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Solutions correspond to last week's puzzles.

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# PGA TOUR unveils plans for new headquarters with Gov. Scott, Commissioner Monahan

By Benjamin Naim

The PGA TOUR unveiled plans for its new 187,000 square-foot global headquarters in Ponte Vedra Beach on Jan. 19 at a special presentation attended by Florida Gov. Rick Scott, Jacksonville Mayor Lenny Curry, PGA TOUR Commissioner Jay Monahan, PGA TOUR Senior Vice President of Communications Laura Neal, St. Johns County Director of Economic Development Melissa Glasgow and others.

The new, state-of-the-art headquarters building designed by Foster + Partners, which is expected to be completed in 2020, will be located on a portion of the TOUR's existing property on County Road 210 and surrounded by a large freshwater lake resembling the "Island Green" 17th hole at THE PLAYERS Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass. The building will house the more than 750 employees who currently occupy 17 buildings throughout the area, with the capacity to accommodate several hundred more.

The headquarters will feature a pair of parallel three-story bays flanking a collaborative atrium and connected by 20-foot-wide bridges, wide terraces along the atrium to allow for flexible workplaces, floor-to-ceiling windows, five large skylights designed to permeate the building with natural light and more. According to Foster + Partners, the design ultimately embraces new ways of working and collaboration for the PGA TOUR, as it responds to changing media landscapes and audiences in the future.

"We are excited for the opportunity to continue to grow in St. Johns County and believe the PGA TOUR's new home will be a sense of pride for the entire area and state of Florida," Monahan said, "while allowing us to become more efficient in the way we communicate, collaborate and operate as an organization. Although we have a growing international presence with offices and tournaments around the world, the PGA TOUR and our employees are very proud to be active members of the First Coast and Ponte Vedra Beach community, and call this area home."

Glasgow said that golf is "woven into the very fabric" of Ponte Vedra and having the PGA TOUR headquartered in the area will strengthen the bond between the TOUR and the community.

"As the largest corporate headquarters in St. Johns County, the TOUR project represents an innovative public-private partnership that will generate extraordinary long-term benefits," Glasgow said. "We thank the TOUR for their continued investment in our community."

In October 2017, the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) voted unanimously to support a \$2.8 mil-



Rendering courtesy of the PGA Tour

A rendering displays the vision for the inside of the PGA Tour's new headquarters.



ABOVE: Gov. Rick Scott speaks with reporters at a post-event press conference.



LEFT: Tour commissioner Jay Monahan delivers a speech on the PGA TOUR's planned headquarters building.

Photos by Benjamin Naim

lion economic incentives program for the company to construct the new headquarters facility. At the time of that vote, the PGA TOUR said it planned to invest \$86 million into the construction of the build-

ing. The company also said it anticipated hiring an additional 300 employees who will be paid an average wage of \$79,442, which is approximately two times the average wage in St. Johns County. According

to county staff at the time, the tour's financial investment will conservatively generate a net economic benefit of \$24 million to the county over a 20-year period and \$7 million alone to the county's general fund.

During the event, Scott awarded Monahan with a Governor's Business Ambassador Award for his commitment to creating jobs in Florida.

"When I became governor, one of the things I wanted to do was start highlighting businesses and business people that added jobs in our state," Scott said. "It's the most important thing you can do for a family. Everybody I know wants to have a job."

The PGA TOUR moved to Ponte Vedra Beach from Washington, D.C., in the late 1970s with three employees who occupied a house in the Players Club development in Sawgrass. Monahan noted that his organization has grown from one tour to six around the world since 1982. He added that the changing media landscape has offered more opportunities to reach new marketplaces and tell the story of PGA TOUR athletes.

Scott also praised the TOUR for donating to a wide range of charities in the community. Mayor Curry said he was grateful for the PGA TOUR, referring to the organization as "the fabric of the City of Jacksonville."

Visit [pontevedrerecorder.com](http://pontevedrerecorder.com) to watch video from the PGA Tour's special presentation.



# Florida First Lady kicks off 'Celebrate Literacy Week' at Ponte Vedra High School, PVPV-Rawlings Elementary

By Benjamin Naim

First Lady Ann Scott, wife of Florida Gov. Rick Scott, kickstarted "Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida!" Monday, Jan. 22 at Ponte Vedra High School.

"I want to thank Just Read, Florida, the Florida Department of Education and the Florida Lottery for organizing this terrific event for all of us today," Scott said. "Growing up, I always enjoyed reading. It's a passion that I shared with my two daughters throughout their childhood ... I love having the opportunity to travel the state and visit schools to encourage students like yourselves to keep reading and expanding your knowledge."

Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida! is an annual, week-long event aimed at raising awareness about the significance of literacy skills. The celebration encourages Florida

students and families to make reading a part of their daily routine. This year's theme, "Find Yourself in a Book," is about connecting with a book and taking a journey with its characters.

Florida Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart also spoke at the event, mentioning that students can only reach their full potential if they continue to develop essential reading and literacy skills.

"First Lady Ann Scott's passion for literacy motivates students to love reading as much as she does," she said. "I am so appreciative of her support."

St. Johns County School District Superintendent Tim Forson, officials from the Florida Lottery and Department of Education, and Ponte Vedra High School faculty, staff and students also attended the kickoff event.



Photo by Benjamin Naim

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Florida First Lady Ann Scott delivers a speech at the Celebrate Literacy Week kickoff event.

## Ponte Vedra student organizes second annual event benefitting survivors of domestic abuse

By Paris Moulden

Listening to a woman's harrowing story of domestic violence can be difficult and heartbreaking, but is also, oftentimes, inspiring.

That was the case for Ponte Vedra High School (PVHS) student Harrison Snowden, who decided it wasn't enough to just listen and sympathize.

For the second year in a row, Snowden, now a senior at PVHS, is organizing a fundraiser to benefit the Hubbard House and the Betty Griffin Center, both of which are Jacksonville area organizations that provide services to survivors of domestic and/or sexual abuse. The event, "Teens Take a Stand," will be held at 7 p.m., Feb. 17 at Ponte Vedra High School.

The benefit concert will feature a variety of acts, including performers from The Douglas Anderson School of the Arts and Ponte Vedra High School, a classical music ensemble with a professional clarinetist, a comedian, a jazz band and more.

Snowden said he devised the event concept after his parents returned from a trip visiting his sister at college. They raved about a benefit they attended and how much they enjoyed the variety show aspect of it. His initial benefit last year ended up raising more than \$10,000 for the overall cause.

"One of the main things we tried to emphasize is although it was held at Ponte Vedra, we really wanted it structured to be more of a community concert," Snowden said. "We had performers from Nease and Douglas Anderson and Ponte Vedra, and professional performers who weren't even in school. We really were aiming for a community event."

There will also be a silent auction featuring items such as a football signed by New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady, a Masters flag signed by PGA Tour star and 2015 Masters champion Jordan Spieth and four tickets to a Jaguars home game that attendees can bid on. Last year's event featured about 25 auction items and drew around 300 attendees, but Snowden is

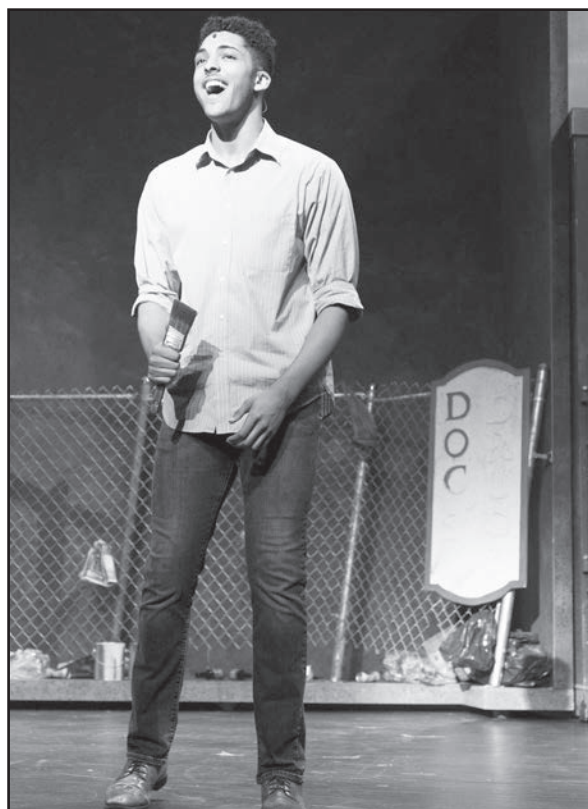


Photo courtesy of Harrison Snowden

**Malik Bilbrew from The Douglas Anderson School of the Arts will be one of the performers for the second annual "Teens Take a Stand" benefit concert on Feb. 17.**

aiming for around 400 to 500 this year.

His message has already garnered support from his peers. When he spearheaded last year's event, he had three other classmates assist him. This year, he has a planning committee team and a school club of 33 students who have also gotten involved. Half of those in the club are boys, which Snowden thinks is also important.

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## Cantwell announced as finalist for Florida's 2018 Assistant Principal of the Year award

Tiffany Cantwell, the assistant principal of The Webster School and soon-to-be principal of Ocean Palms Elementary School (OPES), is a finalist for Florida's Outstanding Assistant Principal Achievement Award, which is also known as the Assistant Principal of the Year award.



Tiffany Cantwell

Florida Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart announced the finalists for that award and the Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership (Principal of the Year) earlier this month. The winners will be named during the Commissioner's Summit for Principals Feb. 9 in Orlando.

"It is a great honor to recognize these principals and assistant principals whose hard work and commitment to Florida's students sets them apart, and I look forward to celebrating them next month at the Commissioner's Summit for Principals," said Stewart.

The 2018 Principal of the Year will receive a cash prize of \$5,000, and the remaining Principal of the Year finalists will receive \$1,500. The 2018 Assistant Principal of the Year will receive a cash prize of \$3,500, and the remaining Assistant Principal of the Year finalists will receive \$1,061.

Cantwell has served as an assistant principal within the St. Johns County School District since 2013. She was recently appointed as the next principal of OPES. While serving at The Webster School, she had the opportunity to interact with a diverse student population with varying needs. Cantwell was instrumental in helping Webster raise its school grade from a D to a B (based on 2016-17 school grades).

Candidates for these awards like Cantwell were nominated by the superintendent from their respective school districts. For more information about Florida's educator recognition and recruitment programs, visit [www.fldoe.org/teaching/recognition-recruitment](http://www.fldoe.org/teaching/recognition-recruitment).



*Manuel "Manny" Rey is a First Coast wine consultant/sommelier who lives in Ponte Vedra.*

## Manuel 'Manny' Rey

By Jon Blauvelt

### Can you please briefly tell us about your background?

I was born in Spain, in the town of Vedra, Santiago de Compostela, which is very close to Ponte Vedra (Spain). My family had farms and they made wine, which they sold to a winery, so I was exposed to wine in my early life. They moved to Havana, Cuba, and had an import-export business. I came to the United States to go to engineering school, where I got a degree in industrial engineering from Georgia Tech in Atlanta. I worked for AT&T and retired early, deciding to open a deli and wine shop in Ponte Vedra, Florida, which I had for nine years. After that, I got involved with some restaurants in the Jacksonville area, helping with the wine list and training the wait staff in the matching of food and wine.

### What is the process of becoming a sommelier?

There are different levels all the way to master sommelier. At the beginning, you have to acquire a palate to be able to identify the different flavors in the wine and the grape varieties. There are classes that you can take, and the exam consists of tasting as well as a written portion. In the higher levels, it becomes more difficult since you have to identify where the wine comes from, the year and also the varieties. It becomes more difficult with a blended wine. Also, the knowledge of pairing food and wine is important.

### What is your favorite wine and why?

Since the beginning, I have been fascinated by the wines of Bordeaux in France because they are blends that express the "terroir" and the winemaking expertise that can change every year due to elements beyond our control, such as weather. I also like cabernet sauvignon from California, which has grown incredibly in quality in the last 30 years, again due to the winemaking in this country and finding the best land to grow it.

### Where do you most enjoy going for a wine-related trip?

I have always enjoyed going to California during harvest to experience what is involved in making wine and meeting winemakers, owners, vineyard managers and the different people involved in the process of making wine. I've had the opportunity to stay in some of the wineries that have guest houses, which was an incredible experience. In addition, I've had the chance to taste wines that are only available at the winery.

### What makes you so passionate about wine?

Owning a wine shop and working in restaurants have contributed to my passion for wine. Also, as a wine collector, I have found that some wines evolve with time, as long as they are kept in the right conditions, with temperature being a key element in preserving the aging process. The amazing thing is to taste them at different stages and to see how they change over time.



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

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

I got to know Ponte Vedra in the late 80s during my travels with the company and bought a condominium in the area. I didn't think I was going to retire in the area and open a deli and wine shop. I joined the Ponte Vedra Lodge, which gave me access to the beach and their wonderful facilities. I love the moderate temperatures, the easygoing lifestyle and the many wonderful people that I have met. I left the area for a while, but I always come back. Now, I plan to be here permanently.

### What do you like to do in your free time?

I like to work out at the gym and walk on the beach to keep myself in good physical condition. I still do wine tastings for different groups in the area to keep myself busy and keep my interest in the wine business. I also like to attend wine dinners in the area, as well as tastings. In addition, I do like to go on cruises, as well as travel to visit family and friends. But I always am happy to come home to Ponte Vedra.

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# Baptist Medical Center to further renovate, expand Beaches campus

By Samantha Logue

As part of ongoing efforts to modernize and accommodate growth on its campus, Baptist Medical Center Beaches submitted a request to amend its Planned Unit Development to the Jacksonville Beach Planning Commission Monday, Jan. 8.

The development changes would include converting the proposed five-story parking garage between Medical Office Building B and Medical Office Building C (which house the Wilson Cancer Care Center and the Surgery Center, respectively) into a new medical office building (D), and redesigning and relocating the parking garage to a 35-foot structure oriented along Roberts Drive. The proposal also includes increasing the approved number of beds at the hospital from the current 182 to 186 beds, among other changes.

“The Planned Unit Development has been in place since 2004, and periodically, we’ll review it just to make sure we’re meeting the medical needs of the community,” said Barbara Prettyman, public relations and community relations coordinator for the hospital. “We want to make sure that if there’s an opportunity and the demand for a service, then we have the right planning in place to meet those needs. This is a growing area, and this is also an aging area, so we want to make sure that we can meet those demands

for the future.”

According to Prettyman, the alterations are a long-term project that would just be the next on a list of construction projects the hospital has undergone over the past few years.

“Recently, we’ve actually had three pretty big construction projects here,” she said. “The first one, in August of 2015, we completely renovated our emergency department, and just last year we completed the renovations of our labor and delivery unit. Everything was modernized.”

Currently, the hospital is undergoing construction to expand its surgery center.

“We are adding on 34,000 square feet to our facility,” Prettyman said. “We’re rebuilding all of our operating rooms, and the rooms themselves are going to be much larger than they are right now. We’re going to have 19 pre-op and post-op rooms, 12 recovery rooms and, of course, it will all be state-of-the-art.”

When the new operating rooms are finished, Prettyman added, the old rooms will be converted for use in sterilizing and storing equipment, with construction expected to be completed by October.

“If you take a look at the outside of our hospital, it looks like a huge construction project,” she laughed. “It really is going to change the exterior of the hospital, and it’s exciting because it’s a big step for us.”

## Benefit

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“I wanted to do something, especially as a boy, honestly, because it’s often thought of as a women’s issue,” Snowden said.

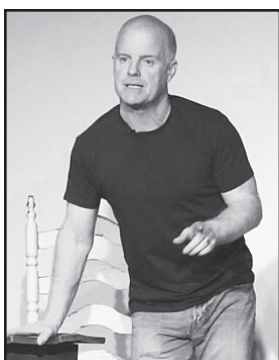
Snowden became interested in helping the Hubbard House and Betty Griffin Center his freshman year when a volunteer from the Betty Griffin Center came to speak to Snowden’s class about his experiences working with the nonprofit. Snowden and a friend later raised money for the Hubbard House and Betty Griffin Center through a bake sale, and he was invited to the Barbara Anne Campbell Memorial Breakfast at the Hubbard House. Hearing personal stories of domestic abuse from survivors during the breakfast made Snowden want to do more, and to encourage males and teens to do more as well.

“I remember there were three stories that I heard, and one was a video that gave the story of Barbara Ann Campbell,” Snowden said. “I remember hearing her and the two speakers who actually lived through it, and noticed it was almost entirely women in the audience. The combination of being moved by their stories and recognizing that there aren’t many men involved in this issue made me want to get more involved.”

At this year’s “Teens Take a Stand,” a survivor from the Betty Griffin Center will be on hand to share her personal story of abuse, and, Snowden said, hopefully impact more teens.



**ABOVE: PVHS’ a cappella group Sharkappellas are scheduled to perform for the second annual “Teens Take a Stand” benefit.**



**Raconteur Derek Coghlan (left) and professional musician Charles Almeida (right) are also among the performers for the event.**

Photos courtesy of Harrison Snowden



“I think that with teenagers, it’s not a comfortable thing to talk about,” Snowden said. “But I think the bigger issue is that if it doesn’t directly pertain to them, and this is true of most social issues, I think people can be comfortable being complacent.”

Snowden plans to go to college after graduating and is still deciding where he’ll attend, but he doesn’t expect to give up educating other young people about domestic violence. He said he’s been looking at colleges that have organizations directed at ending dating violence and domestic abuse.

“Especially in adolescent relationships, not enough people are aware of what constitutes dating violence,” Snowden said. “You don’t have to have

a job in the service sector to be involved in community service. It’s definitely something that I hope to continue to work on.”

But for the moment, Snowden will just be happy with a good turnout Feb. 17, and to help others have the opportunity to get involved with raising awareness about domestic abuse.

“We really do have a lineup of awesome performers and great silent auction items, so we’re really looking for that audience,” he said.

Tickets will be available at the door or by email at pvhsttas@gmail.com. The cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. More information can be found on the “Teens Take A Stand” Facebook page.

## BRIEFS

### St. Johns County Solid Waste to host Super Community Collection Event Jan. 27

St. Johns County Solid Waste is hosting a Super Community Collection Event from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Jan. 27 at the Tillman Ridge Landfill for residents to safely dispose of household hazardous waste, electronics, and tires (limit 10 per household) free of charge.

Items such as paint, motor oil, gasoline, fluorescent bulbs, wax, car and appliance batteries, pesticides, obsolete electronics such as monitors, modems, desk phones, and stereos, and automobile and light truck tires will be accepted. Items that will not be accepted include microwave ovens, large appliances, yard debris, household garbage, construction debris and commercial materials.

The Tillman Ridge Landfill is located at 3005 Allen Nease Road in Elkton. For more information, please call St. Johns County Solid Waste at (904) 827-6980 or visit [www.recyclestjohns.com](http://www.recyclestjohns.com).

### AARP Tax-Aide begins new season

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide, the nation’s largest free tax preparation provider, will begin its service to elderly and low-income clients beginning Thursday, Feb. 1, continuing through Saturday, April 14, at its 13 Jacksonville-area locations.

Clients of the busy Tax-Aide service at Regency Square Branch Library can make online appointments at [www.tinyurl.com/TaxAideRegency17](http://www.tinyurl.com/TaxAideRegency17), or in person with a Tax-Aide volunteer at that library. Libraries cannot accept calls related to Tax-Aide appointments or service questions.

Taxpayers must bring Social Security cards for themselves and all dependents, photo ID, all relevant tax forms and records (W-2, SSA-1099, medical expenses, etc.), last year’s tax return and all healthcare insurance documents.

Some locations and times of service have changed from prior years, and taxpayers are advised to check locations and times of service by calling 1-888-227-7669 or checking online at [www.aarp.org/FindTaxHelp](http://www.aarp.org/FindTaxHelp).

### John McE. Miller of Rock Solid Law appointed special magistrate for Neptune Beach

John McE. Miller, Esq., founder of Rock Solid Law, was recently, unanimously appointed to serve as special magistrate for Neptune Beach by the mayor and city council of Neptune Beach.

According to the City of Neptune Beach website, the Special Magistrate acts as a code enforcement magistrate

in order to hear and decide code enforcement matters related to zoning and other city ordinances as provided in the Neptune Beach Code of Ordinances and Chapter 165, Florida Statutes.

An attorney for over 30 years, Miller is also highly involved in the local business community. He has served as president of the Jacksonville Beaches Bar Association, was a two-term president of the Beaches Business Association and enjoys being active in the Northeast Florida Association of Realtors, as well as the Jacksonville Bar Association. He has also served as chair of the Public Policy Committee of the JaxChamber, Beaches Division, where he was both the Beaches and Overall Chamber Small Business Leader of the Year for 2016.



**John McE. Miller**



## Scott

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### Scott launches book and reads stories for children

Following the Ponte Vedra High School assembly, Scott appeared at PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School to launch her new book and read stories to children as part of her literacy tour. The first lady of Florida has been visiting schools since the beginning of Gov. Scott's term in office.

"When I became first lady I decided I wanted to focus on reading and literacy," Scott said in an exclusive interview with the Recorder. "I love traveling the state and visiting as many schools as I can; I've been to all 67 counties and just trying to visit all the schools that have requested me."

Scott added that she enjoys taking questions from grade-school students, but she sometimes defers to her husband.

"If they start getting too political on me I say, 'That sounds like a governor question to me,'" she said. "I try to be outside of politics and be a little more neutral, I try to handle [their questions] to the best of my ability – it's fun to take questions from the kids and see what they're curious about."

Scott's book, entitled "Allie and Jordie's Adventures Through Florida," was written in collaboration with the Florida Department of State and released Jan.



**ABOVE:** First Lady Ann Scott reads a story to PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School students as part of her literacy tour.

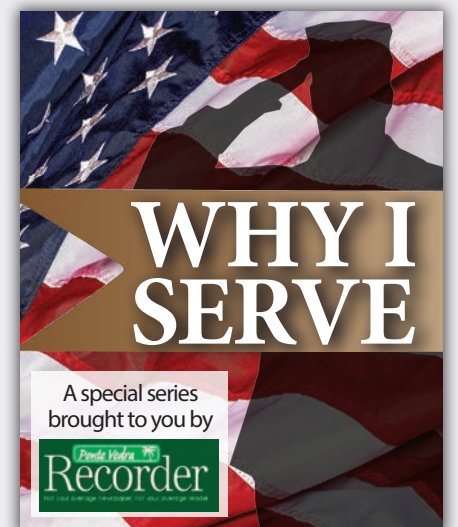
**LEFT:** PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School students show their appreciation to Scott by giving her a bouquet of flowers.

Photos by Benjamin Naim

22. The first lady noted that the story was inspired by her two daughters, Allison and Jordan, who loved exploring as children. Consequently, Scott authored a book for kids to use their imagination and journey across Florida while learning about history. "Allie and

Jordie's Adventures Through Florida" is available on Amazon and at elementary school and public libraries throughout the state.

For more information on Just Read, Florida! and Celebrate Literacy Week, visit [www.fldoe.org](http://www.fldoe.org).



### Why I serve

The Ponte Vedra Recorder is excited to introduce Why I Serve, a video series highlighting veterans and active service members of the U.S. military that reveals why they ultimately decided to serve and what the experience provided for them.

Watch a snippet of the first piece on the Ponte Vedra Recorder Facebook page or the full version online at [www.PonteVedraRecorder.com](http://www.PonteVedraRecorder.com).

Sponsorship opportunities are available for Why I Serve; any interested parties should contact [Ben@OPCFLA.com](mailto:Ben@OPCFLA.com) for more information.



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# Redesigned One Spark returning to Jacksonville April 6-7

By Samantha Logue

Canceled last year due to Hurricane Irma, the One Spark entrepreneurial festival will return to Downtown Jacksonville April 6-7 for the first time in two years, and this time it will feature an entirely redesigned concept.

“This will be a completely re-envisioned One Spark,” said Chris Carter, president of One Spark Ventures, Inc. “It’s a combination of festival and interactive experience. We want this to be a very new look and new concept that people haven’t seen before.”

First held in 2013 as a five-day event, One Spark was originally billed as the “world’s largest crowdfunding festival” and spanned several city blocks in Downtown Jacksonville. Over the years, however, the event has evolved in shape and size, and this year, according to Carter, the self-proclaimed “idea fest” has been re-conceptualized for a more defined, focused event.

First on the list of One Spark changes will be the location of the event, which this year will be held at the new Daily’s Place amphitheater next to EverBank Field.

“We are going to create a stage within the amphitheater and just use all of the facilities in that area of the sports complex,” Carter said. “It just made sense to use this brand-new, state-of-the-art facility for the event and to be able to stage up to 150 or more creators comfortably. We think it’s a better footprint and better facilities to stage an event that will be, in our minds, more experiential than just a street festival, and that’s what we’re building towards – that’s the vision.”

To make that vision a reality, another change that will be implemented this year is the addition of five “spark zones,” which will categorize creators and their exhibits by concept.



**ABOVE: One Spark 2018 will be held April 6-7 at the Daily's Place amphitheater in Downtown Jacksonville.**

**LEFT: One Spark attendees interact with creators' displays.**

Photos courtesy of One Spark Ventures, Inc.

“The zones are really focused on very specific categories that have been a part of One Spark in the past: education, healthcare, technology, social good and, the fifth zone that we’ve added and are really excited about, is what we’re calling ‘lifespark,’ which will be focused on consumer solutions,” Carter said.

According to Carter, the new spark zones will impact voting and the ways in which prizes are awarded.

“We’re going to have a voting competition in each of the zones, where those winners, based on the community’s vote, will receive a combination of prizes and sponsor packages,” he explained. “And

then those five teams are going to compete again, based on the community’s vote, to determine who the top creator of the year is.”

A new competitive aspect this year will be the “Spark Tank” competition, in which teams will compete for the honor of being named “One Spark Champion of the Year.”

“It’s basically a presentation competition for teams that are selected by myself and other judges that are more investment-oriented,” Carter said. “We’ll look at the teams that are accepted in each of the five zones, and we will evaluate them based on their full

application and then make an invitation for them to participate in the competition.”

Carter encouraged those interested in becoming creators to visit [www.onespark.com](http://www.onespark.com) for more information. As for the rest of the community, he said, their participation and feedback is just as important to the One Spark experience as the creators and their exhibits.

“The community’s role in all of this is incredibly important – I can’t emphasize that enough,” he said. “There’s a huge opportunity for them to change the lives of many of the people who are going to be participating. So, I say come, sign up, participate and give your feedback, because this engagement is the whole reason this festival is put on, and I think we’ll see a completely different experience that will be as unique to Jacksonville as the original One Spark was.”

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## OBITUARIES

### Claire Barton

Claire Shapiro Rosenblatt Barton died Jan. 18, 2018, in Jacksonville, Florida.



Claire Barton

A beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, she was born in Miami, Florida, graduated from Florida State University, was a resident of Ponte Vedra Beach since

1985 and was the co-founder and co-owner of Mercury Luggage Manufacturing Co. until its sale in 1990. She was a member of the Women's Board of Memorial Hospital, served as president and chaired two of the hospital's Beacon Balls.

Claire was one of the co-founders of Brooks Rehabilitation Hospital and Centers, served on the Foundation Board, and was a long-time supporter and fundraiser for Brooks. She also was a life member of the Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. She was a member of the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club and was an avid duplicate bridge player. Former memberships also include Confrerie de la Chaine des Rotisseurs, the Lodge & Club at Ponte Vedra, Epping Forest Yacht Club and the University Club. She and her husband, Col. Charles J. Rosenblatt, had a daughter named Carol and were married until his death in 1990. She married Ralph Barton in 1996, and they shared ten years together until his death in 2006.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Etta Shapiro; sister, Marian Siegel (Bernie); daughter, Carol Barber (Steve); great-grandson, Sean Rogers; and niece, Leslie Austin. She is survived by her sister, Corrine Belford (Mike); granddaughter, Christy Rogers (Chad); grandson, Charles Barber (Vilma); great-grandchildren, Natalie Barber, Josh Rogers, Emily Barber, Olivia Barber and Sofia Barber; and her nieces, Laine Silverfield (Gary), Pam Belford, Terri Belford and Wendy Lerer.

Per Claire's request, there will be no services. Please visit the online tribute at [www.quinn-shalz.com](http://www.quinn-shalz.com). Services under the direction and care of Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home.



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### Frances Boryszewski

Frances Boryszewski was born Sept. 9, 1916, and died Jan. 9, 2018, at 101 years of age. Born in Forest City, Pennsylvania, she was one of eight children born to

Wesley and Frances Kalasinski. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by Walter, her husband of 50-plus years, and her seven siblings.

During World War II, she served her country, first as an aircraft riveter, then as an inspector and supervisor. She and Walter often provided living accommodations for extended family and friends in need. Her cooking, canning and baking prowess will be very fondly remembered.

Frances always enjoyed sprucing up her home on a regular basis, causing Walter to chuckle when coming home from work, and trip over the newly arranged furniture yet again. She also dearly loved organic gardening, playing card games and solving puzzles.

Frances is survived by her sons, Walter and Richard; grandchildren, Karla, Cindy, Eric, Jeff, David, Alexis and Alexander; and great-grandchildren, Michelle, Tim, Courtney, Christopher, Morgan, Eli, Jason, Tyler, Gabrielle and Jayden.

Frances will be interred with her parents at the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Forest City, Pennsylvania, at a later date. A Mass will be said in her honor at St. John Paul II Catholic Church, 127 Stonemason Way, Ponte Vedra, FL at 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, 2018. Please sign the online guestbook at [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).



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### William Morgan

William R. Morgan, 74, died Jan. 14, 2018. He was born Dec. 27, 1943, in Detroit, Michigan. His love of water and warm weather brought him to Ponte Vedra Beach in 2007.



William Morgan

Bill spent his childhood in both Lombard, Illinois, and Riverside, Connecticut, where he earned the Eagle Scout Award. After graduating from Michigan State University in 1966 as a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity and obtaining a B.S. in packaging, he started his career in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Shortly thereafter, he enlisted in the Army and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant at Fort Benning, Georgia. He served as a senior advisor to the Mobile Advisor Team – 44, Kien Giang Province, Republic of Vietnam, during which he and fellow team members received the Combat Infantryman Badge, Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device (and Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry for Heroism in Ground Combat.

After serving in Military Assistance

Command Vietnam and the 1st Calvary Division, he left as a captain and began his career with Dow Chemical. Upon retirement from Dow Chemical as a senior sales executive, his career path then led him to The Noble Holdings Company as vice president of operations.

Bill then sought a change and began his service in the public sector working for the Boy Scouts of America. As if working at the Boy Scouts was not enough to keep him busy, he decided to try law enforcement as a marine deputy with the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, where he not only patrolled the many lakes in Michigan, but also taught boating safety.

After giving over 40 years of service to both the public and private sectors, he officially retired from the workforce. During retirement, he became very active with the Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church and committees within Sawgrass Players Community. Bill enjoyed taking therapeutic rides on his motorcycle with frequent stops at the VFW, as well as hunting, fishing and spending time at the Ponte Vedra Lodge & Club with his family and friends.

Bill is survived by his wife Charlene of 51 years; his 4 children, Heather (Jim), Brent (Jennifer), Scott (Dana), Mark (Courtney); and his three grandchildren, Alexis, Grace and Cayson.

A celebration of life is still being decided, and his final resting place will be at Arlington Cemetery. Bill was a very proud veteran and will always be remembered for his honor, dedication and valor! Please visit the online tribute at [www.quinn-shalz.com](http://www.quinn-shalz.com). Services under the direction and care of Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home.



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### Clyde Bradley

Clyde W. Bradley Jr., 80, of Atlantic Beach, died Jan. 17, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Robert Croteau

Robert Edward Croteau, 71, died Jan. 10, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).

### Anthony D'Onofrio

Anthony A. D'Onofrio Jr., 83, of Ponte Vedra Beach, died Jan. 11, 2018. Services under the direction and care of Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Robert Drake

Robert E. Drake, 79, of St. Augustine, died Jan. 11, 2018. Services under the direction and care of Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Henry Gagliardi

Henry Michael Gagliardi, 84, died Jan. 18, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).

### Estelle Gilbert

Estelle Sophie Gilbert, 94, died Jan. 15, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).

### James Hasty

James H. Hasty, 71, of Ponte Vedra Beach, died Jan. 14, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Harry Hunter

Harry Douglas Hunter, 81, of Ponte Vedra Beach, died Jan. 18, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Douglas Jolley

Douglas Edward Jolley, 82, of Jacksonville Beach, died Jan. 17, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Daniel Meyers

Daniel Meyers, 49, died Jan. 13, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).

### Jack Papa

Jack Papa, 93, died Jan. 12, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).

### Louanne Pontecorvo

Louanne Sue Pontecorvo, 59, of Ponte Vedra, died Jan. 11, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Alan Sofield

Alan D. Sofield, 81, of Jacksonville, died Dec. 30, 2017. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

### Marilyn Talton

Marilyn Talton, 89, died Jan. 18, 2018. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – [www.pontevedravalley.com](http://www.pontevedravalley.com).

### Mark Tondreault

Mark F. Tondreault, 58, of Ponte Vedra Beach, died Jan. 14, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation

### David Whittle

David Garrett Whittle, 78, of Jacksonville Beach, died Jan. 15, 2018. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.



# Nocatee hosts realtor preview for Timberland Ridge

Nocatee recently hosted a realtor preview for its new neighborhood, Timberland Ridge.

Event attendees enjoyed food while visiting the neighborhood's model homes and interacting with the Nocatee builders and developers.

Timberland Ridge by David Weekley Homes, ICI Homes and Providence Homes will offer new homes starting in the low \$300s. Home builders are offering one- and two-story single-family homes ranging from approximately 1,800 to 3,200 square feet of living space. The neighborhood is located in Duval County and within biking distance of Twenty Mile Park and Cypress Park, both of which feature pools, playgrounds, resident's pavilions, dog parks, and more.

For more photos from the event and of the model homes in Timberland Ridge, visit [pontevedrarecorder.com](http://pontevedrarecorder.com)



ABOVE: Providence Homes' Magnolia model at Timberland Ridge at Nocatee



LEFT: ICI Homes' Costa Mesa model



FAR LEFT: David Weekly Homes' Bartram model

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<p><b>Financial education class at Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library</b>                      Karsten L. Jacobson, CFP®, will host a financial education class entitled "Tax Free Investing: It's Not What You Make, It's What You Keep" Jan. 25 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library, located at 101 Library Blvd. Visitors can learn how certain investments and accounts can deliver tax-free income and keep tax payers in a lower bracket. RSVP on the phone at (904) 285-9898 or via email at Karsten.Jacobson@edwardjones.com. Seating is limited.</p> <p><b>Interactive workshop on skills for getting hired</b>                      During this interactive workshop, Buddy Webster, partner and recruiting consultant of LEADERS Professional Recruiting, Inc., will conduct mock interviews and provide important feedback and essential must-have interview skills for getting hired. The event is Jan. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Parish Center Conference Room (second floor) at Christ Episcopal Church, located at 400 San Juan Drive in Ponte Vedra Beach. Register for the workshop by emailing Pam Ottesen at pottesen66@gmail.com.</p> <p><b>Beaches Boardwalk Talk: Ponte Vedra Inn &amp; Club</b>                      Join the Beaches Museum Thursday, Jan. 25 at 6 p.m. as Fred Cozby of the Ponte Vedra Inn &amp; Club shows guests the historic elements of the beloved landmark. This event will take place at the Ponte Vedra Inn &amp; Club. This Boardwalk Talk is free for Beaches Museum members with a suggested \$5 donation for non-members. For further information, please contact the museum at (904)241-5657.</p> <p><b>Matanzas Inlet guided walk</b>                      Presented by the GTM Research Reserve and the National Park Service, participants are invited to explore nature through this free walk around Matanzas Inlet Jan. 25 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The walk offers participants an explanation on the changing shoreline, tidal flats, beaches, dunes, vegetation and the natural movement of sand. Meet the guide at the western parking lot on A1A just north of the Inlet Bridge and Marineland. Visit <a href="http://www.gtmnerr.org">www.gtmnerr.org</a> to make a reservation.</p>	<p><b>Coastal Wine Market wine tasting</b>                      Coastal Wine Market &amp; Tasting Room hosts Friday wine tastings from 6 to 8 p.m. at 641 Crosswater Parkway, Suite B in Ponte Vedra Beach. Taste six wines for \$10. For more information, call (904) 395-3520.</p> <p><b>Cannon Firing Demonstration at Castillo de San Marcos</b>                      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><b>Paddle, stretch and drift workout</b>                      Join fitness expert Emily with Ocean Extreme Sports for a paddle, stretch and drift workout on paddle boards every Friday morning from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Participation is free for those with equipment. Rentals cost \$35, which includes a board, paddle and leash. This event will take place at 8655 A1A S. in St. Augustine. Visit <a href="https://oceanextremesports.com/">https://oceanextremesports.com/</a> for more information.</p> <p><b>Old City Pirate Fest 2018</b>                      Presented by the St. Augustine Swashbucklers, Old City Pirate Fest 2018 will feature musical performances, dance, minstrels, puppets, family-friendly activities and more at the Colonial Quarter. This event is set to take place Jan. 26 through Jan. 28 at 33 St. George Street in St. Augustine. Tuatha Dea will perform on the Maritime Stage Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.oldcitypiratefest.com">www.oldcitypiratefest.com</a>.</p>	<p><b>Ponte Vedra YMCA open house</b>                      The Ponte Vedra YMCA will host an open house each Saturday in January to help the community get a healthy start to the new year. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.FirstCoastYMCA.org">www.FirstCoastYMCA.org</a> or call (904) 265-1775. The Ponte Vedra YMCA is located at 170 Landrum Lane.</p> <p><b>Zumba-Thon fundraiser</b>                      The St. Paul Enrichment and Readiness (SPEAR) ministry of St. Paul AME Church in St. Augustine will host a Zumba-Thon fundraiser Jan. 27 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Solomon Calhoun Community Center. SPEAR raises and distributes funds to help Lincolnville and West Augustine college-bound high-school seniors pay for their books. The cost to attend is \$10 (\$5 for students). All additional donations will support SPEAR scholarships. Certified Zumba-Thon instructors Edi and Thomas Bryant will lead the event. For more information on tickets, call (904) 501-3169. The Solomon Calhoun Community Center is located at 1300 Duval St. in St. Augustine.</p> <p><b>Beaches Museum volunteer interest meeting</b>                      The Beaches Museum, located at 381 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach, will host a volunteer interest meeting Jan. 27 at 10:30 a.m. Current volunteer opportunities include weekend front-desk and docent positions. Interested participants will enjoy a tour of the museum, archives/collections and the history park. For more information or to RSVP, contact Operations manager Brittany Cohill at <a href="mailto:info@beachesmuseum.org">info@beachesmuseum.org</a> or call (904) 241-5657.</p> <p><b>'Take a Walk Back in Time' festival</b>                      "Take a Walk Back in Time" will feature historic demonstrations, cast iron cooking, antique cars/tractors, live music, park tram tours, canon firings, food concessions and more. This event will take place Jan. 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Mike Roess Gold Head Branch State Park, located at 6239 Hwy 21 (6 miles north of Keystone Heights). For more information, call (352) 473-4701 or visit <a href="http://www.floridastateparks.org/mikeroess">www.floridastateparks.org/mikeroess</a>.</p>	<p><b>Sandals, Shorts and Steel Drum Service</b>                      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><b>Civil rights documentary screening and panel discussion</b>                      Flagler College will hold a public screening of the documentary "Dare Not Walk Alone," followed by a panel on the legacy of the civil rights movement Jan. 28 at 5 p.m. in the Lewis Auditorium. "Dare Not Walk Alone" is a 2006 documentary on the 1964 civil rights protests that took place in St. Augustine. Flagler alumnus Jeremy Dean wrote and directed the film. Flagler Professor of History Michael Butler will moderate a panel discussion following the documentary showing with Dean, Even Milligan, Hasani Malone and Maude Jackson. Flagler College is located at 74 King St. in St. Augustine.</p> <p><b>Yonder Mountain String Band at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall</b>                      The Ponte Vedra Concert Hall will host the return of the Colorado-based high-energy, progressive bluegrass group Yonder Mountain String Band Jan. 28 at 8 p.m. (doors open at 7). Admission costs \$29.50 in advance and \$34.50 at the door. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <a href="http://www.pvconcerthall.com">www.pvconcerthall.com</a>. The Ponte Vedra Concert Hall is located at 1050 A1A N.</p> <p><b>Music in the Box 2018</b>                      Limelight Theatre will host a monthly series of live music performances showcasing up-and-coming bands and musicians in 2018 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Koger-Gamache Studio Theatre, a 75-seat black box space. Admission costs \$5. The Jan. 28 event will feature Ken Yarbrough &amp; Southern Tide. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.limelight-theatre.org">www.limelight-theatre.org</a> or email <a href="mailto:reneeunsw@gmail.com">reneeunsw@gmail.com</a>. Limelight Theatre is located at 11 Old Mission Ave. in St. Augustine.</p>

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<p><b>Nights of Lights</b> Selected by National Geographic in 2011 and 2012 as one of the 10 best holiday lighting displays in the world, St. Augustine's Nights of Lights features millions of white lights that create a magical atmosphere in the nation's oldest city. Tracing its origins to the Spanish tradition of displaying a white candle in the window during the Christmas holidays, the lighting reflects the city's history and illuminates the setting for lasting holiday memories. Nights of Lights will run through Jan. 31, 2018 at Plaza de la Constitución on King Street.</p> <p><b>St. Johns County Council on Aging volunteers needed</b> Volunteers are needed Mondays in Hastings to assist the St. Johns County Council on Aging senior center program coordinator with activities including art projects, word games, mild exercises and serving lunches. Volunteers are also needed to help set up and tear down equipment at the Annual Sunshine Dinner &amp; Dance Jan. 26 from 1 to 2 p.m. and Jan. 27 from 10 to 11 p.m. at the St. Johns County Agricultural Center, located at 3125 Agriculture Center Drive in St. Augustine. The event is sponsored by the St. Augustine Line Dancers &amp; Women of the moose #1101; all proceeds will benefit the Council on Aging Sunshine Fund.</p> <p><b>Jihade-Khalil Huffman exhibition</b> This exhibition, entitled "A Tondo for Rajon Rondo," will showcase recent works of art by Jihade-Khalil Huffman through Feb. 23. Huffman's work will be on display at The Crisp-Ellert Art Museum, located at 48 Sevilla St. in St. Augustine. The museum's hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free. Huffman's exhibition includes video, photography and sculptures.</p> <p><b>Ask the Expert: Healthy eating tips</b> Registered dietitian Kerri Napoleon will offer 18 healthy eating tips at the YMCA's "Ask the Expert" event Jan. 29. Admission is free. This event will take place at 12:15 p.m. at the Johnson Family YMCA - Northside, located at 5700 Cleveland Road in Jacksonville.</p>	<p><b>Tapas Tuesday</b> The Cummer Museum of Art &amp; Gardens presents Tapas Tuesday at the Cummer Cafe every Tuesday from 5 to 7:30 p.m. View the sunset on the Cummer Cafe patio while listening to local musicians and enjoying beer, wine or artfully-inspired tapas for sale at the Cafe. Reserve your table by calling (904) 899-6022. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.cummermuseum.org">www.cummermuseum.org</a>. The museum is located at 829 Riverside Ave.</p> <p><b>Prenatal Yoga</b> Visitors are invited to share their pregnancy experience with other women and empower themselves through yoga, meditation and guided visualization. This approach is gentle and safe for women in all stages of pregnancy. Participants should bring a yoga mat, towel and water; there is a \$13 class fee per attendee. Call (904) 202-5376 for more information or visit <a href="http://www.baptistjax.com/ymca">www.baptistjax.com/ymca</a> to register. This event will take place at 6 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra YMCA, located at 170 Landrum Lane.</p> <p><b>Bookmobile: Publix at Nocatee Town Center</b> A Bookmobile will be stationed at the Publix at Nocatee Town Center Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Visitors are invited to check out books, movies, music and more. The Publix at Nocatee Town Center is located at 120 Markerside Ave. in Ponte Vedra.</p> <p><b>Rotary Club of PVB Sunset meeting</b> The Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset Rotary Club will meet Jan. 30 at 6 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn. The meeting, which is open to the public, will feature speaker David W. Howsie, CPA, who will deliver a presentation entitled "The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: Highlights and Critical Changes that will Effect You and Your Business." The Hilton Garden Inn is located at 45 PGA Tour Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p>	<p><b>Toastmasters Club</b> 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 <a href="mailto:lucyreep@gmail.com">lucyreep@gmail.com</a> for additional information.</p> <p><b>"What's Up?" Wednesday: Teen Coffeehouse</b> Emerging singer songwriters, vocalists, musicians, spoken word artists and others are encouraged to perform at the Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library's "What's Up?" Wednesday Teen Coffeehouse event Jan. 31 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. To sign up for a performance slot, email Anne Crawford at <a href="mailto:ascrawford@sjcfl.us">ascrawford@sjcfl.us</a>. The Ponte Vedra Library is located at 101 Library Blvd.</p> <p><b>Yoga at church</b> Join St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal for Yoga every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. Attendees are encouraged to bring a mat to this yoga class, which is suitable for all skill levels and ages. St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church is located at 465 11th Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p><b>Life Enrichment Day Retreat</b> The Life Enrichment Day Retreat is designed for those with memory changes who want to remain mentally, physically and socially active while giving caregivers and loved ones some free time for themselves. This program is offered daily at Arbor Terrace Ponte Vedra, located at 5125 Palm Valley Road. Life Enrichment Group is looking for volunteers who have a few hours a week to assist with those experiencing from memory loss. For more information, email <a href="mailto:life_enrichmentgroup@yahoo.com">life_enrichmentgroup@yahoo.com</a> or call (904) 417-7354.</p> <p><b>Adult card games</b> The Ponte Vedra Beach Branch Library is hosting an adult card games event Jan. 31 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Visitors will get a chance to try classic adult card games and make new friends. A full deck of cards will be available to borrow for those who need them. The Ponte Vedra Library is located at 101 Library Blvd.</p>	<p><b>"Lysis" at UNF Gallery of Art</b> Environmental artist Andrea Frank's exhibit, "Lysis," will be on display through March 30 at the UNF Gallery of Art in Founders Hall (building 2, room 1001). Frank's research focuses on a systems-related approach to questions of environmental sustainability, collective responsibility and psychological aspects of individual/collective human action. "Lysis" is an interactive, photographic and video installment. The University of North Florida is located at 1 UNF Drive in Jacksonville.</p> <p><b>Black History Month sale at World Golf Hall of Fame</b> The World Golf Hall of Fame &amp; Museum will celebrate Black History Month by offering 50 percent off admission for any guest who mentions the Black History Month promotion throughout the month of February. The museum, located at 1 World Golf Place, is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.worldgolfhalloffame.org">www.worldgolfhalloffame.org</a>.</p> <p><b>'Thunder Road' at Corazon Cinema and Cafe</b> A veteran comes home from the Korean War to the mountains and takes over the family moonshine business. He has to battle big-city gangsters who are trying to take over the business and the police who are trying to put him in prison. This film, entitled "Thunder Road," is showing at the Corazon Cinema and Cafe at noon on Feb. 1. Admission costs \$10, which includes a meal, popcorn, a small drink and a showing of the movie. The Corazon Cinema and Cafe is located at 36 Granada St. in St. Augustine.</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 <a href="mailto:ben@opcfla.com">ben@opcfla.com</a>, post online at <a href="http://www.pontevedrarecorder.com">www.pontevedrarecorder.com</a> using the automated form or call (904) 686-3939.</small></p>



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# New funding opportunities available from The Community Foundation

New funding opportunities are available from The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida that are relevant to the Beaches communities.

Applications are open for nonprofit organizations serving aging adults in Northeast Florida and for organizations promoting visual art and art education in St. Augustine.

Applications can be found at [www.jaxcf.org/receive](http://www.jaxcf.org/receive) and are limited to these areas at this time:

## Aging Adults

Preliminary applications for competitive grants of \$20,000 are available to

nonprofit organizations serving older adults and their caregivers in Northeast Florida.

- These applications should focus on work to improve the quality of life for older adults by assisting under-served and under-resourced seniors in Duval, Clay, Baker, St. Johns and Nassau counties.

- The grants are funded through the Grace H. Osborn Endowment, I.R. Bowen and Katherine H. Bowen Fund, and the Grady C. and Rebecca T. Parker Endowment at The Community Foundation.

- Preliminary applications are due by March 1 for grants that will begin on Sept. 1.

## Visual Art in St. Augustine

Preliminary applications are now available for nonprofit organizations that promote visual art appreciation or education in St. Augustine.

- Grant proposals of \$2,500 to \$5,000 will be accepted. Proposals for \$2,500 or less are called sponsorships and require only a preliminary application. Sponsorship applications are accepted at any time throughout the year, while funds are still available.

- The grants are funded through the Dr. JoAnn Crisp-Ellert Fund at The Community Foundation.

- Preliminary applications are due by

April 5 for grants that begin on Sept. 1.

## Other opportunities

Grant applications for certain other competitive resources have been open since December and have deadlines that are imminent. Go to [www.jaxcf.org/receive](http://www.jaxcf.org/receive) for the latest information.

The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida ([www.jaxcf.org](http://www.jaxcf.org)), Florida's oldest and largest community foundation, works to stimulate philanthropy to build a better community. Now in its 54th year, the Foundation has assets of \$343 million and has made nearly \$410 million in grants since 1964.

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Cookie booths, staffed with area Girl Scouts outside of local grocery stores and other businesses, will begin setting up Wednesday, Feb. 7.

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## Gateway Council kicks off next century of female entrepreneurs with 2018 Girl Scouts cookie season

Girl Scout cookie season is officially underway.

Girl Scout troops in the Northeast/North Central Florida area are cur-

rently taking orders through their Digital Cookie websites to kick off the season. The Digital Cookie platform is an educational web-based addition to the cookie program that helps girls run and manage their Girl Scout cookie businesses online. Now in its fourth year, the Digital Cookie platform provides girls with business and science, technology and engineering and math (STEM) skills that prepare them for 21st century leadership.

Girl Scouts will begin door-to-door selling Jan. 26. This year, the scouts will be selling cookies in-hand for immediate purchase to eliminate the delivery waiting period. Cookie booths, staffed with area girl scouts outside of local grocery stores and other businesses, will begin setting up Feb. 7.

The 2018 cookie lineup includes classic favorites such as Thin Mints® and Samoas®, and the return of S'mores™, a crunchy graham sandwich cookie with a chocolate and marshmallowy filling that is the most popular flavor in the 101-year history of Girl Scout cookie sales. Most Girl Scout cookies cost \$4

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# Palms Presbyterian seeking help in fight against hunger

Volunteers are needed for Palms Presbyterian Church's inaugural Hunger Fight Packing Event Sunday, Feb. 4 from 9:45 to 11:45 a.m.

For the event, which will be held in the church's Patten Hall at 3410 Third St. South in Jacksonville Beach, Palms Presbyterian will partner with the local Hunger Fight organization to pack 30,000 meals of macaroni and cheese, beans and rice and oatmeal for the less

fortunate. Of the 30,000 meals, 25,000 will go towards hurricane relief efforts in Puerto Rico, and 5,000 will be stored for local distribution through the church's Kids' Kitchen program.

For this initiative, Palms Presbyterian is seeking at least 100 volunteers. Both adults and children age 4 and older are invited to sign up at the Hunger Fight table in Patten Hall throughout the month of January. At the end of the packing



event, there will be a blessing of the food. For more information about this event and the opportunity to help fund the packing, visit [support.hungerfight.org/campaign/palms-presbyterians-inaugural-packing-event/c157918](http://support.hungerfight.org/campaign/palms-presbyterians-inaugural-packing-event/c157918) or call (904) 246-6427.

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# Beth El – The Beaches Synagogue to host Annual Night of Giving Gala March 10

Beth El – The Beaches Synagogue will host its Annual Night of Giving Gala Saturday, March 10 at 3 Palms Grille in Ponte Vedra Beach.

"Our theme this year at Beth El is 'Planting for our Future,'" Gala Chair Tracy Aquila said. "It is shaping up to be another fabulous evening with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, dinner and music."

Fundraising efforts will include both silent and live auctions, and the restaurant –

located within the Oak Bridge Club at 254 Alta Mar Drive – is working to provide a "farm to table" atmosphere for the event.

The Annual Night of Giving Gala is open to anyone in the community who would like to participate. All proceeds of the event will support the Jewish community at Beth El. For further information on this event and all other programs, contact the synagogue office at (904) 273-9100.

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# Upcoming fashion fundraiser in Ponte Vedra to benefit Mission House

A "Hearts on a Mission" fashion fundraiser sponsored by A'propos Boutique, John Craig Clothier and Coldwell Banker Vanguard (CBV) Realty of Ponte Vedra Beach will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Pussers Caribbean Grille Restaurant.

Funds raised will benefit Mission House's ongoing efforts to support the

area's homeless. Tickets are \$25 each, including two beverages and food at the canape buffet. Cash, check or card payment can be made at the door. The event is open to the public, but interested people should RSVP by Jan. 26 to [brittany@cbvfl.com](mailto:brittany@cbvfl.com).

For more information on this event, contact CBV Cares Program Chair Cindy Nordman at (904) 285-5000.

# Gateway

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per box; S'mores and Toffee-tastic cost \$5 per box.

Consumers may also purchase Girl Scout cookies to donate to the military through the greater Jacksonville area USO for \$4 a box with free shipping through the Digital Cookie website.

"Every year, we get excited for the girl scout cookie program - not just because the cookies are our favorite snacks, but because girls are going to be doing even more great things in the months ahead," said Girl Scouts of Gateway Council CEO Mary Anne Jacobs. "Girls gain

important business skills that will support them academically, personally and, later, professionally. Selling girl scout cookies gives every girl the opportunity to create her own girl scout experience and develop as a leader, through unique adventures and powerful community service."

Consumers can help fuel transformative leadership experiences and build the next generation of entrepreneurs by purchasing Girl Scout cookies. The net revenue will stay within the community.

For more information on cookie sales by the Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, visit [www.girlscouts-gateway.org](http://www.girlscouts-gateway.org) or download the official Girl Scout Cookie Finder app on iOS and Android devices.

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## ROTARY CLUB OF PONTE VEDRA INDUCTS KOPROSKI AS NEW MEMBER

Craig Koproski (center) is inducted as a new member of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach at the club's meeting last week. Joining Koproski are sponsoring Rotarian Neil Powell (left) and Past Club President David Dunlap (right).



Photo by Jennifer Logue

## Rotary club's 'Service Above Self' scholarships available for local high school students

Cynthia King, president of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset, has announced that the club again plans to award two "Service Above Self" \$1,000 scholarships to local area high school students.

Eligible applicants must be juniors or seniors at Allen D. Nease or Ponte Vedra high schools and have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community service, exemplifying the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self." Eligible students will be evaluated on the required application, scholastic achievement, community service and an original essay on Rotary's ideal of "Service Above Self."

The scholarship application packages are available through the students' guidance departments and must be received no later than March 3, 2018. Incomplete or late packages will not be considered. The two "Service Above Self" scholarship recipients will be announced on or before April 7, 2018. The scholarship may be used at any accredited two or four-year college or university, vocational institution or for a one-year certification program of study. Children of Rotarians are not eligible to apply.

All completed application packages should be mailed to Cynthia King at P.O. Box 612, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32004. For more information on the scholarship, please contact the "Service Above Self" Scholarship Chair Paula Roderick at (904) 280-8933 or via email at paroderick1@comcast.net.

## HAMMACK NAMED ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

Al Hammack (right) poses with Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach President Billy Wagner after being named Rotarian of the Month at a recent club meeting.



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# Welcome to Sand Castles: Before and After



Janet Westling, Contributing Editor

**By Janet Westling**  
Contributing Editor

Welcome to Sand Castles, an award-winning special section, and our “Before and After” issue – one of my favorite issues!

In this edition, we cover several before and after renovations, from a condo to a coastal traditional home close to the beach. These remodeling inspirations will give you some great insights into the changes that you can make to your home that create a new look and greater value.

Also in this issue, Kevin Waugaman, broker for Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty, shares his insights on the real estate market trends for 2018. Our economy is off to a great start, and that is very good news for our local real estate market. That market features a spectacular oceanfront estate listed by Kim

Martin-Fisher that sets the record for price in Ponte Vedra Beach. The house just happens to be gracing this issue’s cover!

In addition to Fisher, 10 of our top agents share their stories about some amazing properties currently on the market, from the ocean to the marsh and Atlantic Beach to Ponte Vedra Beach!

Susan Hudson with Williamsburg Travel Leaders takes us to Morocco and the four “imperial cities.” Fred Hunt also writes about the Ponte Vedra Croquet Club, which opened in February 2015. According to Hunt, this club was the dream of John Curington, a 30-year member of the United States Croquet Association.

In early December, Brian Kilmeade, author and co-host of “Fox & Friends,” returned to Ponte Vedra Beach with his latest best seller, “Andrew Jackson and The Miracle of New Orleans.” My husband and I hosted the book signing at our home

in Sawgrass Country Club for a wonderful evening with friends and neighbors! Also in this issue, Barbara Haugen of the Women’s Giving Alliance invites us to join this wonderful organization that is a giving circle donating to charitable causes annually.

From Jacksonville to the Beaches, I think we all agree the First Coast is a wonderful place to live. Our home is our castle, and at the Beaches it is our castle in the sand. From palm trees to sand dunes, golf courses to resort living, Jacksonville, Ponte Vedra Beach and the Beaches communities offer the most desirable real estate in Northeast Florida!

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## MARKET WATCH

# Making moves: First Coast/Beaches residential real estate report

**By Kevin Waugaman**

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices  
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The national context bodes well for the housing market to continue in strength through 2018 and beyond.

The tax reform as passed will not impact the market as adversely as it would have if previous versions had passed. In addition, demand continues to outstrip supply, new home builders are catching up and mortgage rates will increase modestly (see figure 1, right).

As for the next major wave of homebuyers, National Association of Realtors’ (NAR) chief economist Lawrence Yun sums it up nicely: “The healthy labor market and higher wage gains are expected to further strengthen buyer demand from young adults next year. Their prospects for becoming homeowners will only improve if more lower-priced and smaller-sized homes come onto the market.”

### The local trends

For the First Coast Beaches (the island from Mayport south to Mickler’s, from ocean to intracoastal waterway), it remains a seller’s market.

One of the best indicators of market health is the balance between supply and

## Mortgage Rate Projections

Quarter	Freddie Mac	Fannie Mae	MBA	NAR	Average of All
2018 1Q	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.13
2018 2Q	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.3	4.28
2018 3Q	4.4	4.1	4.6	4.4	4.38
2018 4Q	4.6	4.2	4.8	4.5	4.53

Chart courtesy of Keeping Current Matters

demand. Limited supply is the continued issue in the lower price points. Check out the three-year trend on the Months Supply of Homes for Sale graph (see Figure 2, page 19); we are back in the overheated four-month range. This means it would only take current demand four-and-a-half

months to absorb the current level of supply. A “normal” market would be around six months of supply. The lower the number, the hotter the market.

When looking at supply and demand in the \$1 million plus luxury market, there is also a strengthening. The number of homes for sale has dipped 8 percent, while the number of pending sales has improved

by 38 percent over last year. The result is a 12.1 months’ supply of homes on the market compared to 15.5 one year ago. It would seem, across all price points, sellers are in great position assuming an asking price reasonable to market value and strong marketing horsepower.

When looking at median price per transaction for all price points for the 12 months that ended December 2017, there has been an increase compared to 2016 due to market appreciation. In the 12 months that ended December 2017, the average price for Beaches residential sales was \$370,000 versus \$335,000 for the same period last year, a 10.4 percent improvement. Average days on market is 46 compared to 53 in December 2016.

### Are we worried about a “bubble?”

Not really. Nationally, the fundamentals are better than 2005.

Investors accounted for 13 percent of home purchases in 2017; this number was nearing a whopping 25 percent in 2005 with mass speculation. Lenders and appraisers have been more cautious lately, compared to the stated income of 100 percent of loans in the early 2000s.

The economy is stronger: Experts see

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*“The healthy labor market and higher wage gains are expected to further strengthen buyer demand from young adults next year. Their prospects for becoming homeowners will only improve if more lower-priced and smaller-sized homes come onto the market.”*

Lawrence Yun, National Association of Realtors’ (NAR) chief economist



# Market Watch

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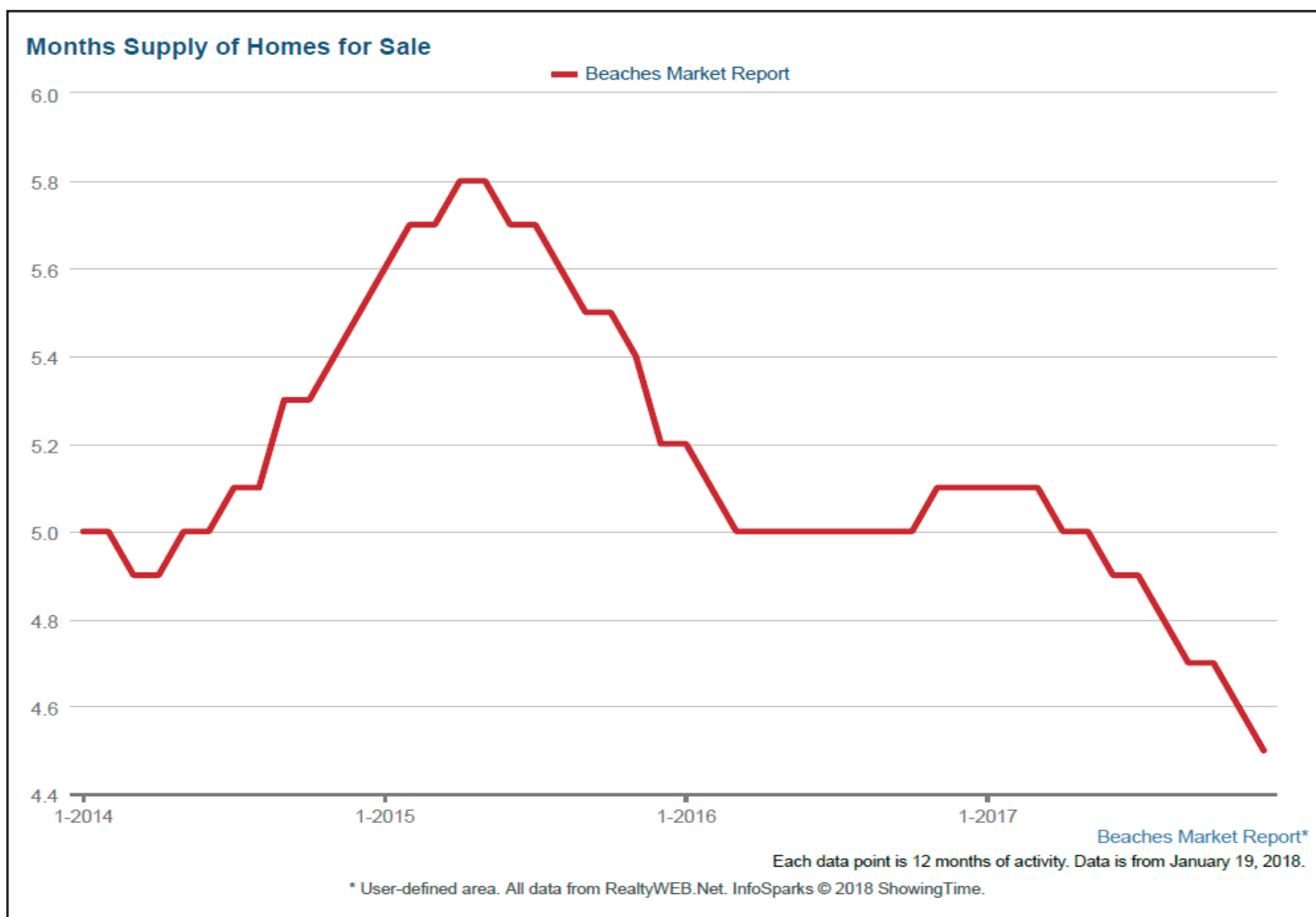
continued growth nationally at more reasonable numbers, moderating from 5 to 8 percent to 3 to 5 percent over the next five years.

As for the tax reform, the ceiling placed on SALT (State and Local Tax Deduction) may prompt some high net worth families to relocate from highly taxed states to a state with perhaps no state income tax, like ours. Calculated Risk's Bill McBride stated, "SALT will have an impact on housing in some areas. Some people might choose to live in one state over another, based on taxation. This could impact demand in certain states."

Locally, we enjoy a healthy economy, amenities and climate (normally) that are valued by boomers and millennials and everyone in between. Not to mention, we have a football team that is now getting national attention in a good way. We're proud of the Jags!

The decision to sell or purchase real estate deserves great attention to personal objectives. The overall market conditions noted above convey the real estate environment for our area. It is extremely important to drill down to an even more hyperlocal level when evaluating a sale or purchase of real estate.

Make sure you consult your real estate professional for analysis on price trends in



specific neighborhoods and on the property you are considering selling or buying. This way, you can make a great decision based on your personal circumstances.

**Kevin Waugaman is managing broker of the Ponte Vedra/Nocatee office of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty.**

**\*\*Statistics from NEFAR MLS 1/1/2014-12/31/2017 for residential property type located on the island from Mayport south to Mickler's, from ocean to intracoastal waterway.**



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# Transformed house offers creative features, modern design

By Michelle Floyd and Cici Anderson  
Marsh Landing Country Club Realty

One of the challenges of being a realtor in this community is the continual changes in style and popularity, i.e. what style will be “in” this year.

Five years ago, if a home had “white cabinets,” it was almost impossible to sell the home, as the buyers wanted dark wood cabinets. In the current market, the majority of buyers want light or white cabinetry!

As a realtor and the listing agent, if the home doesn’t already have light cabinetry, we need to have available quotes to change the cabinetry to the more popular

finish, or have a price available for new cabinets that are more sleek or modern. This always helps overcome a buyer’s objection and the common assumption that things may cost more than they really do.

Ten years ago, we could not sell a sleek modern home, but now, the “minimalistic” approach to decorating and design is what’s “in.” Light, crisp colors such as grays and whites, are “in,” and faux gold finish, murals and dark and tan walls are totally extinct. However, the style of darker floors with the light wall colors



Photos courtesy of Michelle Floyd

and lighter cabinetry is also very “in.” Coastal contemporary is very popular: throw away the tan and red, and bring out the rugs and throw pillows that are gray, light green and light blue.

One of our sellers “listened” to our comments and suggestions and did a great face lift: from the wood flooring to the paint color to the furnishings! The seller definitely has an “eye for fashion,” and did a fantastic job on the colors and products she used.

The wood flooring was stained a “blond” or very light brown when the buyers purchased the home. The floors now are stained a rich deep brown with hues of light and dark combined. The difference in appearance is beyond amazing. The home has taken on a truly warm ambiance while making the rooms look and feel larger. The trim on the floors, doors and windows, which is a bright white, now “pop,” and the extensive wood work is now more prominent, before the trim, just blended into the flooring.

The walls through the home are

painted either a taupe or coastal blue that is so very popular right now. The tones actually bring the outside colors in, and have gently blended the inside with the outdoor living areas.

This seller has reminded us why we live in Florida by making the outdoor living spaces comfortable, warm and inviting. A screened porch serves as a main entertaining and family dining area. Off the screened living area is an open air porch that is seen from the living room, master bedroom, bar area and family room. The draw is the “out of doors!” The seller has helped the potential buyer envision family life spent in the fresh air and private environment of the almost acre of land and tidal stream beyond.

The home is in total move in standards for the most discriminating buyer. Creativity and a willingness to modernize have made this home a very desirable one.

Located at 9110 Marsh View Court, this property is represented by Marsh Landing Country Club Realty, listed by Michelle Floyd and Cici Anderson and offered at \$1,199,000.

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# Oceanfront mansion satisfies every taste

By **Kim Martin-Fisher**  
Coldwell Banker Vanguard Realty

As impressive as 335 Ponte Vedra Blvd. is on the outside, it is a treasure trove of magnificence on the inside.

Everything about this stately oceanfront mansion is distinctive. Imagine building a home with no budget. Think about how you would want it appointed. Most of all, consider how you would want it constructed. This home fulfills all those dreams and more.

The architectural style is distinctive. The renowned architect is William T. Baker out of Atlanta, and he designed 335 Ponte Vedra Blvd. to have permanence. The walls are solid concrete covered with hard coat stucco. It sits atop 54 pilings sunk 27 feet into the ground. Even the hinges were hand forged in England. Baker describes the style as “Anglo Caribbean” with Georgian overtones.

The interior design is by Phoebe Howard. Visualize a 17th century era mansion in Charleston with custom millwork and extensive crown molding that picks up the colors of the sand and surf, and you begin to get an idea of her spectacular creation.

Everywhere you look there is something to satisfy every taste. The 100-year-old, 10.5-inch heart of pine floors are seamless. There are no joints to disturb the flow. The formal living room has a wall of windows drawing the eye to the ocean. The dining room features murals hand painted on site by renowned



335 PONTE VEDRA BLVD.

artist Bob Christian. The kitchen has all professional grade appliances and acres of custom cabinets topped by Calcutta marble. The cabana room, as the owners named it, features a stone wall covered with Chihuly glass art and mahogany doors that lead to a loggia reminiscent of those found in stately homes on a tropical island.

Two staircases and an elevator lead to the substantial upstairs living quarters that include two master suites, three balconies, a media room and four guest suites.

The outside pool area features more than 3,000 square feet of recreational space. All the art and furnishings are included in the price of the home.

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# WGA provides opportunity for women to connect

By Barbara Haugen

Moving to a new neighborhood or new geographical region has its challenges. Some are hard, some interesting, some easy. But challenges they are. And one of the hardest is meeting new people you can connect with to create strong, new relationships and friendships.

I moved to Ponte Vedra Beach in 2011 when I retired. I knew a few people, but I didn't have a community. I didn't understand what this region is about, what its strengths and weaknesses are, how I could be productive and helpful and, most significantly, how I could make this my HOME.

One of the best decisions I made was joining the Women's Giving Alliance (WGA)!

WGA brings together women from the entire Northeast Florida region: women who are intelligent, friendly and warm, and ultimately women who want to make a positive impact on their community.

WGA is a giving circle: Each member makes an annual contribution that is pooled with all other members and then donated to charitable causes annually. Every WGA grant is carefully researched and focused on making a real difference. It is very impactful giving!

For me, WGA offers three important opportunities:

- It taught me about my new community and organizations that make it strong.
- It provided a focused philanthropic opportunity.
- It brought me new friends and acquaintances, making this home for me.

My favorite story illustrating how WGA made this our new home occurred when we had lived here only about two years. One Saturday night, my husband and I



ABOVE: Sabeen Perwaiz, Jill Auld with her daughter Olivia and Aidee Chavez

LEFT: Barbara Haugen, Mary Pietan and Jeanne Ward

Photos courtesy of Barbara Haugen



A group of WGA members attend the 2017 WCGN Conference.

walked into Jacoby Hall at the Times-Union Center for a symphony concert. As we made our way to our seats, we received welcoming waves and greetings from around the hall, all from WGA women. I have no doubt this type of scene repeats itself in venues of all kinds throughout our region, from sports stadiums to theaters, to churches and schools.

What a difference WGA has made in so many of lives – and not just the lives of the women in need who WGA helps!

WGA has a great business model and is administered by The Community Foundation of Northeast Florida. Each WGA member contributes \$1,500 per year. Of the \$1,500 annual membership fee, \$1,000 goes into annual grants, \$300 contrib-

utes to build the endowment so work can continue and \$200 goes to operating overhead. It's a very efficient business model! Plus, WGA holds meetings in neighborhoods/communities throughout the Jacksonville region in addition to special events. The combination works beautifully to bring members together and create new ties.

There is also a new one-year membership for women 40 and under who want to explore WGA membership. It's called "4Sight," a play on the word "foresight," which means care and provision for the future. WGA President Ellen Wiss said, "WGA's goal is to energize our organization and sustain it going forward." Women 40 and younger can join WGA for a half-price first year annual dues membership of \$750. This facilitates the ability of young women to experience the impact of WGA philanthropy and connect with a vibrant community of caring women throughout Northeast Florida.





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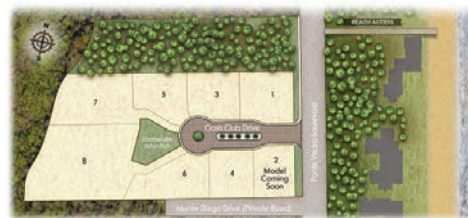
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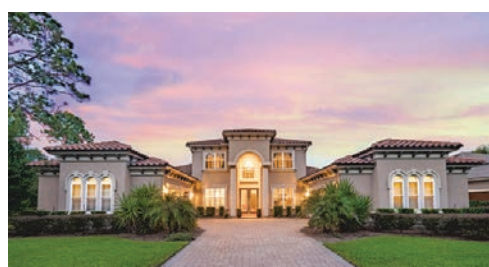
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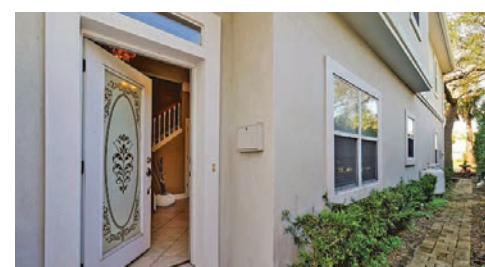
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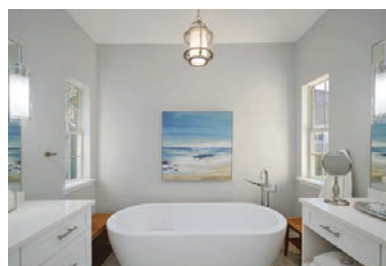
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This year, WGA made grants totaling \$450,000 that are focused on bringing new education and training to women and girls to move them into good jobs and raise them out of poverty. This is the new WGA focus for the next five-year giving cycle. Since its founding in 2001, WGA has made grants totaling more than \$5

million to more than 45 nonprofit organizations to support critical services for women and girls.

WGA currently has an endowment in excess of \$3.2 million that grows significantly each year due to the business model, and an endowment program that many members have chosen so their giving goes on in perpetuity.

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## TRAVEL

# A trip to exotic MOROCCO



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By Susan Hudson

Williamsburg Travel Leaders

What could be more exciting than a trip to the Kasbah, or anywhere in Morocco? I can tell you all about it after going myself!

Where to begin? A trip should include the four imperial cities: Fes, Marrakesh, Meknes and Rabat. And of course, you must include Casablanca, Morocco's commercial center.

Casablanca is your starting point, so why not have a drink at Rick's Café. This is the restaurant made famous by the 1942 classic movie, "Casablanca," with Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman. It is owned by an American but exudes all things Moroccan: the food, the décor, the ambiance ... a good way to start your trip!

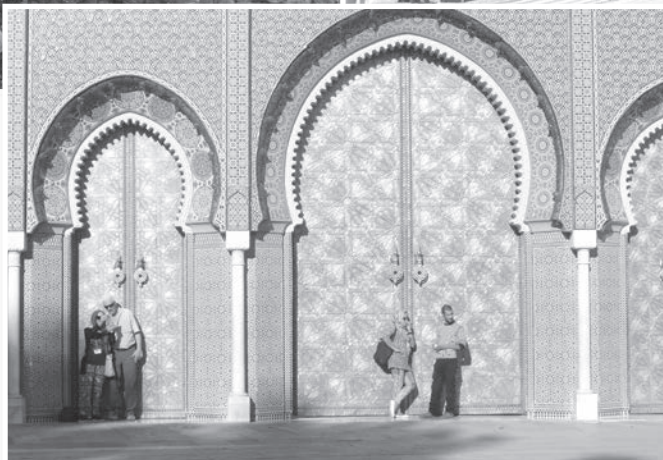
Just down the street is the most famous mosque, Hassan II, which is the largest in Morocco with the tallest minaret in the world. It was completed in 1993 to commemorate the king's 60th birthday. Its dramatic location sits on an outcropping over the water. The mosque is one of the most beautiful in the world. It contains cedar and wood cupolas, marble and granite coverings, chandeliers and sconces from Murano and Moroccan glazed tile.

Fes is the second largest city in Morocco. It is one of the "walled cities" of



Morocco and most famous for its medina with blind alleys that lead to beautiful fountains and small stooped doorways, containing houses, bakeries and craftsmen.

It is a labyrinth of small streets that seem to go nowhere, and may get you lost. However, if you walk around enough, you will find you are in a circle and end up close to where you came in. (This is also true in the market at Marrakesh.) The craftsmen receive their goods from deliveries made by carts pulled by hand, donkeys or mules. If they come down the



narrow street where you are, heed their warning of "balik balik," which basically means, "Get out of the way." Sometimes, you may have to flatten yourself against a wall; donkeys and mules have the right

away! All said, this is a place like no other and is worth any inconvenience.

Marrakesh is home to several palaces. The palaces were lavish homes that were walled in with intricate tile and beautiful courtyards. Built in the 19th century, Bahia Palace is quite extensive and said to have 150 rooms (although I didn't count). This was due to all of the wives and children that lived there.

The medina there is an endless maze of markets. Almost everything can be found and bought there – coffee, perfume,



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clothes and even wedding dresses. The smells, mint tea and cumin, are everywhere. Cinnamon and freshly ground coriander, along with rosemary and other spices, are sold in great supply. Nuts in bulk and fresh baked goods, from bread to delicate almond flour cookies, are also available here. The smells, the sounds and the colors are all so vibrant! It can be a little overwhelming at first. Morocco is a trader's paradise. So, slow down and take it easy, like the locals.

Meknes is the third imperial city that lies between Rabat and Fes. It has a much smaller medina than either Fes or Marrakesh. Some of the other attractions in Meknes include the Mausoleum of Moulay Ismail, built in 1703, the Lahboul Gardens and the Grand Mosque. The Sultan Ismail turned Meknes into an impressive city in Spanish-Moorish style. It is surrounded by high walls with great doors. Meknes is a harmonious blending of the Arab and European styles.

Volubilis is an ancient ruin, once part of the Roman Empire, and has wonderfully preserved mosaics. It lies just outside Meknes and makes for a nice stop. It is now a protected UNESCO Heritage site.

Rabat is the capital of Morocco, with an Arab, French colonial heritage. It lies on the Atlantic Ocean and has beauti-

ful beaches. Here you will see terracotta buildings with intricate tile detailing next to five-star hotels. The French built the walled medina by the sea and at the time, it was the full extent of the city. It is not nearly as large and complicated as the one in Fes or Marrakesh. It is small enough to

easily explore in half a day.

Overall, arriving in Morocco is like stepping into a totally different world of exciting sights.

It has a very rich history and combination of French, Spanish and African, and all languages are spoken quite inter-

changeably, plus English (mostly because of tourism).

It is a very safe place to travel. The people are friendly and welcoming. King Mohammed VI, beloved by all of his people, encourages and supports tourism through an open environment.

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**By Linda Ostoski  
and Jim Zeller**

The Luxury Leaders Team  
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The peaceful community of Pablo Creek Reserve features privacy and the utmost security, while also being close to all Jacksonville has to offer. Strict architectural requirements keep the style of the homes classical and authentic, creating a mix of custom home designs.

The estate at 5395 Commissioners Court in Jacksonville keeps true to its French chateau inspiration. Designed by Jaycox & Reinel Architects and built by C. F. Knight, this residence enjoys authentic, high-quality construction not often seen in the area.

The paver-based, circular drive brings you to a balustrade volute with scrolled ironwork and open flame torchieres leading to a grand entrance. Elegant, custom millwork that greets you in the two-story foyer is representative of the fine craftsmanship seen throughout the house.

Generous living and dining space with French-inspired herringbone oak flooring make up the grand room. The focal point of the living area is the carved stone fireplace mantelpiece. Sun-drenched lights fill this area via four large sets of French



## 5395 COMMISSIONERS COURT (JACKSONVILLE)



doors that open to the formal courtyard gardens. The adjoining arcade ceiling to the informal area is reminiscent of Lourdes (St. Bernadette), used extensively

in the Normandy province of France.

The family gathering area includes a finely appointed kitchen and an entertainer's pantry with a library ladder designed

to hold all your entertaining serveware. The epicurean kitchen is also anchored by a large wet bar and butler's pantry. The open design concept is captured by the kitchen to large casual dining and then the family room with a gas fireplace. Two large sets of French doors also overlook the gardens.

The north side of the house is completely focused on the owners. Access this private area through two large arched doors framed with custom millwork. Included in this wing are a study, den, two bedrooms and three full baths. The hall to his and her bedrooms is flanked by six large closets, which blend into the custom wainscoting used throughout the home. Most rooms in the house have direct access to beautiful French gardens.

Additional features of this property include a multigenerational bedroom with a bath, large guest suite, oversized three-car garage with storage closets and a whole house generator. Overall, this house is perfect for Florida entertaining, from indoors to outdoors flawlessly.

This property is represented by The Luxury Leaders Team at Watson Realty Corp., listed by Linda Ostoski and Jim Zeller and offered at \$2,300,000.



# Dorothy was right: There's no place like (this) home

**By Lisa Sandifer**

Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Florida Network Realty

Think of all the money you'll save. Say goodbye to hotels, sayonara to rental cars and adios to airlines. The truth is, you'll never want to leave this house, located at 256 North Mill View Way in the Sawmill Lakes subdivision of Ponte Vedra Beach.

Love the beach? Walk or ride your bike two miles east to the public access with parking and bathrooms. There, you'll find a huge expanse of warm sand and crystal blue ocean. Jump in: Native Floridians will tell you that saltwater cures everything.

Maybe you're a boater? The Palm Valley public boat ramp is walking distance to the west of the neighborhood. Right next door and under construction is a three-level dry storage and marina at Palm Valley Outdoors, which is a great place to buy bait, rent boats, kayaks and SUPs (for you land lubber types, SUP translates to Stand Up Paddleboard). PVO also doubles as a fabulous, casual family restaurant with live music and plenty of outdoor seating. It's a perfect spot to sip an inspired beverage, slurp an oyster and watch water vessels of every type cruising the Intracoastal Waterway. The kids will love to play the corn hole and jumbo Jenga games that are set up out back.

The south side of the neighborhood borders the Guana River State Park. Here you'll spot numerous varieties of indigenous Florida wildlife and vegetation. Tired, hot, and sweaty when you arrive home after your day in the sun? No worries: Take a dip in your heated saltwater pool. It's just what the doctor ordered. Let the hot tub jets bubble stress out of sore muscles.

Don't want to miss a minute of the big game? Click on the flat screen TV hanging on the coquina wall of your screened lanai. Chill and grill while the kids catch bass and trout in the well-stocked lake out back. Thirsty? Grab a few lemons off one of the three citrus trees, and stir up some ice-cold lemonade. Or better yet, go to the side of the house to your self-irrigating vegetable garden and pluck some fresh mint for your cucumber water.

Your chef's kitchen features all stainless-steel appliances, a gas range, under cabinet lighting, gorgeous granite countertops and a built-in wine refrigerator. Split plan both upstairs and down provides plenty of privacy. Need a home office, guest room, mother-in-law suite, play room, or man cave? Whichever, there is ample space. Welcome home.

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256 NORTH MILL VIEW WAY



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## Ponte Vedra Croquet Club offers fun competition for all, opportunity to build community

**By Fred Hunt**

Many of our residents are unaware that there is a professional croquet facility here at the Beaches.

The Ponte Vedra Croquet Club is located directly behind PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School on A1A, just south of Corona Road at the end of Mosquito Control Road. It is the dream of John Curington, a 30-year member of the United States Croquet Association and ranked tournament player. The club was opened for play on Feb. 6, 2015, after several years of searching, negotiating, zoning approval and site development.

With seven courts, it is among one of the largest croquet venues on the Eastern Seaboard. Serious croquet is a game of skill and strategy and is designed to be both a competitive and social sport. This affords players the chance to meet and get to know new people, providing an opportunity to make new friends.

Another interesting aspect of this sport is that it is gender neutral. It does not require any particular strength to play, but requires the development of a swing that controls both the direction and distance of the ball. This puts men and women on an equal footing. There is one other part of the game that may tip the balance. A major skill required is in the strategy of thinking one or two moves ahead. Who is to say which gender prevails in this category?

"Open Play" days were established to accommodate anyone who has an interest. The club provides the equipment needed and offers classes on "An Introduction to Croquet" every Saturday at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. No reservations are required.

The "Mallet," a weekly newsletter, keeps members and friends abreast of the happenings at the club. A website was





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## Croquet

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also launched and can be viewed at [www.pontevedracroquetclub.com](http://www.pontevedracroquetclub.com). It provides a description of the facility, lists activities and offers a membership application and copy of the current newsletter.

The club has festive gatherings with varying themes. In addition to the annual Christmas party, the club had a low country boil, an oyster roast, an 80th birthday

party and more. These events are held in the pavilion, which can be open on three sides to enjoy the idyllic setting or closed during inclement weather.

The facility also features a clubhouse with restrooms and handicap facilities, and a comfortable lounge. The front of the clubhouse has an elevated deck with a pergola overlooking the three tournament sized courts of the North Lawn. The courts are open to members seven days a week, except when special maintenance is needed.

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### 34 VALENCIA STREET

Step inside 34 Valencia Street and experience a bright, coastal traditional that has been redone, re-designed and re-imagined! With over 2100 square feet, this 3 Br, 2 Ba perfect family home is located east of A1A in one of the most sought after neighborhoods in Ponte Vedra Beach! Offered for \$699,000.

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# A coastal traditional re-imagined from so-so to stunning

**By Janet Westling**

Contributing Editor  
Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida  
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When you step inside 34 Valencia St. in Ponte Vedra Beach's Seaview Park, you experience a bright, coastal traditional that has been redone, redesigned and reimagined!

Perhaps the vision for this re-design was inspired by Chip and Joanna Gaines of HGTV's "Fixer Upper?" They have designed some incredible transformations that we all admire.

When it came time to list her home for sale, I sat down with the owner to discuss the options that were available: put a fresh coat of paint inside and sell it in its current condition, or do some major updates that would have an impact on the design, the condition of the home and the listing price.

She chose the redesign and "the project" began. I advised and oversaw the renovation throughout, and this coastal traditional home went from so-so to stunning!

The original floors were replaced with beautiful European oak flooring in the kitchen that had a laminate floor, the great room that had a dark cherry floor and the master bedroom that had a light wood floor. They were original and aged, and we did explore the option of refinishing the great room floor. The cost to do so

did not provide the return on investment to justify replacing all the floors with the same up-to-date and gorgeous floors that are there today.

Next, we focused on the cabinets and countertops. The original brown oak cabinets were replaced with white shaker cabinets and quartz countertops in the kitchen and both bathrooms. The home was painted a Sherwin-Williams pure white throughout, which complements the flooring beautifully!

New paint, a new marble fireplace surround, new hardware, new lighting, new electrical plugs and outlets, new plumbing fixtures and new mirrors all encompass a stunning up-to-date new look.

Seaview Park is within walking distance to the ocean. I recently sold two homes on the same street that had been updated and contributed to the increasing values that this family friendly neighborhood is seeing. It is not always an easy decision to decide to update a home, but the reward in increased value is a compelling reason to take the plunge! Another option is to take on small renovations while you are living in your home that you plan to sell in a few years. The advantage is to enjoy the home improvements that you make while increasing the value of your home.

With the renovation complete, it was time to stage this beautiful home. I provided the furniture with many pieces I have purchased from



## 34 VALENCIA STREET

J. Turner & Co. I designed the space to complement the light-filled great room with a white linen sofa, two white slipcovered chairs and the vintage blue distressed look rugs.

The white sheers throughout the home speak to the casual, coastal living that is the beach life! This three-bedroom, two-bath home with over 2,100 square feet located in the heart of Ponte Vedra Beach features a new, tile courtyard patio at the entrance, a vaulted great room with a wood-burning fireplace that overlooks a screened in porch, a great deck for entertaining and a backyard with room for a pool!

Welcome home to 34 Valencia St. and the perfect family home within walking distance to the beach in one of the most sought-after communities east of A1A! This property is represented by Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty, listed By Janet Westling and offered for \$699,000.00.



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## Sophisticated coastal living at its best

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### By Donna Thacker

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices  
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You will feel the warmth and Southern charm of this coastal plantation home located at 1117 Ponte Vedra Blvd. and be captivated by the ocean waves all from your living room.

Featuring over 8,400 square feet of wide open space, this home has ocean views virtually from every room. Not to mention, it's eligible for Plantation Beach Club membership!

Gated access onto a paver driveway will take you to the herringbone entrance, giving you the feel of a Southern plantation beach home. You won't be disappointed with the view once you enter the marble floor foyer, as the grand staircase and Atlantic Ocean are steps away. This five-bedroom and more than four-bath home is truly amazing!

Downstairs features a large formal living room with a grand fireplace and formal dining room large enough for the entire family and your friends. The state-of-the-art kitchen features granite counter tops, stainless appliances and a food prep island that will seat at least six and is just steps away from the family room and the ocean. Overall, it's perfect for



### 1117 PONTE VEDRA BLVD.



entertaining!

Nearby is a spacious laundry room with two washers and two dryers, perfect for your large family or when guests are visiting. Just down the hall, you'll find a mirrored exercise room, perfect for your morning yoga while watching the sunrise. A nearby full bath can be used as a beach/pool bath just off the back lanai.

The solid wood floor staircase lands onto an upstairs oasis. The wood floors continue throughout upstairs and are stunning. There are sunrooms off every

bedroom where you can enjoy the sunrises and sunsets. The master suite features a fireplace, built-in bookshelves, walk-in closets, his and hers vanities and a soaking tub, making this a quiet retreat at the end of the day.

Above the four-car garage is a two-bedroom apartment with a separate entrance. This space boasts all the well-appointed features found in the rest of the home. It features wood floors, plantation shutters, walk-in closets and a spacious bath with a walk-in shower. This would be perfect

for that college student or an even better "man cave" or private office!

With over an acre lot, there is room to add a pool, or you can leave the green space and enjoy the natural beach and occasional sea turtles who feed and sun in the morning. There is truly no better way to experience the Florida east coast.

This property is represented by Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty, listed by Elizabeth Hudgins and Donna Thacker and offered at \$6,375,000.





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# New house on market in Sawgrass Island

By Gwinn Volen

Ponte Vedra Club Realty

Most locals know Sawgrass Island in the Sawgrass Players Club as the beautiful estate section of homes adjacent to THE PLAYERS Stadium Course and TPC Clubhouse and just off Seven Mile Drive. With 56 homes in the neighborhood, it's a well-loved spot where homes hit the market rather infrequently.

New on the market in this beautiful enclave of homes is 8055 Whisper Lake Lane West.

The current owners have spent the last 10 years making it a veritable dream house with the backyard living space being the last crowning achievement, which includes the extension of the roofline to accommodate a huge outdoor room and kitchen with retractable screens, a dining cabana and a gorgeously landscaped pool with a spa and a beautiful fire pit built into the pool.

The house has a wonderful flow for entertaining with ample space for a crowd. The 10-person theater room is the perfect space to close off and watch the game on the 120-inch screen, and there are multiple living spaces to flow through for other

guests. The kitchen is beautiful and really captures the home's personality. A thick slab of Calcutta marble frames the island, and the grey cabinetry creates a soothing atmosphere.

The home offers over 6,000 square feet with five bedrooms and six-and-a-half baths. All of the living space is on the first floor, outside of two upstairs guest suites. The property is on over one-and-a-half acres and is nicely landscaped with a circular turnaround.

Car lovers will appreciate the five-car garage. The fifth bay has been converted into a heated and cooled gym with rubber flooring and mirrors for the workout enthusiast. If the new owner isn't a gym lover or wants to relocate the gym, this garage bay could be easily converted back to accommodate a car.

As an agent, I'm always trying to think of the right descriptors for a home. French country meets California casual is how I would describe this lovely home. The style is at once on trend, but very classic and timeless.

This property is represented by Ponte Vedra Club Realty, listed by Gwinn Volen and offered at \$2,495,000.



## 8055 WHISPER LAKE LANE WEST







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## Ponte Vedra Beach oceanfront home offers never-ending ocean views

**By Belk Ingram**  
Ponte Vedra Club Realty

Ponte Vedra Beach is synonymous with not just golf but with white sandy beaches, and this immaculate home keeps you close to both.

As the new homeowner, you will enjoy fabulous ocean views from this perfectly nestled home. Keeping a golfer close to his/her passion for the green, this home is ideally located just 1 mile south of The Lodge & Club and 2.5 miles from the famed Ocean Course of The Ponte Vedra Inn & Club.

Gracing a 150 by 300-foot oceanfront lot at 735 Ponte Vedra Boulevard, this more than 5,000-square-foot home provides the perfect setting for morning coffee on the oceanfront porch, ocean breezes, sounds of the waves and majestic sunrise views. The incredibly spacious back yard is perfect for a pool addition, holiday cook-outs, celebrations and entertaining. A private walkway to the ocean for your morning walk is another added bonus!

Built with luxury in mind, your spacious first floor oceanfront owner's suite features high ceilings with recessed lighting, remote-controlled black out curtains and his and her baths. Your favorite master suite feature will undoubtedly be the designer claw foot tub.

The home features a fabulous kitchen with custom cabinets, an appliance garage, a double wood panel refrigerator with four drawers, a double oven, significant cabinet storage,

granite countertops, a built-in desk and more. It's perfect for entertaining while guests enjoy comfort in the adjacent family room, which includes a stone fireplace, custom built-in entertainment center, wet bar and wine chiller. There is plenty of space for your visitors with two guest oceanfront suites with full baths. A lovely dining room with tray ceilings and ocean view formal living room with a brick fireplace finish off the first floor.

The second level includes a spacious bonus room currently used as a home gym, plus an additional bedroom with a sitting area and an office.

This "Weeping Brick" home features a two-car garage and a one-car garage. Entry and exit onto Ponte Vedra Boulevard is made easy with a circular paved driveway. Rear porch access is available from all rooms on the first floor. Last but not least, heating and cooling costs will be less expensive with the Icynene insulation provided in this home.

Get ready to enjoy the beach, fine dining and golf all nearby. Not a club member? No problem! Preferred Membership Initiation Fee pricing is available to the purchaser(s) of this home for the Lodge & Club and The Inn & Club (certain restrictions apply). The location of this home provides the owner proximity to alternative club choices to meet any need.

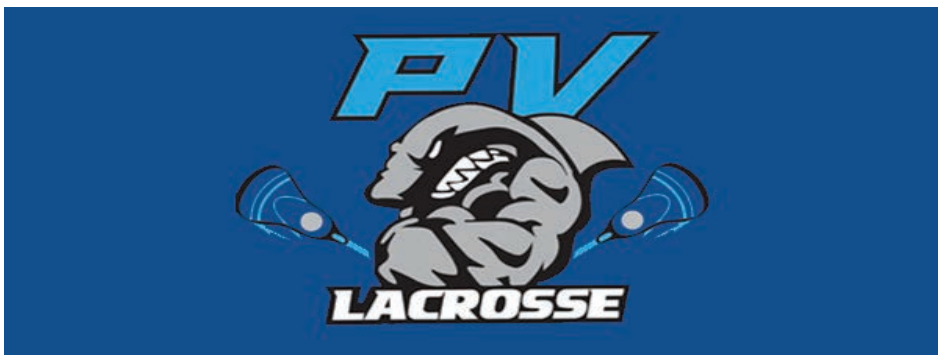
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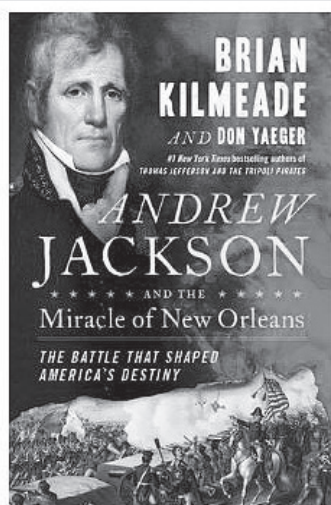


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# An evening with **BRIAN KILMEADE**

By Janet Westling  
Contributing Editor

On Dec. 8, 2017, my husband Dale and I hosted a book signing with Brian Kilmeade, co-host of "Fox & Friends" and author of the bestselling novel, "Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans," at our home in Sawgrass Country Club.

Brian has visited Ponte Vedra three years in a row, and this event was sold out within weeks of sending out invitations! Over 279 books were signed, and all who attended had the opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping.

Our guest author had a busy schedule of book events throughout our state and endured some very bad weather to arrive here. He gave a wonderful talk after the signing with an overview of the book and details on the history, inspiration and development of the characters in his third historical novel. His previous best sellers, "George Washington's Secret Six: The Spy Ring That Saved the American Revolution" and "Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates: The Forgotten War that Changed American History," were co-authored with Don Yaeger.

In addition to writing books and co-hosting "Fox & Friends" on national television, Brian hosts a national radio show that airs in Jacksonville on WOKV daily from 9 a.m. to noon.

Photos provided by Janet Westling



Brian Kilmeade and Francesca and Michael Rutherford



Dale and Janet Westling with Brian Kilmeade



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# The 100-day renovation

**By Kirk Robinson and Carol Krogh**  
The Agency at Ponte Vedra

Sherry Robinson didn't expect to end her search for a home at the beach when she took her usual morning walk. But after a detour over a pedestrian bridge, she stumbled across The Innlet at Ponte Vedra Beach.

If you've not heard of this secluded condominium community one block inland from The Lodge & Club, that's because it's one of the area's best-kept secrets. After failing to convince her husband Kirk, he journeyed over to see for himself. They immediately partnered with The Agency at Ponte Vedra to acquire the property. Fast forward a few months, and their 100-day renovation was underway.

Thanks to the collaborative efforts of design pro Shelley Dickerson, the talented crew at North River Building Solutions and Kitchen and Flooring Concepts, they're now living in

secluded luxury a short walk to the beach via the neighborhood's very own pedestrian bridge over the waterway.

Every inch of the property was enhanced: walls moved or eliminated; ceilings raised; a sunken sunroom brought up to level; textured ceilings covered with plank; kitchen and baths gutted; closets repurposed; flooring replaced with Italian tile and wood flooring; all lighting updated; fireplace and chimney replaced; windows and doors replaced; plumbing re-piped; and a tankless electric water heater installed.

The renovation team delivered a masterpiece at a Picasso pace. Sherry and Shelley dubbed the style "beach-dustrial," as they went into decorating mode. Josh Hogan of North River likens the look to the beach cottage style they're experienced in creat-

**100-DAY** continues on **Page 46**

## Northshore at Atlantic Beach offers modern coastal living and in-town convenience

**By Katie Hughes**  
McAfee Hughes Group RE/MAX Specialists

Atlantic Beach is a small seaside community located along the Atlantic Ocean, known for its beautiful beaches, boutique shopping and renowned dining. Among Jacksonville's beaches, this area has become a "real estate mecca" as the "private like" beaches have minimal public parking, affording a quiet residential character. From impressive oceanfront estates to beachside cottages, "Old Atlantic Beach" lures buyers to its serene small-town feel.

Over the years, this serene community has seen immense growth and change, yet has never lost its contagious appeal. With minimal land available, most buyers find remodeling an older home or tearing down an existing one as one of their only options. New construction options have been limited and are typically on the smaller scale.

As a result, we are happy to introduce Northshore at Atlantic Beach, a vibrant, brand-new neighborhood of 12 stylish, three-story townhomes. This limited-

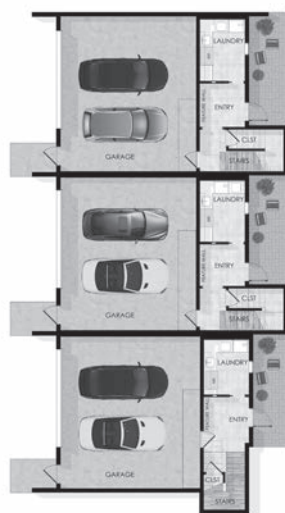
edition community offers modern coastal living and in-town convenience, just steps from the ocean. Only two blocks from the beach and adjacent to the Atlantic Beach Town Center at the corner of Ahern and East Coast Drive, these luxurious townhomes represent the character of the area with all the modern design desires of today.

Each residence features three bedrooms, two-and-a-half bathrooms, over 2,000 square feet, two large balconies, a bottom floor patio and a two-car garage. Finishes include wood and tile flooring throughout and an energy efficient smart home, plus a gourmet kitchen complete with stainless steel appliances, a built-in refrigerator and quartz countertops. The community will have secured access courtyards for residents to enjoy and on-site guest parking. An optional elevator upgrade will be available for the end units.

Completion for the first six townhomes is estimated for fall 2018, and construction pricing is currently being offered. Get ready to live in a permanent vacation spot at Northshore at Atlantic Beach!



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**The first-floor floorplan at Northshore at Atlantic Beach**



**The second-floor floorplan**



**The third-floor floorplan**

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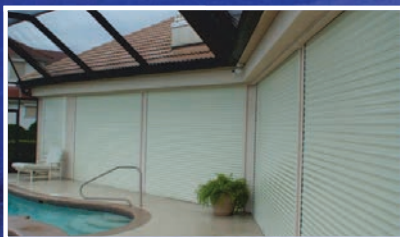
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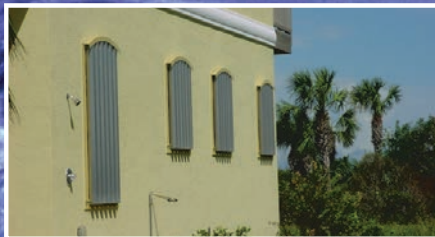
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# A piece of paradise in Ponte Vedra Beach

By **Barbara Maple**

Watson Realty Corp.

This home is in a fantastic location.

With the beach steps away from the front door, you can feel the sand between your toes in under 1 mile by taking a stroll on the neighborhood sidewalk. Also take that sidewalk south about half a mile, and you are at PVPV-Rawlings Elementary School. Or keep going another three-quarters of a mile and end up at Sawgrass Village for a smooth glass of wine, dinner, grocery shopping, boutique shopping or an exercise class. This location takes advantage of the outdoor beach lifestyle with so many amenities within biking or walking distance.

Located at 169 Summerfield Drive, the home itself is situated on a peaceful lake that separates the Summerfield subdivision from Sawgrass Players Club. The main gathering rooms and the master have walls of windows with sweeping views of the lake that allow in plenty of natural light, which creates a cheerful, homey environment.

The great room — featuring gleaming, hardwood floors — has two areas separated by a couple of stately columns. The first area is used as a living room with a cozy fireplace and built-in

shelving. The second area is used as the family room and opens to the expansive Florida room. This open concept offers great options for entertaining. The kitchen had new cabinets and counters replaced in 2016, with loads of storage space and eating space — including a breakfast bar and breakfast room that overlook the lake.

The bedroom area consists of a huge master suite that has a sitting area/office space added on for additional square footage, a remodeled bath and an outdoor patio on the lake. There are also two guest bedrooms with a shared bath.

This well-maintained home has had one owner that originally bought it from Castle Builders. They have lovingly updated the home over the years and enjoyed many evenings relaxing in the Florida room, watching the sun set over the shimmering lake; and many mornings watching the sun rise over the glistening ocean. As they move on to the next stage of life with grown children in Nashville, they look forward to finding someone who can love and live a happy life the way they have in this piece of Ponte Vedra Beach paradise.

This home is represented by Watson Realty Corp., listed by Barbara Maple and offered at \$545,000.



**169 SUMMERFIELD DRIVE**







## River Marsh home built the 'ITALIAN WAY'

Photos courtesy of Dori Mackoul Dekle

**By Dori Mackoul Dekle**  
Sellstate High Performance Realty

Located in the soothing luxury of Ponte Vedra Beach, this home at 169 River Marsh Drive was built by the current owners who originally came to vacation along the east coast of Florida from Torino, Italy.

Falling in love with the area, they felt that Ponte Vedra was beckoning and decided to make it their home. Drawing on their experience as commercial developers, they decided to build their home the "Italian way," choosing concrete block and steel beam construction as a base and selecting the finest materials available to complete their home.

Known as "the fortress," this two-story, true Tuscan home was custom built on an exclusive private corner lot and boasts over 4,500 square feet of living space. A brick paver walk and driveway lead to this home with full copper gutters and imported Tuscan terracotta barrel tile roofing. Italian imported Rosso Verona, Scabas and Botticino marble; polished and tumbled travertines and Brazilian cherry flooring; arched doorways; knockdown ceilings; solid wood doors; wood blinds; Pella windows; bullnosed corner walls; recessed lighting; four zoned air conditioning units; central vacuum system; CAT-5 commercial grade wiring; and commercial grade roofing are just some of the exquisite finishes you will enjoy here.

A solid wood entry door leads to the classic open foyer with a coffered ceiling and inlaid tile floors. Custom wrought iron railings line the honed travertine staircase with a sitting area above that overlooks the foyer. A private office/bedroom just off

## 169 RIVER MARSH DRIVE



the entry has a full closet and is separate from the other rooms for privacy. The elegant formal dining area has a built-in corner cabinet and French doors that open to a covered front porch with stone arches.

The family room, which is the heart of the home, features wood beams, a fireplace with mantel and a built-in entertainment center. Cooking is a pleasure in the gourmet kitchen that offers a 9-foot tile food prep island with a vegetable sink; separate undermounted double sinks; 42-inch upper solid wood cabinets; granite countertops; a GE Profile side-by-side refrigerator; a smooth top stove; a convection and standard oven with warmer; a butler's pantry with glass front cabinets; a lighted walk-in pantry; and a sunny breakfast nook with multiple windows for plenty of natural light. The laundry area features a utility sink and wood cabinets, plus a built-in desk, surrounded by lovely windows for more natural light.

Entering the master bedroom immedi-

ately reduces stress with the tranquility of elegant finishes that include built-in wall storage; separate lighted closets; a private bath with an oversized whirlpool tub; raised vanities; double sinks; a vanity mirror; a separate marble shower; a toilet; a bidet; inlaid marble floors; and counters, plus solid wood cabinetry.

Each bedroom features Brazilian cherry flooring. Bedroom No. 3 has a full bath with a jacuzzi, plus French doors to an iron balcony. A spacious Jack and Jill bath with an oversized shower is situated between bedrooms four and five, which both feature walk-in closets. Upstairs, Bedroom No. 6 is a large room that is currently being used as a workroom with a desk and shelving. An oversized closet and storage area could be converted into a private bath. French doors open to a private covered patio created with tumbled travertine.

Enjoy the outdoors on covered patios; all are covered, and one is screened, fea-

turing travertine floors and fountain. The private yard features lush, mature landscaping, trees, bushes, plants, grapefruit and orange trees, plus iron fencing on the side and back yard.

For the car lover, mechanic or crafter, a side courtyard leads to the four-car garage with air conditioning, checkerboard flooring, workbenches and a separate entry door from outside. Three of the bays have garage door openers and custom arched entries; the fourth bay is a shop with water and air conditioning, plus a centralized high air pressure system with one compressor and several plugs.

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## 100-day

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ing: just squared off, timeless finishes featuring craftsman style trim. See the stunning transformation of the Robinson's renovation in this video: <https://vimeo.com/251190249>.

The Innlet at Ponte Vedra Beach is quietly going upscale as a sizable number of homes undergo renovation. Pavers are currently being installed to serve as sidewalks and parking areas. The Innlet is situated in a natural hammock of Southern live oaks, affording a canopy of shade throughout the 43-home community. Meandering lagoons frame most of the properties.

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# Atlantic Beach home offers quick access to ocean and luxurious amenities

**By Jennifer Sexton**

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty

The location of this classic, coastal beach home is truly unbeatable.

Sitting only four homes from the ocean, flip flop your way down to the sand in seconds for a quiet stroll, a sunrise surf session, a SUP adventure or fishing trip. Located at 220 12th Street in Atlantic Beach, this five-bedroom, four-and-a-half bath, 3,000+ square foot home with two family rooms, a wet bar and a wrap-around balcony boasts an abundance of space for you to unwind with the entire family, as well as with your friends.

The home is tastefully renovated and offers the ultimate layout for entertaining. Oak flooring and white bead board ceiling accents keep the feeling warm and tranquil. The first level offers an open kitchen, living room, half bath and a casual dining space, plus a separate formal dining option. The kitchen features granite counters, a double oven, two dishwashers, a Thermador gas cooktop, a wine fridge and my favorite amenity, a butler's pantry.

Relax and get cozy in the living room with a gas fireplace and French doors leading out to the private courtyard, where the living space seamlessly flows to the outdoors. Three spacious guest rooms, the master suite and a separate laundry space are all located on the second level. The homeowners get to enjoy a large walk-in closet and spa-like bath hosting a standalone tub next to a walk-in shower.

The third level is the most coveted with a fifth bedroom, a second living room, a wet bar, a wrap-around balcony and ocean breezes galore. This is a teenager's paradise, a man cave to get away from it all or the perfect place to wind down the dinner party at the end of the evening.

Situated on the corner of Ocean Boulevard and 12th street, this lot



Photos courtesy of Jennifer Sexton

## 220 12TH STREET (ATLANTIC BEACH)



measures 50 by 125 feet and provides room for a pool, as well as a guest cottage over the detached one-and-a-half car garage.

Charming Atlantic Beach claims miles of laid-back beaches and proximity to excellent golf, parks and entertainment. This property is only 12 short

blocks to the Beaches Town Center, the inviting, pedestrian-friendly area offering a wealth of choices to shop, dine, relax and simply enjoy the beautiful courtyards, bricked walkways, outdoor seating and magnificent sunsets in the distance. Atlantic Beach Country Club is a little over a mile away and offers a

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# 5th Annual '5K Run for Peace' benefitting the Betty Griffin Center scheduled for April 14

Runners and walkers alike are invited to participate in the 5th Annual 5K "Run for Peace" that begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 14, at the St. Augustine Beach Pier, located at 350 A1A Beach Blvd.

The family-friendly event benefits the Betty Griffin Center – a nonprofit agency that provides emergency shelter and services for residents experiencing domestic or sexual abuse in St. Johns County.

Runners can sign up for the event at [www.RUNFORPEACE5k.org](http://www.RUNFORPEACE5k.org), or through the events section at [www.bettygriffincenter.org](http://www.bettygriffincenter.org). Adult registration costs \$25, plus a \$2.50 sign-up fee through Feb. 28 – increasing to \$30 after that date. Also, new this year is the opportunity to participate as a virtual runner. People who can't participate but would still like to donate to the event can also sign up.

"This is among our biggest fundraisers of the year, so we hope runners and walkers will take part in our 5K to support a very good cause," said Betty Griffin Center CEO Joyce Mahr. "Nearly 600 people participated last year, and we



hope we'll have even more community involvement this year."

Companies or organizations that would like to sponsor the event can contact Nicole Pece at [nicolep@bettygriffincenter.com](mailto:nicolep@bettygriffincenter.com) or call (904) 808-8544, extension 208.

Visit [www.bettygriffincenter.org](http://www.bettygriffincenter.org) for more information.



This year's 'Run for Peace' 5K benefitting the Betty Griffin Center is set for April 14, at the St. Augustine Beach Pier.

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Firehouse of America, LLC CEO Don Fox addresses the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce EDC Quarterly Breakfast on Jan. 19 at the Renaissance World Golf Village Resort.

## Chamber's EDC Quarterly Breakfast convenes area business leaders, features remarks from Firehouse CEO

Local business leaders gathered at the Renaissance World Golf Village Resort on Friday, Jan. 19, for the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Council (EDC) Quarterly Breakfast, which featured remarks from Firehouse of America, LLC Chief Executive Officer Don Fox.

The Firehouse executive discussed how his

firm's success can be replicated by entrepreneurs growing their own companies. Fox's company has grown from a few restaurants in Northeast Florida to 1,104 restaurants in 44 states and three countries. For more information on Firehouse, visit [www.firehousesubs.com](http://www.firehousesubs.com).

For more information on the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce, visit [www.sjcchamber.com](http://www.sjcchamber.com).

## Request by yoga studio to open in Ponte Vedra under county's review

By Benjamin Naim

A request filed by Titanium Yoga Studio to open on Solana Road in Ponte Vedra is currently under review with St. Johns County, according to Planning and Zoning official Beverly Frazier.

The studio has submitted a minor modification request to the Ponte Vedra Parke Planned Unit Development (PUD) to utilize an existing unit at 111 Solana Road, but their proposal must be compatible with the district's comprehensive plan to be eligible for approval, said Frazier.

The county official stated in an email to the Recorder that commercial recreation use is "not permitted by right" in the Planned Unit Development (PUD) Master Development Plan, and it requires "review and approval" by the Ponte Vedra Zoning and Adjustment Board (PVZAB). The review process determines the potential effects of planned projects on the surrounding area.

The PVZAB will approve the minor modification request if the proposal aligns with St. Johns County's Comprehensive Plan, Ponte Vedra Zoning District Regulations or Land Development Code. It must also not pose a burden or negative impact on surrounding facilities or services.

A hearing in front of the PVZAB is scheduled to take place Feb. 5 to determine the outcome of the application. The board hears items that are within the Ponte Vedra zoning district.

As of Jan. 23, Frazier said a site visit has been completed and Titanium Yoga Studio has been communicating with surrounding businesses/property owners about its project.

The proposed hours of the studio are seven days a week from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

## First Coast CPA firm begins new year with new name

A long-established, North Florida CPA firm begins 2018 with a new name, marking only its third brand change in more than three decades.

Patrick & Robinson CPAs became Patrick & Raines CPAs on Jan. 1 when Adam Robinson left for an opportunity with Hartman, Blich & Gartside, P&R announced in its blog, "Profit Statements." P&R was started 35 years ago by Mark Patrick as Patrick & Associates. Tim Raines joined P&R six years ago and was promoted to

partner last year.

Patrick said the change evolved amicably and the timing was virtually ideal for the partners' career goals and the firm's clients.

"We see this change as win-win for all involved, especially our clients," Patrick said. "We're honing our focus to more complex tax, accounting and assurance issues, while our clients will receive more attention to their individual needs just as the tax code is overhauled for the first time in a generation."

As the bigger national firms continue their acquisitions in North Florida, Raines said he believes this change "keeps P&R a leader among the locally-owned and -managed CPA firms," a niche important to small-business-friendly Jacksonville.

Privately-held businesses with tax and accounting needs and individuals with intricate tax issues "want to know their CPA personally..." Raines added. "They need us to know and explain their numbers—but don't want to be treated as one."

With offices in Jacksonville and Ponte Vedra, P&R offers the complete range of CPA services. In addition to tax and estate planning for individuals and businesses, the firm provides assurance (audit, review and compilation), accounting and payroll services to government and nonprofit organizations and privately-held businesses in the medical, construction, manufacturing, logistics and hospitality sectors.

For more information about Patrick & Raines CPAs, visit [www.CPAsite.com](http://www.CPAsite.com).



# Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty's Luminaria raises \$31,554 for local charities

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty raised \$31,554 for local charities with its recent Luminaria event.

"We are so appreciative of everyone who volunteered and participated in Luminaria, helping us light up the night throughout Northeast Florida while supporting local charitable organizations," said Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty Broker/Executive Vice President Christy Budnick. "It was magical to see our streets aglow, bringing neighbors and friends together to celebrate the holiday season while making a positive difference in others' lives."

For the event, the company sold Lumi-

nia kits and donated 100 percent of the proceeds to local charities. The success of the firm's inaugural 2016 event in Atlantic Beach inspired the expansion of the event company-wide to neighborhoods throughout Northeast Florida in 2017. Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty has made a commitment to present the event again in 2018 and has set a goal to double its donations to community charitable organizations.

"Our team loves to support events that provide unique opportunities to make a positive difference in our community," said Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty Founder, President and CEO Linda Sherrer. "We are grateful for

**Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty's luminarias line the streets of neighborhoods during the company's holiday Luminaria event.**

Photos courtesy of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty



the support we received from the community and we are so proud of our dedicated team, who helped make our company-wide Luminaria an outstanding success."

More information about Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty is available at [www.floridanetworkrealty.com](http://www.floridanetworkrealty.com).

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# Baby boomers and retirement



**Ric Schilling**  
Columnist

By Ric Schilling

As most of you know, our country continues to struggle with the adequacy of many people's retirement savings.

We are in the midst of the baby boomer retirements, the largest such group ever to reach retirement age in this country. Yet, less than half of the boomers surveyed indicate that they have enough saved to provide for their retirement. And, unlike preceding generations, few boomers have a defined benefit pension plan that will provide guaranteed payments for life.

This is one reason why I have advocated adding annuities to my clients' investment mix over the years. While annuities do not offer the same opportunity for growth as the stock market, many annuities offer protections against declines, and a number include lifetime income provisions that can provide a guaranteed income for life, similar to a pension plan (guarantees backed by the claims-paying ability of the insurer). Annuities are not the only component of a sound financial plan; however, their lifetime income capability is hard to match with other investment choices.

Recently, annuity sales have plummeted. There are two reasons cited for the decline. First, the Department of Labor issued new rules for the investing of retirement plan funds (401(k)s, IRAs, etc.) that took effect early in 2017. These rules do not prohibit the purchase of annuities using retirement funds, but they require greater disclosure and more oversight. While the rules have been modified since their initial application and some of the more onerous rules have been, or are being, suspended by the Department of Labor, there is little doubt that the confusion caused and additional work created by these rules contributed significantly to the decline in annuity sales.

Another contributing factor is the rise in the stock market in 2017. When the market is doing well, it is difficult for many people to consider that they should lock in some of their gains in a strategy that is designed to generate lifetime income rather than concentrate on capital appreciation. Then, when the market falls, few people are interested in selling their investments to buy an annuity because they want to recover their losses first. While I understand these arguments, the simple truth is that many people saving for retirement would be wise to add an annuity or two to their investment portfolio to assure themselves of at least some guaranteed income in retirement.

There are many types of annuities on the market, and it is very important to understand how each type works and which is best suited for your individual needs. All annuities are NOT created equal; that's for certain. Learn about the different types and what they may offer for your retirement plan.

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A resort-style swimming pool is among The Lakehouse amenities offered at Julington Lakes.

## Toll Brothers opens The Lakehouse Amenity Center at Julington Lakes

Julington Lakes by Toll Brothers recently celebrated the opening of The Lakehouse, its designer-decorated, private residents' clubhouse and amenity center.

The Lakehouse features a social room and catering kitchen, fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment and a flex room connected to a private outdoor yoga lawn. The Lakehouse also includes a resort-style, zero-entry swimming pool with two lap lanes and a raised pool deck with lounge seating. Additional amenities include a pergola overlooking a picturesque lake, a playground, two lighted tennis courts and half-court basketball.

"Our residents are thrilled to experience all the new amenities The Lakehouse has to offer," said Nate Beidle, senior project manager for Julington Lakes. "It is the perfect place for them to gather as a community and celebrate special family events."

Julington Lakes residents also enjoy The Landing, a large, open-air pavilion on Lake Julington that includes picnic tables, a wood burning fireplace, a fire pit and a dock for canoes and kay-

aks. In addition, the community features nature preserves, lakes and a recently-opened, 110-foot boardwalk that provides direct access to nearby Veterans Park, which includes multi-purpose fields, basketball courts, a skate park, a picnic pavilion, a playground and a dog park.

Julington Lakes buyers can choose from a variety of award-winning home designs in the Heritage Collection, priced from the mid-\$300,000s; the Ambassador Collection, priced from the low \$400,000s; and the Estate Collection, priced from the mid-\$500,000s.

The Julington Lakes sales center and designer-decorated models are located at 57 Mist Court in St. Johns and are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday and Monday. For more information, call (904) 287-9050 or visit [JulingtonLakes.com](http://JulingtonLakes.com).

Toll Brothers Northeast Florida communities also include Coastal Oaks at Nocatee in Ponte Vedra and Toll Brothers at Atlantic Beach Country Club. For more information, visit [TollBrothers-Florida.com](http://TollBrothers-Florida.com).

## Home Depot plans to hire 325 employees in Jacksonville area

The Home Depot is preparing for spring, the company's busiest selling season, by hiring 325 associates in the Jacksonville area.

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permanent part-time and seasonal positions in the company's stores and distribution facilities. College students, retirees and veterans are encouraged to apply.

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# STYX, Don Felder to perform at St. Augustine Amphitheatre April 13

The St. Augustine Amphitheatre will present classic rock stars STYX and Don Felder (formerly of The Eagles) live in concert April 13. Tickets for the event go on sale Jan. 26 at 10 a.m.

STYX, featuring Tommy Shaw, James "JY" Young, Chuck Panozzo, Todd Sucherman, Lawrence Gowan and Ricky Phillips, has averaged over 100 shows a year since 1999. Founded in Chicago in 1972, STYX is the first band in rock history to boast four consecutive certified multimillion-selling albums in a row: 1977's "The Grand Illusion," 1978's "Pieces of Eight," 1979's "Cornerstone" and 1981's "Paradise Theatre."

STYX draws from over four decades of popular chart hits, singalongs and deep cuts. The band's set covers a wide range of styles. From "The Grand Illusion" to the "Blue Collar Man," from "Lady" to "Miss America" and from "Man in the Wilderness" to "Crystal Ball," the band attempts to immerse one's mind and body in its signature sound.

Don Felder is a former lead guitarist for The Eagles, a band that set records for



"Their Greatest Hits" (1971-1975) compilation, which sold over 29 million copies in the U.S. alone and won the RIAA top-selling album of the 20th century. Felder and The Eagles have sold more than 83.5 million albums. A member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame since 1988, Felder served as a guitarist for The Eagles for 27 years. He co-wrote the band's biggest hit, "Hotel California," along with fan favorites like "Victim of Love," "One of These



Photos courtesy of St. Augustine Amphitheatre

**STYX (above) and Don Felder (left) will perform at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre on April 13.**

Nights," "New Kid in Town" and more. "Hotel California" was recently voted the No. 1 best 12-string guitar song in the world by Guitar World Magazine.

After leaving the group in 2001, Felder became a New York Times bestselling author for his confessional memoir, "Heaven and Hell: My Life in The Eagles."

Felder has also worked with other music stars such as The Bee Gees, Peter Frampton, Bob Seger, Michael Jackson, Boz Scaggs, Warren Zevon, Joni Mitchell, Stevie Nicks, Vince Gill, Stevie Wonder, Elton John, Paul Simon, Diana Ross and

Barbra Streisand. Felder's most recent release, entitled "The Road to Forever," features some of his closest friends like Crosby, Stills & Nash, Tommy Shaw (from STYX), Randy Jackson (American Idol), Steve Lukather and David Paich (Toto). The album's single "Wash Away the Pain" reached No. 4 on the classic rock media charts.

Tickets, which range in price from \$39.50 to \$104.00, can be purchased online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or by phone at (800) 745-3000. The St. Augustine Amphitheatre is located at 1340C A1A S.

## Tale Tellers of St. Augustine present 'Maritime Mysteries: St. Augustine and Beyond' Jan. 30

Tale Tellers of St. Augustine will present its first performance of 2018, "Maritime Mysteries: St. Augustine and Beyond" presented by Joyce Sabato and Chris Kastle, at the Limelight Theatre Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. This is the 25th anniversary of the storytelling guild, which was originally formed in 1993.

Kastle has performed throughout the United States and in Canada, Europe and New Zealand; her songs feature finger-style guitar and fiddle, penny whistle, spoons, bodhran or mandolin. Kastle's three most recent CDs showcase her versatility as a vocalist, musician, songwriter and storyteller. Her book of short maritime stories, "From the Icy Fingers of the Deep," received five stars from Goodreads. Kastle is an exhibiting visual artist, educator and one-time Tall Ship sailor living in St. Augustine. In 2015, she won the Florida Storytelling Association's Annette J. Bruce Lifetime Achievement Award.

Sabato is an educator, musician and storyteller from St. Augustine who recently returned to New England. While in Florida, she performed at festivals, libraries



Photo courtesy of Tale Tellers of St. Augustine

**Chris Kastle and Joyce Sabato will present "Maritime Mysteries: St. Augustine and Beyond," the first performance of 2018 for the Tale Tellers of St. Augustine, on Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Limelight Theatre.**

and schools and served as president of the Tale Tellers of St. Augustine and as a member of the Board of the Florida Storytelling Association. Since moving to the Northeast, she has been a featured teller at Right Between the Ears in Rochester, New Hampshire, and "Raising Our Voices" at the White Mountain Storytelling Festival. Sabato is still a member of the Tale Tellers of St. Augustine, and she is also on the events committee of the New England Story Telling Association.

Tale Tellers of St. Augustine is a performing guild devoted to the advocacy of storytelling as an art form and entertainment medium. Founded in 1933, the guild promotes storytelling projects and programs that educate its membership while benefiting needy and disadvantaged members of the community. For more information on the guild, visit [www.taletellers.org](http://www.taletellers.org).

## First Coast Opera to present 'I Pagliacci,' 'The Stranger's Tale'

The First Coast Opera is starting off the new year with a double-bill, featuring "I Pagliacci" by Ruggero Leoncavallo and Curtis Tucker's "The Stranger's Tale." Performances will take place at Flagler College's Lewis Auditorium Saturday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 11 at 2 p.m.

Written around 1890 in response to Pietro Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana," Leoncavallo's "I Pagliacci" features one act composed in the verismo ("realism") style. Allegedly based on an incident from the composer's childhood, a murder in 1865, the opera first premiered in the U.S. June 15, 1893, at the Grand Opera House in New York.

The First Coast Opera production of "I Pagliacci" will feature returning artists: Jamison Walker, singing the famous aria "Vesti La Giubba;" Sarah Beckham-Turner as Nedda; Sean Stork as Tonio; and Daniel Bates as Beppe.

Soprano Elena Galvan, recently a young artist with Florida Grand Opera in Miami, will make her company debut in Tucker's opera, described in Opera News after its 2005 premiere as "a sincere, humane tale" and "an immense hit with the audience."

Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$10 for students and may be ordered at [www.firstcoastopera.com](http://www.firstcoastopera.com) or by calling (904) 417-5555.



# Allman Goldflies Band to perform at Blue Jay Listening Room on Jan. 27

Allman Goldflies Band (AGB) is launching its spring 2018 Tour Saturday, Jan. 27, at 8 p.m. at Blue Jay Listening Room, located at 2457 South 3rd St., in Jacksonville Beach.

Allman Goldflies Band is bringing new energy to Southern music with honest, hard-driving, inspired performances. AGB features raspy-voiced bluesman Gary Allman (cousin of the late Greg Allman) on vocals and keyboards, and critically-acclaimed bassist David "Rook" Goldflies, formerly of the Allman Brothers Band. AGB's performance is a celebration of classic Allman Brothers songs, original material from their upcoming debut album and a unique selection of standard Southern rock anthems.

"David Goldflies was discovered by Allman Brothers' guitarist Dickey Betts at a very young age," said Bert Holman, longtime Allman Brothers manager. "He had the rare talent of being able to play the more intricate improvisational parts as well as traditional blues cadences. During the second incarnation of The Allman Brothers Band, Goldflies was an essential member and



Photo courtesy of Doug Deutsch PR

**Allman Goldflies Band will perform at the Blue Jay Listening Room on Jan. 27.**

part of the band's success."

Goldflies' work on three Allmans' releases, "Enlightened Rogues," "Reach for The Sky," and "Brothers of the Road," was critically lauded.

"Goldflies' valuable presence helped carry the genre and the band when the masses were paying more and more attention to pretty faces and big hair on MTV," wrote journalist and bassist Tom Semioli in the No Depression blog.

Producer James Fairs, who wrote and produced the hit "I'm No Angel" by the

Greg Allman Band, said, "While with the (Greg Allman) Band, I saw David, on a number of occasions, bring a set together with his bass solo, setting the stage, literally, for the rest of the show. Allman/Goldflies holds the potential of delivering a rich, new, and authentic chapter to an amazing American Music Story. They hold a card in one of the best decks around."

Tickets for Saturday's show are \$25. For more information, go to [www.bluejayjax.com](http://www.bluejayjax.com).

# Bruce Katz Band coming to Blue Jay Listening Room Feb. 2

Bruce Katz, renowned Hammond B-3 organist/keyboardist and four-time Blues Music Award nominee, and his Bruce Katz Band, embark on their "Soak Up The Sun" Tour, with a local performance at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 at Blue Jay Listening Room, 2457 South 3rd St., in Jacksonville Beach.

In addition to leading the Bruce Katz Band, Katz has performed with the Delbert McClinton Band, Ronnie Earl, Jaimoe's Jasssz Band, and John Hammond, the latter whom he still plays with on occasion.

Katz brought his cool 'jam-band' sounds last summer to, among others, Riverfront Fest, Roots Rhythm & Blues Fest, Big Buggs Island Blues Bash (headliner), and famed BB King's Blues Club in New York City. Katz – a member of the Gregg Allman Band from 2007-2013 – also continues to tour as a member of Les Brers, featuring former members of the Allman Brothers, and was a full-time member of Butch Trucks and the Freight Train, fronted by the legendary ex-Allman Bros. drummer who died a year ago.

Tickets for the Feb. 2 show are \$25. For more information, go to [www.bluejayjax.com](http://www.bluejayjax.com).

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**Black Violin has added a 4 p.m. matinee performance to its Jan. 27 concert at the Ponte Vedra Concert hall. The 8 p.m. evening performance is sold out.**

## Black Violin adds matinee performance at Ponte Vedra Concert Hall Jan. 27

Due to popular demand, the classically-trained multi-genre duo Black Violin has added a 4 p.m. matinee performance to its Jan. 27 concert date at the Ponte Vedra Concert hall. The 8 p.m. evening performance is sold out.

Black Violin is composed of Wil-B. and Kev Marcus, who have combined their classical training and hip-hop influences to create a multi-genre sound often described as "classical boom." Black Violin has shared stages with top names including Kanye West, Aerosmith and Tom Petty, and the group has creatively collaborated with Wu-Tang Clan, Wyclef Jean and Alicia Keys. Additionally, the duo has composed music for the 2016 FOX television series, "Pitch," and appeared on HBO's "Ballers," "The Tonight Show," "Travis Smiley Show," "The Wendy Williams Show" and "The Ellen Show."

Along with public concerts, Black Violin

has performed for more than 100,000 students in the last year throughout North America and Europe. The band received an endorsement from Yamaha Music, and has partnered with the National Association for Music Manufacturers (NAMM) to continue their advocacy for accessible music education.

Black Violin started when Marcus heard the music of Stuff Smith, the first violinist to use electrical amplification techniques on a violin, who Marcus once described as "unbelievable." He shared Smith's music with Wil-B and eventually formed a band together named after Smith's soulful solo album. Inspired by Smith's music, the two decided to synthesize the styles they loved such as classical, jazz, R&B, hip-hop, reggae and gypsy music to form Black Violin.

The Jan. 27 Ponte Vedra concert is part of Black Violin's "Classical Boom Tour," which is a follow-up to the "Unity Tour"

that saw 28 sold-out public performances. After serving as the house band for the ESPN-hosted 82nd Annual Heisman Memorial Trophy Presentation, the network selected Black Violin's "Stereotypes" track to promote the 2017 U.S. Open.

Black Violin is currently writing and recording its next studio album due out in 2018. The band's most recent record, "Stereotypes," debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard Classical Crossover Chart and No. 4 on the Billboard R&B Chart. NPR stated Black Violin's music "will keep classical music alive for the next generation."

Tickets for the Black Violin Matinee Performance, which range between \$40 and \$50, can be purchased at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall and St. Augustine Amphitheatre Box Offices, Ticketmaster.com or by phone at (800) 745-3000. For more information, visit [www.pvconcerthall.com](http://www.pvconcerthall.com) or [www.blackviolin.net](http://www.blackviolin.net).

## Isle of Eight Flags Shrimp Festival's fine arts show accepting applications until Jan. 31

The Isle of Eight Flags Shrimp Festival's fine arts show in Fernandina Beach will be accepting applications until Jan. 31.

Sponsored in part by the Island Art Association, Inc., the Shrimp Festival hosts a juried show that has been consistently rated by Sunshine Artist Magazine as one of the best events in North America. The street festival, held the first weekend of May, features fine art and crafts, antiques, a kid's zone, a variety of food booths, live entertainment, contests and other scheduled events. The show provides an opportunity for artists to exhibit and sell their work with an estimated audience of 135,000 visitors.

The Shrimp Festival will feature over 400 booths of arts, crafts, antiques, collectibles, sponsors, food booths and more.

Waterfront activities and the Kid's Fun Zone open May 4 at 4 p.m., while the arts and crafts booths open May 5 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and May 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Island Art Association is a nonprofit volunteer organization aimed at philanthropy and education. Its purpose is to develop and sustain an interest, appreciation and enjoyment in the arts of Nassau County. The association's gallery, located at 18 N. 2nd St. in Amelia Island, features the works of more than 50 local artists and an education center for classes, workshops and scheduled events.

To apply as an artist for the festival, visit [www.Zapplication.org](http://www.Zapplication.org). For more information, visit [www.islandart.org/shrimp-festival](http://www.islandart.org/shrimp-festival) or [www.shrimpfestival.com](http://www.shrimpfestival.com).



Photo by Kimberly Kappel

## Jacksonville Symphony to present 'The Magic of the Movies' Jan. 26-27

This weekend, on Jan. 26 and 27, the Jacksonville Symphony will perform "The Magic of the Movies" with a concert of music from cinematic classics led by Principal Pops Conductor Michael Krajewski.

Also the music director of The Philly Pops and principal pops conductor of the Atlanta Symphony, Krajewski is a much sought after conductor of symphonic pops. As a guest conductor, he has performed with the Cleveland and Philadelphia Orchestras; the Boston and Cincinnati Pops; the San Francisco, Baltimore, Detroit, Indianapolis, Seattle, Dallas, St. Louis, Pittsburgh and National Symphonies, and numerous other orchestras across the United States. International appearances include performances in Dublin and Belfast with the Ulster Orchestra, as well as performances with the Hong Kong Philharmonic, Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra and Spain's Bilbao Symphony Orchestra.

Joining Krajewski will be Lori Wilshire, of the pop duo, Wilshire. Wilshire's hit single, "Special," climbed the "Billboard Top 20" chart, and the band toured with artists like Train and Seal, in addition to performing live on "Late Night," "The Sharon Osbourne Show," "The Wayne Brady Show" and "Pepsi Smash."

Relive "Gone with the Wind," "The Wizard of Oz," "Titanic," "The Way We Were" and more as Wilshire, Krajewski and the symphony perform the iconic scores and songs from your favorite films. The abbreviated Coffee Series concert will take place at 11 a.m. tomorrow, Jan. 26, and the full Pops Series concerts will take place at 8 p.m. tomorrow and on Saturday, Jan. 27. All three concerts will be held at Jacoby Symphony Hall in the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts in Jacksonville. For tickets and additional information, call the ticket office at (904) 354-5547 or visit [www.jaxsymphony.org](http://www.jaxsymphony.org).



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## PONTE VEDRA BEATS BISHOP KENNY

BELOW: Steven Sifontes (center) shoots and scores for the Sharks, who defeated Bishop Kenny 4-2 on Friday, Jan. 19. Sifontes scored three of the Sharks' four goals in their win over the Crusaders. Ponte Vedra lost to Fleming Island 6-0 on Tuesday, Jan. 23. The Sharks are now 10-5-1.



Photos by Jerry and Chris Norton

ABOVE: Ponte Vedra's Harrison Campbell (19) fights for the ball.

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# Sharks chomp Episcopal in wrestling

The Ponte Vedra High School wrestling team defeated the Episcopal School of Jacksonville Eagles 48-18 last week at home.

According to the team, it was a slug fest with every match decided by a fall. Gavin Riccobono at 120 pounds, Preston Turner at 126, Evan Merry at 152, Ethan Baur at 160, Andre Aguiar at 172 and Troy Maritato at 182 each scored pins for the team.

In addition, Rett Maritato at 132 and Zander Laurin at 195 collected six-point forfeits. (The Sharks were 10-5 when this article was published.)

## Ponte Vedra 48 Episcopal 18

- 106 — Joe Jackson (E), forfeit
- 113 — Double forfeit
- 120 — Gavin Riccobono (PV) pins Noah Meyer (E), 0:47
- 126 — Preston Turner (PV) pins Will Thompson (E), 0:44
- 132 — Rett Maritato (PV), forfeit
- 138 — Reid Hampton (E) pins Alex DeAlmeida (PV), 1:59
- 145 — Daniel Cooper (E) pins John Whitley (PV), 1:25
- 152 — Evan Merry (PV) pins Robert Jackson (E), 1:45
- 160 — Ethan Baur (PV) pins Max Borghese, 1:03
- 170 — Andre Aguiar (PV) pins Nial Murphy, 3:14
- 182 — Troy Maritato (PV) pins Lucas Thompson, 2:30
- 195 — Zander Laurin (PV) forfeit
- 220 — Double forfeit
- 285 — Double forfeit



Ethan Baur pins his opponent from the Episcopal School of Jacksonville to win the 160-pound weight class in the meet.

Photos courtesy of Ponte Vedra wrestling

## LOCAL YOUTH WRESTLER WINS GOLD MEDAL IN VILLAGES TOURNAMENT

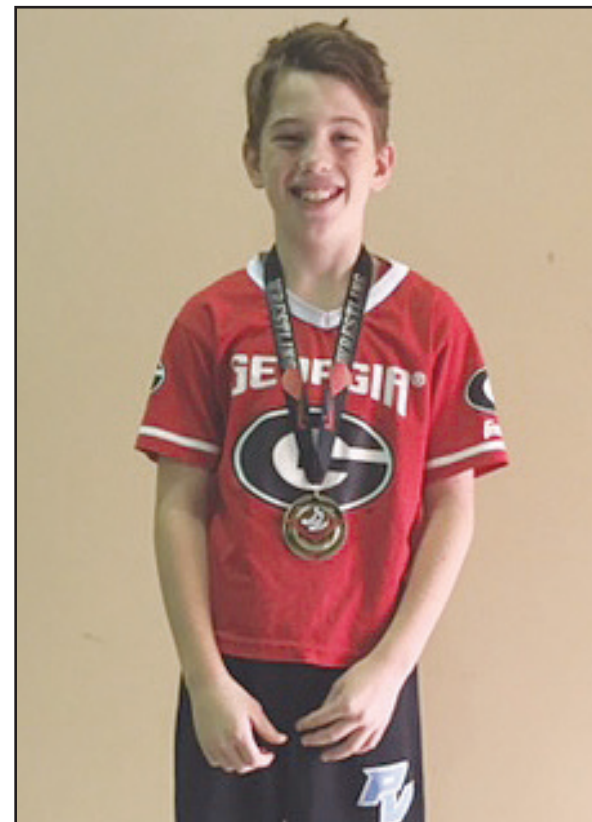


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Canon McClafferty recently took first place at the Villages Stampede Invitational Wrestling Tournament, earning the gold medal in the 85-pound weight class. McClafferty is a sixth-grade student at Valley Ridge Academy in Nocatee.



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# PGA Tour, tournaments surpass \$180 million generated for charity in 2017

The PGA Tour announced earlier this month that the company and its tournaments generated more than \$180 million for charitable causes in 2017, surpassing the previous year's record amount by approximately \$14 million.

The total includes donations made by tournaments on the PGA Tour, PGA Tour Champions, Web.com Tour, Mackenzie Tour-PGA Tour Canada, PGA Tour Latinoamérica and PGA Tour-China.

The announcement brings the all-time total generated for charity by the PGA Tour to \$2.65 billion. The company surpassed \$1 billion in 2005 and \$2 billion at the beginning of 2014.

"The entire PGA TOUR family takes tremendous pride in the positive impact

that we continue to make each year through the millions of dollars that are raised for very deserving charitable organizations," said PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan. "As we often note, beyond the sheer dollar amount, the real story is in the hundreds of thousands of lives that benefit from these contributions every year. Thank you to all of the tournaments, players, sponsors, volunteers and fans who make all of this possible."

In 2017, five PGA Tour events raised more than \$10 million for charity – the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Valero Texas Open, DEAN & DELUCA Invitational, the John Deere Classic and the Waste Management Phoenix Open. In addition to those tournaments, the bien-

ennial Presidents Cup announced a record donation of more than \$10.7 million as a result of the 2017 event held at Liberty National Golf Club in Jersey City, New Jersey.

The PGA Tour's flagship event, THE PLAYERS Championship, generated \$8.7 million in 2017, a large portion of which benefits local children's charities as part of the tournament's commitment to generate \$50 million for youth-related charities over 10 years. Since that commitment was made in April of 2011, \$45 million has been raised toward that goal.

Six PGA Tour Champions events generated more than \$1 million to charity in 2017, with the Shaw Charity Classic leading the way at more than \$6 million.

Three Web.com Tour events generated more than \$1 million, led by the Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship at more than \$2.1 million.

The PGA Tour relies on more than 100,000 volunteers annually to run its tournaments, and the vast majority of its tournaments are structured as non-profit organizations designed to donate 100 percent of net proceeds to charity. Community beneficiaries include a broad range of organizations such as hospitals and shelters; youth development programs; food banks; groups that support the military and their families; organizations that support senior citizens; those that help abused women and children, and growth-of-the-game initiatives.



**THE PLAYERS Championship Executive Director Jared Rice, (from left), Hubbard House CEO Gail Patin, 2018 Tournament Chairman Damon Olinto, Tabitha Furyk, former Hubbard House client Angela and Jim Furyk hold up a giant check representing the \$50,000 THE PLAYERS Championship donated to Hubbard House. The PGA Tour and its tournaments generated more than \$180 million for charity last year.**

Photo by Paris Moulden

## Nease to host 2018 Northeast Florida Football Recruiting Fair

Nease High School will host the 2018 Northeast Florida Football Recruiting Fair Monday, Feb. 12.

Last year's recruiting fair saw hundreds of high school athletes from the Jacksonville and surrounding areas and approximately 40 colleges take part in the event. The first session is designated for high school coaches to showcase their players, while the second session will allow recruits to speak with colleges. Students and parents are only required to attend the afternoon session; lunch will be provided at 1 p.m. for both high school and college coaches.

The event will start for parents and student athletes at 4:30 p.m., and the fair will close at 7. Nease has invited high schools from the following areas: St. Johns, Duval (Jacksonville), Baker, Clay, Nassau, Putnam, Flagler and Southeast Georgia.

Contact Devin Bice at (904) 547-8286 or Devin.Bice@st.johns.k12.fl.us for more information.

## Ponte Vedra boys basketball hovers at .500 heading into game against Palatka

By Jim Moyes

Special to the Recorder

It's highly unlikely that any local basketball team has faced a tougher schedule than this year's Ponte Vedra boys basketball squad.

Heading into a pivotal rematch with undefeated Palatka at the Shark Tank Friday, Jan. 26, 11 of the 13 Shark opponents have combined for an overall record of 218 wins against 51 defeats. Veteran head coach Bud Beech's team is hopeful that this demanding schedule will pay big dividends when the FHSAA tournament begins next month.

The Sharks appear to be heading in the right direction if recent contests are an indicator. Ponte Vedra is the winner of three of its last five contests that improved the team's record to 9-9, including an improbable road victory against a 15-3 Bolles squad on Jan. 18. However, the road doesn't get any easier for

the local cagers.

A huge crowd is expected at the Shark Tank tomorrow (Friday) as the Sharks have eyes on pulling off another shocker when they host Palatka, who is 19-0.

The Sharks nearly pulled off the upset against the Panthers in their first meeting in early December when their fourth quarter comeback fell just two points short in Palatka's 63-61 win.

If the Sharks are to derail the streaking Panthers (a final four finalist from last season), PVHS will need another big night from its 6-foot-9-inch senior center Jack Johnson and his mates. Although limited to four points in the Sharks victory over Bolles, Johnson was a force with his rebounding and defensive presence. Johnson exceeded his own former school record with 11 blocked shots, including a block of a Bolles layup with just two seconds left on the clock that sealed the

48-47 victory.

After exhibiting a little rust after playing on this year's Ponte Vedra football team, Reese Russi has been a huge factor in last few Ponte Vedra outings. The junior guard has tallied 29 points in two of his last contests, while also doing a fine job of assisting Johnson in the rebounding department.

After sitting out eight games while rehabbing from a recent knee injury, senior guard Will Mons has given the Sharks a big lift in the backcourt. Junior forward Logan Conway, second in team scoring to Johnson, has been a consistently solid performer, while Johnny Corlazzoli, Andrew Mathis, Nick Pirris and Kyle Barker have provided much needed depth.

Tip off for Friday's district contest with Palatka will be at approximately 7:30 p.m., or 15 minutes after the junior varsity contest that begins at 6 p.m.



# Jaguars' Khan appointed to NFL's new joint player-owner committee focused on social justice

The NFL this week announced the formation of a joint player and ownership committee and commitment focused on social justice that includes Jaguars owner Shad Khan.

The campaign, "Let's Listen Together," launched this week and includes a multi-layered roll-out, including digital content and brand spots highlighting the player-led work on social and racial equality. The platform will also include social media support, as well as individual letters from players and owners sharing their stories and personal reasons for making social justice a priority.

"I've personally experienced social ignorance and injustice in my life, but unfortunately millions of Americans face societal challenges each day that are far greater and outweigh anything I have encountered," said Khan. "We have an opportunity and obligation at the National Football League to first make this stop, and then build a community – whether that's local, national or global – where right and good prevail. This is a calling that I am proud to answer as a member of the committee, and being surrounded by strong owners and players who share the same commitment, I am confident the progress and change we need

will happen. It may not be easy getting there, but we will do all we can to get there and ultimately be better."

The working group committee, which held its first meeting at the league office in December, also includes Arizona Cardinals Owner and President Michael Bidwill, Atlanta Falcons Owner and Chairman Arthur Blank, Cleveland Browns Owner Jimmy Haslam and Miami Dolphins Owner Stephen Ross. The player representatives are New York Jets offensive tackle Kelvin Beachum and quarterback Josh McCown, Washington Redskins cornerback Josh Norman and former players Anquan Boldin and Aeneas Williams.

According to the NFL, the group will focus on supporting programs and initiatives that reduce barriers to opportunity, with a priority on supporting improvements in education and economic development, community and police relations and the criminal justice system. It will work directly with league staff to help identify future initiatives that have both broad support and a potential for high impact, and make financial recommendations accordingly.

For more information, visit [www.nfl.com/letslistentogether](http://www.nfl.com/letslistentogether).

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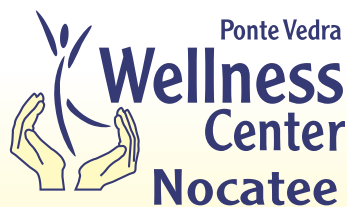


The Bolles Lower School Ponte Vedra Beach Campus wore more teal and black than orange and blue Friday, Jan. 19, during the school's Jaguars Spirit Day leading up to the team's AFC Championship matchup with the New England Patriots. At the direction of Ponte Vedra Beach Campus Head Peggy Campbell-Rush, students and faculty convened in Ponte Vedra Hall after their flag ceremony for a group chant of "We are Jaguars," and "Duval."

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- 6. \*It last broadcast the Olympics in 1988
- 9. Sigma Phi Epsilon
- 13. Yokel's holler
- 14. Promise to pay
- 15. Pre-bun state
- 16. Dug up
- 17. Luftwaffe's WWII enemy
- 18. Provide with ability
- 19. \*Country with most Winter Olympic gold medals
- 21. \*Number of 2018 Winter Olympics sports
- 23. Dog command
- 24. Small island
- 25. Cul de \_\_\_\_
- 28. Partial haircut
- 30. Geek and jock, e.g.
- 35. S-shaped molding
- 37. International Civil Aviation Org.
- 39. Best not mentioned
- 40. Pakistani language
- 41. \*American skating icon
- 43. College cadet program
- 44. Crocodile ones are insincere
- 46. Make children
- 47. This and the other
- 48. Praise for a fearless one
- 50. Dispatch
- 52. Ornamental pond-dweller

- 53. Classic sci-fi video game
- 55. Drag behind
- 57. \*Done on 90m hill
- 61. "I love the smell of \_\_\_\_ in the morning."
- 64. UFO pilot?
- 65. 1973 Supreme Court decision name
- 67. "Complete \_\_\_\_'s Guides"
- 69. Short for incognito
- 70. Tokyo, in the olden days
- 71. Impulse transmitter
- 72. Indian restaurant staple
- 73. D.C. bigwig
- 74. Like a rookie

**DOWN**

- 1. \*Olympic participant's hangout
- 2. Been in bed
- 3. \*8-time American speed skating medalist
- 4. Regular visitors
- 5. Long-billed shore bird
- 6. Well-ventilated
- 7. Flapper's neckwear
- 8. Spots for links
- 9. Arial, e.g.
- 10. Ill-mannered
- 11. Malaria symptom
- 12. Subsequently
- 15. \*\*Agony of \_\_\_\_"
- 20. Like anchor aweigh
- 22. Not well
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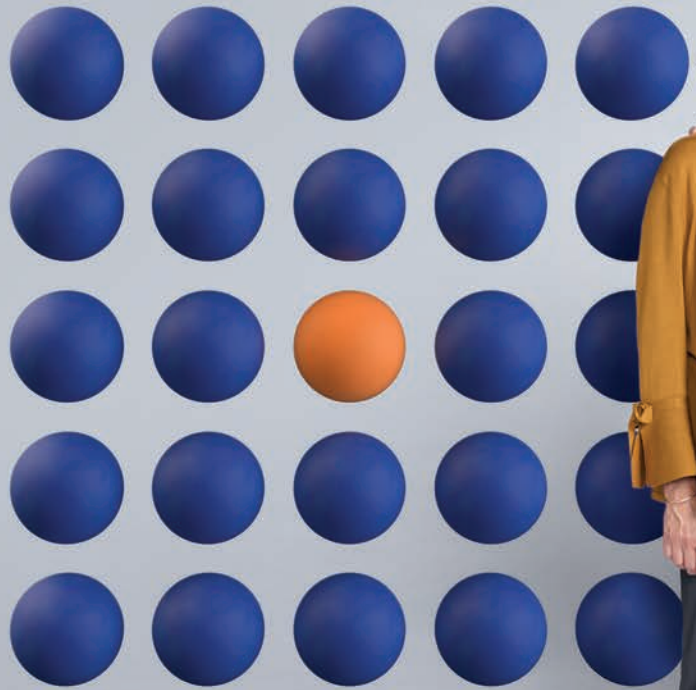
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