, Catherine Brandhorst is running for seat 1 of the Anastasia Mosquito Control District with a goal of reducing expenses and improving service. According to her Wordpress site, she wants to

use innovative methods, approaches and solutions to address environmental issues and provide the district with the best scientific information available to anticipate potential environmental threats, evaluate risks, identify solutions and develop standards.

TIM BURTON

My name is Tim Burton. I am running for the office of Anastasia Mosquito Control District (seat 1).

I am a business professional with over 22 years of building and managing a profitable operation. I bought



my first company in 2000 in Ponte Vedra Beach and sold it in 2003. I am currently running our family business, Esquire Cleaners. We are located off C.R. 210 West in St. Johns County and have been there since 2005. My focus has been on business development and improving efficiency of operation. I have strong financial and budgeting skills.

My goal for the office is to maintain the level of conservative values and financial responsibility, helping to run an efficient mosquito control district to ensure lower tax rates. I would continue to direct the company in natural and safer ways to battle the mosquitos in St. Johns County. This would ensure a healthier community for humans and wildlife.

My vision for the county is to help control the mosquito population so AMCD can continue to be the model for the United States and around the globe.

My education started in Jacksonville at Bishop Kenny



High School. I finished with a BS degree in finance and a minor in accounting at Florida State University.

JAN CARDIA

My name is Jan Cardia. I am running for Anastasia Mosquito Control District, Seat 1. I grew up in Delaware where I raised two children, Jimmy and Jill. I also have three grandchildren, Dylan, Taylor

and Jake.

I balanced my personal and professional life by starting my own accounting and financial management business from my home over 40 years ago.

I am an expert-level tournament Scrabble player. My other hobbies include dancing, walking and crossword puzzles.

My husband, Aldo, and I moved to Nocatee three years ago.

Mosquitoes are the deadliest and peskiest of all insects. I'm sure we can all agree on our desire to rid St. Johns

Anastasia Mosquito Control District - Seat 3



County of these pesky blood-suckers! A vote for me will not come back to bite you!

GINA LEBLANC

Gina LeBlanc is the current seat 1 representative on the Anastasia Mosquito

Control District board. Her term began in 2017 and ends in 2020.

HOWARD MCGAFFNEY

Howard McGaffney is a Gulf War veteran and was an enlisted officer as a torpedoman's mate. He served in the Navy from 1989 to 2006 and became a surface rescue swimmer and master



helmsman in 1991.

McGaffney and his wife, Melissa, have been married for 23 years and have raised two sons. He has coached and mentored kids over the past 13 years

as a soccer coach in organizations like Ancient City Soccer, St. Johns Middle School Athletic Association and at St. Augustine High School. McGaffney and his family actively serve in the St. Johns County community, helping to feed the homeless, assisting the elderly with storm recovery and cleanup and volunteering at their church in various

outreaches and programs.

Over the past 20 years, he has held several board-appointed positions in the private and local government sectors and has held many volunteer board positions in nonprofit organizations.

McGaffney is a special districts manager and is an advisor to 85 elected public officials. He oversees the financial planning, budgeting, administration, capital planning, assessment process and public hearings, and runs board meetings and workshops and overall operations of 17 special districts. These districts are special-purpose, local governments established under Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes.



FELICIA PROIA

Felicia Proia has worked in public education as a school psychologist for the past five years. From an early age growing up in St. Augustine, she has enjoyed

volunteering her time and doing something for the greater good. Over the past decade, she has held leadership roles on executive boards for clubs and organizations within her professional field and local politics.

"I fight for what's best, not what's easy," she said. "Being an advocate means showing up and listening to

Anastasia Mosquito Control District - Seat 5



those you serve. My strength is in facilitating real conversations for real solutions and progress."

GAYLE GARDNER

Gayle Gardner is an avid "outdoors woman" and owner

of Cypress Horse Farm.

According to her Facebook page, she appreciates the benefits of the Anasta-



sia Mosquito Control District because the comfort and health of animals and residents are directly impacted by it.

GARY HOWELL

As an incumbent, I have served a total of 16 years on the

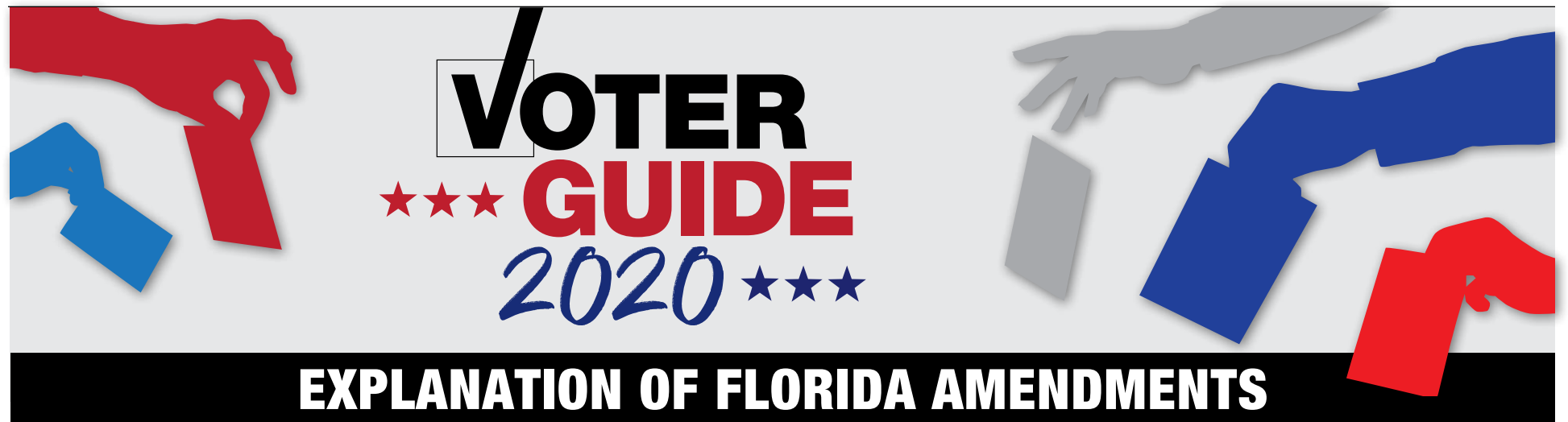
Mosquito Control Board, and am the only chairman of that board to serve for four straight years. While on the board I have

accumulated unique, valuable experience and direction on how the board can best function to continue to help lead the AMCD in the future. During my leadership, AMCD was relocated from Anastasia Island to center county. The island property was turned over to the county, saving taxpayers millions of dollars. Under my guidance, our mosquito control district now has a state-of-the-art research facility to study mosquitos and control methods, and the new facility has a dedicated hangar with a helicopter to spray remote areas.

After attending the St. Augustine Law Enforcement Academy, I became a deputy sheriff for 33 years. For 28 years in the county school system, I was supervisor of a management team that developed operating budgets.

I am retired from the Army, and active as a volunteer in the community – at the Elks Lodge, as a Palmetto Lodge Nobel Grand, in local political organizations, Sertoma Club, Boy Scouts, as a life member of the NRA, and a member of Turning Point at Calvary Church.

Go to pontevedrarecorder.com for more election information and to keep up with what's happening.



By Don Coble

There are seven state and local amendments on the General Election ballot on Nov. 3 and trying to pour through the legal talk often can be as difficult as reading Swedish instructions for building a home entertainment center.

While this doesn't pick sides in any of the decisions, it's essential to understand, in layman's terms, what we are asked to decide.

Some of the amendments are easy to understand. Others aren't. So here's a simple explanation of each amendment.

Amendment 1: Citizenship Requirement to Vote in Florida Elections

What the amendment says:

This amendment provides that only United States Citizens who are at least eighteen years of age, a permanent resident of Florida, and registered to vote, as provided by law, shall be qualified to vote in a Florida election. Because the proposed amendment is not expected to result in any changes to the voter registration process in Florida, it will have no impact on state or local government costs or revenue. Further, it will have no effect on the state's economy.

What it means:

A YES vote means foreigners who lack documentation and out of state visitors can't vote in Florida. It narrows the definition of an eligible voter to "only" a legal resident who's registered to vote.

A NO vote would expand the definition of a legal voter to "every" citizen who is a permanent resident in the state, regardless of documented status.

Amendment 2: Raising Florida's Minimum Wage

What the amendment says:

Raises minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour effective September 30th, 2021. Each September 30th thereafter, minimum wage shall increase by \$1.00 per hour until the minimum wage reaches \$15.00 per hour on September 30th, 2026. From that point forward, future minimum wage increases shall revert to being adjusted annually for inflation starting September 30th, 2027.

State and local government costs will increase to comply with the new minimum wage levels. Additional annual wage costs will be approximately \$16 million in 2022, increasing to about \$540 million in 2027 and thereafter. Government actions to mitigate these costs are unlikely to produce material savings. Other government costs and revenue impacts, both positive and negative, are not quantifiable.

THIS PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT IS ESTIMATED TO HAVE A NET NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE STATE BUDGET. THIS IMPACT MAY RESULT IN HIGHER TAXES OR A LOSS OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A BALANCED STATE BUDGET AS REQUIRED BY THE CONSTITUTION.

What it means:

A YES vote would require annual increases in minimum wage until it reaches \$15 an hour, with yearly adjustments for inflation starting in 2027.

A NO vote would keep Florida's rate at \$8.56 an hour and make possible increases a function of the state legislature and governor.

Amendment 3: All Voters Vote in Primary Elections for State Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet

What the amendment says:

Allows all registered voters to vote in primaries for state legislature, governor, and cabinet regardless of political party affiliation. All candidates for an office, including party nominated candidates, appear on the same primary ballot. Two highest vote getters advance to general election. If only two candidates qualify, no primary is held and winner is determined in general election. Candidate's party affiliation may appear on ballot as provided by law. Effective January 1, 2024.

It is probable that the proposed amendment will result in additional local government costs to conduct elections in Florida. The Financial Impact Estimating Conference projects that the combined costs across counties will range from \$5.2 million to \$5.8 million for each of the first three election cycles occurring in even-numbered years after the amendment's effective date, with the costs for each of the intervening years dropping to less than \$450,000. With respect to state costs for oversight, the additional costs for administering elections are expected to be minimal. Further, there are no revenues linked to voting in Florida. Since there is no impact on state costs or revenues, there will be no impact on the state's budget. While the proposed amendment will result in an increase in local expenditures, this change is expected to be below the threshold that would produce a statewide economic impact.

What it means:

A YES vote means all candidates for the Florida House of Representatives, Florida Senate, Governor and the Cabinet, regardless of political affiliations, are lumped into a single primary with the top-two advancing to the General Election. It creates the possibility of two candidates from the

same political party running against each other.

A NO vote would keep the same closed system, which prohibits Democrats from voting for a Republican candidate in the primary and Republicans voting for Democrats in state-level races. The only exception is if there are no qualified candidates from one party, then all parties are allowed to cast votes.

Amendment 4: Voter Approval of Constitutional Amendments

What the amendment says:

Requires all proposed amendments or revisions to the state constitution to be approved by the voters in two elections, instead of one, in order to take effect. The proposal applies the current thresholds for passage to each of the two elections.

It is probable that the proposed amendment will result in additional state and local government costs to conduct elections in Florida. Overall, these costs will vary from election cycle to election cycle depending on the unique circumstances of each ballot and cannot be estimated at this time. The key factors determining cost include the number of amendments appearing for the second time on each ballot and the length of those amendments. Since the maximum state cost is likely less than \$1 million per cycle but the impact cannot be discretely quantified, the change to the state's budget is unknown. Similarly, the economic impact cannot be modelled, although the spending increase is expected to be below the threshold that would produce a statewide economic impact. Because there are no revenues linked to voting in Florida, there will be no impact on government taxes or fees.

THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THIS AMENDMENT CANNOT BE DETERMINED DUE TO AMBIGUITIES AND UNCERTAINTIES SURROUNDING THE AMENDMENT'S IMPACT.

What it means:

A YES vote means any changes or revisions to the constitution would require approval in two election cycles. Proponents feel the process needs an extra layer, even if it means changes now will take at least two years.

A NO vote means an amendment or revision to the constitution only needs to be approved in one election. Proponents feel two cycles would disenfranchise many grassroots campaigns to effect change.

Amendment 5: Limitations on Homestead Property Tax Assessments; increased portability period to transfer accrued benefit

What the amendment says:

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, effective January 1, 2021, to increase, from 2 years to 3 years, the period of time during which accrued

Save-Our-Homes benefits may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead.

What it means: A YES vote means you agree to expand the deadline to transfer their "Save-Our-Homes" homestead exemptions from two years to three.

A NO vote means you believe the current two-year deadline to transfer a "Save-Our-Homes" homestead exemption is fine.

Amendment 6: Ad Valorem Tax Discount for Spouses of Certain Deceased Veterans Who Had Permanent, Combat-Related Disabilities

What the amendment says:

Provides that the homestead property tax discount for certain veterans with permanent combat-related disabilities carries over to such veteran's surviving spouse who holds legal or beneficial title to, and who permanently resides on, the homestead property, until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the property. The discount may be transferred to a new homestead property of the surviving spouse under certain conditions. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2021.

What it means:

A YES vote means you support a homestead property tax discount to spouses of disabled or deceased veterans.

A NO vote means you don't believe a spouse of disabled or deceased veteran deserves a discount in the homestead property tax.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"The Captive Mind"

As I write this letter, we are a month away from the eternal political question: compared to what? One choice, a somewhat gruff, aggressive New Yorker, the other, a 47-year political spinning wheel. Trump was an electoral surprise; Biden has two presidential campaign strikes and is taking a final swing at 78.

Trump barged in and rattled every cage and shook every tree, often taking pages out of Obama's play book, Rules for Radicals, with ridicule and characterization. One may wince; that might not be your way. The cage dwellers and tree huggers spread barbed wire and broken glass over every inch of his road to policy achievement, as I have never observed in my lifetime. Still, he has many successes.

After his South Carolina resurrection, Biden was the last figure standing and now calls himself the Democrat Party. The Social Democrats wrote a policy manifesto that he signed. If he wins, the door is open to Bernie's revolution.

Folks, I have lived in two and worked in many socialist countries. The only way socialism can sustain itself is through oppression. I can see it. I can smell it. Words, thoughts and then actions become an imposed way of living. Sound familiar? If you don't believe me, please read *The Captive Mind*, winner of the 1980 Nobel Prize for Literature, written by a Lithuanian-born Polish citizen who was engulfed by the Moscow-directed movement of socialism through Europe. It has never died.

Biden is a flimsy willow in a fierce wind from the left. Sensible Democrats, Independents or Republicans, you don't want to go where Biden-Bernie wants to take you! Please believe me.

Douglas C. Worth,
Ponte Vedra Beach

Trump's 1st term a failure

As the 2020 presidential election approaches, I regretfully recall the 2016

election results. My candidate, although receiving 2.87 million more votes than Donald Trump, lost the election and unfortunately the USA settled for another Electoral College presidency. When Trump was inaugurated in Jan 2017, I was optimistic that the USA would survive as we have previously endured incompetent and inexperienced administrations.

Well now, almost four years into this administration, my 2017 optimism has vanished. The biggest Trump failure to date is the COVID-19 response, where there is no national plan, the threat is downplayed, a refusal to listen to experts, unsafe medications recommended and he will not not accept blame for the many failures. Now we have over 212K deaths and an economy in ruins and millions of Americans jobless, facing homelessness and without health insurance coverage.

Trump is also the architect of disastrous trade policies, alienating our trusted allies, revoking sound environmental policies and withdrawing from the Iran Nuclear Deal despite the objections of France, Great Britain and Germany. Trump refuses to condemn white supremacist groups and ignores intel that clearly identifies Russian interference in the 2016 and 2020 elections.

Trump's major accomplishment to date was the 2017 tax cut, but since I am not in the top 1% of earners, I did not qualify.

Due to the utter failure of the Trump administration, I fully endorse and recommend the Biden-Harris ticket in the 2020 election. Biden-Harris will fill their cabinet with competent and experienced personnel, will reestablish ties with our allies, develop sound trade policies, protect our environment, listen to experts on global warming and pandemics and strive to provide adequate health insurance coverage for Americans. It is time for the U.S. Government to return to the greatness we once knew.

Ed Warren,
Ponte Vedra Beach

Age before beauty: The rise of the Gerontocracy in American politics



Scott A. Grant
Guest Columnist

Whoever wins this election will become the oldest person ever to be elected to the Presidency, breaking Ronald Reagan's mark of 73.

If Donald Trump wins, he will become the oldest person to serve as president sometime during the fourth year of his second term, again breaking Reagan's record. If Joe Biden is elected, he will become the oldest to serve shortly after his inauguration. Reagan was almost 78 years old when he left office.

The average age of the two candidates this year is 76. That breaks the old record of 70 set in the last election in 2012. By way of comparison, the average age of the candidates in the fondly remembered election of 1960 between John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon, was 44. That is a generation younger than today's offerings. Kennedy won a close race to become the youngest man ever elected to the office.

Nixon would get another chance eight years later. At 43, Kennedy was the youngest President ever elected, but not the youngest man ever to ever serve. That honor belongs to Teddy Roosevelt who succeeded to the presidency at the age of 42 upon the death of William McKinley.

Prior to Reagan, the oldest man to win the Presidency for the first time was William Henry Harrison. He was elected in 1840 at the age of 68. Harrison, who was the first president to die in office, also holds the distinction of being the shortest serving president. He caught pneumonia while giving the longest inaugural address in history and died 31 days later. It was a cold and rainy day in Washington, and he

spoke for nearly two hours.

William Henry was succeeded by John Tyler. Tyler was one of the richest men in the Country and he owned the largest house in the State of Virginia. He also owned a lot of slaves. Tyler holds the distinction of being the President with the most children. He fathered 15 children with two wives. Tyler was born in 1790. Two of his grandsons are still alive today (Don't believe me? Look it up). To put this in context, if Barron Trump had a son at the same age his father had him and that son lived to the age of 80, Donald's grandson would still be alive in the year 2145.

Candidates have steadily gotten older in the last 40 years or so. The eight oldest candidates in history have all run for the office during most of our lifetimes. They are, in no particular order, Joe Biden 77, Donald Trump 74, Hillary Clinton 69, John McCain 72, George HW Bush 68, Bob Dole 73 and Ronald Reagan who was younger than most everyone on this list when he ran the first time. The median age of presidents is 55 years and 3 months. Lyndon Baines Johnson was exactly that age when he succeeded to the presidency following the assassination of JFK. He seemed old at the time.

The rise of the Gerontocracy is partially due to the aging of America. Both candidates and voters are getting older. Additionally, older Americans are much more likely to vote than their younger counterparts. It is not just the presidency. The average age of those in Congress is near an all-time high. Nancy Pelosi is 80. Diane Feinstein is almost 87. Neither are the oldest people currently serving in Congress.

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An evening with Rep. Rutherford and state attorney R.J. Larizza



U.S. Rep. John Rutherford speaks to guests during a fundraiser and meet-and-greet at the home of Dale and Janet Westling on Oct. 7 in Ponte Vedra.



State Attorney R.J. Larizza addresses attendees at the fundraising event.



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Ponte Vedra Democrats rally support near Mickler's Landing



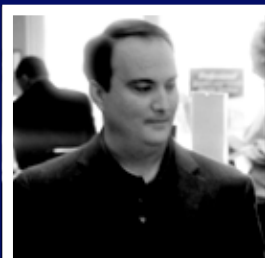
U.S. Army veteran Greg McClelland (left) and Democratic Florida State Representative District 17 candidate Davie Rogers, a U.S. Navy veteran, show their support for Democratic candidates in the upcoming election.



Members of the Ponte Vedra Democratic Club and Blue Wave Coalition, along with area Democrats, wave signs to rally support behind Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden and other Democrats up for election during a sign-waving celebration Saturday, Oct. 3, on the corner of A1A and Mickler Road.

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Trump supporters set up shop in Ponte Vedra

Trump supporters sell Trump-endorsing merchandise while a woman holds signs supporting President Donald Trump on Saturday, Oct. 3, on the corner of A1A and Mickler Road.

Photos by Paris Moulden



Turnout big for early voting



Photo by Don Coble

The lines were long, especially on the first two days of early voting, for this year's general election. Two days into the early voting cycle, 57,442 of 210,535 – 27.3% – of registered voters in St. Johns County had already turned in their ballots. Two weeks ahead of the General Election, 37,886 have voted by mail and 19,556 have voted in person during the first two days of early voting, according to the St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections Office.

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Vote by mail ballots cannot be turned in at the polls on election day.

ELECTION DAY

- ★ **Tuesday, November 3, 2020**
- ★ **Polls are open 7 AM – 7 PM**
- ★ **When voting on Election Day you MUST vote at the precinct of your legal residence.**
- ★ **Vote by mail ballots cannot be turned in at the polls on election day.**

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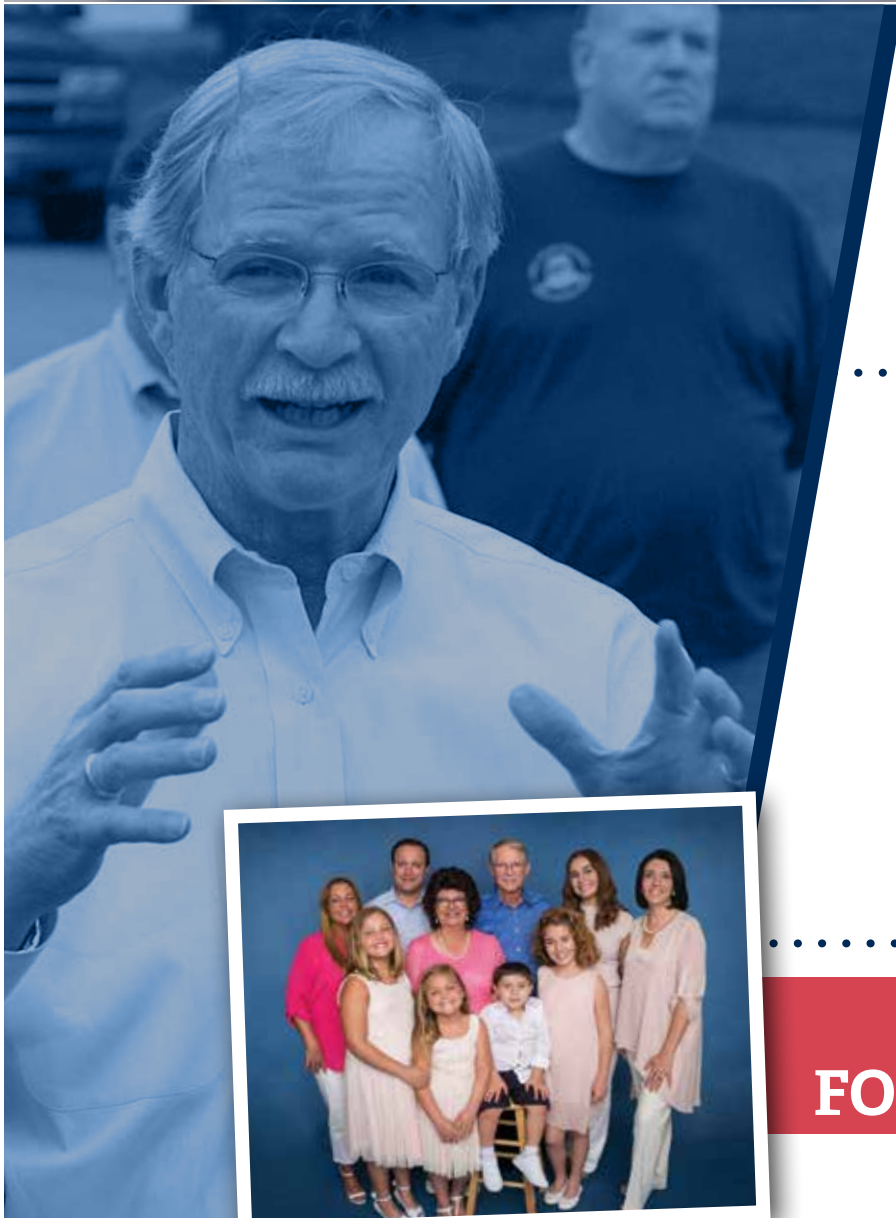
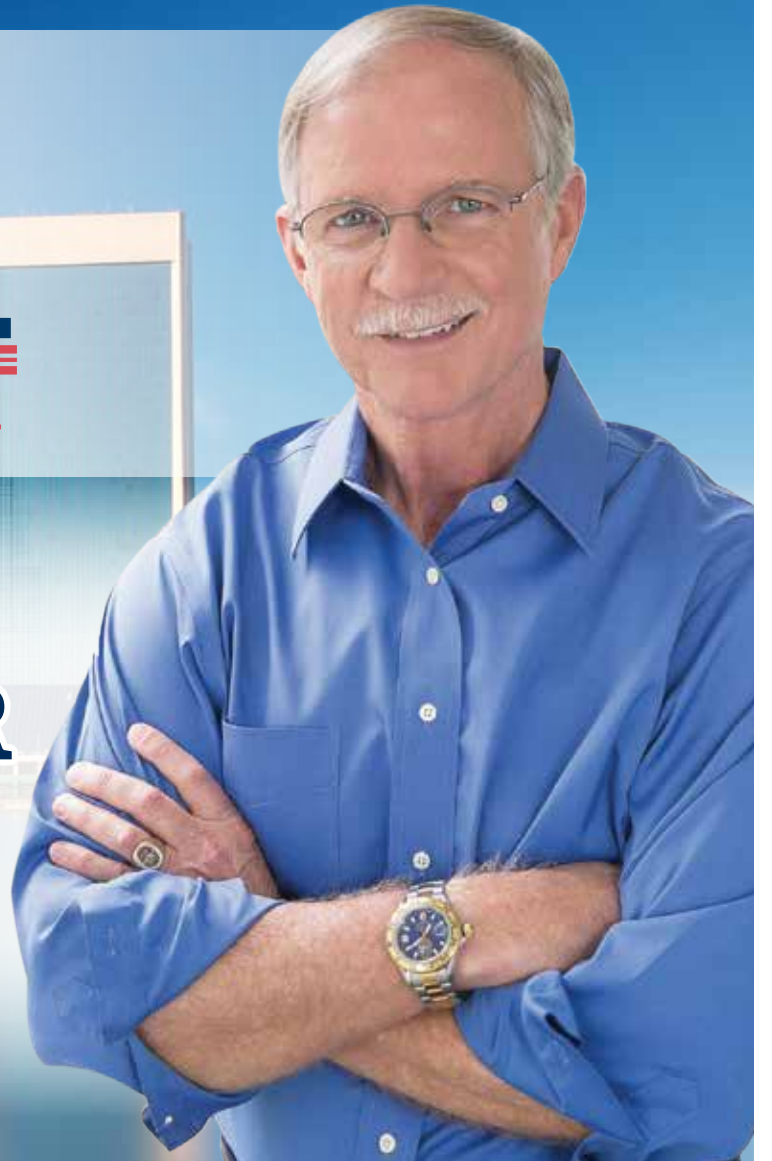
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