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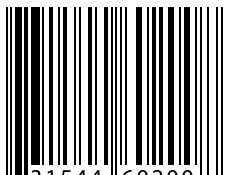


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Lord of Life Lutheran Church Interim Pastor Kerry Hinkley (second from left) leads congregation members in prayer at the groundbreaking ceremony for the church's new sanctuary on Roscoe Boulevard. Read more on page 5.


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WHAT'S THIS?



Do you know what this is?

Email your answer to jennifer@opcfla.com by Monday at 5 p.m.

All correct entries will be entered into a random drawing to win tickets for two adults and two children to the Jacksonville Zoo. In order to allow as many families as possible to win, participants are only eligible to win a ticket prize pack once every four months.

Three readers correctly identified last week's photo as Red Daisy in Neptune Beach. Winner of the random drawing was **Kelly Stroupe**. Congratulations, Kelly – you may pick up your prize at the Recorder offices during normal business hours.



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CAT OF THE WEEK

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DOG OF THE WEEK

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Solutions correspond to last week's puzzles.



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St. Johns County discontinues evacuation re-entry tag program

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In order to expedite re-entry following an emergency, evacuated residents and business owners east of the Intracoastal Waterway will now only need to provide proof of address with a

driver's license, state-issued identification card or another form of identification, such as a utility bill. Re-entry tags will no longer be issued or required for re-entry to impacted neighborhoods.

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Lloyd Cooke, Jr.

Lloyd Cooke, Jr., 66, of Jacksonville, died May 31, 2017. Ponte Vedra Valley Funeral Home, Cremation Center & Cemetery – (904) 285-1130 – www.pontevedravally.com

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Residents discuss potential zoning amendments at MSD meeting

By Jon Blauvelt

Requiring storage cabinets, sheds and satellite dishes to be screened from view and restricting the height of fences and walls on A1A to six feet were among the potential amendments to the Ponte Vedra Zoning District Regulations that residents discussed at a workshop held at Monday's Ponte Vedra Beach Municipal Service District meeting.

St. Johns County Chief Planner Danielle Handy led the dialogue, alongside County Assistant Attorney Paolo Soria and Planner Beverly Frazier. Ponte Vedra Zoning and Adjustment Board Members Tim Powell, Rob Becker and Brad Scott also attended.

Handy explained that the county, which is currently rewriting the Ponte Vedra Zoning District Regulations, has met with the PVZAB on several occasions to discuss these issues. But this was the first time they were gathering feedback from a large crowd. Handy added that the PVZAB will now be holding its meeting the first Monday of each month to allow com-

munity members to attend that meeting in addition to the monthly MSD meetings.

Lively debate erupted at the MSD meeting around the height of fences and walls on A1A. Handy said the PVZAB recently denied a variance request from a group of property owners to install eight-foot fences on their properties abutting the state road. The current maximum height is six feet, Handy explained. She opened the subject up for discussion, which led to varying opinions from residents.

Scott of the PVZAB asked what would be so offensive about an eight-foot fence, and resident Mary Kohnke responded simply that it would be violating the code.

"Why can't we just stick with six feet?" she asked. "If you let somebody go to eight, you're in trouble."

The PVZAB's Powell noted that fences along Ponte Vedra vary in height, style and color and suggested that the community organize a committee to make the fencing consistent.

The meeting also included discussion regarding maximum allowed build-



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

Residents and local officials discuss potential zoning amendments at this week's MSD meeting.

ing height, which is currently set at two stories or 35 feet, with the exception of a few areas along Ponte Vedra Boulevard. The potential amendment clarifies that a crawl space averaging six feet or greater in height counts as a story.

In addition, residents discussed potential amendments regarding fence height allowances on lagoons, screening commercial vehicles, utility trailers and

recreational vehicles and the definition of an adjacent property.

MSD Trustee Brad Wester said they hope to hold similar meetings in the future.

"I like things like this, where we have more public and citizen participation," he said. "I think it's better for the MSD. I think it was very fruitful."

PVPV/Rawlings students host 'Poetry Café'



Photo provided by Ileana Yarbrough

PVPV/Rawlings students in teacher Ileana Yarbrough's third grade class participate in the Poetry Café, a project funded by a grant from the Ponte Vedra Public Education Foundation.

Third grade students at PVPV/Rawlings had an opportunity to share their original poetry before the end of the school year, when the classrooms of teachers Ileana Yarbrough and Mary Beliles participated in a "Poetry Café."

Funded by a grant from the Ponte Vedra Public Education Foundation, the Poetry Café project used poetry as a way to focus on reading, writing, dramatics and public

speaking. Students participated in reading and writing workshops, then created poetry books featuring their original poems as well as favorite poems they studied.

The activity culminated with the Poetry Café, when students donned berets and sunglasses and dressed in black in a nod to the 1950s Beatnik culture and shared their poetry books with parents, family members and the school community.

Nease, PVHS graduates receive college-sponsored National Merit Scholarships

Two recent graduates of Allen D. Nease High School and one Ponte Vedra High School graduate have been awarded National Merit Scholarships by the colleges they plan to attend.

Ponte Vedra High School graduate Parker Shannon received a scholarship from the University of Florida, where he plans to pursue studies toward a career in construction. Nease graduate Suzanne Raybuck received a scholarship from Florida State, where she plans to study information systems management, while Nease graduate John Hiltonen received a scholarship from the University of Oklahoma to pursue studies in physical therapy.

The students were among more than 3,200 winners to receive National Merit Scholarships from U.S. colleges and universities. The awards provide between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study at the institution providing the scholarship. An additional group of National Merit Scholars will be announced in July.

More than 1.6 million juniors in more than 22,000 high schools entered the 2017 National Merit Scholarship competition when they took the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholar-

ship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), which served as an initial screen of program entrants.

Last fall, approximately 16,000 semifinalists were named on a state-representational basis in numbers proportional to each state's percentage of the national total of graduating high school seniors. Semifinalists were the highest-scoring program entrants in each state and represented less than one percent of the nation's seniors.

To compete for National Merit Scholarship awards, semifinalists first had to advance to the finalist level of the competition by fulfilling additional requirements. Each semifinalist was asked to submit a detailed scholarship application, which included writing an essay and providing information about extracurricular activities, awards and leadership positions.

Semifinalists also had to have an outstanding academic record, be endorsed and recommended by a high school official, and earn SAT® scores that confirmed the qualifying test performance.

From the semifinalist group, some 15,000 met requirements for finalist standing, with about half of the finalists receiving 2017 National Merit Scholarships.

Lord of Life Lutheran Church breaks ground on new sanctuary

By Jennifer Logue

Each Sunday morning, members of Lord of Life Lutheran Church gather in a former stable at 276 N. Roscoe Blvd. to join together in worship and fellowship.

Last Sunday afternoon, members gathered in the field next to the stable to mark a momentous occasion in the life of the congregation: the ceremonial groundbreaking of a new, air-conditioned sanctuary. Guests filed in through stakes marking what will be the new sanctuary's entrance and gathered around the newly turned earth in the shape of a cross, as Interim Pastor Kerry Hinkley led attendees in a service to bless the ground upon which the new sanctuary will be built.

"Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and bless the work of our hands," Hinkley said, "that as we, in your name, undertake the building of a house to your glory, we may be blessed in its beginning, prospered in its continuance and established in its completion; through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Grasping a ceremonial golden shovel, Hinkley bent and formally broke ground on the new building.

"I break ground in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit," Hinkley said, before passing the shovel to other local clergy, including Beth El at the Beaches Rabbi Michael Matuson, who offered a Hebrew blessing.

"We're very excited – it's been a long time coming," said Church Council Presi-

dent Cindy Tanton, noting that approximately 30 families currently comprise the congregation. "We believe that will grow when we get into the new, air-conditioned sanctuary."

Designed by Catherine Duncan Architects, the new 3,327 square-foot building will include an 1,847 square-foot sanctuary as well as office and classroom space, restrooms and a small kitchen. The building will also have covered front and back porches plus breezeways between the sanctuary and office/classroom space, for a total of 1,699 square feet of covered outdoor space.

"We wanted to respect the local history of the area and ensure the natural beauty of the church property was incorporated into the experience of the congregation," Duncan said. "Glass curtain walls will let in light as well as provide a strong connection from the interior sanctuary space to the natural setting of the site."

Current plans call for an ambitious timeline that would have the new sanctuary completed in late 2017 or early 2018, church officials said, noting that building plans are available in the church's current sanctuary for those who would like to review them.

"This is a warm, friendly congregation that has prayed for guidance on constructing a new building," Hinkley said, "and hopes to be a relevant, welcoming site that is used by the community, and for those who are looking for a church home."



New building rendering



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Pastor Kerry Hinkley breaks ground on a new sanctuary for Lord of Life Lutheran Church.



Rabbi Michael Matuson of Beth El at the Beaches offers a Hebrew blessing at the ground breaking ceremony.

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Neck Road resident Nicole Crosby enjoys the peace, tranquility and unspoiled beauty of Ponte Vedra Beach – and from opposing digital billboards to co-founding Save Guana Now, she’s fighting to keep it that way.

Nicole Crosby

By Jennifer Logue

What brought you to the First Coast?

We visited my in-laws in Atlantic Beach for many years before we moved to Ponte Vedra, so we knew and loved the area. In 2013, my whole family moved here, including my mother from Austin and my brother and his family, who now live here part-time. Previously, my husband Giff and I lived in NYC and its suburbs (in New York and Connecticut), where we both worked as writers in various ad agencies. Our son Jake enjoys Ponte Vedra and has fond memories of his childhood visits here. We still laugh about “bikini bridge” when we drive over Dames Point Bridge which resembles two bikinis – a landmark on our drive from the airport to our annual week at the beach.

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

I love having something in bloom in my garden 365 days a year, living in flip flops and having winter marked by sweaters, not snow shovels. We canoe in Guana River, swim in the ocean in the early evenings of summer (please don’t tell me that’s when sharks feed!) and yell across the house at each other to announce every amazing creature that appears outside our windows.

I’ll never forget seeing my first roseate spoonbills. The flock stopped traffic on Mickler and people jumped out of their cars to snap pictures. Last month, I spent 10 days photographing spoonbills to debunk the claim that they’re not seen in the lake east of the Outpost. I’m also a fan of a larger variety of “bird” that’s indigenous to Jacksonville – the Blue Angels! We especially enjoy Ponte Vedra’s proximity to St. Augustine and all the fantastic concert venues nearby.

You are one of the driving forces behind the Save Guana Now campaign aimed at preventing a housing development from being built on The Outpost. What prompted you to co-found this campaign?

SaveGuanaNow.org Co-Founder Gary Coulliette and I were initially prompted by the fear of 770 additional car trips that 77 homes would generate on Neck Road – emptying onto Mickler Road in both directions. The two major intersections those additional cars on Mickler will hit first – Palm Valley going west, and A1A going east – were deemed “failing” in the recent traffic study. Imagine adding 770 car trips to two failing intersections on a hurricane evacuation route. As I researched Guana and learned about the detrimental impact that development could have on the preserve surrounding the Outpost, the environmental issues became a huge concern for me. Ponte Vedra has the only national estuarine research reserve on Florida’s East Coast and we must be good stewards of it. I receive emails all the time from people who are outraged that anyone is even considering developing 99 acres of conservation land surrounded by the GTMNERR.

You were also one of the local residents who spoke out against allowing digital billboards in St. Johns County – opposition that was credited with prompting the digital billboard industry to withdraw its application. Have you always been active in issues involving development and the environment?

I was deeply involved in the effort to stop an IKEA mega-store from being built in a residential area in New Rochelle, New York, where eminent domain was being used to take people’s homes away – for a furniture store! It was a long,



Photo by Jasmine Marshall

tough battle with a happy ending – but not for IKEA. I’m sure their plans for a Jacksonville store are better thought out.

In Greenwich, I advocated against the gruesome, animal-butchered “art” of Damien Hirst, and learned that you can’t criticize anything that hangs in a museum without being accused of advocating for censorship. Personal attacks are a deflection strategy. I see it every time Gate attacks our motives for opposing development of the Outpost.

Development, traffic and related issues are a big topic of concern in Ponte Vedra today. What do you think are some possible solutions for preserving Ponte

Vedra’s character and beauty?

Planned growth is the answer. Putting 77 homes on conservation land at the end of a no-outlet street that already has 138 properties on it, and imperiling protected land, water and wildlife in the process, is the polar opposite of planned growth. A few other thoughts.... More employers should encourage telecommuting to reduce traffic. I have an internet business, TexasFireframe.com, and I can run it from behind my desk. Skype is a great alternative to traveling to meetings. Also, to help preserve Ponte Vedra’s beauty, we need a stronger tree ordinance, county wide!

Residents share history, heritage at Palm Valley Fest

By Jennifer Logue

It was billed as a storytelling event – but don't tell that to Rufus "Bubba" Stratton.

"I'm not telling stories," the 90-year-old former alligator trapper insisted at Saturday's Palm Valley Fest. "I'm telling my experiences. Everything is the truth of what really happened."

Among his recollections: capturing more than 5,000 "nuisance gators," including a 21-foot gator – one of the more than 1,000 he trapped and turned loose.

"I don't believe in killing everything," he said.

A descendant of early settler Thomas Oesterreicher, Stratton was among the longtime Palm Valley residents to share their recollections at the event. Held June 10 at the American Legion post on Wilderness Trail, the afternoon gathering was organized in support of the proposed PV Greenway initiative to create a series of traffic-separated greenway trails through Palm Valley and Ponte Vedra. In addition to enjoying barbecue and bluegrass music, guests had a chance to hear tales about Palm Valley's early days.

"We have a lot of history here in Palm Valley that needs to be told," said Donna Oesterreicher, one of the event's organizers. "Our hope is to have a Palm Valley historic district, and eventually we want to make a documentary."

Deb Chapin, founder of the PV Greenway initiative, said the efforts of her group as well as other local preservation organizations are interwoven with a desire to preserve the history of Palm Valley.

"It's so fascinating to hear the stories of the Micklers and the Oesterreichers,"

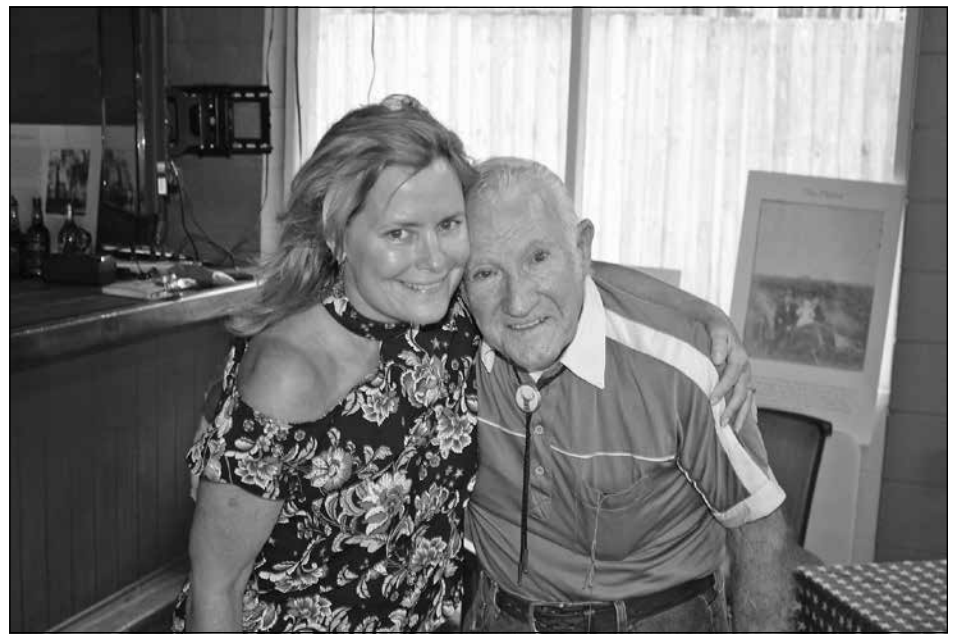
Chapin said, referring to two of Palm Valley's earliest families. "Palm Valley is really the pearl in the back pocket of Ponte Vedra."

Through environmental and historic preservation efforts, Chapin said, Palm Valley Fest organizers hope that the lives and experiences of the region's early residents will live on.

"We're trying to digitally capture the history of our oldest residents while we still can," she said. "The question we need to ask is what is the story we want to share with future generations?"



Deb Chapin of the Palm Valley Greenway Initiative



Donna Oesterreicher and Rufus "Bubba" Stratton



Musicians entertain guests at Palm Valley Fest

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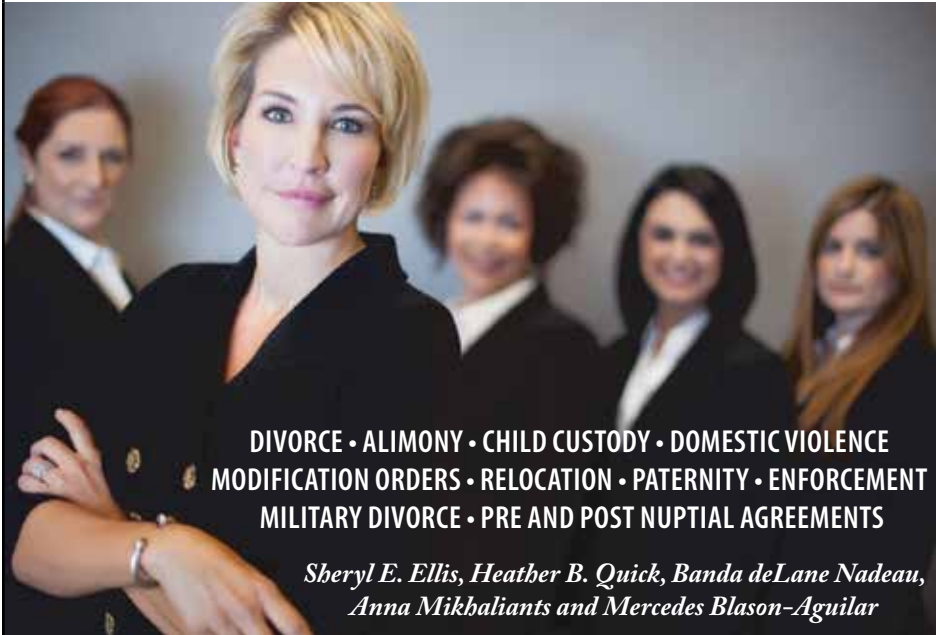
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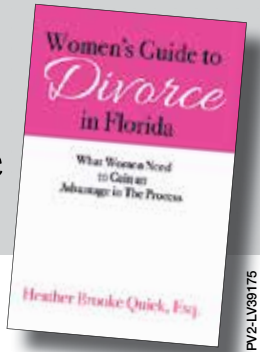
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Bolles student takes fourth place at international science fair

Newly graduated Bolles School student James Staman recently took fourth place in the category of animal science at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF) in Los Angeles.

Staman, who participated in the fair in May, is only the second Bolles student to place at the prestigious science competition, which draws participants from all over the world. The title of Staman's project was "Blue Light Effect Study: Impact on Drosophila's Cognitive Abili-

ty and Gender Ratios," in which he studied the effect of blue light on learning and population structure in fruit flies. He found that flies being raised in blue light had significantly reduced ability to complete a maze and that the population was stressed, as was indicated by the skewed sex ratio.

"We are so proud of James," science teacher Dr. Kathryn Hollaran said.

Staman also is the 2017 winner of the D-hal Award, named in Halloran's honor and established by the McGrane

family to acknowledge a student with a love of science demonstrated by independent research and going beyond classroom requirements.

In other Bolles news, two additional students, Sneha Reddy and Ann Maris Walton, were awarded silver medals in May at the International Sustainable World Energy Environment Project Olympiad, or ISWEEP, in Houston. The rising seniors studied reducing the environmental impact of phosphorus fertilizers.



Photo courtesy of The Bolles School
James Staman took fourth place at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Los Angeles in May.

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Barber receives Rotary District 6970 Al Watson Memorial Award



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Bruce Barber

Heights Rotarian Al Watson, who was a member of Rotary for 65 years until his passing at age 94. The award was last presented to a District 6970 Rotarian in 2011.

A Rotarian since 1990 and a Paul Harris Fellow, Barber has been instrumental in many of the Ponte Vedra Beach Rotary Club's fundraising and community service projects, including the construction of the Players Community Senior Center and the Ponte Vedra Beach Memory Care Center. His community service activities include serving on the board of directors for many organizations, including the Beaches Museum & History Park, Vicar's Landing and the St. Johns County Council on Aging.

Bruce Barber, a longtime member of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach, received the Rotary District 6970 Al Watson Memorial Award last week.

Presented at the district's All-Star Conference held in Atlanta in conjunction with the Rotary International Convention, the Al Watson Memorial Award recognizes a Rotarian who has demonstrated the values of Rotary and community over a significant period of time. The award is named in memory of longtime Keystone

Hope at Hand receives donation from Ponte Vedra Beach Rotary



Photo by Jennifer Logue

Steffani Hendricks Fletcher (center) accepts a donation from the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach for Hope at Hand. The local nonprofit provides

art and poetry lessons to vulnerable and at-risk youth. From left: Rotarian Rob Stursberg, Fletcher and Rotary Club President Michael Bruce.

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| <p>Concerts at the Plaza St. Augustine's Plaza de la Constitución will once again host the oldest city's summer-long concert series, "Concerts in the Plaza." Returning for its 27th season, the series will provide free, two-hour concerts featuring local musical entertainment every Thursday night at 7 p.m. On June 15, The Mike Hart Band brings a mix of blues, jazz and rock. All of the "Concerts in the Plaza" shows are free to attend and visitors are encouraged to bring lounge chairs for seating. Picnic dinners are allowed, but alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the plaza.</p> <p>Ink, Silk and Gold: Islamic Treasures "Ink, Silk, and Gold" is now on display at the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens through Sept. 3. The exhibition illuminates Islamic and Middle Eastern history, culture, religious beliefs and their contributions to global society. Exceptional objects from the Islamic art collection belonging to the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston will make a final stop in Jacksonville before returning to their home institution. The objects highlighted in this exhibition not only cover a wide variety of artistic traditions, they also span centuries and vast territories. Ranging from the 8th to the 21st century, the works originated in an Islamic world that spreads from Spain and Morocco in the West to India and Indonesia in the East, with recent works created in New York and other American cities. The museum is located at 829 Riverside Ave. in Jacksonville. Museum hours are Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday noon to 4 p.m. and closed Monday.</p> <p>Grief Support Group A grief support group meets on the third Thursday of every month at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Room 102 of the Family Life Center. The group is for men and women who are grieving the death of a family member or friend. The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 15 at 7 p.m. For information, call Kathy at (904) 553-8933 or Catherine at (904) 247-0665. St. Paul's Catholic Church is located at 578 First Ave. North in Jacksonville Beach.</p> | <p>Vacation Bible School Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church will offer a free Vacation Bible School June 12-16 at the church, located at 76 S. Roscoe Blvd. Children 3 years of age through fifth grade are welcome. Monday through Thursday sessions will be 9 a.m. to noon and on Friday parents are invited for the Celebration Assembly at 11:15 a.m., followed by lunch and water slides until 2 p.m. There will be Bible stories, music, science, crafts, recreation, and theme snacks. The church's Mission Project will be collecting children's books for North Shore Elementary School and making bookmarks for each book. For more information, contact Children's Minister Mary Margaret Barbour at (404)216-6208 or mmbour38@gmail.com.</p> <p>Live Music at Table 1 Table 1 at 330 A1A N. in Ponte Vedra Beach will host live music starting at 7:30 p.m. In addition to the entertainment, guests can enjoy bar bites starting at \$7 and 2-for-1 well drinks, domestic drafts and house wine by the glass.</p> <p>PV Professionals Networking Group The Ponte Vedra Professionals Networking Group meets Fridays at 9 a.m. at Watson Realty Corp., 615 Highway A1A N., Ponte Vedra Beach. For more information, visit www.pvpng.com or email pontevedrapng@gmail.com.</p> <p>Coastal Wine Market Wine Tasting Coastal Wine Market hosts Friday wine tastings from 6 to 8 p.m. at 641 Crosswater Parkway, Suite B, Ponte Vedra Beach. Taste six wines for \$10. For more information, call (904) 395-3520.</p> | <p>Charity Dog Wash Native Sun Natural Foods Market will host its Fifth Annual Charity Dog Wash to benefit First Coast No More Homeless Pets. The dog wash will be held at all three Native Sun locations from noon to 2 p.m. June 17. Jacksonville dog owners are invited to bring their dogs for a bath for a suggested donation of \$10 per dog, with all proceeds going directly to First Coast No More Homeless Pets. Native Sun team members and volunteers from First Coast No More Homeless Pets will be soaping up the dogs with all natural shampoo courtesy of Ark Naturals. Local pet vendors, including Jacksonville's Pawfection, will offer samples at the event, and Native Sun will give away free gifts to each freshly washed pup. Previous events have brought dogs large and small to Native Sun stores to raise funds for continuing the mission-driven programs at FCNMHP.</p> <p>Auditions for Floyd Collins at ABET The Atlantic Beach Experimental Theatre (ABET) will hold auditions for its production of Floyd Collins Saturday, June 17 beginning at 10 a.m. ABET's rendition of the musical will be directed by Erik DeCicco with musical direction by Aaron DeCicco and follows the true story of Kentucky caver Floyd Collins, who, in his search for the ultimate tourist attraction, gets trapped in a cave and triggers the first modern media frenzy. The musical's book is originally by Tina Landau with music and lyrics by Adam Guettel and Landau. Those auditioning are asked to prepare a one minute selection or song in the style of the show (contemporary musical theatre selections and country, bluegrass and similar styles are encouraged). Actors who play guitar, violin and similar string instruments will be given special consideration and are asked to prepare to accompany themselves. Cold reads may also be held on the day of auditions. For information and character descriptions, call (904) 249-7177. Performance dates will be Sept. 8-9, 15-17 and 22-24.</p> | <p>Katz 4 Keeps Adoption Event Join Katz 4 Keeps June 17-18 for an adoption event helping cats and kittens find their forever homes. The event will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Katz 4 Keeps facility located at 935B A1A North in Ponte Vedra Beach. For more information about this event or organization, call (904) 834-3223 or email info@katz4keeps.org.</p> <p>New Exhibits at the Cultural Center The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach recently opened two new exhibits. The first is a summer-themed exhibit named "Fluidity & Nature, Life's Pleasure," capturing the simple themes of summer with scenes of reflective water and bold, bright hues of color. The installation of paintings was created by artists Sharon Goldman, Doug Gerhart and Judy Gerhart. Their art will be displayed in the Cultural Center's main gallery. The second exhibit is the First Coast Pastel Society's 2017 Member Show and Sale, which showcases the beauty of the versatile pastel medium. The exhibit will be judged by a team of jurors, including Jeanette Toohey, Maureen Kirschhofer and Anthony Whiting. This exhibit will be in the Cultural Center's scene gallery. The works will be displayed for purchase until July 7. For more information, visit www.ccpvb.org/index.php. The cultural center is located at 50 Executive Way in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>World Golf Hall of Fame with Dad Celebrate Father's Day with complimentary admission for all dads and families at the World Golf Hall of Fame and Museum, located in World Golf Village in St. Augustine. From noon to 6 p.m., fathers and families will receive free entry to the World Golf Village's Hall of Fame Museum as part of the U.S. Open Week at the Hall of Fame. Dads will also receive a free round on the putting course, including the Challenge Hole's replica 17th island green.</p> |

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| <p>Music by the Sea Concert Series The "Music by the Sea" concert series returns to the St. Johns County Pier for its 15th year, bringing free weekly concerts in a variety of genres from 7 to 9 p.m. every week. Visitors are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket. Dinner is offered for \$10 or less beginning at 6 p.m. The June 19 concert will feature Grapes of Roth and food from Red Frog & McToads. The St. Johns County Pier is located at 350 A1A Beach Boulevard in St. Augustine Beach. For more information, visit www.sabca.org.</p> <p>'Safe Sitter' The Y's Healthy Living Center will present a "safe sitter" class June 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The course is designed to prepare students in grades 6-8 to be safe when they're home alone, watching younger siblings or babysitting. Students should bring a sack lunch. Registration is \$50 per student. Call (904) 202-5376 or visit baptistjax.com/hlc to reserve a spot. The Y Healthy Living Center is located in the Ponte Vedra YMCA at 170 Landrum Lane.</p> <p>Meals on Wheels Drivers Needed Volunteer drivers are needed for the weekly delivery of "Meals on Wheels" to seniors. On Mondays, drivers are needed for Route 9, Old Moultrie and St. Augustine South and Route 11, South US1 to 206. For additional days and routes, call (904) 209-3686 or send an email to aleach@stjohnscoa.com.</p> | <p>Active Shooter Seminar The St. Johns County Sheriff's Office will hold another in its series of Active Shooter Incident seminars June 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Ponte Vedra High School. The initiative, launched by Sheriff David Shoar, aims to educate the public on what to do if they find themselves in an active shooter situation as illustrated in the "Run, Hide, Fight" process. All residents are encouraged to attend the free seminar. Registration is not required. To learn more, visit the seminar's event page at www.facebook.com/events/246987612373183/. Ponte Vedra High School is located at 460 Davis Park Rd.</p> <p>Beaches Democratic Club Meeting State Rep. Tracie Davis (District 13) will speak at the Beaches Democratic Club meeting on June 20. Davis will discuss the results of the special legislative session as well as deliberations on extended sessions, and she will report to the membership details on local bills. Representative Davis' current committee assignments include Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee; Joint Legislative Auditing Committee; Oversight, Transparency & Administration Subcommittee; PreK-12 Quality Subcommittee and the Public Integrity & Ethics Committee. The Beaches Democratic Club hosts meetings the third Tuesday of each month at the Neptune Beach Activity Center, located at 2004 Forest Ave. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. with refreshments and socializing starting at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Joe Burt at (703) 628-1891 or by email at joeburt@icloud.com.</p> <p>Sunset Rotary Club Meeting The Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset meets Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn. Community leaders are welcome to attend. For more information, call club President Janeene Hart at (904) 412-5409 or email jwhart1208@gmail.com.</p> | <p>MOSH Daily Programs Join Jacksonville's Museum of Science and History for its Daily Animal Shows. On Thursday, June 21 guests can explore "Opossums Among Us" in the Florida Naturalist's Center. During this session, guests will learn of the importance of North America's only marsupial. At 2 p.m., explore "Raptor Rehab" in the Florida Naturalist's Center, during which guests learn about the owls who've made the MOSH their home. After the program at 3 p.m., museum-goers can learn about the history of the telescope from Galileo's modifications to NASA's Hubble Space Telescope. For tickets and additional information, visit www.themosh.org.</p> <p>Toastmasters Club Toastmasters Club #5199 of Ponte Vedra Beach meets every Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at the Players Community Senior Center. These meetings will help attendees improve public speaking and gain leadership skills. The senior center is located at 175 Landrum Lane in Ponte Vedra Beach. Email Carmen at carmenjsardinas@gmail.com for additional information.</p> <p>Well-being Wednesday Free well-being classes will be held at the Adele Grage Cultural Center at new evening times. Mindfulness Meditation classes are now being taught Wednesday evenings by certified instructor Melissa Stratford at the Adele Grage Center from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. For pricing information, contact Stratford at (904) 270-9760 or Melissa@meditationbuzzfl.com. Instructors and speakers interested in teaching are encouraged to contact the department of recreation and special events at (904) 247-5828 for more details about providing the community with well-being information and classes.</p> <p>Hurricane-related Insurance Workshop State Rep. Cyndi Stevenson will host a free hurricane-related insurance workshop Wednesday, June 21 at 6 p.m. at the Board of County Commissioners auditorium, 500 Sebastian View in St. Augustine. Insurance experts from the office of Florida's chief financial officer will be on hand to provide information and answer questions regarding individuals' current policies to ensure adequate coverage.</p> | <p>Concerts at the Plaza St. Augustine's Plaza de la Constitución will once again host the oldest city's summer-long concert series, "Concerts in the Plaza." Returning for its 27th season, the series will provide free, two-hour concerts featuring local musical entertainment every Thursday night at 7 p.m. On June 22, Rob Ellis Peck & Friends will perform southern R&B and classic rock & roll. All of the "Concerts in the Plaza" shows are free to attend and visitors are encouraged to bring lounge chairs for seating. Picnic dinners are allowed, but alcoholic beverages are prohibited in the plaza.</p> <p>'Synthesize: Art + Music' Jacksonville's Museum of Contemporary Art recently introduced a new exhibit to its gallery space. "Synthesize: Art + Music" presents a blend of visual and aural pieces comprised of video, sculpture and light installation. The exhibit, which calls to mind references of film and pop culture, combines the work of French composer and artist Céleste Boursier-Mougenot with artists James Clar, Rashaad Newsome, Farrah Karapetian and more.</p> <p>Life Enrichment Day Retreat 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. For more information call (904) 417-7354 or email life_enrichmentgroup@yahoo.com.</p> <p>'Friends for the Arts' Get involved in the arts by joining a team of fellow art supporters at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach. Help develop and support fundraising projects and help initiate special projects to benefit and promote The Cultural Center and the arts in our community. For more information visit www.ccpvb.org/friends-for-the-arts.</p> <p>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 jasmine@opcfla.com, post online at www.pontevedrarecorder.com using the automated form or call (904) 686-3939.</p> |

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Save the Manatee Club encourages manatee adoption for Father's Day

Save the Manatee Club (SMC) has extended its efforts into Father's Day by suggesting a unique gift this year – adopting a manatee in Dad's honor.

For \$25, SMC will allow dads to adopt a manatee and receive an adoption certificate, photo and history of a living manatee. Adoptive "parents" will also receive updates on their manatee in the club's quarterly newsletter and a subscription to "Paddle Tales," the

club's bi-monthly digital newsletter. For \$35, new club members will also receive a free t-shirt with a manatee design and club logo while supplies last.

Gift-givers may select from 34 manatees up for adoption, among them Whiskers, Gator, Doc, Rocket and Brutus. Funds from the adoption program help all manatees, going toward the SMC mission to protect the species and their aquatic habitat. A list of available

manatees and their photos are available online at www.savethemanatee.org/adoptees.

To adopt a manatee for any occasion or to learn more about the SMC, contact Save the Manatee Club toll free at 1-800-432-5646, or visit the adoption page at the club's web site at www.savethemanatee.org/adopt.

Save the Manatee Club is a nonprofit conservation organization established

in 1981 by singer/songwriter Jimmy Buffett and former Florida governor and U.S. Sen. Bob Graham. The club works to reduce the negative impacts to manatees and their aquatic habitat caused by human activity through increasing public awareness and education research, rescue, rehabilitation, and release efforts and advocating for strong protection measures.

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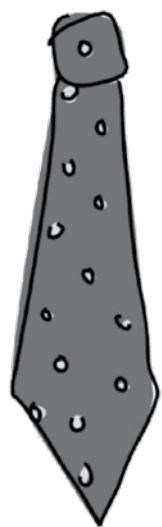
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tunity to paint a Father's Day-themed gift with the guidance of a local artist. Parents may register to paint with their children, and participants take their work with them at the end of the class. The price per seat is \$20 and children must be accompanied by an adult. To register, visit www.wineandcanvas.com.

Jacksonville IceMen

Make Dad one of the first to welcome Jacksonville's newly named minor league ice hockey team, the Jacksonville IceMen. The team will begin its inaugural season Oct. 14, squaring off against the Orlando Solar Bears in the home of the IceMen, the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena. Season ticket deposits for \$50 can be made online at www.jacksonvilleicemen.com, and full season member pricing starts at \$300. To learn more, send an email to info@jacksonvilleicemen.com.

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Kids' farmers market raises money for charity



The Reed brothers sold handmade jewelry, stationary, crafts and baked goods.



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Beckham Alexander, 10, and Sam Thornton, 9, sold sweet treats to benefit JDRF Diabetes Foundation. Alexander was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes earlier this year and wants to educate people about the many misconceptions associated with diabetes.

St. Johns Cares organized Nocatee's first-ever Kids Farmers Market at Greenleaf Pavilion recently, drawing a crowd of nearly 180 people shopping at 15 unique local kid vendors in support of local charities. Their efforts raised nearly \$700 that will benefit St. Johns County organizations.

"We were overwhelmed by the response from our community and want to thank all of the children who handmade items to sell, and of course our sponsors and volunteers for making the event possible and the success that it was," said Meg Balke, president of St.

Johns CARES.

Kids up to age 16 were invited to show their entrepreneurial spirit and sell their goods, with the proceeds from table registration benefiting St. Johns CARES. Additional sponsors included Bartram Academy, the Learning Experience, Ameris Bank and Fun 4 First Coast Kids.

The selection of handmade wares included baked goods such as Kushava Cookies, art by Evie & Reese's Treasure by the Sea and bracelets, necklaces and flowers sold by a group of Greenleaf Lakes children to raise

money for the food bank.

Beckham Alexander, 10, sold sweet treats and planned to donate his earnings to JDRF Diabetes Foundation because he was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes earlier this year. Alongside friend Sam Thornton, 9, he was happy to be a part of the farmers market because it meant they could sample some of their offerings.

"I can enjoy a few sweets like everyone else – I just have to have mine with insulin," Alexander said. "I want to raise money for JDRF so they can figure out an easier way that doesn't involve needles."

Kiddie Academy sponsored a bounce house, and a variety of carnival games, face painting and a popcorn stand were onsite to benefit Sound Connections, which provides music therapy for children with special needs.

"When St. Johns CARES learned that Sound Connections was at risk due to lack of funding, they decided to offer carnival games to help out," said Candice Sirak, music therapist with Sound Connections. "We are so grateful for their generosity as well as everyone who came out to the farmers market in support of such a fun community event."

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NIH-funded research project to study effectiveness of K9s for Warriors program



Purdue University's College of Veterinary Medicine has received funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to research the efficacy of K9s For Warriors' service dogs in mitigating the effects of PTSD on veterans and their families.

To date, the Veterans Administration (VA) has not funded service dogs for veterans suffering from PTSD, citing insufficient scientific data to support their effectiveness. Led by Dr. Maggie O'Haire of Purdue's Center for the Human-Animal Bond, the NIH-funded research project will attempt to provide that data.

"Many veterans are increasingly seeking complementary interventions for PTSD, including service dogs," she

said. "Yet, even with the well-meaning intentions of service dog organizations that are working to meet the demand, our systematic review of scientific literature confirms a lack of published, empirical research on the effects that service dogs have on veterans and their spouses."

O'Haire and her research team hope to learn how service dogs are incorporated into the lives of veterans and what changes they may confer in terms of PTSD symptomology, social functioning and physiological biomarkers. Using standardized survey instruments as well as objective measures of physiology, researchers will track stress and functioning. They also will use an ecological momentary assessment protocol to capture the role and function of the dogs in everyday life.

"This project represents a substantive departure from the status quo by applying rigorous research methodology to an area that has historically been characterized by a reliance on emotional intuition rather than evidence-based science," O'Haire said. "Without scientifically sound studies that establish proof-of-concept for the therapeutic efficacy of PTSD service dogs, this animal-assisted intervention strategy will continue to be minimized as an unsupported and potentially unsound practice, despite anecdotal

reports that the dogs may have a significant impact."

K9s for Warriors officials say they welcome the study.

"We are overwhelmingly confident that this research will prove what all of us dedicated to the mission of saving our veterans already know – that service dogs work," said Rory Diamond, CEO of K9s For Warriors. "Once this

scientific data is published, it will help put more leashes into the hands of disabled veterans in the battle against veteran suicide."

In addition to NIH, funding for the study is being provided by Mars Petcare's Waltham Centre for Pet Nutrition and Merrick Pet Care, a supporter of K9s for Warriors.

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County bookmobile to make twice weekly visits to Nocatee this summer

The St. Johns County Bookmobile will visit Nocatee twice a week this summer, enabling local residents to get a library card and check out books, movies, audiobooks and other media.

The bookmobile will be at the Publix in Nocatee Town Center Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Thursdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

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Author to offer advice on capturing an editor's attention at Ponte Vedra Writers meeting



Author Jennifer Swanson will offer tips for “Capturing an Editor’s Attention through Innovation” at the upcoming meeting of the FWA Ponte Vedra Writers group.

To be held Saturday, June 24 at 10:30 a.m. at the Ponte Vedra Library, the session will offer attendees examples of how authors can use structure, point of view and an innovative voice to grab the attention of an agent or editor.

Swanson is the editor of more than 25 nonfiction books for children that foster a love of science. Her new book, “Geoen지니어링 Earth’s Climate: Resetting the Thermostat” was recently named a Junior Library Guild selection. She holds a B.S. in Chemistry from the U.S. Naval Academy and an M.Ed. in K-8 science.

The Ponte Vedra Writers group is one of more than 50 writers’ groups affiliated with the Florida Writers Association.

Admiral Stavridis to discuss new book at The BookMark

Admiral James Stavridis, USN (Ret.) will be at The BookMark Thursday, June 15 at 7 p.m. to discuss and sign copies of his new book, “Sea Power: The History and Geopolitics of the World’s Oceans.” He will also sign copies of another new book, “The Leader’s Bookshelf.”

A voyage through the world’s most important bodies of water, “Sea Power” examines the story of naval power as a driver of human history and a crucial element in the world’s current geopolitical path, told by the only admiral to serve as supreme allied commander of NATO. In his book, Stavridis shows how the geography of the oceans has shaped the destiny of nations, how naval power has helped create the world we live in today, and how it will shape the world we live in tomorrow. Along the way, he offers insight into great naval engagements from the battles

of Salamis and Lepanto to Trafalgar, the Battle of the Atlantic, and the submarine conflicts of the Cold War.

A graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Stavridis spent more than 35 years on active service in the U.S. Navy. He commanded destroyers and a carrier strike group in combat and served for seven years as a four-star admiral, including nearly four years as the first Navy officer chosen as supreme allied commander for global operations at NATO. After retiring from the Navy, he was named dean of The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. He has written articles on global security issues for The New York Times, The Washington Post and The Atlantic. His previous books include “Destroyer Captain: Lessons of a First Command” and “The Accidental Admiral: A Sailor Takes Command at NATO.”

St. Johns Cultural Council awards fellowship to three students

The St. Johns Cultural Council recently presented Jr. ROWITA Fellowship Awards to three young women, aiding the graduating high school seniors in achieving their goals of developing their artistic skills through higher education.

Delaney Maxwell of Creekside High School, and Kierra Pheffer and Gemma Smith of St. Augustine High School’s St. Johns County Center for the Arts were the 2017 awardees. The students were each presented with a \$1,000 check, a bouquet of flowers from 57 Treasury and a certificate and tickets for future shows, courtesy of the St. Augustine Amphitheatre.

Maxwell has set her sights on a career in medical and scientific illus-

tration at the University of Georgia. Pheffer will continue her dance studies at Nova Southeastern University, while Smith intends to pursue a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in musical theatre at the Florida School of the Arts.

ROWITA stands for “Recognizing Outstanding Women in the Arts.” In order to qualify for the award, each candidate was required to maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 while planning to continue their artistic skills through continued study. They also submitted letters of recommendation from their primary arts instructors, wrote one-page essays describing their relationship with the arts and submitted samples of their work to be eligible for the fellowship. Each application was



Photo courtesy of St. Johns Cultural Council

Kaila Schippani, St. Augustine High School dance teacher, attending on Kiera Pheffer’s behalf; Joy D’Elia, ROWITA coordinator; Delaney Maxwell, Jr. ROWITA Fellowship awardee; Gemma Smith, Jr. ROWITA Fellowship awardee; Barbara McNeese, president of the St. Johns Cultural Council; and Andy Witt, executive director of St. Johns Cultural Council.

reviewed by this year’s judges, a panel comprised of ROWITA awardees: Jan Tomlinson Master, Wendy Mandel McDaniel and Dr. Dorothy Israel.

Funds were raised for the fellowship through the Limelight Theatre’s production of “I Ought to be in Pictures,” which was the first show produced by the Limelight Theatre when it was opened 25 years ago by founders Jean

Rahner and Anne Kraft. Rahner and Kraft have both received the Dr. Gail Pflaster ROWITA award for their significant contributions to the St. Johns County arts community.

Applications for the ROWITA and the Jr. ROWITA Fellowship are available at www.stjohnsculture.com. For more information, call the St. Johns Cultural Council at (904) 808-7330.

Apex to present 'The Secret Garden' at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall

Apex Theatre Studio will open its fourth summer theater season with three performances of the Broadway Musical "The Secret Garden."

To be presented Friday, June 23 at 8 p.m. and Saturday, June 24 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., the production will present the classic children's novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett in musical form.

"We had such a terrific response from families in the area to our spring production of 'The Lion King, Jr.,' so we wanted to offer a show which appeals to children as well as fans of musical theater," said Ian Mairs, managing director of Apex Theatre Studio.

University of Florida faculty member and Apex Director of Voice Matt Morgan is the production's musical director.

"Our summer program has become known for featuring young artists with an affinity and passion for singing," Morgan said. "With its rich and haunting score, 'The Secret Garden' will highlight the strengths of this particular group of performers."

Set in the early years of the 20th century, "The Secret Garden" tells the story of Mary Lennox, a young English girl born and raised in India, who is orphaned by a cholera outbreak when she is 10 years old. Sent to live in England with relatives she has never met, Mary blossoms as she and a young gardener bring new life to a neglected garden and the lives of her sickly cousin and uncle.

"The Secret Garden" company features advanced level musical theater artists from six area high schools as well as featured performers from Florida State University, the University of Florida as well as several out of state

colleges. The production is under the direction of David Loudermilk.

Tickets for "The Secret Garden" are \$25 and are available at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall and St. Augustine Amphitheatre Box Offices, ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster outlets and by phone at (800) 745-3000.



Photo courtesy of Apex Theatre Studio

Beaches Museum to host opening reception for new exhibit



The Beaches Museum & History Park will host an opening night reception Friday, June 16 at 6 p.m. to mark the debut of its new exhibit.

"Tide Runs Quiet: The Photographic Works of Thomas Hager" will showcase the work of the nationally recognized local photographer, whose work can be found in notable galleries, museums, publications and corporate collections. Hager's recent works are a series of large photographically based compositions on paper depicting re-created scenarios of coastal landscapes.

This event is free to museum members, with a suggested \$5 donation for non-members. For more information, visit www.BeachesMuseum.com or call (904) 241-5657.



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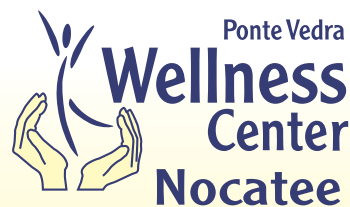
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Ponte Vedra startup to relaunch mobile publishing app

By Jon Blauvelt

A Ponte Vedra Beach-based tech startup formerly known as Life in Hi-Fi will soon relaunch its mobile publishing application and business under the new name Relevnt.

“We came to this cathartic realization that the product had to be much, much better,” said Winder Hughes, founder and chief executive officer of Relevnt. “We had to pretty much rebuild the whole app. Now, we’re ready to go.”

Soon to be available on the App Store, Relevnt is designed to aggregate and customize content for consumers, enabling them to create their own one-stop, real-time mobile news feed based on their interests and priorities, free of charge. Perhaps more important, the app enables media brands and content curators to publish, distribute and monetize web content from one centralized and mobile-first destination, which Hughes said ultimately provides them with ownership and control of their content. He describes the real-time media browser as “Godaddy.com meets Google.”

A Ponte Vedra native and former Wall Street investment broker and fund manager, Hughes said the app relaunch and redesign was necessary to clarify the platform’s primary function for consumers. Life in Hi-Fi, which was incorporated in 2013, confused users as to whether they should be posting content or consuming it, he said. In

addition, he noted, the old company name didn’t resolve this confusion or explain the essential purpose of the product.

The new name emphasizes the platform’s ability to connect users with branded content and topical communities that are most relevant to them, without the noise of social media.

“Everyone wants stuff that is relevant,” said Hughes. “So much is irrelevant.”

Hughes added that the correct spelling of relevant was “too literal.” He and his five other employees decided Relevnt sounded more hip.

The new app design, Hughes said, will help users understand that they should be spending most of their time on the platform consuming information that is most important to them. Hughes calls the platform a “cure for app fatigue,” because it provides users with instant access to a wide range of content – including articles, photos, videos and podcasts – in one place and ultimately eliminates the need to visit multiple sites or apps to obtain information.

He noted that a new feature of the app called “Relevnt Now” allows users to always see the most current updates from their favorite sources at the top of their feeds. For example, if a Ponte Vedra resident wanted to follow THE PLAYERS Championship, that user could set the topic as “Relevnt Now” for the week of the tournament and receive instant access to

100 percent of the content published about that subject.

According to Hughes, Relevnt is helping to solve a growing problem in the tech world for media brands and content curators. A handful of four or five companies, including the likes of Facebook and Google, he said, are taking 90 percent of the new advertising dollars in the mobile space and crowding out digital publishers. Consumers are spending 80 percent of their time visiting those company’s four or five apps, he added, and the remaining 20 percent of their time on other apps and the mobile web.

As a result, Hughes said several media companies have stopped investing in their apps and mobile websites altogether because they know consumers aren’t visiting them and that they’re ultimately losing money. Due to this situation, these companies are receiving negative App Store reviews, which Hughes said is damaging their brand equities. Overall, he said, the current web browser-to-website architecture has become an antiquated bottleneck for how mobile media is distributed and consumed.

The Relevnt CEO said his platform solves these problems for content publishers because it brings a company’s content into one common, attractive user interface for a low price. Brands and content curators can register, customize and monetize hashtag-based mobile domains on the



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

Ponte Vedra entrepreneur Winder Hughes is relaunching his mobile publishing app and startup under the new name Relevnt.

platform called “communities” starting at \$4.99 per year.

“The whole thesis with Relevnt is to bring back that concept of ownership, control and monetization in mobile that is sorely lacking out there today,” said Hughes.

Relevnt’s communities consolidate content from a content creator’s websites, apps and social platforms into one real-time newsfeed by leveraging RSS links from each of the sources of information. Domain owners can upgrade to more expensive, tiered service plans that include subscription revenue, analytics, income from targeted advertising and e-commerce transactions on the network.

With more than 300 million websites currently in existence, most of which are not mobile-first, Hughes said there is an \$11 billion market opportunity for his startup. Since launching Life in Hi-Fi about four years ago, the company has raised close to \$3 million from local investors. Hughes hopes to raise \$5-10 million from venture capital firms in the coming years. He forecasts Relevnt will accumulate approximately 10 million users and more than 3.6 million mobile domains after four years, resulting in an estimated gross profit of more than \$108 million.

Hughes also believes Relevnt will become a strategic target for a web domain player like GoDaddy.com or a browser player like Google or Microsoft, both of which he believes are lacking a mobile-first component.

“The sky is fairly limitless with what we’re doing,” said Hughes, who works in an office building on A1A adjacent to Pussers and Ruth’s Chris. “No one else is really doing what we’re doing. I think it’s very, very stable.”

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Native Plant Consulting founder aims to teach locals smart landscaping

By Jasmine Marshall

Homeowners in Florida are all too familiar with the struggle that landscaping presents for lawns exposed to unrelenting sunlight and summers either too arid or torrential to keep plants alive. The dilemma is only made worse by uncertainties where maintenance is concerned: How often should the lawn be watered? How much water should be used? Why do lawns need certain plants to thrive?

Several signs point to the root of the problem being a lack of awareness — most people just aren't sure how to implement "waterwise" landscaping into their own home projects, or how to choose practical landscape design. To remedy the issue, First Coast native Renee Stambaugh established Native Plant Consulting, a service providing site analysis, installation, training and more for residents overwhelmed with the choices with which landscaping often presents them.

Beyond providing a service, Stambaugh's objective is to educate the public

on things such as proper plant choice, better watering habits and tending to native plants until they grow new roots and can care for themselves.

Smart landscaping decisions

"It does hurt homeowners ... to not be aware," she said. "I think they don't know how to keep waterwise lawns because other options receive more attention. Sometimes, it's as simple as turning off your automatic irrigation."

To that end, Stambaugh strongly advocates for the transition from turf lawns — which require plenty of water, fertilization and chemical supplements to thrive — to that of native plant beds comprised of flora that don't require maintenance that ultimately harms the environment.

"One of my objectives is to give people the option of reducing," she said. "Many people are eliminating turf grass in favor of native plant beds. There are over 3,000 plants native to Florida, more than half of which are wild flowers — you could find something for your yard."

Going local in a move Stambaugh refers to as "right plants, right place" is likely the best remedy for the landscaping dilemma. Native plants, or species that thrived even before the arrival of European settlers, don't force the environment to compensate the way non-native plants and turf do. The latter is the root of overwatering, to which residents frequently resort when turf or non-native plants cannot survive in the environment in which they've been planted. The for-

mer reduces the need to frequently water or use additional supplements to thrive, as they've already adapted to the climate, weather patterns and exposure.

Guided learning

To help them make better decisions, Stambaugh's Native Plant Consulting service guides bewildered clients through the process of landscape design. She begins with a survey to better understand the function of the yard in the homeowner's lives, noting the frequency of outdoor activities, family size and special family service or utility needs. Stambaugh then asks what "feeling" the client would like their landscape to evoke — tropical, coastal or otherwise — to establish an aesthetic plan. Following the consultation, she sketches a design to scale and points clients to a list of the top 20 native plants recommended for their landscape. The list, which consists of trees, shrubs, grasses and flowers like cedar, cordgrass and beach sunflowers and their botanical names, is then used by the client to request the proper plants from a nursery.

Stambaugh's goal with the consultative service is for clients to achieve total function of their yards, not just the desired aesthetic.

"The number one objective is to educate the customer," she said. "But I also hope that the customers will educate others. I want people to know that there are plenty of resources out there when you research native plants, and for them



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Before and after shots of landscapes designed by Native Plant Consulting

to choose options that not only reduce the need for watering, fertilizing and chemicals, but to feed the wildlife so that they, too, can thrive."

For resources on native plants, visit www.nativeplantconsulting.com.

Stambaugh's general tips for smart landscape design:

1. "Right Plant, Right Place"
2. Space Species for their mature size
3. Plant species in odd numbers (i.e. groups of five or seven) for a more aesthetically pleasing design

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Special to the Recorder

As you've most likely heard, the U.S. House of Representatives recently failed to secure the number of votes needed to pass a bill that would have repealed the Affordable Care Act and replaced it with a new national health plan. While a new bill is now making its way through Congress, it appears that the current plan will be with us a bit longer. That is probably not good news for young people who don't want to buy health insurance (or pay a penalty if they don't buy it) or for people who secure their health insurance through their employer and have seen their costs increase dramatically since the act

became law; these two groups would have benefited under the House bill that didn't pass.

However, seniors may be breathing easier because the House bill would have increased their costs, partly because of their higher utilization of health care services and partly due to the removal of the subsidy coming from younger, healthier people required to buy insurance. This begs a question that we, as a country, have been hesitant to face: Should those who use health care services more heavily bear that burden, or should these costs be spread over to those whose income is highest, live in certain zip codes, etc., to absorb the cost?

Many argue that, if people had to bear more of the cost of their care, they might a) become better consumers by seeking lower cost providers and services and b) they might also take better care of themselves (diet, exercise, smoking cessation, etc.) as they

would financially benefit from an improved health status. Unfortunately, many people are avoiding care because they cannot afford it. That eventually leads to a deterioration in health and the development of more serious conditions, the treatment of which are more expensive and ends up costing all of us more in taxes and insurance costs.

Given our aging population, it seems inevitable that health care costs will continue to rise and therefore the costs borne by seniors will continue to grow as a result. Current projections are that a married couple, age 65, needs almost \$300,000 to pay their share of health costs not covered by Medicare over their lifetimes. And, that figure does not include long-term care costs such as home care or nursing home costs. Please consider this matter seriously as you develop/review your financial plan so you don't find yourself having to forgo care because you cannot afford it. As the old adage says, "An ounce of

prevention is worth a pound of cure."

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Newly opened FLA Juice brings all-in-one café to Jacksonville Beach

By Jasmine Marshall

FLA Juice's opening on Saturday, June 10 marked the culmination of a year's work by owners Ande and Daniel Bluett, whose new Jacksonville Beach business is the latest offering in the pressed juice market. But the Ponte Vedra couple is determined to deliver the experience with a twist – the juice, smoothie and bowl café's offerings also include fresh seafood and coffee.

It was an idea born of inspiration from the West Coast – specifically, San Diego and Santa Barbara – where the couple lived for about three years before returning to Jacksonville Beach in 2013. There, Ande said, the fresh-squeezed juice market reigned supreme; on the First Coast, however, offerings were comparatively sparse.

After deliberating the possibility of owning a juice café of their own making, it was Daniel's love for fishing and acai bowls that ultimately pushed the couple to make the leap.

"We just thought, 'Why don't we go ahead and give it a try?'" Ande Bluett said. "It's the first time either of us has owned a business,

so it's been a big undertaking. But we're both passionate, we care about quality and we're really excited to see where this goes."

As overwhelming as it's been, the couple has shown no signs of slowing; Daniel applied his construction background into remodeling the entire space himself in the Pineapple Post's former location on Third Street. In addition to sourcing local vendors such as Mayport C&C Fisheries, they've also enlisted the help of local artists to transform the walls of FLA Juice into a rotating gallery space from which art can be purchased.

The result is an all-in-one café whose offerings range from acai and pitaya bowls made with ingredients such as kiwi, granola, bee pollen and coconut flakes to poke bowls comprised of tuna, salmon or wahoo, white rice and organic mixed greens. FLA Juice also offers both hot and iced coffee, kombucha, a selection of house made smoothies and bottled, pressed juice.

The nature of the business, like most in the long stretch of Jacksonville Beach, is almost purely symbiotic. For those reasons, Ande said, the move just made sense.

"I grew up on the beach in Ponte Vedra



Photos by Jasmine Marshall

Owners Daniel and Ande Bluett

and Daniel is from Ortega," she said. "And we just love the feel and we love the people here – this is where we've set up our home. So, opening a business in a community like this was the obvious choice. It's a great community because local businesses support one another."

Moving forward, Ande said she's excited for the possibility of expansion and growth. But, for the time being, she's happy to offer an experience that will gain a local following.

"What makes us stand out is quality, fresh, organic ingredients and healthier options," she said. "And I'm ... really looking forward to welcoming people back and seeing customers visit the café over and over. We want people to come in, eat well and leave feeling good."



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Chamber of Commerce hosts annual Golf Classic, Seasonal Blend

Grey skies and occasional downpours didn't dampen the spirits of those attending the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce's annual Golf Classic and Summer Seasonal Blend.

Held June 8 at the King & Bear in World Golf Village, the annual golf tournament featured 18 holes of golf followed by food, drinks and a networking reception. Prizes were awarded in a number of categories, including Best Dressed, which went to Scott Mitchell; First Place Gross, which was presented to Harbour Community Bank; Closest to the Pin, won by Jeff Smith; and Longest Drive, which went to Linda Culver.



Isabelle Rodriguez with Best Dressed Golfer Scott Mitchell and Cathy Johnston



Isabelle Rodriguez, First Place Gross Team Harbour Community Bank, Cathy Johnston and Gregg Voss



Isabelle Rodriguez, Closest to the Pin winner Jeff Smith and Cathy Johnston



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Beaches Community Fund awards \$143,000 to local nonprofits



In its second year of grantmaking, the Beaches Community Fund awarded \$143,000 to 11 local nonprofit organizations, bringing its two-year giving total to more than \$350,000 to aid Beaches residents in need.

Organizations receiving support from the fund in 2017 include BEAM, Mission House, Sulzbacher Clinic, Read USA, the Florida Institute for Education at UNF and the Nonprofit Center of Northeast Florida. Grants to those organizations were made as part of the Beaches Community Fund commitment to strengthen Beaches nonprofit organizations as well as impact early childhood education and access to transportation.

In addition, the fund held a competitive process for Beaches-area nonprofits to submit pressing needs for funding. As part of that open

application process, the Beaches Community Fund awarded:

- \$25,000 to Child Guidance Center for start-up costs for a Beaches location
- \$10,000 to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for its Emergency Assistance Ministry
- \$20,000 to We Care's Beaches Health & Wellness Collaboration to add a Community Health Worker for follow-up and home visits
- \$25,000 to Mission House to add a part-time housing director in its Rapid Re-Housing program
- \$10,000 to Girls Scouts of Gateway Council to create a Community Development Troop serving 100 girls from low-income families at the Beaches

An initiative of The Community

Foundation for Northeast Florida, the Beaches Community Fund is a collective giving circle of like-minded philanthropists who strive to address basic human service issues in the area east of the Intracoastal Waterway from Mayport to Guana. While anyone can contribute to the fund, those donors who wish to be directly involved with the fund's grantmaking decisions are asked for a multi-year commitment of \$10,000 per year, per family. Staff members from The Community Foundation work closely with the group to establish priorities, research grant opportunities and manage the grantmaking functions. Grants are announced in May of each year.

For more information, visit www.jaxcf.org/learn/beaches-community-fund or contact Joanne E. Cohen at jcohen@jaxcf.org or (904) 356-4483.

River Garden donor wins THE PLAYERS Championship's 'Birdies for Charities'

River Garden donor Gerry Bettman was the winner of THE PLAYERS Championship's "Birdies for Charity" program, guessing the exact number of birdies – 1,429 – made during the 2017 tournament.

Bettman also had the closest answer to the tiebreaker question – how many balls would be hit into the water on the 17th hole – winning \$5,000, which he donated to River Garden.

Through the Birdies for Charity program, participants can enter to win the \$5,000 prize by making a \$20 donation to participating charities, entering as often as they like. Bettman made his donation at the 21st Annual River Garden Classic held April 25 at Deerwood Country Club.

In addition to the \$5,000 prize, THE PLAYERS Championship puts up a \$250,000 bonus pool to be divided among the participating charities, based on the percentage of entries each organization received.

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JAGA receives \$12,000 donation from Sawgrass Country Club for scholarship trust fund

Sawgrass Country Club raised \$12,065 in 2017 to support the nonprofit Jacksonville Area Golf Association's (JAGA) scholarship trust fund.

An all-volunteer organization, JAGA runs numerous golf tournaments in Northeast Florida while also administering the scholar-

ship trust fund, which supports students in need who have expressed an interest in any aspect of the sport. The initial scholarship award to each student is \$1,000 per term for up to eight terms of undergraduate study.

Sawgrass has been fortunate to have 21 young people reach their goals of going to

college with the help of the JAGA scholarship fund. Many of these students have gone on to successful careers as golf course superintendents, golf club managers, PGA golf professionals and other careers inside and outside the golf industry.

This year's scholarship recipient from

Sawgrass is Emilio Mirabilio, who is a member of the club's golf course maintenance staff.


Since its inception in 1974 the scholarship fund has awarded hundreds of scholarships to deserving young people totaling more than \$1 million.




Photos courtesy of Sawgrass Country Club
Leedom Kettell, president, Sawgrass Country Club Board of Governors; Barry McDonald, general manager and COO; and JAGA directors Randy Nader, Ray Gottschalk and Gregg Deiboldt.




Sawgrass Country Club Golf Course Superintendent Bill Schmidt, Director of Agronomy Matt Durkee, scholarship recipient Emilio Mirabilio and General Manager Barry McDonald



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Golf legend, broadcaster provides words of wisdom to local financial advisors



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Todd Woodward of Mosaic Wealth Management, Johnny Miller, Scott Winters of EQIS Capital and Josh Krafchick of RFW Wealth Advisors gather after Miller's discussion.

By Jon Blauvelt

According to Johnny Miller, life is less about your achievements and more about your perseverance amid adversity.

The Hall of Fame golfer and NBC broadcaster shared his life's learnings, journey and observations on and off the golf course with a group of about 50 lo-

cal financial advisors earlier this week at an event sponsored by EQIS Capital. Held at the TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse, the event also featured a golf demonstration conducted by Miller.

Among several topics, Miller discussed extensively the slump he experienced following his victory at the 1976 Open Championship at Royal

Birkdale Golf Club in Southport, England. After gaining significant muscle mass after buying and renovating an old ranch in Napa Valley, California, Miller said, he suddenly lost his form and "couldn't play a lick."

Miller failed to win for the next three years and considered quitting golf for good. Instead, he ultimately decided to turn his game around so he could set a good example for his children, and he started what he refers to as his second playing career, in which he won seven tournaments in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

"It's not so much what you've accomplished in life that matters," said Miller at the June 12 event. "It's what you overcome that proves who you are."

The golf legend recalled several other anecdotes and memories, including his come-from-behind victory at the 1973 U.S. Open, the beginning of his friendship with Jack Nicklaus at the 1966 U.S. Open – when Miller was a

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freshman in college – and his father’s influence in pushing him to become a golfer. All the while, Miller continued to share insightful nuggets of wisdom, especially pertaining to the importance of family.

“No amount of success can compensate for failure in the home,” he said. “That’s the most important work of your life.”

EQIS Capital, a turnkey asset

management technology platform that financial services companies can use to access institutional money managers, hosted the event to introduce its offerings to the advisors and also provide them the opportunity to engage with Miller, who has been associated with EQIS since 2016. Event attendees said they enjoyed the experience.

“His candid personality translates into the way he’s willing to tell stories both on and off the golf course,” said Todd Woodward of Mosaic Wealth Management in Orlando. “It was just very cool.”

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Marsh Landing holds Memorial Day couples scramble



Photo courtesy of Isobel Spink

A group of local couples enjoys a day of golf at Marsh Landing to celebrate Memorial Day.

Marsh Landing Country Club hosted a group of local couples for a nine-hole scramble golf tournament May 28 to celebrate Memorial Day.

The team of Perry and Tina Shupe and Jerry and Marty Evans recorded the best gross score with 32, while Dan and Emily Crowder and Ray and Lorraine Williams finished not far behind with 35.

The team of Peter and Terri Schmidt and Matt Raulerson and Jenny Redding finished with the top net score with 28.9. Joe and Jennifer York and Seth and Wendy Walker placed second in net scores with 29.2.

Following the tournament, participants enjoyed cocktails and barbecue.

Marsh Landing Women's Golf Association holds closing day tournament



Photos courtesy of Isobel Spink

First place winners Kim Huygue, Betty Jean O'Steen, Peggy Stanley and Ginny Dunn



Second place winners Isobel Spink, Florrie Redick and Tina Shupe (Missing: Susan Delfs)

The Marsh Landing Country Club's Women's Golf Association held closing day May 23. The format of play was best two balls of the foursome.

Kim Huygue, Betty Jean O'Steen, Peggy Stanley and Ginny Dunn took home first place. The team of Isobel Spink, Florrie Redick, Tina Shupe and Susan Delfs placed second, while Vicki Arnold, Marcia Ezequelle, Pat Tancredi and Amy Wallman finished in third place.



Third place winners Vicki Arnold, Marcia Ezequelle, Pat Tancredi and Amy Wallman

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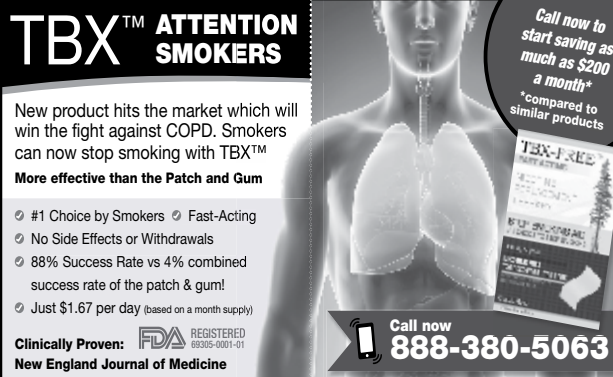
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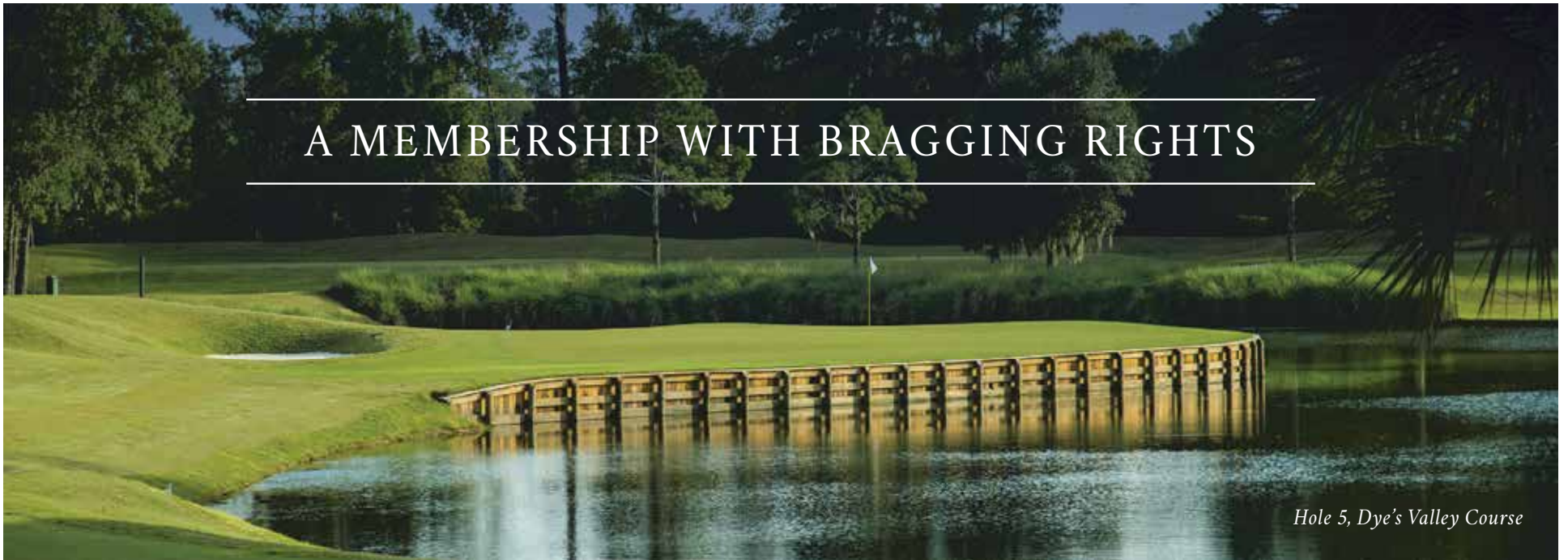
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