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Miss Florida Taylor Tyson visited Ponte Vedra High School on Wednesday to give a "Real Talk" on substance abuse. Shown here is Tyson (center) with reigning Miss Ponte Vedra Jasmine Hurt (left) and former Miss Ponte Vedra Caroline Davidson. **Read page 5 for more.**

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WHAT'S THIS?



Do you know what this is?

Email your answer to jonb@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.

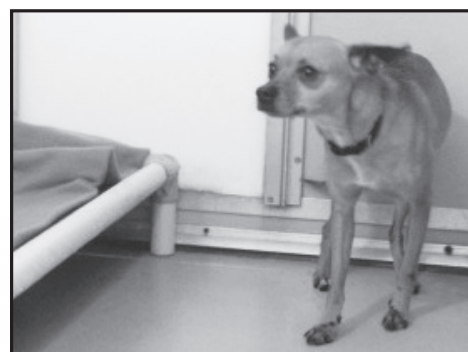
No readers correctly identified last week's sign. As a result, we're going to give you all another chance. Good luck!

ADOPT A PET

CAT OF THE WEEK

Jasper is a 1-year-old, short hair tabby who came to the Pet Center as a stray, which means some traits may be unknown.

Jasper is neutered, and shy at first. Come visit Jasper today at the Pet Center. #49203



DOG OF THE WEEK

Chimi is a 2-year-old dog who came to the Pet Center as an owner surrender. Come visit Chimi today at the Pet Center. #49126

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Cat adoptions are \$30 for males and \$40 for females. Dog adoptions are \$45 for males and \$60 for females. Adoption fees include microchipping, neutering/spaying, rabies vaccinations and shots. The Pet Center is located at 130 N. Stratton Road in St. Augustine, off U.S. 1 between County Road 210 and International Golf Parkway. Business hours are Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center is closed to the public on Sunday. On Monday, the office is open by appointment only to claim a lost pet. **For more information, please call the St. Johns County Pet Center at (904) 209-6190.**

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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Solutions correspond to last week's puzzles.

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4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths \$950,000

BAHA'I COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY MEMBERS CLEAN UP LOCAL BEACH



Photo courtesy of Robert Thaggard

Members of the Baha'i Community of St. Johns County gather near Mickler's Landing in Ponte Vedra Beach to pick up trash along the beach. The group met after Sunday morning brunch and a discussion group meeting on faith and climate change. The community joined diverse religious groups nationwide to observe Faith Climate Action Week April 5-14.

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COLLECTION



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County takes steps toward paid off-beach parking plan

By Amber Lake

In the April 2 St. Johns County Commission meeting, the Board of County Commissioners decided to move forward with a Request for Proposals (RFP) process for a paid parking program for off-beach parking lots. Based on the community feedback and public comment, however, county staff has a difficult task ahead with balancing the area's expectations and limited resources.

Although the vote passed narrowly in a 3-2 decision, the program will only continue negotiations with Republic Parking System LLC to fine-tune an agreement for the project. Commissioners Jimmy Johns of District 1, Jeb Smith of District 2 and Henry Dean of District 5 voted in favor of continuing negotiations, while Jeremiah Blocker of District 4 and Paul Waldron of District 3 voted against it. The County Commission has yet to proceed with a finalization of the plan.

The paid parking program would affect approximately 25 locations. Mickler's Landing Beachfront Park in Ponte Vedra Beach is included in the plan. Although not yet finalized, the proposed rate would be \$5 a day or \$50 for an annual pass for both off-beach parking and parking at the county's boat ramps. The system would rely on a digital



Photo by Amber Lake

The St. Johns County Commission voted 3-2 on April 2 to move forward with a Request for Proposals (RFP) process for a paid parking program for off-beach parking and boat ramp lots.

app that would utilize "smart meters" and pay-by-phone methods.

The paid parking management program has been an ongoing discussion for the past few years. It hopes to offset some of the challenges involved with directing the county's limited financial budget toward beach services. Some of these services include maintaining beach access and beach driving lanes, managing trash collection and restrooms and administering habitat conservation and public safety services such as lifeguards and marine rescue. As of fiscal year 2017, the total funding for such services was \$1,728,881, according to the county. The revenue

collected is from an on-beach driving fee that leaves about \$1 million in deficit for beach services. According to Jesse Dunn, the county's director of the Office of Management and Budget, the current funding approach is "geographically limited," and the new plan would close the \$1 million revenue shortfall for beach services. Currently, this shortfall is levied from the General Fund and the Tourist Development Tax.

Dunn pointed out that the parking fee program could also help improve the 12 boat ramp facilities in the county.

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Photos courtesy of St. Johns County

Sea turtle nesting season begins May 1.

Sea turtle nesting season begins May 1

Sea turtle nesting season begins May 1, and St. Johns County officials are asking residents, visitors and businesses to help protect natural habitat by observing all nesting season laws and regulations.

Between May 1 and Oct. 31, vehicular traffic on the beach is allowed between the hours of 8 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. In addition, all beachfront properties are required to reduce their impact by eliminating interior and exterior lights, which may disrupt nesting sea turtles. Volleyball court lights at St. Johns County Pier Park will turn on at sunset and turn off at 9 p.m. during this time.

According to the county, beach visitors can also have a positive impact on nesting sea turtles by taking the following actions while enjoying the beach:

- Refrain from using fireworks and open fires.
- Remove ruts and fill in holes left by vehicles and sandcastle building.
- Remove all chairs, umbrellas or

canopies from the beach before dark. These items are subject to removal by County staff.

- Refrain from using flashlights, as they can harm sea turtles.
- Avoid entering sand dunes and conservation zones (15 feet seaward of the dune line).
- Refrain from using balloons, as they can fall into the ocean and harm marine life.
- Never approach sea turtles emerging from, or returning to the sea. According to the county, nesting sea turtles are vulnerable, timid and can be easily frightened away.

Per the county, one should never push an injured animal back into the ocean. If an injured, sick or deceased sea turtle is encountered, call the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office non-emergency dispatch line at (904) 824-8304.

For more information, contact St. Johns County Habitat Conservation and Beach Management at (904) 209-3740 or visit www.sjcfcl.us/hcp.



Photo by Amber Lake

Miss Florida Taylor Tyson visits Ponte Vedra High School on Wednesday to provide a presentation on substance abuse.

Miss Florida 2018 gives PVHS students 'Real Talk' about substance abuse

By Amber Lake

Miss Florida 2018 Taylor Tyson visited Ponte Vedra High School (PVHS) on Wednesday to speak to students about substance abuse prevention.

The presentation, titled "Real Talk," is based on prevention techniques included in the Alcohol Literacy Challenge, developed by nationally-recognized researchers Drs. Michael Dunn and Thomas Hall.

The program is the first classroom-based prevention program that specifically challenges students' preconceived notions about drinking and its effects, according to the addiction research facility that sponsors Tyson's presentations, Advanced Recovery Systems.

Tyson, a South Florida native, told the Recorder that the topic is especially close to her.

"In my family, substance abuse was never something that was swept under the rug," Tyson said. "It's something my family struggled with my whole life, and I feel a personal connection to what I'm talking about. I know that sometimes there is so much of a stigma attached to it and as a society we don't talk about it that much. I believe that in order to solve problems as big as this, we really have to have an honest conversation about it."

Tyson is currently touring schools around the state giving presentations on the various platforms that are important to her. In addition to speaking about drug abuse and prevention, she speaks to elementary and middle schools about the Florida Everglades, as she did early Wednesday morning at Landrum Middle School. Tyson also advocates for empowering young women, and was the third runner up for Miss America 2018.

Girl Scout Troop works to earn Silver Award at Cultural Center

The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach (CCPVB) received some color and repairs to its outdoor areas thanks to local Girl Scouts working to earn their Silver Award.

With the help of troop leader, Heather Harrington, the Landrum Middle School students in Girl Scout Troop 844 reached out to the Cultural Center and offered their services for a revitalization project. Their work included repairing a gate that had been damaged by hurricanes, painting a mural and doing some weeding, mulching and planting in the flower beds around the building and courtyard.

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn. The process of earning it



encourages scouts to find a cause they are passionate about and to complete a community project related to that cause

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Landrum Middle School students in Girl Scout Troop 844 help revitalize the courtyard at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach in an effort to earn their Silver Award.

Photo courtesy of Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach



Photo courtesy of Katherine Bi-Ji

Students from Ponte Vedra High School and Landrum Middle School attend the 14th annual Florida Statewide Chinese Competition (FSCC) March 15-16 in Miami.

Local students participate in statewide Chinese competition

Eight students from Ponte Vedra High School (PVHS) and Landrum Middle School attended the 14th annual Florida Statewide Chinese Competition (FSCC) March 15-16 in Miami.

Led by PVHS teacher Yan Li, the students participated in two days of tests, games and culture activities to further their knowledge of the Chinese language and culture.

Ranging from sixth to 12th grade, the students arrived in Miami on a Friday night ready for a rigorous game of "Jeopardy" played by three students from PVHS. The competition team engaged in multiple months of practice in preparation for the game. Finishing with a total

of 1,200 points against three other high schools and correctly answering the "Final Jeopardy" question, their knowledge of geography, historical figures, festivals and various dates paid off. Friday night concluded with a banquet dinner and culture performances put on by other students and speakers of the language.

On Saturday, all academic competitions took place. Students Sophie Barley (11) and Grace Nuri (9) participated in Level One. Hope Daughtry (10) and Maggie Dykstra (9) participated in Level Two. Hayden Hulihan (12) and Elizabeth Ewalt (6) participated in Level Three. Chris

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Ponte Vedra resident Sandi Galloway has worked for several years in the airline and tourism industries. Today, she owns Sandi Galloway & Associates and provides workshops in travel safety and business etiquette.

Sandi Galloway

Can you please briefly tell us about your background?

I began my career working for international airlines: Air Canada, Braniff International, Pan Am and British Airways. In my 20-year career, I worked my way from reservations agent to manager of flight attendants, assistant station manager and finally to sales and marketing. During my airline career, I returned to school to pursue a degree in tourism management from Florida International University. I met my late husband while working for Braniff International at the Miami Airport. He also worked for Braniff in the flight training department. We married, and I transferred to Dallas to join him. After leaving the airline industry, the Canadian Consulate General offered me a position as a tourism trade officer for the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade. This position offered me the opportunity to learn more about international protocol and foreign relations. In 1995, the tourism sector separated to become the Canadian Tourism Commission. I held the position of director of meetings, conventions and incentive travel for the Southern USA for 23 years. In 2015, I decided to move back to Florida and start my own company.

What's the story of Sandi Galloway & Associates? What workshops do you provide?

I always knew that I wanted to own my own company. In preparation, I attended the Global Protocol Etiquette & Civility Academy in Dallas. I earned my Certified Protocol, Etiquette and Civility (CPECP) designation in 2013. Sandi Galloway & Associates was born from my love for the meetings, hospitality and travel industry and my desire to help businesspeople gain an edge by developing skills necessary to advance their career. My workshops on travel safety focus on risk management and the ever-growing concern for personal safety and security. I help keep travelers informed not only of potentially dangerous destinations but to help them understand steps they can take to keep themselves safe and healthy and steer clear of dangerous situations. In business, success is based on building relationships. My business etiquette workshops help build poise and confidence by mastering good manners. My international background adds a global perspective to this ever-changing world. The Jacksonville area is becoming an international melting pot. Cultures and customs vary greatly throughout the world. The opportunity for serious cultural mistakes is significant. Even if you never leave Florida, you will most likely encounter visitors from different areas of the world. Understanding cultural differences is critical to building relationships and to your bottom line.

How do you see the hospitality and travel industry changing?

The hospitality industry is dealing with multigenerational travelers now more than ever. Boomers have larger travel budgets and prefer to stay in hotels and motels when traveling, while millennials are more adventurous and prefer to “live like a local,” valuing experiences and utilizing booking tools such as Airbnb. Meeting the needs of such diverse travelers can be difficult. The industry is being challenged to “make it personal.” Technology is now assisting with every aspect of travel, helping to focus on enhancing the guest experience through online searches, with booking tools, for flight and hotels, plus other ways to personalize and meet guest expectations. Increasingly, Artificial Intelligence (AI) is being utilized to provide the industry with the information they need to deliver an exceptional guest experience. Social media will continue to influence travel decisions. An effective social media crisis management program needs to become a priority to help maintain positive guest relations.

How do you see people changing? And how do we as a society need to handle that change?

I believe that people really want to connect with each other. The technology pendulum has swung so far to the left that people have begun to realize that they have lost the connection with others. In the business world, meetings are on the rise as companies realize that meetings really do mean business and that you can not get the same results from a conference call. When people get together, ideas bloom and flourish. In a recent article that I read in Forbes, 60 percent of millennials would prefer to have some form of in-person teamwork, and they actually work better in groups than alone. Etiquette training can help connect generations. Many older workers still rely on the etiquette taught to them by their parents 40 to 50 years ago and believe that those rules are still in place. Most younger workers have had very little training in manners or etiquette at home and don't even realize that social rules exist. World-class organizations have recognized that it has be-



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

come their responsibility to step forward and fill this need to give them a leading edge and to help them stand out. Etiquette is ever-changing and evolving. Learning to adapt helps everyone succeed.

What do you enjoy most about living in the area?

I love being close to so many wonderful outdoor experiences. After 38 years driving in hectic Dallas traffic, I really enjoy a slower pace and the close proximity of activities. I love the friendliness of the people. People here are just nice! I'm a foodie, so I am really enjoying all of the new restaurants that seem to be popping up everywhere!

What do you like to do in your free time?

I love to get out in nature to hike, walk on the beautiful beaches and kayak. I have two organizations that I enjoy volunteering. Through Compassionate St. Augustine I teach etiquette and civility to the young men at the St. Johns Detention Center, and through Florida Urgent Rescue (F.U.R.), I am helping to raise funds for the care of homeless animals. For fun, I take jiu-jitsu. I'm very excited that I just earned my blue belt.

Edited by Jon Blauvelt



Photo courtesy of Beaches Council on Aging

Beaches Dial-a-Ride board and staff and business, civic and philanthropic leaders celebrate the program's new para-transit vehicle with a ribbon-cutting ceremony April 4 at Beach Diner in Atlantic Beach.

Beaches Dial-a-Ride celebrates new vehicle, expanded services

Beaches Dial-a-Ride board and staff and business, civic and philanthropic leaders from the Beaches community celebrated Dial-a-Ride's service and vehicle expansion at Beach Diner in Atlantic Beach on April 4.

The newest para-transit vehicle in Dial-a-Ride's fleet was revealed to nearly 60 guests at the private event, hosted by Barry Adeeb of Beach Diner. The 13-passenger vehicle is a 27-foot, 2015 StarCraft AllStar with space for 10 regular seats and three wheelchairs.

This bus is the third vehicle in Dial-a-Ride's fleet and is provided by the grant support of the Beaches Community Fund, the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach and Christ Episcopal Church.

"This new vehicle comes at a critical time as the beach community's senior population continues to grow, and Dial-a-Ride's demand for door-to-door transportation and expanded service area continues to grow," said Gary Tiller, executive director of the Beaches Council on Aging and its flagship program, Dial-a-Ride.

The Beaches Council on Aging seeks to provide independence to the community's seniors and disabled, knowing that the ability to remain independent leads to better health, social engagement and a higher quality of life. For more information about the Beaches Council on Aging and Dial-a-Ride, visit www.beachescoa.com.

PVB Rotary holding luxury vacation raffle fundraiser

A luxury vacation to Hawaii, Rome, Tuscany or Ireland will go to the lucky winner of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach's exotic trip raffle.

Tickets for the trip raffle are \$100 each or five for \$400 and may be purchased online at www.mineralcitycelebration.com. The winner will be able to choose from four exotic destinations: Hawaii, Ireland, Tuscany or Rome. All trips include roundtrip airfare for two, luxury accommodations and more. Full descriptions on each trip are available on the Mineral City Celebration website.

The winner of the raffle will be announced live at the Rotary Club's annual Mineral City Celebration; the winner does not need to be present to win.

To be held Saturday, May 4 at the TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse, this year's Mineral City Celebration will feature a 1920s Gatsby theme. The event will also feature the presentation of the "Rock of the Community Award" to former PGA TOUR Commissioner Deane Beman in recognition of his many philanthropic contributions to the local community.

The Mineral City Celebration is the

signature annual fundraising event for the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach. Proceeds from the event benefit more than two dozen local nonprofit organizations and charities. To purchase raffle tickets, celebration tickets or for more information, visit www.mineralcitycelebration.com.

Parking

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This "Waterway Access Management Program" could provide maintenance for the ramps and amenities, improve parking lot access and capacity, as well as ensure regular channel access dredging, which has recently relied on Hurricane Matthew and Irma funding. Dunn told the Recorder that money accrued from boating passes could be implemented toward expanding the Palm Valley Bridge boat ramp. He was quick to add, however, that all money collected for boating passes will go to only boat ramp facilities, and any money collected from off-beach parking will be allocated only toward beach services.

In a survey conducted about the program, a majority of residents said the current boat ramps were "insufficient."

Although many residents stated the boating ramps need improvement, most of the public comment was regarding opposition to the parking fees.

Most commenters said because they pay property taxes, they should be granted access to the beach. Concerns about Uber

and Lyft ridesharing programs were also presented as an impediment from capturing money from any actual tourists, who might not be traveling via their own vehicles or rentals.

Dunn said that due to an agreement with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding federal funding for beach renourishment, the paid parking program could not allow for differentiating between resident and nonresident rate structures for the plan without possibly losing the money intended to supplement the renourishment projects.

Blocker and Waldron were in opposition to the overall project. Blocker restated his position on raising the bed tax, and Waldron raised concerns over including boat ramps in the program, saying the program could "curtail" the biggest attraction in the county.

Smith said he believes it is an "equitable thing to be able to charge for a service you're benefiting from." He went on to point out that not everyone goes to the beach or uses a boat, adding that he is, "one of them."

"Somebody has to pay," Smith concluded.

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ABC NEWS JOURNALIST, PONTE VEDRA RESIDENT TOM GIUSTO SPEAKS AT NORTHEAST FLORIDA PRESS CLUB



ABC News journalist and Ponte Vedra resident Tom Giusto stands with Leigh Cort, a fellow Ponte Vedra resident and founder and president of the Northeast Florida Press Club. Giusto spoke to the Press Club about his current projects on April 3 at the Casa Marina Hotel in Jacksonville Beach. He is an Emmy award-winning producer at ABC News who has covered every president since Jimmy Carter. During his 35-year career, Giusto worked for all of the ABC News programs, including "World News Tonight," "Good Morning America" and "Nightline." The Northeast Florida Press Club is a local alliance of active journalists and multimedia professionals engaged in the production and dissemination of news. In addition to Cort, the organization's advisory board includes Susan Griffin, Devan Stuart Lesley, Lauren Titus, Shelton Hull and James Brown Jr. Visit www.leighcortpublicity.com/press-club.htm for more information.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Kelly of Essex, Connecticut, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine Alison Kelly, to Ryan Harrison Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Hill of Ponte Vedra. Catherine, a graduate of Salve Regina University, is a graphic designer. Lt. Hill, a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, is a nuclear engineer for the United States Navy. A July 2019 wedding is planned.

Chinese

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Cavaliere (12) and Maddi Paxton (11) participated in Level Four. All levels competed in speaking, reading and writ-

ing categories, putting their knowledge to the test.

PVHS has attended this competition since 2012 and is the only high school in St. Johns County to attend each year. The Chinese program at PVHS, run by Yan Li, allows students to learn Chinese

from Levels 1-5 and at the AP level. Those who are dedicated to this Chinese program have the option of joining National Chinese Honor Society, which meets every month to partake in cultural activities and competitions, such as FSCC.

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Active adult apartment community to open in Nocatee summer 2020

An active adult apartment community is coming to Nocatee, according to announcements from multifamily developer and investment firm Pollock Shores Real Estate Group and the master-planned community itself.

To be located off Preservation Trail, Olea at Nocatee will be a 175-unit active adult community providing residents with community events such as chef demonstrations, happy hours

and fitness classes. Construction will commence in April, with first move-ins slated for July 2020.

Olea at Nocatee will offer one-, two- and three-bedroom apartment homes ranging from 625 to 1,535 square feet. Each unit will feature granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, luxury wood-style plank flooring, 9-foot ceilings

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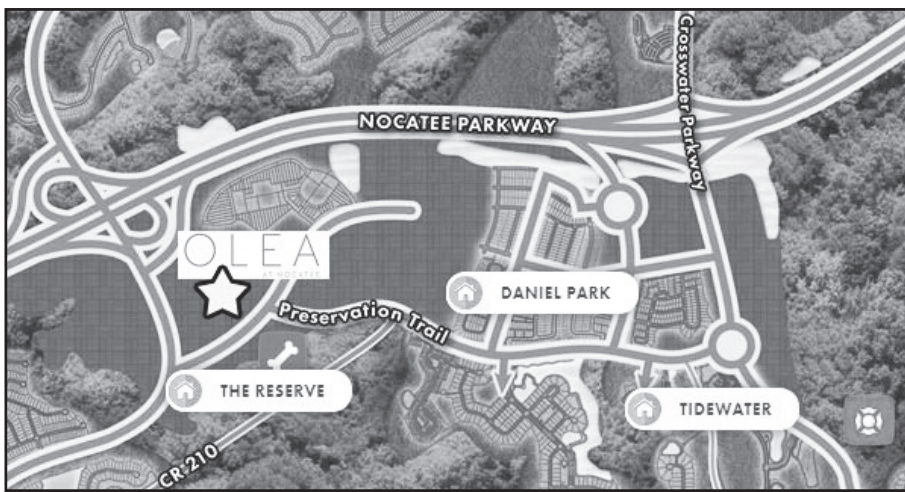


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A new active adult apartment community is opening in Nocatee off Preservation Trail in summer 2020.

COASTAL WINE MARKET HOSTS WINEMAKER OF MURPHY-GOODE FOR 'MEET THE WINEMAKER' EVENT



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Coastal Wine Market & Tasting Room co-owner Steve Lourie (right) poses with Murphy-Goode winemaker Dave Ready, who came to the Nocatee business on March 26 for its latest installment of "Meet the Winemaker." Ready provided tastings of his wine and engaged with attendees of the event. The Sonoma county-based winemaker has been in his position with Murphy-Goode since 2001. The next "Meet the Winemaker" event at Coastal Wine is April 30 with Linda Trotta, winemaker for Jamieson Ranch Vineyards in Napa Valley.



Photos courtesy of Psych Ed Connections

Families in the Nocatee community enjoy a kids farmers market at Psych Ed Connections on Sunday, April 7.

Psych Ed Connections holds kids farmers market

Psych Ed Connections in Nocatee hosted a kids farmers market on Sunday with over 20 vendors and live music.

The event featured kid-made décor, jewelry, products, treats and a Psych Ed Connections craft table. The local business raised \$500 for Spectrum Thrift Store in St. Johns.



Girl Scouts

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that will make a change for the better.

“We are so pleased that these young ladies choose the arts as a cause they would like to champion through their hard work and creativity,” said Sara M. Bass, exhibitions & communications manager at CCPVB. “And even more pleased that they picked The Cultural Center as the site of their project. After their hard work and a recent washing from event-sponsor KleanView Pressure Washing, our courtyard is welcoming and ready for spring.”

The courtyard at CCPVB features works of art by Enzo Torcoletti, and along with three interior exhibition spaces, is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays to Fridays at 50 Executive Way.



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ings and spacious walk-in closets. The property will provide designated areas for residents to mingle and entertain, including a social kitchen, pool courtyard, community garden, dog park, library and fitness studio with state-of-the-art athletic equipment and ample room for group classes.

The community will also have a full-time lifestyle director who will organize and coordinate events such as wine tastings, movie and game nights, lawn games, pet socials, holiday parties, cooking classes, seasonal crafting and more.

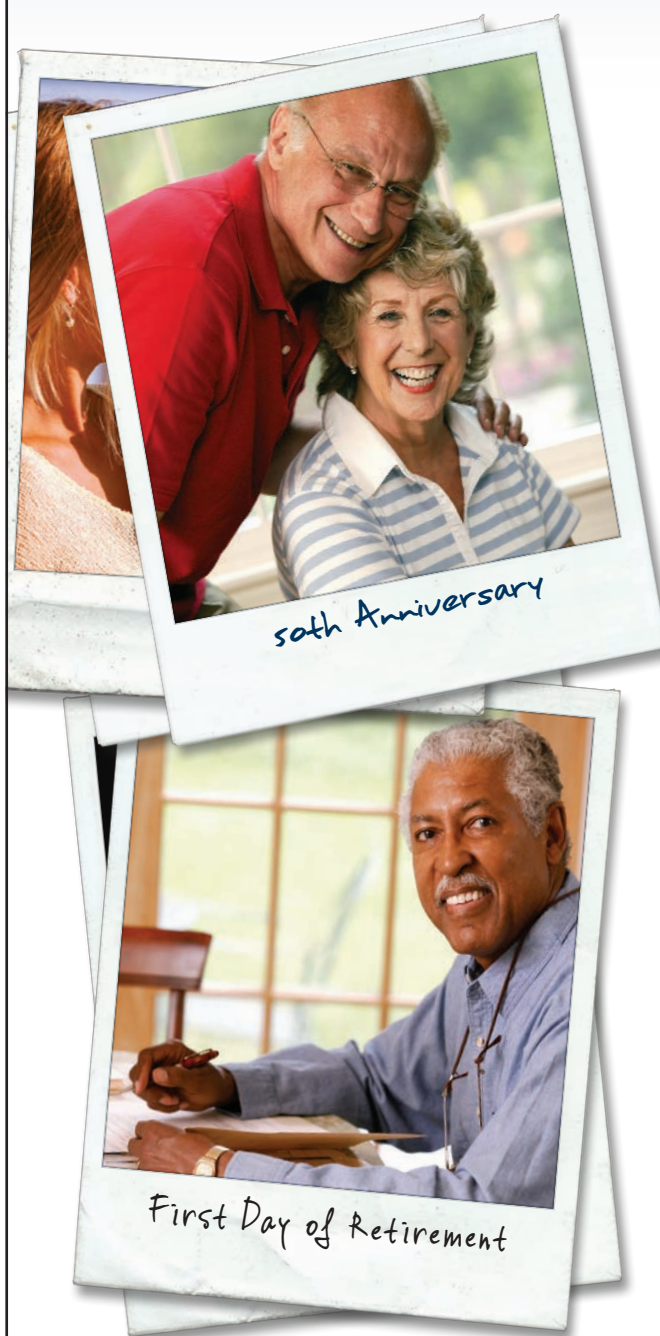
“Sixty-four percent of Nocatee residents move from outside the Jacksonville metropolitan area, and we expect Olea at Nocatee to capture newcomers who seek flexibility and social experiences,” said Michael Oliver, development manager at Pollack Shores. “Whether it’s walking at the beach at Mickler’s Landing, riding a golf cart to dinner at Nocatee Town Center or meeting up for an impromptu gathering with neighbors, this community is ideal for baby boomers who want to live an active life close to family and friends.”

Olea at Nocatee is located near several new and upcoming developments including a future Baptist Health facility, a corporate office park and a variety of retail offerings. Here, residents can also enjoy more than 70 restaurants and shops at the Nocatee Town Center, including Coastal Wine Market, South Kitchen, Timoti’s Seafood Shak and Treylor Park. Opening-soon retailers include GreenWise Market by Publix and Panera Bread.

The sale was brokered by Tyler Nilsson and Erik Bjornson at Newmark Knight Frank Multi-Family.

For more information about Olea at Nocatee, visit www.nocatee.com/contact-olea-apartments.

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Thursday, April 11	Friday, April 12	Saturday, April 13	Sunday, April 14
<p>Ponte Vedra Wellness Center third anniversary and community appreciation celebration The Ponte Vedra Wellness Center will be hosting an anniversary party and community appreciation event at their Nocatee office to celebrate their third year of operation there. The event, free and open to all, will be held on Thursday, April 11 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The event has been designed to not only be a family-friendly afternoon, but also to showcase many Nocatee businesses and their particular services, along with a special offer or gift for all attending the event. The party will offer food, beverages, fitness demos and chair massages, as well as a children's area with activities and face painting courtesy of Sunshine Play + Learn. For more information, call the Ponte Vedra Wellness Center Nocatee office at (904) 834-2717. The Ponte Vedra Wellness Center Nocatee office is located at 205 Marketside Ave. in Nocatee.</p> <p>Intro to modern calligraphy Always wanted to learn calligraphy, but didn't know where or how to begin? Join the Beaches Museum on April 11 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. for an evening of learning the basics of modern, pointed pen calligraphy. The class will cover basic practice strokes with a straight pen holder and nib, upper and lower case alphabet forms, and how to practice at home. Each student will receive a calligraphy kit with a straight pen holder and nibs, ink, paper, practice guides and a tote bag. Light refreshments will be provided. No experience is needed and all supplies are included in the cost. Space is limited, so sign up today. Cost for the class is \$120. For more information, visit www.calligraphybycami.com. The Beaches Museum is located at 381 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Girls Night Out at Jax Cooking Studio Come enjoy a night out with the girls on April 11 and learn to prepare some fast, easy, but delicious appetizers and small plates with Chef Christi. Bruschetta, salmon sliders, Thai brussel sprouts and stone fruit shortcakes are on the menu for the evening. Cost is \$60 for the class and runs from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Jax Cooking Studio. Jax Cooking Studio is located at 14035 Beach Blvd. Ste #6 in Jacksonville.</p>	<p>Greenhouse Yoga Join Maggie's Herb Farm every Wednesday and Friday morning from 10 to 11:30 a.m. for a mindful Kripalu flow yoga practice in the greenhouse at Maggie's Herb Farm. Soothe body and mind in the fresh air, grounded on natural, river pebbles for a unique greenhouse yoga experience. Practice yoga surrounded by beautiful greenery, butterflies, herbs, hummingbirds and free-range chickens. Attendees are encouraged to bring their yoga mat, towel and water bottle. Pre-registration is not required. Maggie's Herb Farm is located at 11400 Country Road 13 N. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>Sea Turtle Preservation 2019 Join the first annual Sea Turtle Awareness event at the Maria Lyon Carney Gallery on April 12 from 6 to 9 p.m. Come meet Kevin Brown and Jennifer Burns from the Beaches Sea Turtle Patrol and learn about what they do and why it's so important to protect these animals and precious natural resources. There will be a raffle for a chance to win a sea turtle print from the gallery, along with other art for sale at the event. All sales will lead to a donation to the Beaches Sea Turtle Patrol. The Marie Lyon Carney Gallery is located at 1171 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Robert N. Macomber at The Bookmark Award-winning and internationally recognized author Robert N. Macomber will appear at The BookMark on Friday, April 12 at 7 p.m., to introduce his anticipated 14th Captain Peter Wake novel, "Honoring the Enemy." In "Honoring the Enemy," Macomber tells the story of how American sailors, Marines and soldiers landed in eastern Cuba in 1898 against daunting odds and fought their way to victory. The Bookmark is located at 220 First St. in Neptune Beach.</p> <p>National Grilled Cheese Day with The Happy Grilled Cheese Come celebrate the cheesiest day of the year at The Happy Grilled Cheese restaurant downtown. They'll be serving \$5 grilled cheeses all day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Happy Grilled Cheese is located at 219 N. Hogan St. in Jacksonville.</p>	<p>SAFE Pet Rescue adoption The SAFE Pet Rescue adoption van will be at the Pet Supermarket parking lot on April 13 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will have dogs who need caring homes. Safe always needs temporary fosters and will allow dogs to be fostered before adoptions are final. Come visit with these pups and hopefully, fall in love and give them a home. Anything is Pawsible will also host a special dog obedience demonstration at 1 p.m. The Pet Supermarket is located at 880 A1A N. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>LWV: Hot topics in education The League of Women Voters will host "Hot Topics in Education," an informational forum focused on what's happening with education during the 2019 Florida Legislative Session. Four educational speakers will be presenting. All community members interested in public education are invited to this free event on April 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Jacksonville Library's Southeastern Branch. The Jacksonville Library Southeastern Branch is located at 10599 Deerwood Park Blvd. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>VLC Annual Easter Festival for Kids Join the Victory Lutheran Church and Preschool on April 13 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the annual Easter Festival. Enjoy pony rides, face painting, games, a children's Easter story, prayer station and more. Big Guys Backyard Barbeque will have a customized menu with smoked brisket, slow smoked pulled-pork sandwiches and beverages onsite for purchase. There will also be an Easter egg hunt with 4,000 filled eggs. Bring the kids and experience some of Easter's joy with free activities. Everyone is welcome. There will also be Easter Worship services on April 21 at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. For more information, visit www.victorylutheran.org. Victory Lutheran Church is located at 4651 Kernan Blvd. S. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Westpoint Glee Club beach concert St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church will host a free concert by the West Point Glee Club on April 13 at 4 p.m. Doors open at 3:15 p.m. West Point Glee Club is one of the U.S. Military Academy's most visible cadet organizations. St. Paul's is located at 465 11th Ave N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p>	<p>Sundays at Surfer the Bar Every Sunday, join Big Fish Power Yoga for a free Music & Flow class at Surfer the Bar. The class is held upstairs at the bar and runs from 10 to 11 a.m. every week. Bring friends and family and enjoy brunch and mimosas downstairs following class. Register under classes on bigfishpoweryoga.com. Surfer the Bar is located at 200 First St. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Swing Dance Sundays Swing Dance Sundays is a weekly event with free lessons starting at 7 p.m. at The Volstead. Attendees can either bring a partner or come alone. The Volstead is located at 115 West Adams St. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>'Game of Thrones' viewing party at Hoptinger* Calling all "Game of Thrones" fans, Winter is here! Hoptinger Bier Garden & Sausage House will be hosting a "Game of Thrones" viewing party every Sunday night for the final season! Join every Sunday from 9 p.m. to close for food and drink specials, such as \$3 bar snacks, \$3 wines, \$6 dragon wings and a weekly \$5 contest cocktail, where each purchase of this cocktail will come with a raffle ticket to win a prize at the end of the night. Hoptinger Bier Garden & Sausage House is located at 333 First St N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Palm Sunday service and pancake breakfast fundraiser Palms Presbyterian Church is pleased to invite the community to Palm Sunday services on April 14 at 8:30 and 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary. In between services, all are invited for a pancake breakfast fundraiser for the Palms Youth at 9:40 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Then, all children are invited to hop outside for the annual Easter Egg Hunt! It's B.Y.O.B., bring your own basket! All are welcome. Please note, there is NO Sunday school on Palm Sunday. The nursery will be available during worship services. For more information about Palms, please visit www.palmschurch.org or call (904) 246-6427. Palms Presbyterian Church is located at 3410 Third St. S. in Jacksonville Beach.</p>

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Monday, April 15	Tuesday, April 16	Wednesday, April 17	Thursday, April 18
<p>Living with snakes and gators Join St. Johns County Parks and Recreation Naturalist Kelly Ussia for a family-friendly presentation about the snakes and alligators found throughout Florida and maybe, even one's own backyard! The presentation is on April 15 and will run from 3 to 4 p.m. at the St. Johns Golf Club. The program is open to all ages and is free to attend. The St. Johns Golf Club is located at 4900 Cypress Lakes Blvd. in Elkton.</p> <p>Jewelry beading class Join instructor Shirley Nacey at River House to make bracelets and necklaces with unique and intriguing beads to enhance one's style or as a gift to a family member or friend. Classes are held every Monday until April 29. Class hours are 1 to 3 p.m. Cost is \$40 for River House members and \$50 for non-members. Please call (904) 209-3655 to make a reservation. River House is located at 179 Marine St. in St. Augustine.</p> <p>CDBG Technical Assistance Workshop St. Johns County's Health and Human Services Division is hosting a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Technical Assistance Workshop at 12:30 p.m. on April 15 at the Solomon Calhoun Center. The workshop will include information to assist community organizations with the preparation of CDBG applications. Through the application process, the County makes a portion of CDBG funds available to community. Attending a Technical Assistance Workshop is a requirement for organizations intending to submit an application. For more information, email glulkoski@sjcfl.us. The Solomon Calhoun Center is located at 1300 Duval St. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Painkiller Party Week at Pusser's Come celebrate Painkiller Week with Pusser's Bar and Grille every night April 12-16 from 5 to 8 p.m. The venue will have live music on the docks, \$5 Painkiller #2's and \$10.40 Jumbo Painkiller Buckets all weekend. Pusser's Bar and Grille is located at 816 A1A N. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p>	<p>Trio Pena at the Ponte Vedra Library The friends of the Ponte Vedra Library present the Trio Pena on April 16 at 6:30 p.m. The Trio Pena has stepped their way into the chamber music world and bringing with it, a new spin. Comprised of three family members, the trio bring together a unique experience of creating music. They first performed together at the St. Augustine Music Festival, which was started by the Penas, themselves. Their music spans from the Baroque era to the late 20th Century. Doors open at 6 pm and the event is free to the public. The Ponte Vedra Library is located at 101 Library Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Florida Blue free Tuesday at the Cummer Each Tuesday evening from 4 to 9 p.m. enjoy free admission to the Cummer Museum and its historic gardens, thanks to the generous support of Florida Blue. Guests can enjoy free admission to the galleries each Tuesday evening and the Cummer Café is also open for Tapas Tuesday sponsored by VyStar Credit Union. The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens is located at 829 Riverside Ave. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Bingo Tuesday with Mellow Mushroom Tuesdays are made for Bingo at Mellow Mushroom Jax Beach. Join Mellow Mushroom every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for food, drinks, fun, and prizes. It's always free to play, so grab some good friends and family, and get ready a groovy time. Stick around after for late-night happy hour specials. Mellow Mushroom is located at 1018-2 Third St. N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Networking at The Wine Bar Everyone is welcome to The Wine Bar networking event, hosted by Beaches Hospitality Network, on April 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. for networking, great business opportunities, spirits, hors d'oeuvres and more. A \$10 donation at the door is requested for all guests. Or join the Beaches Hospitality Network anytime to receive members-only benefits. The Wine Bar is located at 320 First St. N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p>	<p>Aging Parent support group The support group is open to all who are caring for their mother and/or father. This group is presented by Ponte Vedra Home Care and will be held April 17 at 6 p.m. in the First Atlantic Bank Building across from the Walgreens. To RSVP, call or text Karen Feliciano at (904) 566-6474. Space is limited. Coffee and tea will be served. The First Atlantic Bank Building is located at 100 Corridor Rd. S., 2nd Floor, Ste #280 in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Ponte Vedra Democratic Club meeting The Ponte Vedra Democratic Club will be hosting a meeting on April 17 at the Ponte Vedra Library at 6:30 p.m. Pam Edwards-Roine, spokesperson from the League of Women Voters, will be the featured speaker addressing the topic of the National Popular Vote. The Ponte Vedra Library is located at 101 Library Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach.</p> <p>Kayak fishing on Hallowes Cove Join Park Naturalist AyoLane Halusky for a morning of freshwater kayak fishing for a morning of freshwater kayak fishing on Hallowes Cove. Attendees will meet at Rivertown Park on April 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All attendees must bring their own boat, fishing license, fishing equipment and weather-appropriate clothing, water and snacks. The event is open for all ages. Children must be with an adult. Spots are limited and cost is \$20 for the program. For more information and to register, contact AyoLane Halusky at (904) 209-0348 or ahalusky@sjcfl.us. The tour begins at the kayak launch at Hallowes Cove near Rivertown Park, on the St. Johns River, along State Road 13. Rivertown Park is located at 200 Swamp Oak Trail in Julington Creek.</p> <p>First Coast Newcomers Club of NE Florida dinner and trivia On April 17, the First Coast Newcomers of NE Florida will have dinner and trivia at a St. Augustine restaurant at 5:45 p.m. For more information or to RSVP, call (904) 829-0643.</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, April 18 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. N. in Jacksonville Beach.</p> <p>Great Chefs of Jacksonville IX Northeast Florida's most prestigious culinary competition returns for its ninth year to a new location in Downtown Jacksonville. The ninth annual Great Chefs of Jacksonville returns April 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Lexington Hotel Jacksonville Riverwalk. In an effort to keep the event fresh and delicious, there will be some exciting changes and additions to the evening's program. Patrons will still get to pick whose cuisine reigns supreme, and guests can look forward to a championship at the end of the year. To purchase tickets, visit www.904tix.com. The Lexington Hotel & Conference Center is located at 1515 Prudential Dr. in Jacksonville.</p> <p>Zoomanji Join the Wild Things in the African Forest at the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens on Thursday, April 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. for the annual Spring event. This Jumanji-themed event will have food, games and live music. Admission is free with a valid Wild Things membership, but attendees must email Adam at peckenpaugh@jacksonvillezoo.org to claim their ticket. Regular admission is \$35. Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens is located at 370 Zoo Parkway in Jacksonville.</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 Daniela@opcfla.com or call (904) 686-3939.</p>

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Easter Happenings

St. Johns County Parks and Recreation to host free Easter egg hunts

St. Johns County Parks and Recreation is hosting free Easter egg hunts at multiple locations on Thursday, April 18 and Saturday, April 20.

Photos with the Easter Bunny begin at 10:30 a.m., with the egg hunts beginning at 11 a.m. Children ages 8 and younger are invited to participate in the following Easter egg hunts:

Thursday, April 18 at 10:30 a.m.

- Veterans Park, 1332 Veterans Parkway in St. Johns
- Palencia Park, 405 Palencia Village Drive in St. Augustine



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Photo courtesy of St. Johns County Parks and Recreation

Saturday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m.

- Treaty Park, 1595 Wildwood Drive in St. Augustine
- Al Wilke Park, 6140 Main St. in Hastings

These events are free. Children must bring a basket for collection, and parents are invited to bring their own camera for photos with the Easter Bunny. For more information, contact Stephanie Taylor at sntaylor@sjcfl.us or (904) 669-6612.

Underwater Easter Egg Hunt

The Parks and Recreation department is also partnering with First Coast YMCA for a free underwater Easter egg hunt on Thursday, April 18, from 6:30 to 7 p.m. at Solomon Calhoun Community Center and Pool, located at 1300 Duval St. in St. Augustine. Children ages 5 to 12 years are invited to gather eggs left underwater and trade them for prizes at the Bunny Store. Bring your swimsuit, towel and a bucket to collect your eggs. RSVP to mcaisson@fcymca.org or (904) 704-4644



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OBITUARIES

Donia M. Tyner

Donia M. Tyner, 75, died Tuesday, April 2, 2019, following a stroke. She was born Aug. 3, 1943, in Smithfield, North Carolina. She lived in North Carolina and Connecticut before calling Jacksonville, Florida home in 1976.

Donia's passions were family, bridge, the French language, tennis, her grandkids, cooking, real estate and most importantly, dance. She loved the real estate field and worked as a realtor for 35 years. She was known for her delicious recipes and yummy treats. Donia was the life of the party, A LOT of fun and had a fabulous sense of humor. She was much loved by family and friends.

Donia was the middle of three children born to Carrie Parrish Driver and Douglas Leonard Driver. She is predeceased by the oldest, Carolyn, and her husband, Earl Tyner.

She is survived by Carolyn's children, Bonnie Carolyn Goulard, Susan Donia Mehaffey and Philip Douglas Goulard; her younger brother, Doug Driver, and wife, Becky, their son, Sonny, as well as two daughters, Terry Lynn MacIvergan and Donia Ena Stoops, married to Jeff Stoops, who gave Donia two adorable grandkids, Jacob and Nicolas.

A Memorial Service will be held at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, April 14, at Palms Presbyterian Church. A reception will follow. In



Donia M. Tyner

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Norma E. Newcomb, 92, of Jacksonville, died March 30, 2019. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz, A Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre.

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Ponte Vedra-based business Power Tee hosts a demo day at UNF on April 4.

Power Tee hosts demo day at UNF

Ponte Vedra-based business Power Tee hosted a demo day at the University of North Florida (UNF) Driving Range April 4 that drew about 100 people of all skill levels.

Event guests played golf on UNF's Power Tee units, enjoyed pizza from Jumpin' Jax House of Food and competed for a signed Jim Furyk Callaway golf bag.

To enter the contest, participants had to hit a Power Tee target from about 60 yards away, which earned them one raffle ticket, up to five tickets per person. One lucky winner, Michael Palomares, was selected to receive the golf bag.

Scott Schroeder, the UNF men's golf coach and facilities manager, said the Power Tees are a great asset for their facility.

"It's really great for kids and for helping beginners have the ability to set up and have it teed up in the same position every time they practice and play," Schroeder said.



Michael Palomares won a signed Jim Furyk Callaway golf bag at the event.

Power Tee is an internationally patented automatic practice system that makes practicing golf more efficient, effective and fun. The business is already making plans for their next demo day, and plans to make it even bigger and better. To stay updated on future events, follow Power Tee on social media and check out their website at www.powertee.com.

The lottery

By Scott Grant

Special to the Recorder

Lotteries date back to before Christ. The Han Dynasty sold Keno tickets to finance The Great Wall of China. The King James version of the Gospel of Luke tells us that Caesar Augustus sent out a decree "that all the world should be taxed." Apparently taxing the world was not enough, Caesar Augustus also organized a lottery. The proceeds from that early lottery were used to make repairs and improvements to the city of Rome. "I found a city built of sun-dried brick," Augustus declared toward the end of his four-decade reign. "I leave her clothed in marble." Governments have long loved lotteries as a way to



Scott Grant
Guest Columnist

raise money without raising taxes.

The first official English lottery pre-dates the King James Version of the Bible. It was organized by Queen Elizabeth I in 1567 to provide funds for the "reparation of the havens and

strength of the realme, and towards such other publique good works." To this day, lotteries still advertise that the proceeds will be used for the public good. Florida, for instance, advertises that the proceeds of its lottery are used to fund education. King James organized a nationwide lottery to finance the colonization of Jamestown, Virginia, in 1612.

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Underwood Jewelers to host 5th annual trunk show benefiting Ayla's Acres

Underwood Jewelers Ponte Vedra Beach will host its fifth annual, three-day trunk show to benefit Ayla's Acres No-Kill Animal Rescue April 11-13.

The local jeweler will donate a percentage of all Lagos jewelry sales and will host a cocktail party and an animal adoption day, all to support the mission of Ayla's Acres.

Underwood's will kick off the three-day Lagos trunk show benefit with a cocktail party from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 11. Actor, artist and animal advocate Loretta Swit will be a special guest at the party and will partner with Underwood's to raffle a Lagos Diamonds & Caviar diamond-beaded bracelet valued at \$2,500.

The benefit concludes on Saturday, April 13, with a special adoption day in the parking lot at the Underwood Jewelers Ponte Vedra Beach location. Between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Ayla's Acres will have dogs available for adoption, along with volunteers available to discuss adoption, fostering, volunteering and other ways in which people may help support the local nonprofit's mission.

"We are very excited that Lagos has agreed to partner with Underwood Jewelers to support Ayla's Acres and our



Photo by Jon Blauvelt

Actress, artist and animal advocate Loretta Swit, Underwood Jewelers Ponte Vedra Beach General Manager John Rutkowski and Ayla's Acres Executive Director Fran Charlson gather at a previous trunk show at the jeweler benefiting the nonprofit. This year's event will be held April 11-13.

fifth annual trunk show and pet adoption event," said John Rutkowski, general manager of the Ponte Vedra Beach Underwood Jewelers. "Lagos has been a leading designer in our store. Our last event was very successful and enabled us to really contribute to Ayla's Acres' cause."

Ayla's Acres' Executive Director Fran Charlson said she appreciates the support

of Underwood's.

"The commitment that everyone at Underwood Jewelers has shown Ayla's Acres over the past five years has been absolutely terrific," Charlson said. "This event is a cornerstone of our fundraising initiatives and has contributed more than \$25,000 to our animals and mission. We love working with Underwood's and look forward to

another wonderful event."

Raffle tickets may be purchased in advance of the cocktail party for \$20 per ticket or \$50 for three tickets. Tickets are available at Ayla's Acres' Thriftique and Underwood Jewelers Ponte Vedra Beach or via www.aylasacres.org.

Ayla's Acres No-Kill Animal Rescue, Inc. is a St. Augustine-based nonprofit supporting adoption, spay and neuter, and responsible care of animals. Along with education, outreach, adoption and fostering programs, Ayla's Acres maintains a 45-acre sanctuary where "unadoptable" animals may live out their lives with peace, love and dignity. The organization is currently raising money to build the St. Johns County-based Peter's Friends Animal Resource Center, which will serve as an adoption facility, low-/no-cost spay and neuter clinic and education and outreach center. Ayla's Acres receives no government funding, relying instead on private grants and donations of money, supplies and items that are sold through its thrift shop located at 142 King St. in St. Augustine. Learn more at www.aylasacres.org.

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Village Arts Framing & Gallery celebrating 27th anniversary in April

The month of April is special for Village Arts Framing & Gallery in Sawgrass Village as the Ponte Vedra Beach business celebrates its 27th year as part of the community.

Owner Pamela Keegan and her staff offer expert framing, and the gallery is proud to showcase award-winning local and regional artists.

“Many people tell me the original art they see here in the gallery is the best-kept art secret in Ponte Vedra Beach,” Keegan said.

During this anniversary month, oil painters Karen F. Rose and Eve Albrecht will be the featured artists.

According to Village Arts, Rose paints a poetic vision finding nature as her source. Her paintings reflect the quiet times of day suggesting atmosphere, mood and ephemeral effects of light rather than description of place.

Albrecht paints colorful beach scenes of the Florida landscape and specializes in portrait painting. Eve recently completed several commission paintings for gallery clients.



April also launches a workshop schedule for Village Arts. Tina Guarano Davis, an artist well known for her classical drawing skills and use of gold leaf in painting and architectural applications, will be offering a workshop. Davis is a member of the Guilders Society of America and has worked on projects at the Lightner Museum in St. Augustine, in New York and internationally. She will be describing the



Images courtesy of Village Arts Framing & Gallery
ABOVE: Work by Eve Albrecht, a featured artist at Village Arts in April

LEFT: Work by Tina Guarano Davis, who will be offering a workshop at Village Arts in April

history of the use of the medium and demonstrating applications for contemporary and traditional painters.

If interested in future workshops in gold leaf techniques in art, send an email to Pamela Keegan at villagearts@bellsouth.net or visit www.villageartspvb.com. Use the comment page to be placed on the business' email list for any upcoming workshops.

Put together a professional team to help you reach your goals



Karsten Jacobson
Columnist

By Karsten Jacobson, CFP®

As you work toward achieving your goals in life, you will need to make moves that contain financial, tax and legal elements, so you may want to get some help — from more than one source.

Specifically, you might want to put together a team comprised of your financial advisor, your CPA or other tax professional, and your attorney. Together, this team can help you with many types of financial/tax/legal connections.

For starters, you may decide, possibly upon the recommendation of your financial advisor, to sell some investments and use the proceeds to buy others that may now be more appropriate for your needs. If you sell some investments you've held for a year or less and realize a capital gain on the sale, the gain generally will be considered short-term and be taxed at your ordinary income tax rate. But if you've held the investments for more than a year before selling, your gain will likely be considered long-term and taxed at the lower, long-term capital gains rate, which can be 0 percent, 15 percent or 20 percent, or a combination of those rates.

On the other hand, if you sell an investment and realize a capital loss, you may be able to apply the loss to offset gains realized by selling other, more profitable investments and also potentially offset some of your ordinary income. So, as you can see, the questions potentially raised by investment sales — “Should I sell?” “If so, when?” “If I take some losses, how much will they benefit me at tax time?” — may also be of importance to your tax advisor, who will need to account for sales in your overall tax picture. As such, it's a good idea for your tax and financial advisors to communicate about any investment sales you make.

Your tax and financial advisors also may want to be in touch on other issues, such as your contributions to a retirement plan. For example, if you are self-employed or own a small business, and you contribute to a SEP-IRA — which is funded with pre-tax dollars, so the more you contribute, the lower your taxable income — your financial advisor can report to your tax advisor (with your permission) how much you've contributed at given points in a year, and your tax advisor can then let you know how much more you might need to add to move into a lower tax bracket, or at least avoid being bumped up to a higher one. Your financial advisor will be the one to recommend the investments you use to fund your SEP-IRA.

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Initially, the government sold tickets directly to the public. Later, ticket sales were turned over to brokers. These brokers hired “runners” to sell tickets. Since many of the poorer members of society could not afford a whole ticket, the tickets were broken into sixteenths. These early brokers of lottery tickets would eventually become modern stock brokers.

America has a long history with lotteries. Columbia University, Princeton University, and the University of Pennsylvania were all initially financed by lotteries. Benjamin Franklin organized a lottery to buy cannon for the defense of Philadelphia in 1747. The scheme of that first Pennsylvania lottery called for selling 10,000 tickets at two pounds each. Three-thousand pounds would go to defense and the remaining 17,000 would be paid out to 2,842 winning tickets with no winning ticket worth more than 500 pounds.

The Continental Congress used lotteries to finance the American Revolution. We were fighting a war against taxes, so the Founding Fathers used a lottery to raise taxes without actually raising taxes. George Washington organized a lottery in 1768 to build a road across the Alleghany Mountains. It failed, but if you still have your hand-signed ticket, it is

worth \$20,000 today at auction.

George Washington's lottery proposed to pay out 85 percent of the proceeds to many winners. Most early lotteries paid out many small prizes rather than one big prize. It was Alexander Hamilton who first proposed the idea of one giant prize. “Everybody,” he said, “will be willing to hazard a trifling sum for the chance of considerable gain ... and would prefer a small chance of winning a great deal to a great chance of winning little.” I doubt even Hamilton would have foreseen how big those prizes would get.

In 2016, the Powerball paid out over 1.5 billion dollars on one drawing. That is still the record payout. Lotteries fell out of favor in the 1830s, largely because they were seen as an unfair tax on the poor. For decades, the only major lottery in the United States was run by the Louisiana State Lottery Company, a notably corrupt organization known as the “octopus.”

Lotteries came back in favor following the initiation of the New York State Lottery in 1967. That first Lotto advertised itself as “Your Chance of a Lifetime to Help Education.” The NY Lotto has been criticized for paying out only 40 percent of what it takes in. Ticket sales were suspended in 1975 and 1976 because organizers were manipulating the game so that unsold tickets were selected as winners.

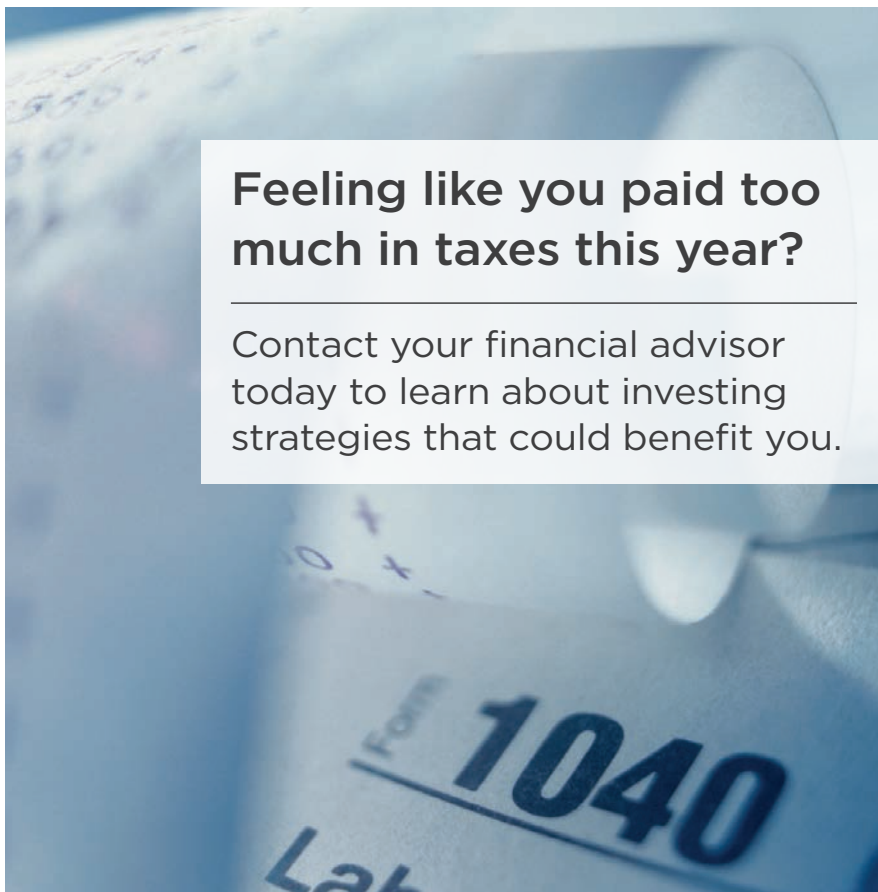
The first multi-state lottery was organized in 1985. Powerball, the big daddy

of lottery drawings, began in 1992. Powerball tickets are now sold in 44 states. When Florida joined Powerball in 2009, one of the conditions was that the drawings would be held at Universal Studios in Orlando. Today the chances of winning the Powerball Drawing is one in 195 million. On average, half of the money from ticket sales is paid out as a prize.

Math is hard. Numbers are confusing. When someone in Alabama or Kentucky wins half a billion dollars in the lottery, we tend to see it as a miracle. After all, the chance of winning that big grand prize is almost one in 200 million. But, in another sense, the odds that someone will win that prize is actually 100 percent. The odds of you winning are astronomical. The odds of someone winning are even odds. The chance of the Government winning is the same: 100 percent.

Most of us, who don't win the grand prize, would be better off investing our ticket purchases into the stock market. Twenty dollars a week invested at a 10 percent rate of return will grow to almost \$500,000 in 40 years. That is a lot less than a half billion if you hit the winning ticket, but, as I already discussed, it will be a miracle if you do.

Scott A. Grant is the president of Standfast Asset Management in Ponte Vedra Beach. In addition to managing assets for individuals in the community, he is an author, columnist, historian and speaker.



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PVBD Ambassadors of the SJC Chamber of Commerce Matt Price and his son (not pictured), Kari Zerrahn, Brian Anderson, Ricky Taylor, Trudy Toche, David Godwin and John Anderson (not pictured) clean up Bird Island Park in Ponte Vedra Beach on April 3.

Photo courtesy of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce



Chamber PVBD Ambassadors do quarterly cleanup of Bird Island Park

The Ponte Vedra Beach Division (PVBD) Ambassadors of the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce had their first quarterly cleanup on April 3 at Bird Island Park in Ponte Vedra Beach.

In attendance were Matt Price and his son, Kari Zerrahn, Brian Anderson, Ricky Taylor, Trudy Toche, David Godwin and John Anderson.

The Ambassadors will pick new locations every quarter for cleanups in the Ponte Vedra area. In addition to the cleanup, the Division Ambassadors

also support INK! and K9s for Warriors, as well as facilitate the Letters to Santa project.

The mission of the Ambassadors is to represent the Chamber by exhibiting the highest degree of professionalism, knowledge and integrity to members and the business community. Ambassadors serve as the greeting arm of the Chamber to promote new member participation and retention through ribbon cuttings, new member visits and phone calls, community outreach events and mentorships.



Barbara Prettyman of Baptist Health



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JAX Chamber Trade Show convenes dozens of local businesses

The annual JAX Chamber Trade Show was held April 2 at the University Center at the University of North Florida.

The event gives member businesses the opportunity to showcase their products and services to other Chamber members and the public in a relaxed “business after hours” environment.

Businesses at the trade show included 4Rivers Smokehouse, Adventure Landing, Dave & Buster’s, Edward Jones Investments, Jekyll Island Club Resort, House of Leaf and Bean, Baptist Health, Topgolf and many others.



Chris Hinkle, of Edward Jones Investments, and attendee Cindy Bishop

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Calm is for wimps: Get real . . . get stressed



Harry Pappas
Columnist

By Harry Pappas

A few weeks ago, a friend gave me a hilarious satirical book authored by Rohan Candappa, titled, “The Little Book of Stress: Calm is for Wimps. Get Real. Get Stressed.” The premise of the short read is that it is time to admit that stress is good. Because without stress, we would all be very, very nice and stomach-churningly contented. Who wants to live in a world like that?

Mr. Candappa’s simple teachings demonstrate how we are often our own worst enemy by increasing not only our level of stress but others as well! Additionally, the author provides examples if you want to offend someone! Some of the comical tips include gems such as the following:

- Squeeze the toothpaste from the middle and never put on the cap.
 - Recognize other people’s limitations and then tell people what they are.
 - Ask any single women if they got a boyfriend yet. Repeat on Valentine’s Day.
 - Gardening is relaxing. Never garden.
 - Always work late. It will make you feel tired, irritable and miserable.
 - Do not only worry about big things. Small things need to be worried about too.
 - Keep up with the Joneses and every other person on your street.
 - Never clear the air. Investigate all the subtle nuances of the word, “fester.”
 - Do not count your blessings. Count your problems.
 - Why meditate when you can worry? Worrying is a realist’s medication.
 - Deal with bureaucracies often, as they are the foundation of stress creation.
 - Recognize that happiness depends solely on your material possessions you own.
 - When you ask a woman any question, suggest that she checks with her husband before answering.
 - Take every opportunity to give advice, especially on subjects that you have little to no knowledge.
 - Nurture your grievances. If you do not, they will die and then whoever has done you wrong will have got away with it.
- Since I tend to be a stressed person, the funny read was just the little breather that I needed before the start of another stressful day!

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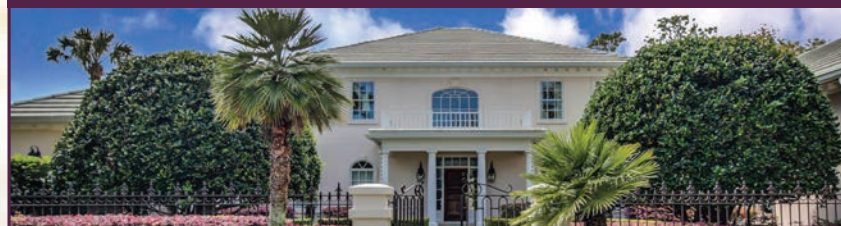
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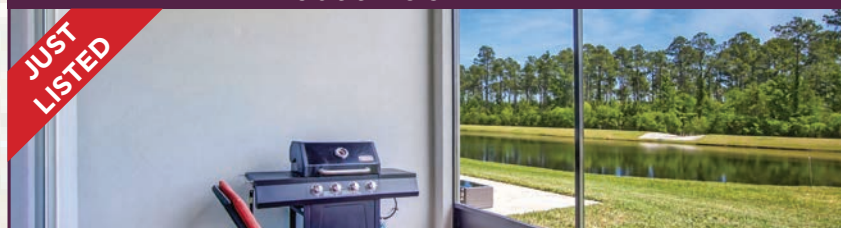
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brought in. Again, communication between your various advisors is essential.

These are but a few of the instances in which your financial, tax and legal professionals should talk to each other. So, do what you can to open these lines of communication — because you'll be one who ultimately benefits from this teamwork.

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Linda Thompson and Jo Thompson enjoy the "After Hours" event at the Lightner Museum on March 28.



St. Augustine duo The Willowwacks entertain those in attendance.



Lightner Museum hosts 'After Hours' event

The Lightner Museum in St. Augustine held an "After Hours" event on March 28 that allowed attendees to discover Otto Lightner's Victorian era curiosities and nature-inspired collection.

Also featuring music from St. Augustine duo The Willow-

wacks, the event celebrated spring's arrival with campsite-inspired hors d'oeuvres and libations.

The Lightner Museum is a nonprofit cultural institution sustained by the generous support of individuals, businesses and sponsors. For more information, visit LightnerMuseum.org.



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Guitarist Tab Benoit will perform at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall Saturday, April 13.

Guitarist Tab Benoit to perform 'Whiskey Bayou Revue' tour at Ponte Vedra Concert Hall April 13

Guitarist Tab Benoit will perform at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall Saturday, April 13, as part of his "Whiskey Bayou Revue" Tour.

Benoit is a three-time GRAMMY-nominated musician and five-time "Contemporary Male" Blues Music Award Winner.

Born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1967, he grew up in the nearby oil and fishing town of Houma, where he still resides today. Musically, he was exposed early on to traditional Cajun waltzes and the country music broadcast on his hometown's only radio station.

In the late 80s, Benoit began hanging out at the Blues Box, a music club and cultural center in Baton Rouge run by guitarist Tabby Thomas. Playing guitar alongside Thomas, Raful Neal, Henry Gray and other high-profile regulars at the club, Benoit learned the blues firsthand from these living blues legends. He formed a trio in 1987 and began playing clubs in Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

In 1992, Benoit released his first recording "Nice and Warm" on the Justice Label. The title track became a AAA Radio hit and Benoit's touring career kicked into

high gear. Benoit began playing 250 shows a year, a schedule he has kept up for over 20 years. He recorded four albums for Justice Records before being signed to the Vanguard label, and became Louisiana's No. 1 blues export. Vanguard allowed Benoit to produce his own recordings; Benoit wanted to record the sound that he was trying to create and in 1999 Vanguard Records released "These Blues Are All Mine."

Benoit's music evolved again after he signed with the Telarc International/Concord Music Group in 2002. He began to strip it down to a three-piece group, where he found more freedom as a guitarist. He was also on a mission in wanting to use his music and his energy to bring attention to Louisiana's coastal erosion issues. Benoit began to spend more time in the Wetlands and it was where he began to write his songs. "Wetlands" was the title of his first Telarc/Concord International release. Following the release of "Wetlands" in 2004, Benoit founded the Voice of the Wetlands no-profit organization (www.voiceofthewetlands.org) and began to use music and gather other musicians to use their platforms for getting the message out. He put together a band that featured Cyril Neville, Anders Osborne, George Porter Jr, Big Chief Monk Boudreaux, Johnny Vidacovich, Johnny Sansone and Waylon Thibodeaux that became The Voice of the Wetlands All-Stars.

Benoit's show at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall starts at 8 p.m. Tickets range between \$36.50-\$53.00. Visit www.pvconcerthall.com for more information.

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Sawgrass Country Club players top net competition at JAGA Scratch & Spring Four-Ball

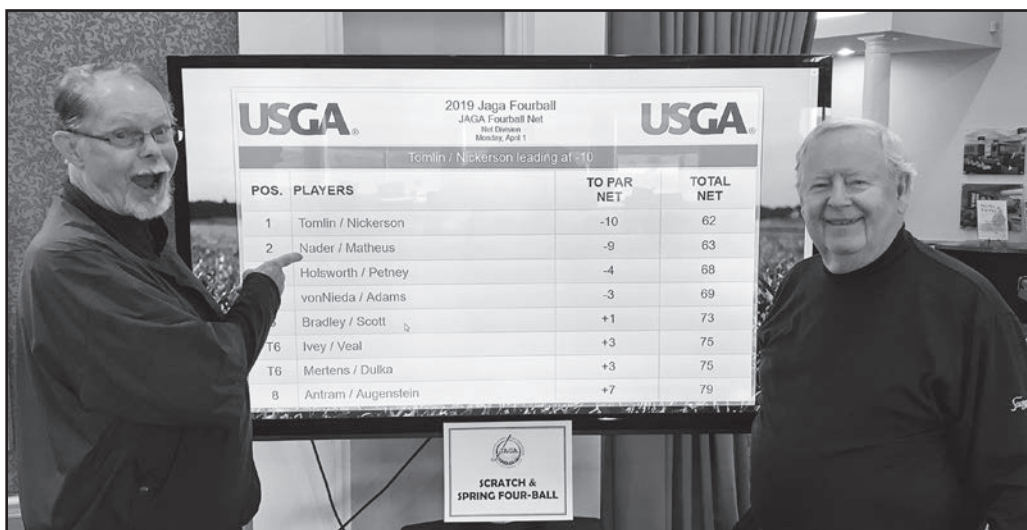


Photo courtesy of JAGA

Bob Nickerson and Tom Tomlin of Sawgrass Country Club were the net champions of JAGA's Scratch & Spring Four Ball April 1 at Marsh Creek Country Club in St. Augustine.

Two teams of golfers from Sawgrass County Club finished as the top two in the net competition of the Jacksonville Area Golf Association's (JAGA) Scratch & Spring Four Ball.

Held April 1 at Marsh Creek Country Club in St. Augustine, the event saw Tom Tomlin and Bob Nickerson post 10-under-par 62 to claim a one-shot victory over Randy Nader and Howard Matheus, all of Sawgrass Country Club.

In the Scratch division, Josh Kennedy (San Jose Country Club) and Devon Hopkins (Jacksonville Golf & Country Club) topped the field of 17 teams with a 2-under-par gross score of 70. Finishing tied for second were the teams of Santiago Cavanagh

(Palencia Club) and David Garratt (King & Bear) and Luke McCann (Deerwood Country Club) and Toby Ragland. The Scratch competitors played the Marsh Creek layout from 6,833 yards.

Twenty-six teams braved a combination of rain and drizzle throughout the entire round, with temperatures hovering in the 50s. Marsh Creek, however, proved to be an excellent draining golf course, with competitors experiencing limited casual water situations.

"Marsh Creek held up incredibly well," Tournament Chairman Vince Celestino said. "It was a tough and not particularly enjoyable day to play golf."

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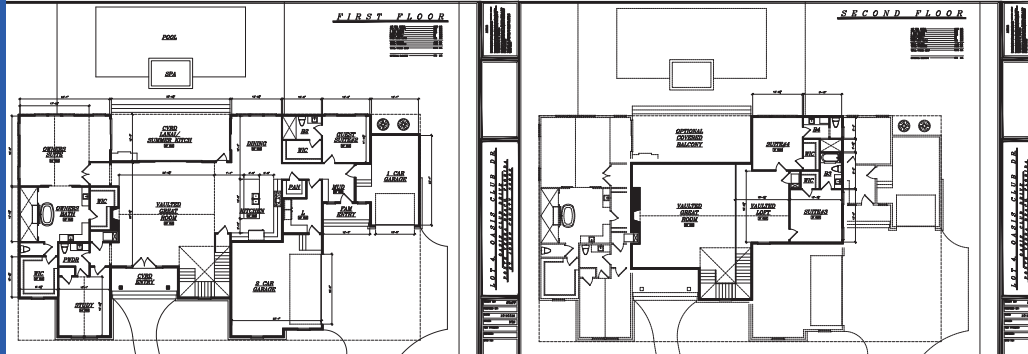
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