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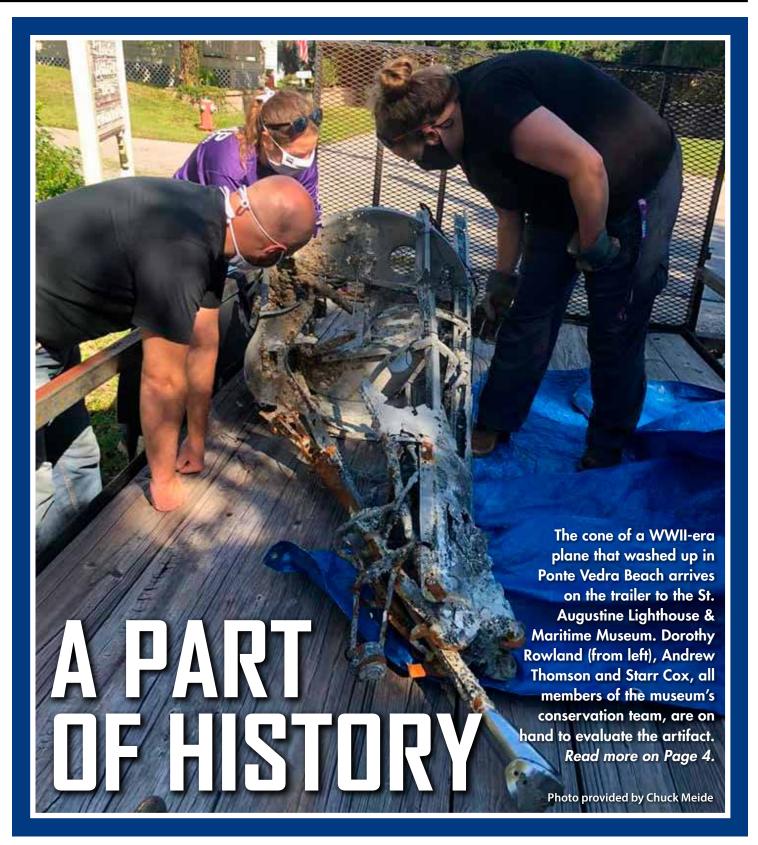


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EDITOR'S NOTES

What's This?: Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, The Recorder is suspending the "Do you know what this is?" contest until further notice.

Pets of the Week: Because the St. Johns County Pet Center is closed to walk-in traffic, The Recorder's Pets of the Week feature has been temporarily suspended. The feature will return once the Pet Center reopens.

NOTES TO READERS

Don't miss an issue: In case social distancing requirements get more strict, we will email you your paper. Send your email address to don@opcfla.com.

Weekly newsletter: The Recorder offers a weekly newsletter every Monday that outlines some of the top stories of the week, as well as providing access to our E-Edition and Entertainment EXTRA! To get the newsletter emailed for free, email don@opcfla.com. We'll add you to the list.

Ponte Vedra man pleads guilty to multiple counts of wire fraud

Robert H. Hendricks, 64, of Ponte Vedra, has pleaded guilty to four counts of wire fraud. He faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison for each count. Hendricks has agreed to pay at least \$2,682,924.34 in restitution to his victims.

A sentencing date has not yet been set. According to the plea agreement, Hendricks was a licensed real estate broker in the Middle District of Florida. Hendricks told two of his victims, a husband and wife, who were his longtime friends, that he had been successful with commercial property development and needed money for another commercial property deal in central Florida. In October 2014, the husband paid Hendricks \$300,000 as an investment into two commercial property ventures. Hendricks never used the funds for an investment. Instead, he used the funds for his personal benefit.

On March 21, 2016, Hendricks received a wire transfer of \$200,000 from another victim, who was also a friend. He told the victim that Wawa, a chain of convenience stores and gas stations, was establishing locations in

Jacksonville and offered the victim a deal for four to five stores. The victim believed that three of the five locations were completed based, in part, on a contract from Hendricks that referenced a Wawa store at the St. Johns Town Center, and other representations made by Hendricks. However, the store at the SJTC had already been built at the time of the investment. Hendricks was not involved in that Wawa project or any other Wawa deal involving the SJTC.

On April 18, 2016, Hendricks received a wire transfer of \$490,000 from a lender for a property he had obtained from a longtime friend through misrepresentations. The victim agreed to temporarily transfer the property to Hendricks to enable him to pay for cleanup and obtain special insurance, but Hendricks did not need to pay for any cleanup and no special insurance was required. Instead, once the property was placed in Hendricks's name, he obtained a \$500,000 mortgage for his benefit, which he failed to repay and the property

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was awarded to the lender at auction.
On Feb. 13, 2017, Hendricks received a wire transfer of \$388,962.17 from a victim for a commercial property venture. Hendricks falsely claimed he had an interest in an LLC that owned a Home

Depot and the victim could invest in it. However, the LLC was merely an LLC incorporated by Hendricks to further his fraudulent Home Depot investment scheme, and he did not own an interest in the LLC that owned the Home Depot.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ashley Washington.



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Tail section of WWII-era plane washes ashore in Ponte Vedra Beach

Artifact sent to St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum, which recently added World War II exhibit

The St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum received the tail section of a World War II-era plane that washed up along South Ponte Vedra Beach during the recent

The initial findings suggest that the part came from a F4F Wildcat, an aircraft produced by the Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corporation mostly based on aircraft carriers. The section includes a tail hook suggesting it was carrier-based. As the plane came in for a landing, the tail hook would catch on the arresting cable allowing the plane to come to a full stop. Unfortunately, many of the training flights off the coast of Jacksonville ended in planes landing in the ocean due to electrical problems, engine problems and other faults with the planes.

Before any effort at conservation can be made, the museum must get the approval of the United States Navy. The conservation team at the museum will take photographs and look for markings that will confirm whether the tail cone came from a F4F Wildcat. The team must also determine the best process to conserve the aluminum cone as it is not a very durable metal.

With the state-of-the-art Charles Cox Conservation Lab on site, the museum is poised to help in the preservation of this important

"We are really proud to be able to save this rare piece of the history of local heroes," St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum Executive Director Kathy Fleming said. "Our experts in underwater archaeology and museum education will help save it and share this story with future generations."

The nonprofit museum provides a valuable resource through its commitment to conserving artifacts but also preserving the stories of the history of our community.

With the museum's recent addition of a World War II exhibit, "Guardians of the First Coast: Building Readiness for World War II," the discovery of this piece of World War II history comes at an ideal time. The museum continues to work on several projects that record the history of North Florida during World War II. During the war, men and women came to St. Augustine to train for warfare on the European and Pacific fronts. In addition, the St. Augustine Light Station came under the supervision of the United States Coast Guard, which in turn came under the Department of the Navy during the war. The exhibit tells the story of the brave men and women who served during the war through photographs, artifacts and video.

For more about the St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum, go to staugustinelighthouse.org or call (904) 829-0745.





Photos provided by the St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum

ABOVE: The cone of a WWII-era plane that washed up in Ponte Vedra Beach is shown prior to being moved into the Charles Cox Conservation Lab at the St. Augustine Lighthouse & Maritime Museum. The tail hook can be seen at the bottom of the photo.

LEFT: A close-up of the tail hook made of stainless steel. This feature leads the Museum to believe this tail cone came from a F4F Wildcat, a plane based mostly on aircraft carriers.

Leadership Jacksonville accepts online nominations for 2022 Class

Leadership Jacksonville is accepting online nominations for the 2022 Class of its flagship adult program, Leadership Jacksonville. Nominations can be submitted through midnight on Friday, Dec. 11.

Leadership Jacksonville educates, connects and inspires diverse leaders to build and strengthen their communities. Nominations are being accepted online at www. leadershipjax.org/leadership-jacksonville-program.

'Since 1977 the year-long Leadership Jacksonville program has annually brought groups of diverse leaders together to develop a better understanding of our area's assets and issues," said Leadership Jacksonville Chief Executive Officer Jill Langford Dame. "They graduate

with an increased commitment to make a positive difference in Northeast Florida."

To be considered for Leadership Jacksonville, individuals may be nominated by a LJ alumnus or the nominee's employer, may complete a self-nomination or may apply directly in January to the Leadership Jacksonville program without nomination. Each nominated candidate must complete an online application in January 2021 and may be invited for an interview. Classes are carefully balanced to represent the composition of the Northeast Florida community and typically consist of 56 leaders.

Criteria for selection include:

■ Demonstrated leadership skills

■ Active community involvement

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The Leadership Jacksonville Class 2022 program will take place August 2021 through May 2022 and includes two retreats and nine day-long programs. More than 2,200 alumni have completed the yearlong program exploring dynamics of urban society, analyzing major areas of community concern, facilitating development of leadership capacity and promoting a network of community trustees.

To learn more about Leadership Jacksonville and its programs, go to www.leadershipjax.org or call (904) 396Ponte Vedra Recorder · October 8, 2020 COMMUNITY NEWS 5

Neuropsychologist and Ponte Vedra resident publishes 1st book, 'Acting in Your Own Best Interest'



Photo provided by Norman Plovnick

Dr. Norman Plovnick, neuropsychologist and of author of "Acting in Your Own Best Interest," enjoys spending his days working on pro-bono cases and spending time with his beloved golden retriever Katie.

Dr. Norman Plovnick's work is about taking control and living life to the fullest

By Kassidy Lankford

For more than 50 years, Dr. Norman Plovnick has been working closely with his patients to help them improve their mental health and teaching them valuable coping mechanisms as they navigate the troubles of mental illness and day-to-day life.

Around two years ago, Plovnick decided to combine his knowledge and experience into his first ever public work, "AIYOBI: Acting in Your Own Best Interest," which is all about advancing your wellbeing and living the happiest, healthiest life.

"When it comes to our mental health, there are some things that are out of our control," Plovnick said of the book, which was published around four weeks ago. "We cannot control our genetic makeup or our early childhood environment — both are things that impact our mental health — but there are also factors that are within our control."

Plovnick said there are many ways to go about coping with the struggles of mental illness, and "AIYOBI" focuses on the things that are within our control and teaches readers how to identify the ways in which we sabotage ourselves mentally, how to overcome these things and how to act in our own best interest.

It is Plovnick's hope this book, which he spent the better part of two years writing, inspires readers to take their mental health into their own hands and live life to the fullest. Another reason Plovnick felt the need to write "AIYOBI" is because he views engagement as a very important part of life as one ages. The creating and writing of "AIYOBI" was a way for Plovnick to stay engaged and apply his knowledge, although he's retired from full-time practice.

After 50 years of work as a neuropsychologist, Plovnick has settled into retirement and in addition to creating his book has maintained a small network of pro-bono patients for whom he is still providing treatment.

"This book is a new way of looking at mental health," Plovnick said. "I try to get across to the reader that, as it relates to our behavior, we are in charge."

Plovnick went on to say the book is all about doing what is best for ourselves and keeping our emotions in check. He said although there are a lot of factors — such as genetics and early childhood environment — that determine the state of our mental health, there are many things that can be done to improve ourselves and take charge of one's own life and mental state, despite the factors that are far beyond our control.

"AIYOBI" is available for purchase on Amazon in both paperback and digital forms. To purchase the book, go to www.amazon. com and search for Dr. Norman Plovnick.

Junior Achievement of North Florida plans virtual event fundraiser for Oct. 22

Junior Achievement of North Florida is gearing up for its big virtual event, Building Better Tomorrows.

The nonprofit is holding the online fundraiser from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Oct. 22. It will be streamed live on the JA of North Florida YouTube channel.

Virtual guests can go now to janfl.org and click on Events to register for the event for free. There is also an opportunity to purchase one or more of the 100 tickets available for the chance to win prizes worth thousands of dollars.

"We have some great prizes our guests will have the opportunity to win, including a trip to Colorado, a complete day of golf at TPC Sawgrass and more," said Tiffany Mackey Guthrie, director of development for JA of North Florida. "We will also be taking a look at JA's impact on the community and will be paying tribute to our retiring president, Steve St. Amand. We hope everyone will join us."

For \$100 per ticket, one winner will

receive a four-night stay at a private residence in Winter Park, Colorado, plus a \$1,000 Delta Airlines ticket voucher to get there. The mountain getaway is a three-bedroom, two-and-a-half bathroom home with views of the slopes. The prize package is worth \$4,275.

For \$75 per ticket, one winner will be picked to receive a round of golf for four at the Tournament Players Club at Sawgrass. The prize includes cart fees, green fees and forecaddie fees, plus lunch for four. The winner will also get four JA golf shirts, golf balls, ball markers and other prizes. This package is worth \$2,500.

Donations can also be made before and during the event through the website or by texting JANFL to 50155.

Local personality Al Emerick will serve as emcee for the event.

For more information about the event and sponsorship opportunities, contact Guthrie at tiffany@janfl.org or call (904) 398-9944 ext. 230.



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Alicia Howell (from left), volunteer; Sarah Dobson, Feeding Northeast Florida director of Development; Dave Massey, Bimbo Bakeries USA; Jim Wright, Bimbo Bakeries USA; Susan King, CEO of Feeding NEFL; Steve Sicheri, Bimbo Bakeries USA; Reyna Garcia, Walmart; Robert Kellett, Bimbo Bakeries USA; Ed Protiva, Walmart; Chuck Simmons, Bimbo Bakeries USA; Eli Darkatsh, Feeding NEFL; Shelby Caldwell, Feeding NEFL Volunteer Project Manager; Annie Sinor, volunteer; Shannon Crabtree, volunteer.

National companies partner with Feeding America to give back to local communities

For the fourth year in a row, Walmart, Bimbo Bakeries USA and Tyson Foods have joined forces to help fight hunger across the United States.

Coronavirus continues to hit Northeast Florida especially hard this year. Feeding Northeast Florida and its network of more than 260 partner food pantries and programs have seen two-to-three times as many households seeking food assistance in Northeast Florida since the coronavirus pandemic began.

The three companies donated 15,000 pounds of food — equating to 12,500

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As vice president and site leader at the local Northrup Grumman facility, Randy Bradley is one of the most prominent executives in St. Johns County. He is active in the community, which he has called home for the past seven years.

As told to Shaun Ryan

Tell us what kind of work you do at Northrop Grumman.

I am the vice president and site leader for the St. Augustine Aircraft Center of Excellence at Northrop Grumman Aeronautics Systems Sector, a premier provider of manned and unmanned aircraft and advanced technologies critical to our nation's security. I am responsible for managing and integrating manufacturing and production operations at the St. Augustine site in coordination with the company's various aircraft programs. The Aircraft Integration Center of Excellence produces, modifies, repairs and overhauls military aircraft and subassemblies.

How long have you been with the company?

I have worked for Northrop Grumman for more than 25 years and I have over 34 years of military and aerospace experience.

I served in the United States Marine Corps and worked on several programs and technologies at Northrop Grumman sites across the United States.

What is the most satisfying part of your job?

The most satisfying part of my job is leading and interfacing with our team as we build essential products that support our military customers. I am proud of our skilled and talented workforce. Northrop Grumman employees have a strong work ethic and commitment to mission excellence.

It is an honor and privilege to lead our team and I find it exceptional satisfying.

As a successful professional, what advice would you give young people as they plan their careers?

I recommend that young people early in their career "find their passion." To be successful in your career, you must really enjoy what you are doing. I would also recommend that you learn and master the basics; in every career having a strong base is a fundamental requirement for success.

How long have you lived in St. Johns County? Where are you from originally?

I have lived in St. Johns County for seven years. I relocated from Southern California in 2013 for career opportunity within Northrop Grumman. I am originally from Southern Maryland and have lived in several states across the U.S. My father was career Navy and I served in the Marine Corps.

What do you like best about living here on the First Coast?

I really like the First Coast; it's exciting to live in a booming area. This is a beautiful location with access to the beach, affordable housing, top rated schools and more — there is something for everyone here. The First Coast allows me to get anywhere on the East Coast quickly, as well. And the seafood restaurants in this area are fantastic.



Photo provided by Randy Bradley

How do you like to spend your free time? Do you have hobbies or do you do any volunteering?

I spend my free time playing golf, and I am a novice photographer.

I believe it's important to mentor the

next generation and share knowledge and inspiration. Corporate responsibility is something I feel strongly about, and I believe it's important to mentor young people. I also welcome opportunities to share knowledge and inspiration. Recently, I joined the board of directors for the St. Augustine Boys and Girls Club. I look forward to actively supporting the organization over the next year. Additionally, I serve on the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce Board of Advisors.

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices FNR raises \$7,540 for First Coast Blessings in a Backpack

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty recently raised \$7,540 for First Coast Blessings in a Backpack, a nonprofit organization that mobilizes communities, individuals and resources to provide food for the millions of elementary school children who might otherwise go hungry.

Funds were raised through Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty's online campaign to increase awareness for Blessings in a Backpack and its mission to end childhood hunger on the weekends. The Northeast Florida real estate firm invited its team of Realtors, employees, partners, clients and the community to support the cause by making donations on www.firstcoast.blessingsinabackpack.org/donate.

"Philanthropy and helping to make a difference in the lives of children and families in the communities we serve are at the core of our culture," said Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices founder and Chairman Linda H. Sherrer. "We are proud to support Blessings in a Backpack and its efforts to eradicate childhood hunger and we truly appreciate the generosity and compassion of our dedicated team and community."



Photo provided by Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Founder and Chairman Linda Sherrer (left) and First Coast Blessings in a Backpack Managing Director Susan Evans.

In Northeast Florida, more than 80,000 children were identified as food insecure prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. First Coast Blessings in a Backpack is currently providing nutritious weekend meals to more than 4.500 local students with direct deliveries to 42 dedicated school partners in three counties. This fundraising campaign helped to raise awareness about child hunger locally and the need for funds to feed more children.

"There is a critical gap in child nutrition that goes unnoticed by most, unless you experience it, and we know the need is even greater now for children in Northeast Florida who are at risk of being affected by hunger," First Coast Blessings in a Backpack Managing Director Susan Evans said. "We are truly thankful for this donation provided by Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty to feed children in our programs."

Feeding

meals — to Feeding Northeast Florida through a partnership with Feeding America.

Representatives from each of the organizations visited Feeding Northeast Florida on Sept. 22, to volunteer by sorting and packing product, deliver the donation and tour the facility. As part of this partnership, Walmart, Bimbo Bakeries USA and Tyson Foods donated 5,000 pounds of bread and 10,000 pounds of protein that will be given to individuals and families over the coming

"The summer months are always a struggle for food banks, with children out of school and donations lighter because of vacations, said Susan King, president and CEO of Feeding Northeast Florida. "This past summer of 2020 has been extra difficult because of the coronavirus pandemic. We're seeing more families — those who never thought they'd be in this situation — coming in for help. We cannot thank our corporate partners enough for this generous donation during these trying times."

Feeding Northeast Florida serves the more than 257,000 people facing food insecurity in its eight-county operating area.

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Spooktacular will continue to enchant guests for 33rd year

The Halloween event at Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens starts Oct. 23

"It's as wicked as you wish" at the 33rd annual Spooktacular at Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens, presented by Aquafina. Tickets are available for the Halloween celebration, which takes place every night from 5-8 p.m. Oct. 23-31. Additional time slots will be available select nights from 7-10 p.m.

For the safety of guests, staff, volunteers and animals, the zoo will be following its COVID-19 guidelines each night of Spooktacular. This includes a one-way directional route through the event, handwashing and sanitizing stations, limits to groups of 10 of less, six-feet physical

distancing between groups, and cashless transactions. Trick-or-treaters will now find candy throughout the event, expanding beyond the traditional Candy Trail for more space.

Children and adults are encouraged to dress up in family-friendly costumes to enjoy the winding pathways of themed decorations and participate in the virtual costume contest.

Guests should beware of prehistoric creatures on the prowl. Dinosauria awaits all who seek a hair-raising adventure through the wooded path. Listen closely for the roars and leaves shaking around every corner and watch out for the Tyrannosaurus rex.

The Great Lawn will feature a maze for little goblins to traverse and chilling ghost stories will be heard in Range of the Jag-



Photo provided by Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens

The 33rd annual Spooktacular at the Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens will take place Oct. 23-32 with COVID-19 guidelines in place.

uar. Themed Spooktacular treats will be available to satisfy the frightening hunger and thirst of kids and adults. More information about Spooktacular's reimagined frights and delights will be released in the coming weeks.

Tickets are available online only and are \$12 for members and \$15 for the public. Children 2 and under are free and do not require a ticket. Tickets will sell out due to limited capacity, so guests are encouraged to buy in advance. Admission includes free parking, Dinosauria and the Wildlife Carousel for those 12 and under. Go to JacksonvilleZoo.org/Spooktacular for tickets and more information.

Farmers market returns Saturdays at The Amp

The St. Augustine Amphitheatre Farmers Market will reopen to normal hours from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays, in front of The Amp. The first market will be Saturday, Oct. 10.

The market will once again offer a variety of fresh food, artisan goods, flowers and local art on Saturdays with a limited number of vendors to accommodate recommended CDC physical distancing guidelines.

To ensure the health and well-being of patrons, vendors and staff, enhanced health and safety measures have been implemented and personal protection equipment, such as face masks, are encouraged. All vendors and farmers market staff are required to wear a face mask. Enhanced measures also include:

- Vendor booths separated by six feet.
- Widened patron-walking path to allow adequate distancing.
- Routine cleaning and sanitization of facilities/common areas before, during, and after the market.

The Tuesday night markets will remain closed at this time.

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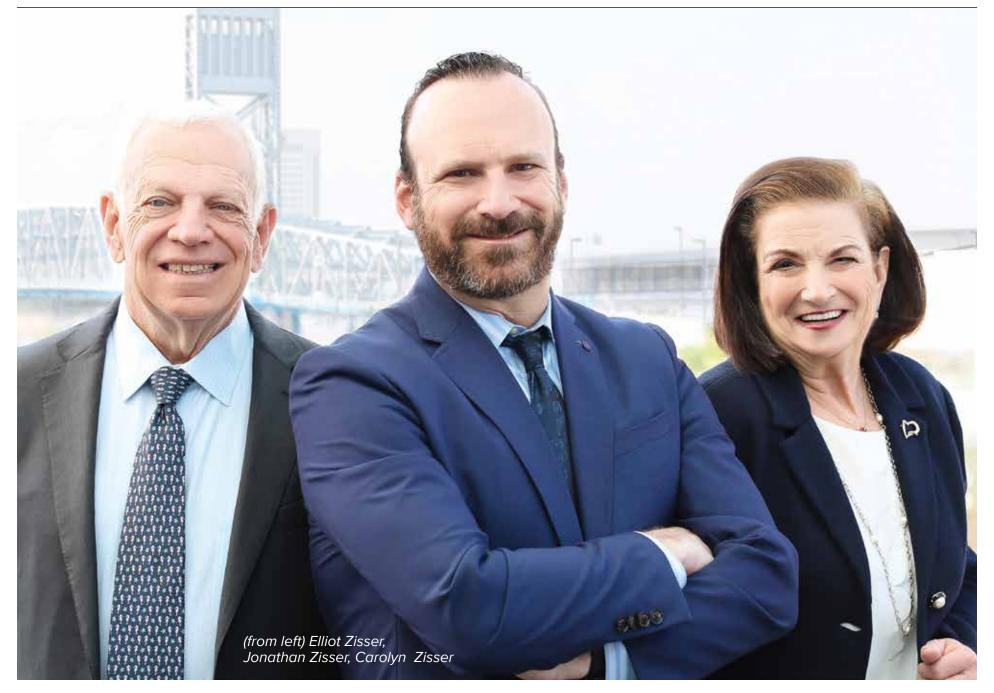
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Student education nonprofit needs donations by Oct. 16

INK! (Investing in Kids) is seeking donors to help it in its mission to benefit local students' education.

The nonprofit provides innovative programs and classroom resources to support academic success for all St. Johns County public schools.

In 2019, INK! was one of 16 winners in A Community Thrives, a grant-making and crowd-funding program from the USA Today Network and a part of the Gannett Foundation for \$25,000 to benefit its Five Learning Years (FLY) program.

FLY is designed to improve children's school readiness with the goal of increasing graduation rates.

For the 2020 grant request, public donations are being sought by the Oct. 16 deadline. The grant award would continue support of FLY, helping to ensure all St. Johns County children, regardless of socio-economic circumstances are ready for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten.

"Children who start behind tend to stay behind without the proper intervention, and the gap increases over time," said Donna Lueders, INK! executive director. "It is crucial that children receive the support they need at the



Photos provided by INK

St. Johns County public school students benefit by participating in the INK! Program.

earliest age possible to close the literacy gap, improve confidence and increase graduation rates."

Early intervention leads to higher graduation rates and, ultimately, better communities, according to Lueders. She believes that her organization can provide the tools to close the literacy

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Members of the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra hold a donation drive at the **Vystar Credit** Union's **Nocatee** office on Sept. 27 to benefit INK. Photo provided by Rotary Club

Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra supports INK with donation days

For its September "signature" community service project, the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra assisted INK (Investing in Kids) in its Tools4Schools Program by organizing a school supplies drive for the benefit of teachers and students in the St. Johns schools.

Two "INK Donation Days" were scheduled. The first was Sept. 13 at the St. John Paul II Early Learning Center and the second was Sunday, Sept. 27, at VyStar's Nocatee office, where Ponte Vedra Rotarians gathered to receive hundreds of needed school supplies (flash drives, colored pencils, highlighters, etc.) dropped off by members of the club and other supportive residents of Nocatee.

INK-StJohns, a local nonprofit organization, functions as the educational foundation of the St. Johns schools with a mission to offer innovative programs and classroom resources to supplement available public resources to promote the academic success of St. Johns County public school students.

The club's October "signature" project features a food drive for the benefit of St. Johns Food Pantry whose needs have increased substantially as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information about the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra email pontevedrarotary@gmail.com or go to pontevedrarotary.org.

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FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE

Local artist Diana Patterson joined with Woody's Bar-B-Q to not only celebrate the restaurant chain's 40-year anniversary, but to raise money for the Tim Tebow Foundation's Anti-Human Trafficking Ministry. Patterson had 80 paintings for sale to more than 100 guests, with 35% going to Tebow's program to bring an end of practice of an estimated 40 million people being sold as modern-day slaves. "I'm all over Tim Tebow. I love to showcase by art," Patterson said. "I really like what we're doing. I've lived here all of my life, so I love the beach and the ocean."

Photos by Don Coble





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gap and the opportunity to support many children and their academic journeys to success.

"2020 has made a significant impact on St. Johns County students' lives," she said. "With extended school closures due to the pandemic, the summer slide has become evident. The FLY program has proven successful year after year, with students improving by 100 percent on literacy screenings after program intervention."

Local donors will play a critical role in helping the nonprofit succeed again this year. INK! needs to win its funding category in education with donors who contribute a minimum of \$5 at https://acommunitythrives.mightycause.com/organization/St-Johns-County-Education-Foundation.

"If we have the most donors, we can receive a bonus of \$5,000," Lueders said. "We have donations totaling \$1,945 and need \$4,055 to qualify by Oct. 16. INK! must be a top fundraiser in its classification to win either \$50,000 or \$100,000. For this campaign, we have been targeting donations on social media and directly to our donors, and now we ask the entire community for help."

For further information, go to inkstjohns.org.

The INK! office is located at 1 Christopher St. in St. Augustine.



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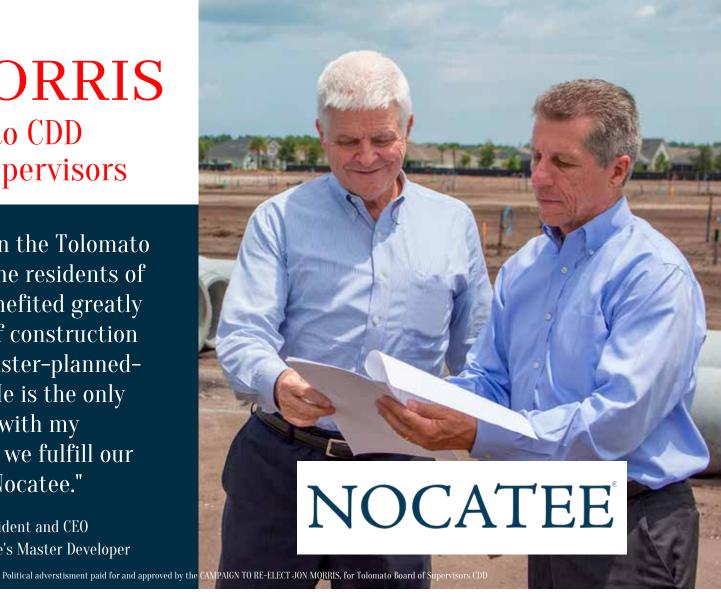
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The Recorder's garden columnist Kathy Esfahani, of Kathy's Creative Gardens & Nursery, shares her tips for growing gorgeous gardens in Northeast Florida.

KATHY'S GARDENING GUIDE

"Nature is painting for us, day after day, pictures of infinite beauty." – **John Ruskin**

Kathy Esfahani Columnist

FALL FESTIVE DECOR

It's that time of year!
Decorating for fall and all things spooky can be a fun way to change up your landscaping as well. There are many items on the market to enhance your yard during these festive times.

In Northeast Florida, our

fall flower selection has to be able to tolerate some amount of sun & heat! Some of the most popular fall flowers to accent are crotons, marigolds and mums. Dusty miller, dianthus and pansies can also offer fall looks depending on color selection. In addition to fall flowers, pumpkins, hay bales and cornstalks are a great addition to the yard for decor.

All of these items are natural which is an added bonus! You can layer the flowers and decor to make a focal piece in a planter or near the front entrance of your home, or even sporadically through a flower bed to give a pop a fall color!

Stop by the nursery this week to grab your fall flowers, hay bales and decor!



Email Kathy at kathys.creative.gardens@ gmail.com for any questions or gardening tips you would like to see in the future.

Kathy's Creative Gardens & Nursery is located at 196 N. Roscoe Blvd. in Ponte Vedra Beach. (904) 655-7373



Photo provided by Kathy Esfahani

PET RESORT COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR HOLIDAY PET FOOD DRIVE



Photo provided by Sawgrass Pet Resort

Sawgrass Pet Resort is accepting donations for a holiday pet food drive, Replenish the Pantries, benefitting local food pantries. Unopened dog and cat food will be accepted at the drop-off (no glass please). The donation drive is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Sunset and the United Way of St. Johns County. Sawgrass Pet Resort is located at 8050 Sawgrass Village Circle in Ponte Vedra Beach. For more information, go to www.sawgrasspetresort.com.



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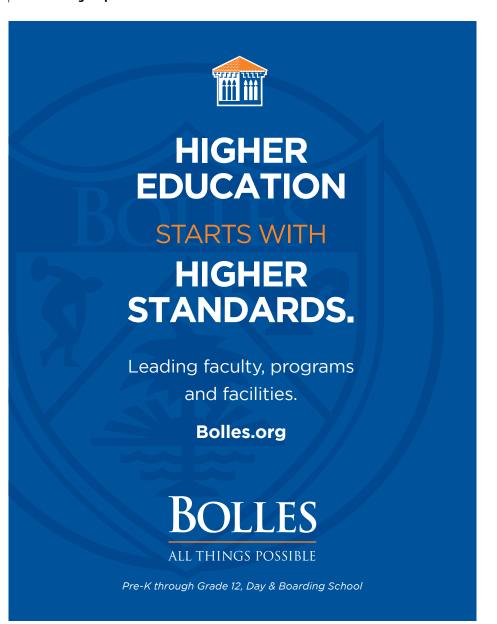
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Catholic parish to be named in Nocatee

By Shaun Ryan

On Saturday, Oct. 17, St. John Paul II Catholic Church in Nocatee will be transformed.

What started as a mission of Our Lady Star of the Sea 10 years ago will formally become a parish church, and the Rev. Richard Pagano will be installed as its first pastor. Bishop Felipe Estevez of the Diocese of St. Augustine will conduct the installation and officially name and bless the new parish.

"I'm humbled to be named a pastor, to be here in the name of St. John Paul II," Pagano said.

The installation Mass will be streamed live at 4 p.m. on YouTube, Facebook and the church's homepage, nocateecatholic.com. Also, a large LCD video wall behind the church will show the Mass for those wishing to view it while outside.

The church is planning a celebration from noon to 5 p.m. the following day with food trucks, games, entertainment, music and more.

This will mark a singular triumph for the congregation and their young pastor, whose expertise in communications has helped him shepherd his community through the challenges of a pandemic. It is a triumph, too, for the church itself, which has come a long way since its origins.

The community's first Mass was celebrated on July 9, 2012. Because there was no church building yet, space was leased at St. Francis-In-The-Field Episcopal Church for the celebration of Masses.

That changed in June 2016 when St. John Paul II opened its doors at 127 Stone Mason Way across from the Artisan Lakes community.

The church had been launched as a mission because the initial congregation was too small to support a parish. But a lot has happened since then.

In 2012, there were 136 registered families. By 2016, the congregation had grown to 232 families. In the four years since, it has blossomed to more than 1,400 registered families.

"Our numbers are skyrocketing," said Pagano.



Photo by Shaun Ryan

Fr. Richard Pagano will be installed as the inaugural pastor of St. John Paul II Catholic Church in Nocatee as the mission officially becomes a parish.

Pagano came to St. John Paul II Catholic Church on May 1, 2019, and before he'd finished his first year he was faced with an enormous challenge: COVID-19.

The diocese suspended Masses and parish gatherings for a time. Even when Masses were once again permitted, it was with a number of precautions. Participation fell off at churches across the diocese and the nation.

But St. John Paul II was poised to respond to this new challenge; its pastor had a strong background in communications and had acquired skills that would help keep the community unified, the spiritually hungry well fed.

"We pivoted immediately and shifted to online ministry, and did our very best to boost morale, boost spirits, proclaim the Gospel as often as we possibly could," Pagano said. "Every weekend, we streamed a Mass. We were pre-recording a lot of material to share with our

parishioners."

Daily readings, notes from the pastor, church news, prayer videos and more were offered on the church's website and through social media.

These efforts had an unexpected benefit. People outside the Nocatee community – way outside – were drawn to the online content St. John Paul II was making available. It drew followers from the U.K., Ireland, Tanzania and the Philippines. Financial support came in from all over the United States.

"That was a tremendous grace of God," Pagano said. For more information on St. John Paul II Catholic Church, go to nocateecatholic.com.

This is an abridged version of the article. Read the full story at pontevedrarecorder.com.

5 Nocatee homes selected as Parade of Homes winners

Five designer-decorated model homes located in the Nocatee community were recently named winners in the 2020 Parade of Homes hosted by the Northeast Florida Builders Association (NEFBA).

Overall, seven Nocatee homes were featured in the annual event, which showcases the best homes in new construction and design across the First Coast. This year's parade included more than 75 new homes by 20 different home builders, located as far north as Fernandina Beach and as far south as St. Augustine. The event began Aug. 29 and concluded Sept. 13.

The five Nocatee-based winners were:

- Acadia Americana* by Dostie Homes in Heritage Trace at Crosswater
- Hamilton with Bonus* by Riverside Homes in Pioneer Village at Crosswater
- Gilchrist* by Providence Homes in Pioneer Village at Crosswater
- Ellaville by Providence Homes in Heritage Trace at Crosswater

■ Stardom by Pulte Homes in Del Webb Nocatee

(* – Denotes gold-level award)

Nocatee offers homebuyers neighborhoods and homes to complement a wide range of lifestyles and price points, ranging from the \$200,000s up to more than \$1 million. The renowned master-planned community is growing faster than ever as

residents welcomed Northeast Florida's

first GreenWise Market as well as many

other retailers in its Town Center in 2020.

The PARC Group, Nocatee's master-developer, recently announced the "Enhancing the Lifestyle" amenity expansion for the Splash Waterpark and Spray Waterpark to provide greater capacity and more op-

The Nocatee Welcome Center is open and adhering to COVID-19 safety measures per CDC guidelines. To book a virtual tour, or plan an in-person tour of Nocatee, go to nocatee.com/welcome-center.

tions for families.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY IN NOCATEE TO BE HELD OCT. 9



Photo by Susan Griffir

Come out to Nocatee Station Field from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 9, for dinner and snacks from more than 15 delicious food trucks. Residents and guests can also enjoy live music by Billy Buchanan and drinks will be available for purchase at the bar, including select craft beers and wines. This event is open to the public and is weather permitting. Residents are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and bug spray, and to practice safe social distancing while enjoying this event. Paradise Park Playground will not be open for Food Truck Friday. There will also be a new area for ages 21 and over at this event.

TRAVEL SPOTLIGHT

Ponte Vedra resident and tour guide Gary Sass shares his experiences from his recent journey hiking the Appalachian Trail in a five-part series to be featured in The Recorder. Here is Part 5



Journey Columnist

DAY 5/6 - MAX PATCH (NORTH CAROLINA), **BLOOD MOUNTAIN** (GEORGIA), STONE **MOUNTAIN (GEORGIA)**

The fifth day along the Appalachian Trail (AT) started just after midnight. When I arrived at Max Patch, there were many cars lined up on the narrow

dirt road leading to the trailhead. It was so tight that if cars parked on both sides of the road, no one could get through. There appeared to be some type of mountaintop convention that I was about to crash. After I parked and looked into the dark sky, I understood the attraction. This was the best star night I had ever seen. To look up and gaze at a thousand points of light was a

I gathered my gear and decided to hike to the star and planet convention. About five minutes into the trek. I was headed back to the safety of my vehicle. It was not feeling right. I cannot explain the feeling I had of uneasiness on this unfamiliar stretch of dirt. After the trail narrowed, my flashlight seemed more like beacon or a magnet to attract the black bears to me. The only bear I preferred to see was the constellation Ursa Major. Since I had no bear spray or anything to scare away a charging bear, I just gave in to my trepidation. There were safer places back by my car to enjoy the star show before I made another run at the top in the early morning. Note to self; bring a book of constellations next time.

It was now 5:15am on Max Patch along the North Carolina-Tennessee border. I woke up with nothing but optimism and excitement. Technically, I parked in Tennessee then hiked half a mile along the blue trail into North Carolina to meet up with the white marked AT close to the peak. My destination was the bald summit that was once cleared for pasture and is known for the 360-degree views of the surrounding mountains.

At the top, I was greeted with the second



Day 5: Max Patch sunrise

spectacular show this mountain had to offer. The sunrise was simply remarkable. Gen Y's were just coming out of their tents to see the best that Mother Nature had to offer. It was hard to describe the bright colors slowly rising above the mountain backdrop. Early in the sunrise, a plethora of stars were still visible. This was the one experience I wish could be shared with everyone. Despite all the witnesses to this miracle, I heard few words from the young awestruck campers. As I walked behind the tents on the AT. I looked back at what I would describe as a Woodstock type moment. I vaguely remember a photo taken during the legendary rock festival of attendees stand-







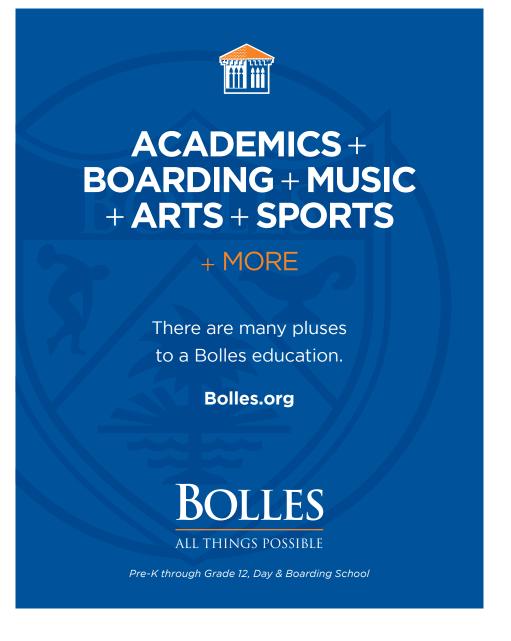
Day 5: Blood Mountain and new summit wave

ing in their sleeping bags. Three unsuspecting campers enjoying the sunrise did not know that they would be part of my photo archive.

This was the ideal place to say a Sunday prayer. I was thankful to be given the opportunity to enjoy this breathtaking morning. There was beauty in every direction. It is easy to see why there are many Bible verses using the imagery of mountains. There was a sense of peace combined with a feeling of power.

The morning hike continued away from the sunrise along the AT in the Pisgah National Forest. I constantly looked back so I would not miss any new blend of colors as the horizon changed from orange to pink. Without any particular destination in mind, the walk was simply relaxing. I felt more in tune with my surroundings as I could hear the softest of sounds. When a small bird appeared on top of a lonely AT sign post, I stopped. My feathered friend hopped around this mini dance floor as if to send me an alert. I contemplated its apparent message. It was interpreted to go no farther on the morning trek and it was time to return to the car.

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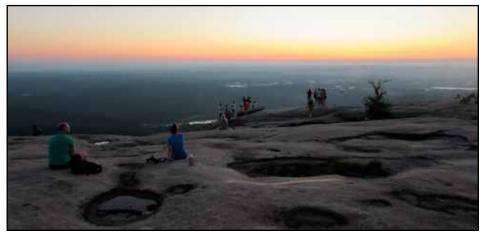
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Travel

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Denny's would be my temporary office and refueling station. The Grand Slam breakfast and bottomless coffee was what I needed for a jumpstart. At first, I considered just calling it a day and looking for a place to kick back. Then a new thought came to mind. This was not an ordinary day in the family calendar. It was the third anniversary of my young daughter being in heaven. In some spiritual way, my energetic Kira was telling me to make this the most active part of my journey. She battled cancer at a young age and made the most of every day. I used my cell phone to find another mountain to the south that could be reached in the early afternoon.

Next stop was the trailhead for Blood Mountain; the highest point on the Georgia section of the AT. With a new sense of purpose, I maintained a steady pace across streams, on switchbacks and over rock paths to the peak about three miles away. Several stops near the top are considered false summits with great panoramas for small gatherings of hikers. Weary travelers were sprawled on the large flat stones that



Day 6: Stone Mountain sunrise

serve as permanent lounge chairs with a view. There was a well fortified shelter at the peak that was closed due to COVID-19 according to the flimsy notice. I decided to go back to one of the false summit areas I had recently passed. As a hiker rose from the firm lounge area, I politely asked her to take my photo. I stood, arm extended, showing my "Kira Forever In Our Hearts" bracelet with the mountain range in the background. This wristband display or "summit wave" just became my signature pose in remembrance of our brave daughter.

I relaxed on the smooth stone outcrop-

ping as if it was my turn on the mountain lounge chair. About five minutes later, a tick crawled across my leg. Simultaneously, I brushed it off and jumped to my feet like a well rehearsed judo move. Nature had just made the departure announcement with the tiniest of messengers.

After the hike, I envisioned eating like a King or a German Kaiser in Helen, Georgia. Helen has transformed itself into a Bavarian alpine town. To the residents, living in the Appalachians was just like the Alps. A big German dinner at The Heidelberg in a beer garden setting would be my mountain send-off before I made tracks for the Sunshine State.

The drive home was a bit far to complete at night especially after a big meal. I figured one more sunrise hike on the way would be a nice little exclamation mark on the journey. The walk-up gate at Stone Mountain Park opened at 5am so that played well into the new plan. My morning exercise would be a flashlight scramble up the steep rock face to the summit of Stone Mountain. This lone, round, high rise dome seems to surge from the earth like a giant stone bubble. I had several minutes of solitude at the top before the tourists made the ascent to see the horizon turn a brilliant orange. A few notes were penned on paper. I felt grateful for the unexpected time off during a pandemic and the freedom to explore nature. Hiking is one of the few activities that can be both exhilarating and relaxing at the same time. The spontaneity is what turned my journey into a more humorous adventure. Many of the unexpected circumstances will be my most cherished memories.

As I approached Florida, I made a final pit stop for gas and Georgia peaches. A friendly college student was at the fruit stand so I contributed to her tip jar for nursing school. With a small treat for home, I had just enough time to arrive and complete the most important job of the week. The car had become a mobile messy closet. I needed to turn this dirty heap into an immaculate vehicle before my wife got home from work. After all, she was kind enough to let me use her car for the solo journey.

A few days at home and I was missing the mountains. For the first time I pondered, what are the chances a young baby boomer could complete the whole AT? What are the sacrifices to be made? I noted, before the longer journey begins, a purpose must be discovered on the narrow path to accomplishment.

Gary Sass is a local historian and owner of Jacksonville Walking Tours and AdLib Luxury Tours. He enjoys freelancing as a Journey Writer by recording his experiences between destinations.

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Ernesto A. Florig

Ernesto A. Florig, 67, of Jacksonville Beach, Florida, died Oct. 4, 2020. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre. (904) 249-1100 www.quinn-shalz.com

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Joan Anne O'Toole, 80, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, died Sept. 30, 2020. Arrangements by Quinn-Shalz Family Funeral Home & Cremation Centre. (904) 249-1100 www.quinn-shalz.com



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And the results of the 2nd annual Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra are ...

Once again, the Ponte Vedra Recorder has asked readers to tell us which businesses, nonprofits, practices and professionals are the Best of the Best of Ponte Vedra in the 32081 and 32082 ZIP codes. And once again, the readers have weighed in with their preferences.

Between June 25 and July 29, members of the community had the opportunity to nominate their favorites in 240 categories. In all, 2,158 nominations were submitted.

Beginning July 30, readers were invited to vote on the nominees. The response was tremendous. A total 2,324 people cast votes. In all, 33,652 votes were tallied.

After voting closed on Aug. 31, it was time to find out who won. The votes were counted and the winners notified. Their names are listed in this special section.

Winners will be happy to know that the people in their community who rely on their goods and services selected them. It is a stamp of approval that recognizes winners' dedication and exceptionalism.

The Ponte Vedra Recorder wants to thank the voters who took the time to participate. The strong response reveals a community of individuals willing to add their voices to the public conversation and reward those who put forth their best efforts every day.

In the coming year, readers will want to keep this section handy. When seeking out a product or service for the first time, it's helpful to know which businesses other members of the community recommend. Ponte Vedra Recorder · October 8, 2020

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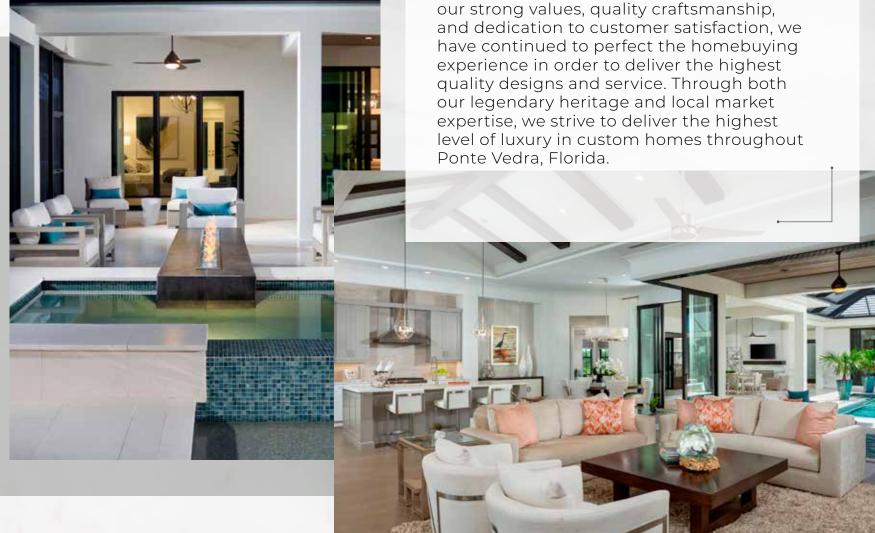
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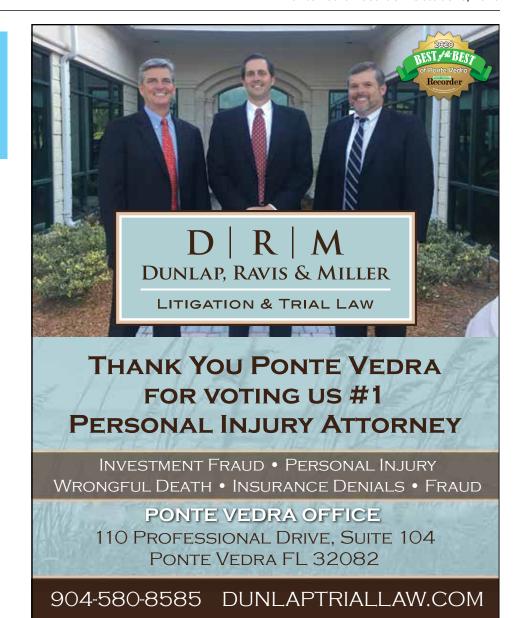
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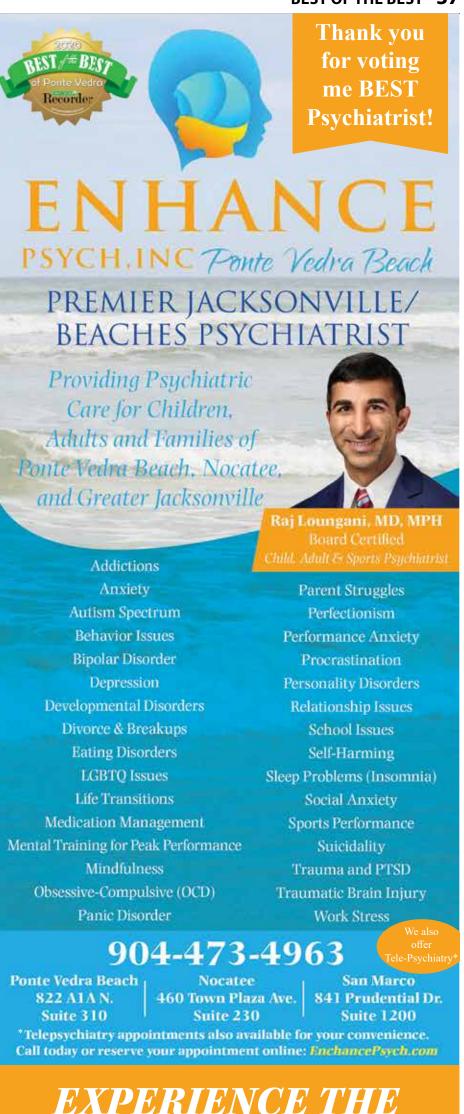
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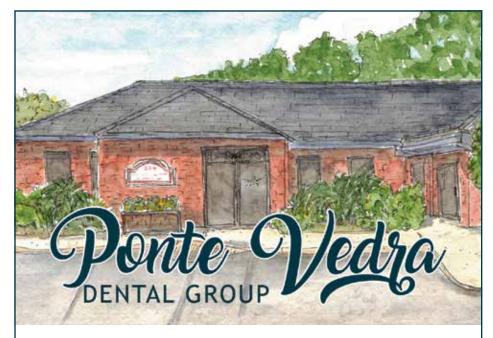
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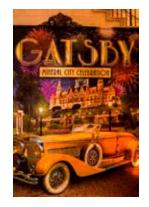


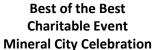
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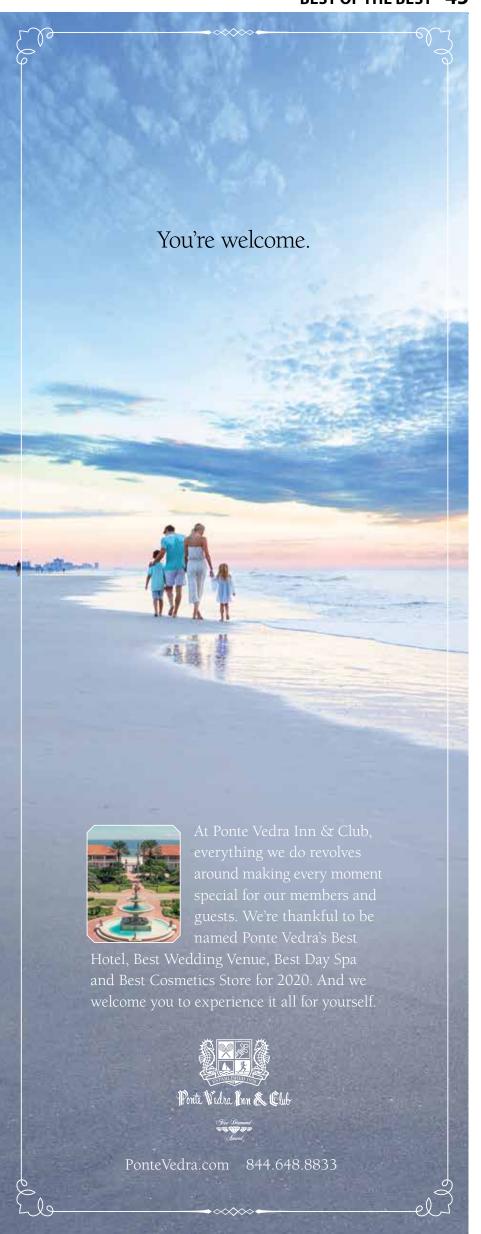
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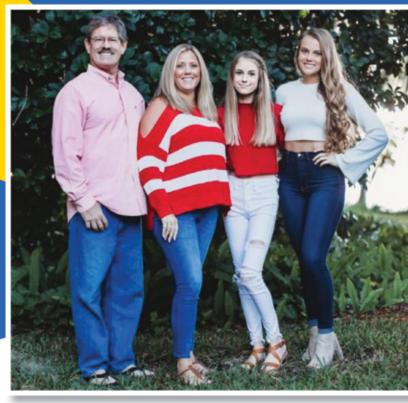


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Airstream Ventures 3: Inside the railcars, guests will find a luxurious living room style space for their friends, family, business partners, and

Local event management company offers safe, innovative 'railgating' options for football season

By Kassidy Lankford

Now that social distancing and CO-VID-19 concerns are a part of day-today living, conventional tailgating is not an option for most people this year. Although tailgating at home is a great way to experience football season, some people still want the experience of hosting celebrations outside of their homes.

Airstream Ventures is a Jacksonville event management company that partners with events, venues, companies and nonprofits to create engaging experiences that bring the community together. Airstream Ventures has partnered with River City

Railway to provide a unique tailgating experience to the people of Jacksonville.

"These railcars have been there for 15 vears, and they are available to rent for tailgating for the first time," said Joel Lamp, senior director of Events and Tour-

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Can you afford the years beyond your'health span?'



Karsten Jacobson Columnist

We're all interested in the topic of lifespan. What's the average lifespan of men and women? What factors influence lifespan? What can I expect for my own lifespan? Yet, you may also want

to think about your health span — that is, how long you will live in generally good health. How should you factor in your potential health span when creating your financial strategies?

To begin with, you'll want to be aware of the gap between lifespan and health span. Consider this: The average healthy life expectancy in the U.S. is only 68.5 years, according to World Bank data cited in the 2020 Edward Jones/Age Wave Four Pillars of the New Retirement study. This means that, on average, Americans can expect to spend about 10 years in poor health, which, unfortunately, is more than in most other developed countries.

Of course, everyone's situation is unique, and many variables are involved in the lifespan/health span comparison: differences in projected longevity between women and men, family health histories, environmental factors, and so on. And there are

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St. Johns County Chamber opposes Florida Constitutional Amendment 2, which allows for minimum wage increase

Isabelle Renault, St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce president and CEO, has announced that after thorough discussion and deliberation, the Chamber's board of directors formally oppose Florida Constitutional Amendment 2.

The St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce joins the Florida Chamber of Commerce, Florida Restaurant and Lodg-

ing Association, Associated Industries of Florida, Florida Home Builders Association, Florida Farm Bureau and Florida Retail Federation in opposing Amend-

If passed, Amendment 2 would raise the minimum wage to \$10 per hour effective Sept. 30, 2021. Each Sept. 30 thereafter, minimum wage shall increase by \$1 per hour until the minimum wage reaches \$15 per hour on Sept. 30, 2026. From that point forward, future minimum wage increases shall revert to being adjusted annually for inflation starting Sept.

"With so many attractions, hotels and restaurants still operating at limited capacities, the hospitality industry will

be significantly impacted by approval of Amendment 2." Renault said. "Minimum wage is often the wage earned in entrylevel positions. These jobs are intended for individuals entering the workforce so that they can gain skills and experience. Increasing the minimum wage so drasti**50 BUSINESS WEEKLY** Ponte Vedra Recorder · October 8, 2020

Beacon Lake builders honored in Parade of Homes

The community of Beacon Lake and members of its builder team, Dream Finders Homes and Mattamy Homes, received silver awards in the Northeast Florida Parade of Homes.

The awards recognized the designer-decorated model homes, the Boca II by Dream Finders Homes and the Tradewind by Mattamy Homes. Hosted by the Northeast Florida Builders Association, the Parade of Homes is an annual event highlighting the latest in new home innovation and design.

"We are pleased to receive this recognition for our model homes at Beacon Lake," said Bruce J. Parker, managing director for BBX Capital Real Estate, Beacon Lake's master developer. "With award-winning home designs, family-friendly lakefront amenities and a welcoming neighborhood environment, Beacon Lake is one of the finest places to call home."

At Beacon Lake, Dream Finders Homes, Mattamy Homes and Toll Brothers are building coastal-inspired single-family homes. Dream Finders is also building luxury townhomes. Seven model homes are open daily for tours.

ABOUT BEACON LAKE

At the heart of the community is the 8,200-square-foot Lake House Amenity and Fitness Center. It is anchored by a 43-acre lake and situated within 358 acres

of nature preserve. The center features a junior Olympic swimming pool, fun pool and splash park, plus a crew house for kayak rentals and a demonstration kitchen.

Beacon Lake's fitness center offers virtual fitness classes, cardio and strength-training equipment, free weights, spin bikes and a fitness studio. The community features a lakeside sand beach, pirate-themed playground and sports fields for outdoor activities, as well as miles of multipurpose paths for walking, running or biking. A bark park offers pets and their owners a place to exercise, socialize and play.

Beacon Lake is within the St. Johns County Public School District and currently zoned for A-rated schools, including Ocean Palms Elementary School, Alice B. Landrum Middle School and Allen D. Nease High School for the 2020-21 school year. The district has announced plans to open a new high school in the 2022-23 school year.

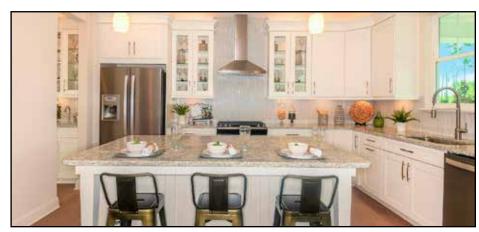
The community offers residents a central location near shopping, dining, employment centers and area beaches. A new Publix is set to open soon just outside the community.

Beacon Lake is located on the south side of County Road 210 between U.S. 1 and Interstate 95. For more information, go to BeaconLake.com.



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The Boca II model by Dream Finders Homes at Beacon Lake



The Tradewind model by Mattamy Homes at Beacon Lake



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GreenPointe model homes win Parade of Homes awards

Three of GreenPointe Communities' builder model homes were honored in the Northeast Florida Parade of Homes.

Awards were presented to Dream Finders Homes for its Vilano model and MasterCraft Builder Group for its Thomas Plus model at TrailMark, a community in St. Johns County. Arthur Rutenberg Homes by Mark Refosco was honored for its Tidewater model at EvenTide, a Ponte Vedra Beach neighborhood.

"We are extremely proud of premier homebuilders at TrailMark and EvenTide, and thrilled these models have been honored by the Northeast Florida Builders Association," said GreenPointe Communities marketing director Gaynelle James. "GreenPointe Communities is esteemed for creating communities that offer a lifestyle and environment where people want to live. We appreciate the recognition, and we hope it will encourage everyone to visit and learn more about our unique communities."

The 2,500-square-foot, two-story Vilano at TrailMark features a modern farmhouse style and a neutral color palette with pops of color. The four-bedroom, three-bath model home offers several options, including a fifth bedroom.

The Thomas Plus model adopts a modern



The Thomas Plus model at TrailMark by Master Craft Builder Group.

Florida Farmhouse chic design style, infusing a fresh coastal-inspired vibe. The home's soft color palette is complemented with comfortable furnishings and rustic accents. This five-bedroom, four-bath, two-story home presents 3,702 square feet of living space plus a three-car garage.

The Tidewater showcase home has a West Indies-style exterior and a coastal color palette of white, silver blues and driftwood tones. The 5,270-square-foot home presents stylishly appointed interiors, outdoor living spaces, luxury finishes and state-of-the-art features.

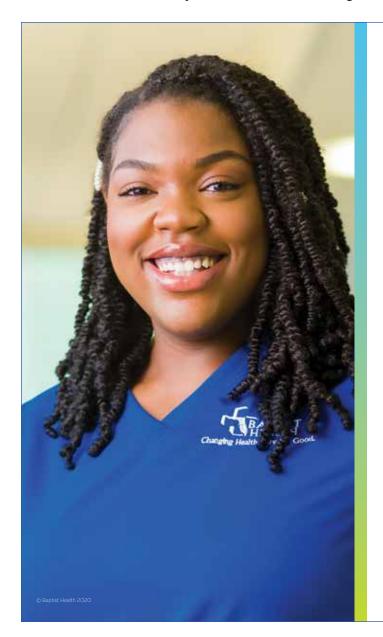
Though the Parade of Homes is over, these and other model homes are available for in-person and virtual tours. For more information, go to GreenPointeLLC.com.



The Tidewater model at EvenTide by Arthur Rutenberg Homes by Mark Refosco.



The Vilano model at TrailMark by Dream Finders Homes.



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St. Johns County Chamber names new board members

Isabelle Renault, president and CEO of St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce, announced the new board members for fiscal year 2020-2021.

The board of directors will be led by Dr. Erika Hamer, owner of Ponte Vedra Wellness Center in Ponte Vedra Beach and Nocatee, who served as vicechairman during the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Joining the executive team on the



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board of directors will be Skip Marsh, Flagler Health +, as vice chair; Beth Sweeny, Flagler College as treasurer; Berta Odom, RE/ MAX 100 Realty, as secretary; Andy

Jackson, Jackson Law, as chairman of the Economic Development Council; and Mark Nighbor of Advanced Disposal as immediate past chairman.

Those newly elected to three-year terms on the board include Melissa Morin, Wells Fargo; Melissa Rowe, Puroclean Emergency Restoration Services; Stephen Hudson, Digital Mark Company, LLC; and Chris Pokrivnak, VyStar Credit Union.

They join those previously elected, including Carol Burns, Vista Hospitality; Orville Dothage, Northrop Grumman Corp; Michael Scine, Scine CPA Advisors; Jim Bush, Florida Power & Light Co.; Kathy Fleming, St. Augustine Lighthouse and Maritime Museum, Inc.; Darnell Smith, Florida Blue; and Gary Wheeler, Constangy, Brooks, Smith and Prophete, LLP.

Joining the board as new elected council chairs are: Meghan Holder, Agricultural and Environmental Council, Primerica Financial Services: William McBroom, Tourism and Hospitality Council, St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra and The Beaches Visitors and Convention Bureau; Eric Tatro, North Business Council, Eric Tatro Real Estate, Florida Homes Realty and Management; Edward Dwyer, South Beaches Council, Vigeo Alliance; Lori Brandel, Historic St. Augustine Area Council: VvStar Credit Union; and Rachael Mueller, Women with Vision Council, Girl Scouts of Gateway Council.

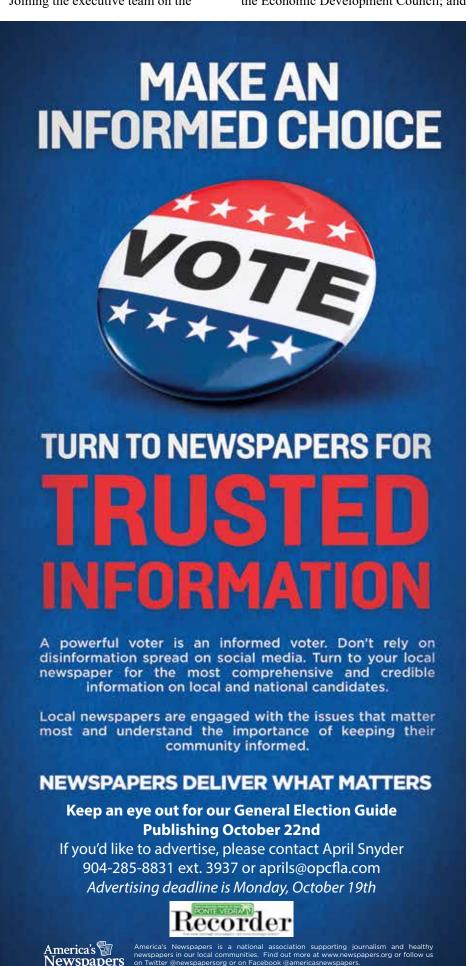
Also joining the board this year are Matt Price, Regions Bank as Chair of the Ponte Vedra Beach Division Board, and Lisa Payne, Ameris Bank, Chair, St. Augustine Ambassadors.

Richard Goldman of St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra & The Beaches Visitors and Convention Bureau rejoins the board as a non-voting ex-officio member.

Leaving the board are: Pat Kane, Pop-A-Lock; Luciano Noir-Jones, Wells Fargo and Scott Thomas, Burr and Forman, LLP as they ended their threeyear term Sept. 30, 2020.

"The St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce is the leading business organization in St. Johns County with 1,100 members from many different industries. Our unified influence allows us to be a strong voice for commerce," Renault said. "With our new slate of vibrant board leaders, the Chamber delivers continuous value-added service to its members and the community with expertise, talent and knowledge." she said. "We consistently work to improve the region's professional environment and quality of life where existing companies have the opportunity to prosper, and new businesses find it attractive to locate in St. Johns County."

Each of the elected board members' terms are three years, and the Chamber's fiscal year begins on the first day of October and ends on the last day of September. For more information about the St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce, go to www.sjcchamber.com or call (904) 829-5681.



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Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty Mega Open House Weekend set for Oct. 17-18

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty's Mega Open House Weekend returns Oct. 17-18. The event will offer virtual and in-person open-house viewings of the company's listings of available homes.

"We will be hosting more than 100 open houses, both in person and virtually, during our event," said Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty President and CEO Christy Budnick. "We have received many

compliments regarding the way we are conducting our in-person open houses following the guidelines recommended by the CDC. For buyers and sellers who prefer virtual visits, we have all the systems in place to show and sell homes virtually.'

Go to OpenHouseNEFlorida.com for a list of open houses. Go to the company's Facebook page, facebook.com/FloridaNetworkRealty, to see all of the homes featured virtually during the event.

Berkshire Hathaway **HomeServices** Florida Network Realty is hosting a Mega Open **House Weekend** on Oct. 17-18.

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MasterCraft Builder Group wins gold, silver in Parade of Homes

MasterCraft Builder Group's craftsmanship has been recognized once again. The semi-custom homebuilder and community developer with deep roots in Northeast Florida was recently awarded Gold and Silver for two of its model homes in this year's St. Johns County Parade of Homes.

This recognition came the same evening that MasterCraft was also awarded "Best Home Builder" in St. Augustine Record's 2020 "Best of" contest for the second year in a row.

"Parade of Homes is always an exciting time for MasterCraft to show off our latest design styles, floor plan features and quality of construction," said Chris Shee, CEO and founder of MasterCraft Builder Group. "We strive to design and build homes for the way you live — not just to fit the number of rooms in any particular square footage range. We always receive such wonderful feedback from the judges, and this year was no different. We are grateful to again be an award-winning homebuilder in the Parade of Homes.'

Each year, St. Johns Builders Council hosts the annual St. Johns Parade of Homes, which ran this year from Aug. 29 through Sept. 13. This year's home tour included more than 75 model homes throughout Northeast Florida, with MasterCraft receiving first-place gold for its Thomas Plus model in TrailMark (\$710,000-\$720,000 range), as well as silver for their Grayson model in Silver-Leaf Village (\$750,000-\$775,000 range). MasterCraft Builder Group has won gold and silver awards for St. Johns Parade of Homes the past three years, including the overall "Pick of Parade" award in 2019.

"MasterCraft designs homes for the way modern families live" Shee said. "Ultimately, these awards are a true testament to our promise, building homes with true craftsmanship, using only the best quality methods and materials, and giving back to the St. Johns County community.'



Airstream Ventures has partnered with the River City Railway to create a unique tailgating experience that allows the Jacksonville community to celebrate during football season safely and socially distanced.

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ism at Airstream Ventures, explaining that the railcars are set up like miniature condos to provide guests with all the amenities they need. "We have done tailgating events in the past but the 'railgating' experience is new to Jacksonville," he said.

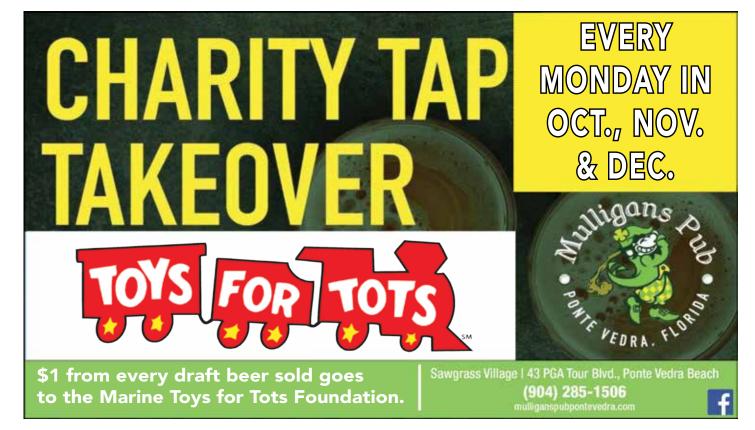
Lamp said the idea was inspired by a similar setup in Columbia, South Carolina.

Rather than crowding together in tailgating lots, River City Railway and Airstream Ventures are offering railcar rentals to the people of Jacksonville to enjoy their pre- and postgame celebrations. There will be multiple options available to tailgaters, including private railcars that can host up to 16 guests

or single tickets that allow access to VIP railcars. Although several different package options are available, each railcar tailgating experience comes with unlimited food and beverages provided by choice vendors. This allows eventgoers to celebrate football season without compromising the health and safety of themselves or their loved ones.

Tickets to the railcar tailgating experience are available at varying prices through 904tix.com. Tickets will be available for all Jaguars games.

Although the pandemic has changed many things in the day-to-day lives of everyone across the globe, it doesn't have to spell the end of football fun. Airstream Ventures and River City Railway have come up with a creative way to reinvent tailgating that allows football fans to enjoy their celebrations - safely and without concern.





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cally sets a higher productivity standard that would force businesses to shift their workforce to more experienced workers."

"If approved by Florida voters, Amendment 2 will leave fewer jobs for entry-level workers leading to a decrease in job training and opportunities for students and those looking to re-enter the workforce," she said.

According to Dr. Erika Hamer, St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce chair, Amendment 2 is effectively a tax increase driving up inflation and dramatically increasing the cost of living, while forcing seniors and working families to

pay more for necessities like food and clothing.

"Amendment 2 would also cause part-time wage earners to see a dramatic reduction in paid hours and benefits as many businesses may be forced to reduce staff," she said.

The Congressional Budget Office, which produces independent analyses of budgetary and economic issues to support the Congressional budget process, produced a recent report which detailed what would happen if a \$15 minimum wage were enacted across the country. The report concluded that the median nationwide job loss would be 1.3 million jobs.

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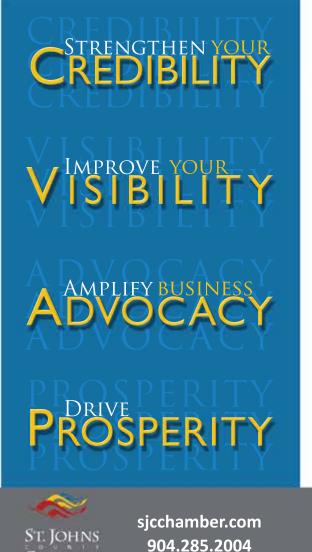
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certainly plenty of people whose health spans essentially match their lifespans that is, they enjoy healthy, busy lives right up until the end. Yet, even the possibility that you could face a decade or more of less-than-ideal health in your retirement years should be cause for concern.

The health issue, by itself, is already worrisome, but the accompanying threat to financial independence is also on people's minds. In fact, 72% of retirees say one of their biggest fears is becoming a burden on their families, according to the Four Pillars study.

So, given these concerns, here are a few moves to consider, possibly with the help of a financial professional:

■ Investigate long-term care protection. The costs of an extended nursing home stay can be exorbitant, and the services of a home health care aide are far from inexpensive, too. And retirees know it:

Their greatest financial worry is paying for health care costs, including the cost of long-term care, again according to the Four Pillars study.

Consequently, you may want to explore some type of long-term care protection – and the younger you are when you purchase this protection, the more affordable it tends to be.

■ Evaluate your investment mix. Even with Medicare and Medicare supplement plans, you will likely face significant out-of-pocket health care costs during your retirement years.

To help pay these bills, you will need sufficient liquidity in your financial accounts. So, you may need to evaluate, and possibly adjust, your investment mix to make sure you've got adequate funds in liquid, low-risk vehicles. These types of securities won't offer much in terms of growth potential, but they do provide more stability of principal.

You won't want to abandon all growth-oriented vehicles, though even in retirement, you need to stay ahead of inflation.

■ Create a sustainable withdrawal rate. To help address your health span funding concerns, you'll also need to ensure you're not taking out too much money from your investment portfolio each year, especially during your first few years of retirement.

If you could see into the future, you'd know exactly where your lifespan intersected with your health span. But since this certainty is unattainable, you'll want to be prepared for whatever comes your way.

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What do you know about the minimum wage?



Harry Pappas Columnist

Quick! What is the current minimum wage? If you guessed \$8.50, you are wrong! The current minimum wage is \$7.25/hour. U.S. labor law, and a range of state and local laws. set the minimum wage in the United States. It was 1912 when the idea of establishing a minimum wage began. In fact, Massachusetts became the first state to pass a minimum wage law.

Since 1938, the federal minimum

wage has increased 22 times. Employers generally have to pay workers the highest minimum wage prescribed by federal, state and local law. Since July 24, 2009, the federal government has mandated a nationwide minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour. Previous to this, the minimum wage had stalled at \$5.15 per hour for 10 years.

Some states and cities have raised their minimum wage

Attempts to raise the minimum wage at the federal level have been brought to Congress many times. Most recently, the House of Representatives passed its Raise the Wage Act in July of 2019, recommending a jump to \$15 per hour by 2025. However, the legislation has not fared well in the Senate. Nevertheless, local governments are filling the void with their own versions of the minimum wage law. For example, excluding Washington D.C.'s \$15-per-hour minimum wage, followed by Washington and California at \$13.50 per hour and \$13 per hour, respectively. The minimum wage in Emeryville, California is \$16.30, the highest in the nation. Also worth noting is that New York raised its hourly minimum to \$11.80 on Dec. 31, 2019.

Do you ever wonder what the minimum wage was back in the day? Probably not, but in case you do, wonder no more! Check out the following data:

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1960	\$1	\$8.39
1970	\$1.60	\$10.46
1980	\$3.10	\$9.96
1990	\$3.80	\$7.43
2000	\$5.15	\$7.54
2010	\$7.25	\$8.28
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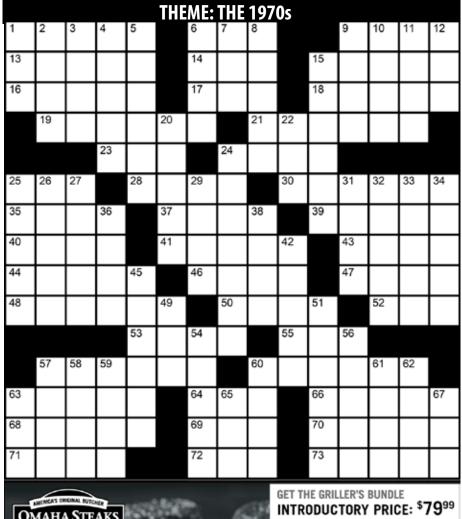
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Campbell and his team have been traveling around the country for years to share the collection of paintings with communities across the nation.



Campbell's paintings are inspired by past works such as the Saturday morning Beatles cartoon, "Scooby Doo," "The Jetsons," "Rugrats," "The Flintstones" and more.



Photos by Kassidy Lankford

Renowned Australian animator Ron Campbell recently had dozens of paintings, inspired by his past works, on display at Gallery 725 in Jacksonville Beach.

Renowned Australian animator brings nostalgic memories to life through display at Jacksonville Beach art gallery

By Kassidy Lankford

Australian animator Ron Campbell has been fascinating people with his cartoonmaking from a very early age.

As a young boy, he enjoyed visiting the movie theater with the other neighborhood children on Saturday afternoons. Because televisions were not widely owned at the time, this was Campbell's only opportunity to watch cartoons. The pre-film cartoons are what inspired Campbell to become an animator, and he has been bringing his ideas to life ever since.

Although he is best known for his work animating and directing the Saturday morning "The Beatles" cartoon series and animating The Beatles' "Yellow Submarine" film, Campbell has also taken part in animating "The Rugrats," "The Jetsons," "The Smurfs," "Scooby Doo," "Winnie the Pooh" and more. Although Campbell has retired from his animation career, he has been spending his days as of late creating artwork based on his characters, which was recently featured at Jackson-ville's Gallery 725.

"The gallery consists of about 60 pieces of art, all inspired by the cartoons I helped to make," Campbell said. "It's a really fun show. The point is to bring back nostalgia for those who watched 'Yellow Submarine,' 'Popeye,' 'Scooby Doo' and more."

Campbell said many years ago, Saturday mornings were the highlight of the week for many children as it was their only opportunity to indulge in cartoon-watching. As guests wander through the gallery, they will be struck with memories that bring them right back to their childhood Saturday mornings and remind them of all the shows they used to know and love.

The paintings were on display in late September in Gallery 725. Campbell himself attended the official gallery opening on Sept. 25, and also appeared at the gallery on Sept. 26 and Sept. 27 to greet guests as they experienced the cartoon pop-art within the gallery. Although the gallery has moved on from Jacksonville Beach, Campbell continues to travel all around the country to cities large and small, sharing his art with communities across the nation.

Cultural Center gets grant for art enrichment at Osceola Elementary

This fall, 12 Osceola Elementary students will receive scholarships for 15 weeks of art instruction thanks to a grant from the Dr. JoAnn Crisp-Ellert Fund at The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida.

The art enrichment is an afterschool program for elementary students across St. Johns County through of The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach's Kick StART program.

In addition, another 12 Osceola students will receive scholarships for the spring program.

Due to COVID-19 precautions, the fall program will be online, with students receiving supplies to work at home. Spring classes will take place either online or at the school, depending on school and county policy.

The Kick StART program is designed to introduce elementary school students to the elements of visual art and multiple mediums, while taking inspiration from master artists' works. Students have the opportunity to explore and expand their creative expression during the class. They will use watercolor, acrylic, marker, clay, papier mâché and more.

"We are honored to receive The Dr. JoAnn Crisp-Ellert Fund grant," said Donna Guzzo, Cultural Center executive director. "We are super-excited about bringing the arts to the community, especially to Osceola Elementary, a Title 1 school."

Kick StART classes are available for all elementary students after school. Online instruction is offered Tuesday and Thursday. Brick-andmortar classes are offered at the center and on campus at Ocean Palms Elementary and Palm Valley Academy.

For more information on Kick StART or to enroll, go to CCPVB.

The center also offers Sound Connections music therapy to six St. Johns County schools, including two Title 1 schools. This is the first year is it offered at Osceola, as the program is expanding across the county.

The center is having a virtual watch party, "Cocktails, Connections and a Concert with Sara Garland," a world-renowned soprano, to raise funds for musical therapy.

Registration can be made at CCPVB.org.

Latin-jazz performer Al Di Meola returns to Ponte Vedra Concert Hall in 2021

World-music and Latin-jazz pioneer Al Di Meola will return to the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall on March 26. He last performed at there in February 2019. Tickets for the show are on sale now.

Di Meola's ongoing fascination with complex rhythmic syncopation combined with provocative lyrical melodies and sophisticated harmony has been at the heart of his music throughout a celebrated career that has spanned four decades and earned him critical accolades, three gold albums and more than 6 million in record sales worldwide.

He has recorded more than 20 albums as a leader while collaborating on a dozen or so others with the likes of the fusion supergroup Return to Forever (with Chick Corea, Stanley Clarke and Lenny White), the celebrated acoustic Guitar Trio featuring fellow virtuosos John McLaughlin and Paco de Lucia, and the Rite of Strings trio with bassist Clarke and violinist Jean-Luc Ponty.

A pioneer of blending world music and jazz going back to early Latin-tinged fusion outings like 1976's "Land of the Midnight Sun," 1977's "Elegant Gypsy" and 1978's "Casino," Di Meola continues to explore the rich influence of flamenco, tango, Middle Eastern, Brazilian and African



Photo provided by the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall

World-music and Latin-jazz pioneer Al Di Meola will return to the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall on March 26.

music with his World Sinfonia, an ambitious panglobal group that he formed in 1991.

2018 marked a new era for Di Meola: His first of six signed projects with German record label ear music, "OPUS" was released in March.

The Grammy Award-winner said, "With 'OPUS' I wanted to further my compositional skills as I think that the evolution of this part of my persona has labelled me more composer/guitarist than guitarist/composer. For the first time in my life, I have written music being happy. I'm in a wonderful relationship with my wife. I have a baby girl and a beautiful family that inspires me every day. I believe it shows in the music."

In July 2018, Di Meola received the honorary doctorate degree in music from his alma mater, Berklee School of Music.

Tickets are available for purchase at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre Box Offices and ticket-master.com.

Virtual performance set for Oct. 11 to raise money for music therapy

The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach joins singer Sara Gartland for watch party

The Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach will host "Cocktails, Connections & a Concert," an online event with world-renowned soprano Sara Gartland, at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11.

CCPVB, a nonprofit organization with a mission to bring arts



ara Gartland

into the community, had previously planned an event for March 2020 in order to raise funds for its outreach program, Sound Connections, which provides music therapy to children with special needs. Due to COVID-19, the event was postponed. CCPVB moved forward with a plan to host an online program instead.

The online watch party will feature Gartland, who is passionate about music therapy and has a child with special needs. Gartland will per-

form with David Lomeli, director of artistic administration for The Dallas Opera, and Anthony V. Manoli, a pianist who has worked with leading opera companies throughout the world. In addition to the music, each VIP supporter and general supporter attendee will receive a "party box" for their home with treats to enjoy during the performance.

"We want to thank our supporters," said Catherine Tatem, Arts Programs and Outreach manager, "Their support means everything, especially now."

Virtual seats are still available at CCPVB.org.



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Nease-Mandarin canceled by COVID-19 concerns

Despite reopening plan, schools still practicing strict guidelines

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By Don Coble

The phone rang at Nease High last Friday, Oct. 2, at 5:45 p.m., just 75 minutes before the Panthers were scheduled to kick off against Mandarin.

The Mustangs weren't coming. Apparently, some of their players were displaying symptoms of COVID-19.

A season already turned upside-down by shutdowns and delays related to the deadly virus became more chaotic when football fans were sent home and the stadium lights at Nease were turned off.

"It's just the unfortunate times we're in," said Panthers Athletics Director Matt McCool. "It's frustrating for the kids. They want to get out there. They've worked so hard, and it was taken away by something they can't control."

The game won't be rescheduled, McCool said. Friday's game between Menendez and St. Augustine

Friday's game between Menendez and St. Augustine also was canceled when players from Menendez also appeared to show signs of the virus.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis recently moved the state in Phase III of its reopening plan. That allowed restaurants and stores to open at 100% occupancy. It also lifted restriction on the size of crowds.

None of that applies to high school sports, McCool said.

"As of now we still have our plans [to limit attendance]," he said. "We're taking it day by day and doing the best to keep the kids safe and provide a positive experience."

That means home games at Nease and Ponte Vedra are limited to 600 fans. All tickets must be purchased in advance, with the bulk being offered to families and players, band members, cheerleaders and dancers.

Fans also must enter and move about the stadium wearing a mask, but they aren't required in the stands. Areas also have been blocked off to better insure proper distancing.

COVID-19 permitting, the Panthers travel to Creekside Friday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m., while Ponte Vedra is on the road to Bartram Trail.

PVHS' Campbell Parker puts on pounds during pandemic, runs over opponents

By Don Coble

Like many, Campbell Parker gained a lot of pandemic pounds. But unlike most, it's been a good thing.

The senior running back at Ponte Vedra High gained 30 pounds during the shutdown, and it's made him one of the top running backs on the First Coast. Bigger, stronger and faster, he's been the perfect complement to quarterback Jacobi Myers in the Sharks' fast 4-0 start.

"It's obviously a big deal because it's hard for a defense when you have two guys like that," coach Jeff DiSandro said. "You can take one guy away pretty easily. But to have two, especially one that's at quarterback and one that's at running back, makes it quite a bit more difficult. He's good for what we do and the schemes that we run."

Parker already has 529 rushing yards and five touchdowns, as well as three catches for another 63 yards and a score. And with a road trip Friday to Bartram Trail (3-1), Ponte Vedra will need him to maintain that same pace.

"I have a lot of energy," Parker said.
"I put on about 30 pounds from the start of corona to now. I got hurt last year and that got me motivated to have a better year this year. It's payback. My trainer, coach [Brandon] Floyd and I got together and we had this plan of gaining weight. I wasn't expecting to gain as much as I did. I was going five, six days a week lifting in the gym.



Facebook photo

PVHS running back Campbell Parker.

"When corona hit, we did it at his house. One on one training. I drove an hour there and back. I put in the work and the effort. Here I am."

Myers has completed 67.1% of his passes for 865 yards and 10 TDs.

"If they dial in on the run, Jacobi's going to pass the ball," Parker said. "If they stay focused on the passing, we're going to run the ball the whole game. It keeps defenses guessing."

Both Ponte Vedra and Nease, which plays at Creekside Friday, continue to deal with the fallout created by CO-VID-19. Nease's game last week against Mandarin was canceled after players from Mandarin displayed symptoms on the coronavirus.

Parker said the Sharks were unified in their resolve to get back on the field during the shutdown.

"We as a team, we got together and we didn't know the outcome of the season, but let's prepare," he said. "We had that the entire summer. From the beginning of June to now, we invested in ourselves. We put in the work. All we knew is we had to get better every day.

"There's a lot of doubt in your head, for sure. But you have to have the mindset this is all going to pay off. It's all going to be for something."

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Jaguars can't tame Bengals in 33-25 loss

By Mike Bonts

Jacksonville fell to 1-3 after a 33-25 loss to Cincinnati and will travel to Houston (0-4) to play the Texans Sunday.

It was the second consecutive loss to a winless team following a 31-13 loss to Miami at home on Thursday Night Football.

"There are flashes, but flashes aren't good enough to win games," Jackson-ville head coach Doug Marrone said in his Monday press conference. "Consistency is something that we have to work on. We continue to keep pushing to put ourselves in a good situation with the players. That's on us as coaches — to get those players to where we can make those plays."

There will be a new head coach opposing Marrone Sunday. The Texans relieved Bill O'Brien of his duties as head coach and general manager Monday, following the club's winless start to the season.

Romeo Crennel will serve as Houston interim head coach for the remainder of the 2020 season. Following back-to-back AFC South titles, the Texans struggled in losses to Kansas City, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, and the Minnesota Vikings

Last Sunday Bengals rookie QB Joe Burrow celebrated his first NFL victory when he led scoring drives on all five possessions of the second half on his way

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Ponte Vedra Beach Triathlon returns to Mickler's Landing



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The Ponte Vedra Beach Triathlon returns to Mickler's Landing on Oct. 11.

The Ponte Vedra Beach Triathlon returns to Mickler's Landing for the second time this year on Sunday, Oct. 11.

The Game On! Race Events Triathlon will be hosted at Mickler's Landing and will include an Olympic distance triathlon, duathlon and aquabike, as well as the sprint triathlon and sprint duathlon. The swim will take place in the Atlantic Ocean, with a scenic bike course taking competitors South on A1A through the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve.

The event will close with a run North on Ponte Vedra Boulevard. The triathlon was also held in Ponte Vedra Beach on Aug. 9 and held its inaugural Ponte Vedra event last year.

"Spectacular views, pristine beaches and the natural running environment of St. Johns County make the Game On! Ponte Vedra Beach Triathlon and Duathlon events an amazing addition to our 2020 calendar," said Willie Savoie, co-owner of Game On! Race Events. "We expect this race will become one of our signature destination events, and will attract triathletes from across the country benefitting Florida's Historic Coast and local businesses."

For more information, go to www. GameOnReaceEvents.com

St. Johns Golf Club hosts St. Augustine Amateur golf tournament Oct. 9-11

The St. Augustine Amateur golf tournament, a three-day invitational event for advanced amateur golfers, will be held Oct. 9-11 at the St. Johns Golf Club in Elkton.

The 17th playing of the St. Augustine Amateur will showcase the best of junior, collegiate and mid-amateur golfers from the United States and around the world. Fans and spectators are welcome, and admission and parking are free to

the public.

Net proceeds of the event benefit the First Tee of North Florida, which gives young people of all backgrounds an opportunity to develop life-enhancing values and healthy habits such as honesty, integrity, sportsmanship, and responsibility through golf and character education.

For more information, go to www.staugustineamateur.org.

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For Parker, that meant packing on some pounds.

"For him to put himself in a spot like that, he really worked hard in the offseason and probably put on [30] of good weight, muscle," DiSandro said. "He's been able to stay more durable this year, taking all those carries. He played at 150 last year and now he's about 175-180. He kept his explosion and is a really good high school running back."

NOTE: The Florida High School Athletics Association announced its playoff brackets this week. Ponte Vedra will play the winner of a Class 6A play-in game between Columbia and Englewood on Nov. 13, while Nease will face Oakleaf in a Class 8A play-in game Nov. 13.

Jaguars

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to 300 yards and running back Joe Mixon added 151 more in the win over the Jaguars at Paul Brown Stadium.

Jacksonville led 13-10 at halftime Sunday. The Bengals outgained the Jaguars, 505-429.

Jaguars' running back James Robinson did run for 107 yards 75 rushing and 32 receiving. The undrafted rookie has totaled at least 100 scrimmage yards the third consecutive game.

A week after winning NFL Offensive Rookie for September, Robinson could be on his way to another award. Robinson was nominated for the Pepsi NFL Rookie of the Week award following his latest performance.

Wide receiver DJ Chark Jr. scored two TDs in his first game back from injury, increasing his career total to 11. Chark finished with eight receptions for 95 yards.

Second-year QB Gardner Minshew II completed 27 of 40 passes for 351 yards and one interception. He added two carries for nine yards.

"I believe the ceiling is extremely high for this offense. We ran the ball well today. Threw it well at times," said Minshew following the road loss. "We've just got to stay away from drive killers, away from turnovers, and I believe we can be really good. We just must bring more consistency is the big thing."

Kicker Aldrick Rosas was added to the Jacksonville roster from the practice squad. He missed a 48-yard attempt in the first quarter but converted on four others, including a 50-yarder in the second half.

Defensively Myles Jack produced an interception in Cincinnati. Jack's pick in the end zone prevented a Bengals score and marked the third interception of his career. Prior to leaving the game with an ankle injury, Jack recorded four tackles.

In roster moves, the Jaguars signed fourth-year safety Doug Middleton to the practice squad after he was released from the team's active roster on Monday. Middleton has played in 15 career games and totaled 28 tackles and four passes defensed.

Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. Sunday at NRG Stadium.



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Jacksonville running back James Robinson (30) rushed 17 times for 75 yards (4.41 yards per carry), and caught four passes for 32 yards against Cincinnati.

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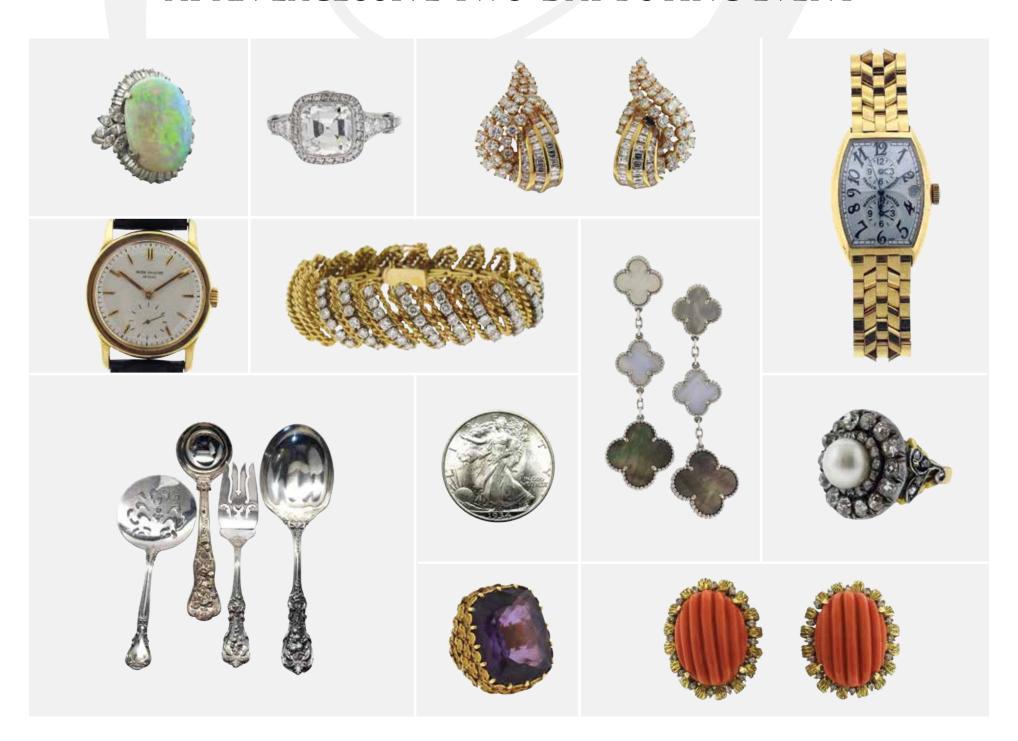
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